LADIES' COLUMN.

THE PLOWERS' SERENADE.

The sun was shining, and I, reclining. Beneath a shady tree, soon fell into

& dreamed the flowers from distant Had met to serenade their lovely

The proud Chrysanthemum, who was the first to come,

Bowed coldly to the Lilacs near the

Then came the Hollyhocks in gold and crimson frocks,

and tall: That sturdy scion, the Dandellon, host of blossoms brought that

nestled in the glade, Dalsy, Mignonette, modest Violet, All were singing sweetly at the Flow-

ers' Serenade.

Blue Bells were ringing, Magnolias flinging Their balmy perfume near the Calla

Lily fair; Gulips were pressing, in soft caressing, The tendrils of a fragrant Honeysuckle rare:

The Cockscomb made so bold to hug the Marigold, The Primrose looking on in shocked

surprise. The Poppy told the pretty Pink she saw Sweet William wink

That revelation hurt bright Carnation,

And in her throbbing breast a Bleeding Heart then laid.

Rose dismissed the lot, said "Forget-As she thanked them sweetly for the

Flowers' Serenade. -Park's Floral Magazine.

SECRETS OF BEAUTY.

(By Jeserai Belle.)

The first grand secret is to be born as we are, we will say nothing about it. enough to care for her dress and per-We will suppose that, like the larger son as she ought." Scure that I do not pity the individual that his kind eyes would brighten with

her how beautiful she may have been happiness they will thus confer upon her youthful prime. One of the sad- those most dear to them. dest things that can be said of a woman of middle age is that "she possesses the remains of beauty," or,"when she was young she must have been -"the beauty is in ruins, the prettiness

Separted with youth." The decay which results from selfishnem it is beyond the power of any art of the toilet to hide. A case in point of beauty. My imagination was entirecarried captive by her. I had never before, and I have never since, seen on one at all comparable with Louise ace. It was small matter for wonder that every man who saw her became enysical perfection. At this time, indeed, her faults were few, and of the negative sort. Her beauty had been to her like an inherited royalty which shilds its possessor from all hardships nd prevents them from getting the sining which comes to all the rest of through rough and ready contact the accident of beauty had done this as thrones, she accepted the position as If the reception of hearts and hor re, she seemed to ask with her s of unequal beauty, could be deto be beautiful she certainly ful-

nd if she prove not to possess at least m or two of the fine qualities of mind rt which seem to rightly belong

middle-aged woman who "still shows traces of former beauty," as having benged to the once so beautiful Louise Saymeme. She is now her only adorer, but that one worshipper is sincere and untiring! Not an art of the toilet is left untried, and all are needed to make her even presentable; in spite of all of then her fac shows ten wrinkles where there ought not to be more than one; her brilliant eyes burn with an unquiet luster, seeking in vain for a siance of that admiration that once met her on every hand; a very artistic wig hides the lack of the once glossy hair; the rich color of skin and lips has been replaced by cosmetics so good that they almost deceive the eye; but nothing can hide the fretful, envious, Who flirted with the Sunflowers grave disappointed expression of the mouth-

that sure index to the heart. Except her beauty there was not very much of poor Louise at twenty, and that little has been so eaten away by the acid of selfishness-not aggressive, but merely absorptive—that she resembles her old self scarcely more than would her skeleton if it could be well

dressed and move about. Self-forgetfulness, when it leads to neglect, is destructive of much that is beautiful in form and feature, but it never leads to such deplorable consequences as its opposite. As I write, the face of another woman, never handsome like Louise, but once pretty enough to be noticed and admired. comes before me as it now is. Here, too, are many wrinkles, but the mouth is sweet and smiling; the abundant While gazing in the Pansy's purple tresses have changed from a rich gold to a lack-luster light brown streaked with gray, and are twisted into the smallest possible knot on the top of her head: the lithe and graceful form has lost its fine outlines, and, though she has not increased much in weight, Laura Lovel seems to have become ungain! vbecause her figure has been allowed to "spicad." The once brilliant complexion has faded, but the eyes are still bright, kind and mirthful.

