

Cultivating the Palm Indoors.
Eben E. Rexford in a practical article in February Ladies' Home Journal, explains in detail how the palm can be successfully cultivated in the house. In summarizing the essential points to be observed he says: "The hot, dry air of the living room lacks that vital principle which the air of the greenhouse had in it, and encourages the development of insect enemies which rapidly sap the impoverished life-blood of the palm. It will be understood from this that it is necessary to modify the conditions characteristic of the living room as much as possible. The air must be moistened by evaporation of water about the plant, or by the application of it to its foliage. Fresh air must be admitted to take the place of that whose vitality has been burned out of it by too intense heat. The plant must have a place near the window where direct light can exert its beneficial effect on the soil. Care must be taken to give only enough water to keep the soil moist. Good drainage must be provided also."

The Ideal Husband.
An article in the current number of an influential review bears this rather portentous title: "Does the Ideal Husband Exist?" Despite the weightiness of the doubt implied, the answer is really easy. It depends on the ideal.
The trouble with the modern woman is that she wants too much. In this she is in strong contrast with the modern man. He doesn't want too much. In fact, he would often be glad to take less than he gets. But she, if she is very modern, wants earth and heaven combined, and varying in combination according to the requirements of the moment.
This she can't get, and she never will be able to get it. The best consolation for her is to rest in the conviction that the ideal wife is more likely to be found than the ideal husband. Thus her sex will be left with the advantage. Philadelphia Times.

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A MARVELOUS CURE.
Old Guichemerre was sad that day. Seated alone before the fire he was warming his trembling hands, glancing every moment toward the little avenue that led to his house.
"No one," he murmured sadly, shaking his head.
For fifty years Guichemerre had been the health officer of the village of Saint-Leon. Although not very learned, he was an honest man, and had treated his patients successfully, and being the only doctor in the neighborhood the village people had venerated Guichemerre. But now he had fallen upon evil days. First a druggist had established himself in Saint-Leon, thereby depriving the health officer of the right of dispensing his own medicines. The druggist, not stopping short at pecuniary injury, had lowered the health officer in the eyes of the people by sneering at his prescriptions, pronouncing them to be unscientific.
To add to his misfortunes a young doctor had established himself at Saint-Leon and taken the place of the village people would gladly have become sick to be cured by a doctor who from his learned mouth let fall pompous and imposing words to describe maladies that Guichemerre had wounded their dignity by describing by humble and every-day names. They gladly bought expensive medicines for the diseases that Dr. P.ville described by such new and complicated names, whereas they learned to scorn the simple remedies of Guichemerre. Indeed, the poor health officer was unable to struggle against the imposing Dr. P.ville, his most faithful patients even abandoning him one by one, and he saw poverty and ruin threatening his old age.
That winter day Guichemerre's sadness was mortal. Among the few patients who had remained true to him was the forester, whose son Robert had been ill for the last four days. Four days, and the health officer had not yet called to prescribe for him.
"Will he also abandon me?" thought the aged doctor, warming his hands at the fire.
Suddenly his daughter entered.
"Listen!" she exclaimed, growing pale.
The trot of a horse was heard on the road, a well known trot.
"Yes, yes, it is he," exclaimed Guichemerre. "He is going to the forester's."
Ten seconds later, in truth, Dr. P.ville passed the end of the ravine on his spirited horse and turned to the left toward the forester's house.
Old Guichemerre let his head fall on his hands in silent prayer, realizing that with the desertion of his most faithful patient his career as a doctor was ended.
Two weeks after Guichemerre experienced one of the greatest joys of his life. The forester, with tears in his eye, came to him exclaiming, "My wife and I implore your pardon. We made a great mistake. Our child has been worse since Dr. P.ville has been attending him. We are both anxious that you should take charge of the case."
Guichemerre bore no malice, but for the sake of professional dignity he observed, "What you propose, my friend, would be unprofessional."
"Oh, have no scruples," interrupted the forester. "He knows now that we have more faith in you and will never set foot in our house again."
"Very well; I will be at your house in a quarter of an hour," replied Guichemerre.
It was only when the health officer reached the child's bedside that he realized how very sick little Robert was. He regretted most bitterly the fact that he was not more learned, though he reassured the weeping mother by exclaiming, "Yes, yes, he will recover."
Guichemerre had grave doubts upon the subject himself. One remedy after another was tried without success; he administered all the old formulas that had been successful in his youth, but now they seemed no virtue left in them. His unaccustomed lips recited a rosary, but his prayers were as inefficacious as his medicine.
All the inhabitants of Saint-Leon followed every phase of the sickness, the most extraordinary rumors being in circulation. Every evening Robert was said to be dead and every morning he came to life again, while the old doctor felt that his success or his ruin was hanging by the thread of the child's life.
One day—the second of January—Guichemerre entered the sick room with a present he was taking to his grandson, a splendid brass locomotive that went by steam.
He happened to be alone with the invalid and moved by a certain curiosity, took the splendid toy out of its box to examine it. "That's fine," murmured Robert, whose hollow black eyes actually showed a gleam of interest. "Oh, yes, it's fine."
Guichemerre started, and took the engine completely out of its wrappings while Robert flushed with pleasure, and whispered feebly:
"Does it go?"
"Indeed it does," replied the old man, almost weeping for joy.
When he left the sick room that day, with his locomotive carefully hidden in its case he smiled hopefully upon the patient, exclaiming, "It is better, much better. I will call again this evening."
He came back that evening, the next morning, always with the mysterious box under his arm and his private interviews with his patient became longer and longer.
The parents, from outside the door, heard singular noises during the doctor's visits.
"Loul, cow, cow—that's fine."
"My dearest, the child recovered; he talked and his appetite came back."
One day, when Robert was almost well, Guichemerre made such a noise with his engine that the parents, consumed with curiosity, suddenly entered the room.
"Saps! saps!" cried the health officer, hiding his toy.
But it was too late—they had seen it, and the poor old man, overwhelmed with shame, carried away his locomotive under his overcoat without uttering a word.
What would the doctor and the druggist say! what would Saint-Leon say!

