#### HOME, FARM AND GARDEN.

-The man who plans a barn with all the modern improvements should be careful also that his wife has the modern improvements in her kitchen.

Tea Loa es. -One pound of flour, two eggs, two ounces of butter, one teaspoonful of baking powder, half teaspoonful of salt; knead with milk into small loaves and bake from ten to fifteen minutes.

-Rhubarb Jam.-One and a half pounds of rhubarb stalks to one pound of preserving sugar; the peel of one large lemon. Boil all well together, stirring constantly, and adding a teaspoonful of powdered ginger. Turn into pots and cover down. This is an excellent jam for children.

-Drying Sweet Corn. -Boil the corn about twenty minutes, and then cut it from the cob. Cut off the top of the grain and scrape out the rest; then spread it on cloth (muslin) stretched self, "if I say pears, I may mortify my on wooden frame, and dry over the stove or range. Do not put too near the fire, or it will brown. It can be done in the oven, but care must be used not to let it be too hot.

-Great care must be exercised in putting away winter clothes; clean paper sacks, or even old cotton or linen pillow cases will do to hold them, providing there are no holes in them. Take the garments that are to be laid away outdoors on a summer day, let them hang on a line for several hours, brush and beat the dust all out, then put into the bags, tie them up, so that no moth can get in, and lay them on clean, dry shelves, or hang them up.

-For a plain boiled pudding take one quart of milk, the yelk of five eggs well beaten, a little salt, and flour enough to make a batter as thick as for griddle cakes. Have a pudding bag made smaller at the bottom than at the top, dip it into hot water, sprinkle the inside with flour, pour in the batter, tie tightly and boil three quarters of an hour. If you choose to put fruit in you can; dried fruit is nice, as it will be thoroughly steamed and softened. For sauce use a sour sauce, adding to it butter, flour and sugar, either vinegar or eider.

-There is quite as much necessity for barn cleaning on the farm as for house-cleaning, and if farmers were as punctilious about the renovation and purification of the out-buildings as farmerines are about the dwellings, there would speedily be an improvement in the appearance of things; and of conveniences, too. Lost, or misplaced tools are brought to light, barn, shed and shop furnishings put in order, space gained and a revival of cheerfulness everywhere. Find time for barn cleaning. - Western Rural.

-Soups should always be made of fresh meat, and fresh bones be but added sparingly. Meat that has once under-gone cooking can be warmed up in lage. But let this stranger see if he various ways by a slight heat process, but even then it will be but little nourishing. Stale cooked meat and bones much more than is wanted at the time, and having "fresh food." Whoever bed be dressed for the traveler, but let has studied the changes of food, the not the emphasis of hospitality be in process of digestion, and the requireits vitality, will know this.

-It is said by many who have tried the experiment that dogs may be prevented from worrying sheep by having bells, say one to each two sheep, hung around their necks. Numerous inquiries have always been answered to the effect that dogs have never been known to attack sheep when belled. A good farmer in Leyden who keeps about a dozen excellent Southdown ewes, always belled, was grieved and surprised one morning to find that dogs lies in New England. had raided his flock, killed two, mangled others and scattered the rest. On collecting his little flock into the yard after a half-day's search he found that the tongue was lost from the bell. This was replaced, and never since have his sheep been worried. The experiment is so simple and cheap that it is worth trying, and this is the time to do it, as sheep with lambs are just going to pasture. - Exchange.

#### Influence of a Good Dinner.

The Secretary of the Detroit Limekiln Club announced a communication from the President of the White Rose Debating Club, asking Brother Gardner to take sides on the question: "Am sheep-ment too good for cull'd folks?" The club had the question before it for several meetings, and failing to agree it had been agreed to accept the decision of the Limekiln Club.

"I should say dat it was accordin' to sarcumstances," replied the Pres dent, as he removed his spectacles. "In de case of a lazy, wicked, right-down nigger eben ole bones am too good fur his stomach. In de case of a good, squar cull'd man, shee meat, sirloin steaks an' spring chicken am none too fine; I am a firm believer in de theory dat de brain am in a greatmeasure controlled by de stomach. I lay one-half de rascality of dis world to poor fodder. A man who sits down to a lean table who is st feels mad at de hull world, though it Ukagura. may be his own fault dat he has no better. Bring up a chile on co' taters, old crusts an' thin meats, an' de chances am ninety-five in a hundred dat he will make a wicked man. When de stomach am pinched, de brain turns to deviltry. I've bin right dar'. In de y'ars agone. when I sot down to a dinnah table held down by a few taters, a cup of weak tea an' a mighty thin slice of bread, I felt like robbery an' murder. Gin a man good coffee, plenty of meat, good bread an' whateber fixin's come between, an' he will keep cl'ar of crime, unless it was bo'n in his natar'."