In spite of all these changes one does not say of her, "She must have been pretty once," but 'rather, "What a Beauitful, but as we have nothing to pretty woman Laura would be still if do about that, and must take ourselves she could only remember herself long

part of the world, we have just the She is the sort of woman who would measure of good looks that will enable do well for her husband and children "to pass in a crowd" without excit- by forgetting them just a little, and mg remark. And this, in itself is an remembering her own needs. She would unspeakable boon. I sm far from being be reminded that the husband who Deautiful myself, but I never see a per- loves her so dearly likes to remmber son with marked ugliness of feature or hr when she was not "mother," and and mentally offer a little ejaculation a happier light could be see her faded of thankfulness that I have been tresses curled and dressed in the style spared any disfigurement that would be of the present as carefully as they noticeable in an assemblage of ordi- were in the old days when they danced mary people. Indeed, it is a great at the "Washington's birthday ball:" Blessing to be "ordinary." One might that the sons would love to look at The very well to be extraordinarily their mother dressed with less atten-Beautiful, but to be extraordinary in a tion to mere utility in the quality and contrary sense is a real misfortune, fashion of her gowns; and that the from which only a still more extraordi- daughters would delight in seeing her mary perfection of character can raise deck herself with the dainty laces which soften the outlines of age, and Of all the causes which, as life pro- develop the color in the pallid cheek; gresses, tend to make "ordinary" wo- and would perform the manicure's serold and haggard, two, which are vice for her tollworn hands with eager the antipodes of each other, are proba- pleasure. The Laura Lovels of the Bly the most effetive. They are selfish- earth will never preserve themselves ness and self-forgetfulness. The woman or pay attention to their persons from who thinks of herself, first, last and any consideration of self; it is neces all the time, will become ugly, no mat- sary to do so by reminding them of the

SOME COOD RECEIPTS.

Chicken Soup.-After plucking a fown gretty;" sad because of the implication carefully, clean the skin with a wet cloth, remove the pin feathers and singe off the hairs; then wipe the bird with a wet cloth and cut the flesh in small pieces, separating the bones, but not breaking them so fine as to enthat of a woman who, when I first danger their remaining in the soup maw her thirty years ago, was a dream after straining it. The head and feet are to be skinned and scalded after cutting off the beak and claws, and the heart, liver and gizzard properly cleaned and put into the soup. Allow a Saymeme for perfection of form and quart and a pint of water to each pound of chicken, and season rather below the taste, because the quantity of soup will be lessened by boiling. Cover the soup kettle, place it at one side of the fire where it will boil gently for several hours until the meat falls apart -the soup will then be ready to strain, removing the bones, and finish for the table by the addition of some delicate dumplings, such as batter-flakes or

egg-barley dumplings. Lentil Soup .- Lentils, half a pint or one cupful; water, two quarts; seasoning, sait, pepper and bay leaf. Pick over and wash the lentils, and put them to soak in plenty of cold water overnight. In the morning drain off the water, add two quarts of fresh cold water, half of a small onion chopped fine, and one bay leaf. Bring to a boil and then simmer gently for two hours, or until the lentils will mash easily. Press the whole through a sieve or fine colander, return it to the soup kettle, season to taste with salt and pepper, let it boil up once and

of flour, take from it a light pint; sift two or three times with one teaspoonfu of cream tartar and one-half team ful of sods. To this add a saltspo men, her empire is not of sait, two eggs whipped very light, two tablespoonfuls of sugar and three-fourths of a cup of rich milk. Rub batter and fry a golden brown. Sauce Stir to a cream half a cup of butter afule of fruit syrup, or

Fodder Corn For Dairy Cows

There is no part of the United States in which dairying is carried on, where his tage for the feeding of milch stock This fact should be fully understood chasers that they are good producers. and appreciated early in the season, so that ample provision may be made for the planting of this important feed auxillary. Some of the most profitable dairy farms in the land put out every

before hot, dry weather is fairly started. Mind you, I say planted, for I have practice of sowing the corn broadcast that's enough. like small grain. It should be listed or planted in rows, so as to admit of thorough cultivation at least one way. In

ply for silage making in the fall. The

and better fodder produced on one acre planting is done. carefully prepared and cultivated than on three where the reverse was the case. Plant varieties hardy to your stocky growth.

Training the Horse.

The colt should be allowed to run with the dam until it is six months old. The mare should have plenty of grass and such other food as may be necessary to keep her in good condition and keep up the flow of milk. The colt should be handled and fondled from the time it is a week old, accustoming it to the use of the halter. Thus it becomes accustomed to the muster, and if kindly treated, will soon come to seek the fondling hand .

being gradually increased until it gets a full ration at six months old. When ready to wean it will already be ac customed to lead by the halter. Feed generously. Give it plenty of water. Horses should have intelligent manage ment because they are intelligent animals. They have a sense of reason They are naturally disposed to rely upon their master, and this disposition should be cultivated and in no case overcome by fear of injury. They are low. No horse broken by main strength and a half hours. and brute force is ever quite safe in unskilled hands. The first lesson to be imparted is perfect confidence in the will of the master, which is given when the colt is first haltered.