at the idea of curing sick children with toys?
Guichemerre was tearing his few remaining hairs in despair when the officer of public instruction entered his house.
"Sir," said the latter, "I am a correspondent of a scientific Paris journal. I have just heard of your success. I should like to mention it in my article. Would you permit a profane outsider to examine the marvelous appliance that you have invented and which the forester—"
Guichemerre gave a start of joy as the truth dawned upon him. The forester had seen badly, and had mistaken the locomotive for a new surgical appliance.
"Sir," said he to the officer of public instruction, with difficulty refraining from laughter, "allow me to express my regret that for a short time longer I am compelled to guard complete silence respecting my invention. Besides," added he, gravely, "I am about to communicate it to the Academy of Medicine."
At present M. Guichemerre is mayor of Saint-Leon and a candidate for the next senatorial election.

Nursing as a Profession for Women.
Of late years a very noble and wholesome occupation has developed itself, as profitable as shopkeeping, as honorable as teaching and as helpful, and one that never need go into disrepute except through the special default of those that fill it. For the services of the nurse are so instant that when she comes she is received as though she were a visiting angel; for she comes to give the last measure of comfort to our dear, our sick and our dying—comfort that we do not know how to give with our own hands, but which she, with her skill and training, gives almost as soon as she enters the room, and to give us ourselves rest and relief, to take from us, in our ignorance and half-helpfulness, the burden of responsibility, to let us have some sleep and rest, and be prepared for our joy or sorrow. And she is taken at her full worth. The work she does is work that in all ages has been considered womanly, refined, religious.
It is a full realization of this. It is intended for a good part of the full realization of it to Florence Nightingale and the well born women who followed her to hospitals. But the idea has grown since those Crimean days, and what it was fine to do for heroes it has since been felt fine to do for all humanity, high or low. Thus, unto the sick room of to-day have come those whose birth gives them hereditary delicacy and refinement and grace, whose general education has developed and heightened their perception, and whose technical training has brought all those good qualities into use, the profession of nursing having been taken up by ladies. In many places people of a much station as our republican institutions allow, who wish to be independent or to add to their resources, the same class of people as those who write or paint, or decorate houses or pursue any art. For this fine nursing, followed by women of delicate habits, of tender sympathy, of good breeding, not only acquainted with its technique, but its aesthetic and its moral side, it is an art than which there is no finer.—Harper's Bazar.

Question of Sleeves.
The agitating question is again being discussed regarding the possible fate of the full sleeves that have so long been the rage. It is constantly feared by those who admire these picturesque accessories that they will be abandoned altogether when once they are really frowned upon by fashion, the excess and exaggeration of this pretty and most comfortable style naturally tending to a reaction, and a radical change. We think there is not a woman living who desires to see the revival of the skin-tight, torturing sleeves of other days. They were not dressy, neither were they improving or becoming to either stout or slender women. The newest creations are happy mediums in outline and style, and if only this very desirable state of things sleeveward could remain in vogue for years, we think no reasonable woman would ever wish for a change. It is to be hoped that the leading modistes will endeavor to keep within the limits of good taste and good sense, and that they will strongly urge their patrons to refuse both the old-style sleeve and the hideous balloon shapes, and to select for what is best, prettiest and most comfortable in spite of the flats from official sources or flying rumors from nowhere.—New York Post.

Use of Fertilizers.
A reader in Port Walthall, Va., writes Farm and Fireside that for several years he has raised early potatoes for market, and that he finds it profitable to use commercial fertilizers for them. Last year he used a special potato fertilizer guaranteed to contain 6 per cent each of ammonia, phosphoric acid and potash, and costing him \$36.50 per ton. This was used at the rate of about 800 pounds per acre. On a few trial rows he applied about 400 pounds in bloom, and this application fully doubled the yield. Mapes' potato manure, guaranteed analysis 4 1/2 per cent ammonia, 8 per cent phosphoric acid and 6 per cent potash, costs him \$45. Home meal (nearly 25 per cent phosphoric acid and 4 1/2 per cent ammonia) would cost \$27.50 per ton; sulphate of potash (10 per cent available phosphoric acid), \$12 per ton. He thinks he can mix a fertilizer of bone meal, sulphate of potash and nitrate of soda which would be much cheaper than any of the special potato manures, but he wishes to know whether raw bone meal will act quickly enough for potatoes, and what mixture would be most likely to give best results at the least cost.

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The Census of Berlin.
Berlin has never having her quinquennial census taken. Then the statistician produced statistics and made out that on the night of November 1 last Berlin had 1,647,000 souls in it. As sides," added he, gravely, "I am about to communicate it to the Academy of Medicine."
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