The basis of profitable dairying is a good herd of cows that will produce largely in proportion to the feed consumed. To get cows of this kind it is in fresh, and fatten them off when the period of lactation has advanced and they then buy new cows to take the places of those sold for beef. This method seems to be found profitable by a few men, but, speaking generally, the ialryman must grow his cows if he wants a herd that will pay. Good cows are not in the market to any considerable extent. They need to be bred for and developed from calfhood n order to be large producers. No man as a greater inducement to do this tind of work right than he who proposes to keep the calf in his herd when t becomes a cow. Dairymen should nabitually breed from their best cows and should use buils of a kind suited to the end in view, and then they

FARM NEWS NOTES, from turning the food consumed into fat. There is no danger of the dairy. man ever getting too many of this kind of cows. If he does happen to grow more than he can conveniently keep in wn herd, he can easily find a ready fodder corn cannot be raised to advan- market for them in the city milkman or as family cows, if he can shew pur-

Upland Potato Growing. (W. S. Baker.)

Select seed from clean, pure varieties that are known to produce well in spring a large acreage of corn for your state or locality. I grow but one green feeding late in the summer and variety of potato, the "Chicago Marearly in the fall. The dairyman who ket"-a variety we find especially work on a volume of memories of that does not anticipate and provide for his adapted to Eastern Nebraska upland, lime. milch cattle's wants months in advance. Be sure and select only the best of

will be compelled to witness the drying what you have, and don't plant the Rico possesses among his other qualioff of his cows just when he has no little ones; and while I think of it, fications for that place a thorough extra feed to supplement a waning pas- will say that we invariably cut out of Spanish, which he is said to speak potatoes so that but one or two eyes like a native. are on each piece. One eye is much enough so that it will get a good start better than three, as you get fewer or no small potatoes in your crop, and treasury under the franchise tax law. save seed as well. One eye will make known some to indulge in the slovenly from two to four sprouts or stalks, and to the cashler's wicket to pay up. Prepare your land by a good top

dressing of well rotted manure (even in Nebraska I never saw a crop of anythis manner sunlight and air are ad- thing injured by a good coat of mamitted and combined with frequent nure). Fall plow your land if possible. stirring of the soil, vigorous and succu- If not, just plow your land deep and lent stalks develop, containing much early, and follow each half day's plowsaccharine matter capable of producing ing with a thorough harrowing. Don't a rich and abundant flow of milk. If wait to do this until the whole piece sown or planted too thick and left is plowed; but do it every half day, practically uncuitivated, the canes will and plow deep. Just as early as the be white and watery and possess but land will permit, take your riding lister and having fixed a platform on behind If one has winter dairying at all in the seat that will hold you and a basview, a sufficient quantity of fodder ket of cut potatoes, get on and drop corn should be planted to insure a sup- your seed in the furrow made by the lister, about a foot apart, one piece value of properly put up ensilage has at a place. Don't run the lister too been practically demonstrated for years deep, but just deep enough to scour and generally those failures in its use nicely. Have on the subsoiler and have followed improper storing in leaky let that run two or three inches below the lister furrow. Have your driver Do not make the mistake of planting drive very slow at first until you get ican editors, will continue as editor-infodder corn on second grade soil. If the motion, and you can, after a little you are engaged in dairying at all, practice, plant four acres a day or you are certainly in the business to more, and you need not break your try and make it pay, and this merits back and worry the children and keep first class work in ever department, them out of school to help you drop Plant our forage crop on as rich soil potatoes. (This is a little invention of as you have on your place, and on as my own, made just to beat the implecarefully a prepared seed bed as you ment dealers, and saves lots of work would use in putting in corn for grain, that made me hate to see spring come Bear in mind that it is yield more than when I was a boy.) Now take your light acreage that will give the most ef. harrow and harrow over lengthwise the fective results, for I have seen more rows once to cover the seed, and the

Four days after planting run over the patch with a light harrow again lengthwise, and four days after that section that will make a vigorous and harrow again lightly, and just keep on doing that, and don't stop harrowing when the plants come up. By that time you can cross harrow some, every four days when the ground is not too wet. Harrow those potatoes until they Brown club and the Young Men's are eight inches high, and then harrow Christian association of Torrington. them once more for luck. When you really can't muster up the courage to harrow them again, cultivate lightly every six days until in full bloom, and then once or twice more for luck. But don't neglect to harrow those potatoes every four days, no matter what happens, unless its rain; and then get in just as quick after the rain as the land As soon as it will eat, say at about will permit and harrow them. Oh, yes? you said!

you won't have any trouble with bugs nor weeds either.

A Vegetable Time Table. minutes to cook. Old potatoes, twenty-five minutes. Onions and Spanish onions, from one to three hours. Old carrots, at least one hour. Young carrots, about twenty-five to thirty minutes. Young cabbages, about fifcourageous and at the same time timid. to thirty minutes. French beans, fif-Their courage should be cultivated since teen to twenty minutes; if very old, it increases their spirit and decreases thirty minutes. Vegetable marrows, their timidity. They fear objects with fifteen to twenty minutes. Salsify, which they are not familiar, but if from two to two and a half hours. their confidence in the master is great- White artichokes, thirty to thirty-five er than their fear, they can be induced minutes; if young, fifteen to twenty to approach objects, to them most fear- minutes. Celery, boiling or braising. ful. Teaching the young animal that from two to three hours. Green peas, while the master must be obeyed from ten to twenty minutes; if very promptly and implicitly he is yet an old, thirty to thirty-five minutes. Spinindulgent master, requiring nothing but ach, fifteen to twenty minutes. Bruswhat is necessary to be done, and that seis sprouts, ten to fifteen minutes. when the task is performed the re- Broad beans, fifteen to thirty-five minwards of kind care and rest wift fol- utes. Beet root, one and a half to two

MYPHADS OF SUNS.

There is a quite evident conspiracy on the part of the telescope and camera to belittle this infinitesimal speck of cosmic dust on which we live, and they are succeeding. It was bad enough to knock the earth out of position as the center of the universe, but now he is being relegated to a position that, aslittle attention. Prof. Wadsworth of the Alleghany observatory is now show. ing, on a curved plate, a photograph of the constellation Orion and adjacent region, coving 1,000 square degrees, or t little patch measuring less than thirty three degrees on a side, or about one eleventh of the great circle-and what do you think? It shows 50,000 blasing suns. The professor says he has only been able to catch the light from the larger of the suns in that patch, and that these planets are yet beyond the joint power of the two cyclops, the telescope and camera.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: "And Georeg gained your father's consent." "Oh yes, there was never any question of that. George knew too much about papa's past." "Who could have told him?" "I did."

The retail price of ice in Boston remains 25 cents a hundred. Cool and

PERSONAL POINTERS.

The sultan, too, has started a famine fund, but it is suspected the famine it

will relieve is in his treasury. New York authorities are trying to reak up the ice trust. Meanwhile the trust is cutting the cakes to suit its

People will have to stop calling William of Germany "the young emepror." now that his oldest son has reached his majority.

Ex-Governor Kellogg of Louisians who was prominent in national politics turing the reconstruction period, is at

Governor Charles H. Allen of Porto

Corporations are scheduled to pay \$21,967,351 into the New York state Strange to say, they are not rushing up

The gold medal of honor which Em-

peror Franz Joseph of Austria has conferred upon Guiseppe Verdi was accompanied by a long autograph letter from the emperor praising Verdi's compositions. Since Mark Twain announced his can didacy for the presidency other humor-

ists are failing into line and among the most promising is M. Quad, who promises, if elected, to put a tax upon all dialect stories.

John W. Gates, whose recent opera tions have brought him into prominence, though the son of an Illinois farmer, is a well educated man, and graduated with high honrs from Northwestern college, Napenville, Ill.

The Philadelphia Times has changed ownership A syndicate represented by SEND NO MONEY Charles F. Kindred has purchased a controlling interest in the paper. Colonel A. K. McClure, the nestor of Amer-

A delicious sample of childlike innocence is the public announcement of the Panama Canal company that it has never maintained a lobby in Washington. A like announcement from the Nicaragua canal promoters would increase the galety of the season.

The John Brown association is rais ing funds to preserve the old John Brown homestead in Torrington, Conn. Mr. Kilbourn, the treasurer, says th matter is progressing favorably and that the association hones to be able to purchase the property before the centenial celebration. The mere purchase of the old house is a small part of what is required, as the house must be improved and the grounds beautified The celebration of the centennial will be under the auspics of the John

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