#### " Apples or P'ars?"

It costs something, now and then, to be courteous. Yet a gentleman will not hesitate to pay the price. His own approval is sufficient compensation for any loss he may suffer.

Several years ago, three young men. just graduated from college, went on a hunting tour through Western Virginia. seeking both sport and health. One day, they stopped, on their way back to camp, at a farmer's house, to take din-ner. They were cordially welcomed by the good man and his wife, whose table, as usual with West Virginia farmers, was bountifully spread. At the close of the meal, a basket of apples and antrician, has cleared \$20,000,000 from other of pears were placed upon the

"Mr. Ames, will you take apples or p'ars?" asked the farmer's wife, addressing one of the young men.

hostess by seeming to correct her pronunciation. Should I say p'ars, the boys would laugh, and that won't do." "I'll take an apple, if you please," he answered, denying himself, that he

might be courteous. A similar question was put to Mr. Childs, who, reasoning as did his friend, also concluded to deny his appetite for

Mr. Smith, the third student, had in the meanwhile made up his mind that, come what might, he would take a pear. When the lady asked, "Mr. Smith, will you take apples or p'ars?" he answered, as courteously as if addressing a Duchess-

"Thank you, madam, I'll take p'ars." Two beautiful pears were passed to him, somewhat to the chagrin of his companions, who ate their unrelished appies in silence. As they were leaving the house, the kind-hearted matron gave to Ames and Childs several apples, but to Smith three or four tooth-

The young men hastened to get out of sight, that they might divide the spoils, and enjoy a laugh over the selfdenial their courtesy cost them.
" Noblesse oblige (Rank imposes ob-

ligations), you know, boys," said Ames. 'I wouldn't have mortified the old lady for the basketful of pears."

"Nor I have said 'pears," remarked Smith. "There's a time and place for everything; but the dinner-table is not the place to correct your hostess' pronunciation." - Youth's Companion.

#### Entertaining Company.

I pray you, oh, excellent wife, not to cumber yourself and me to get a rich dinner for this man or this woman who has alighted at our gate, nor a bed-chamber made ready at too great a cost. These things, if they are curious will, in your looks, in your accent and behavior, your heart and earnestness, your thought and will, what he cannot boiled for hours into stock or soup will buy at any price, at any village produce but a greasy, acid, indigestible or city, and which he may well travel mass. It is no saving to work up stale fifty miles, and dine sparingly, and material, the saving is in never cooking | sleep hard, in order to behold. Certainly let the board be spread and the not the emphasis of hospitality be in these things. Honor to the house where ments of the human system to maintain they are simple to the verge of hardship, so that the intellect is awake and sees the laws of the universe, the soul worship truth and love, honor and courtesy flow into all deeds .-- R. W.

> -The town of Hampden, Mass., has given the land for a cemetery, dividing it equally between Protestants and Roman Catholics. This is said to be the first time that any public property has ever been given to Roman Catho-

> -A pine tree, 315 years old, which was cut down recently at Crystal Spring, N. Y., yielded \$200 in lumber.

> It is very fashionable for young ladies to learn to play the violin, and there are sev-eral orchestras throughout the country said to make very good music.

> "Willy, I'm so glad you've come. Did you know that I've been worrying about you, John, all evening?" "That's just what married you for. It is pleasant to think that there is some one home worrying about you." Somehow this view of the matter didn't exactly coincide with her ideas of marital amenities.

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An ingenious farmer, sticking a few nails into a clothes-line to keep his neighbor's cattle out of his pasture, went about his other business thinking no more of the matter. A sharp fellow came along, saw the rope and began to think about it. He evolved the "barbed wire" fence, and the very farmer from whom the fellow got the idea has to pay him a tribute for an article which he himself originally designed. And the income of the monopoly is estimated at \$100,000 per month.

THE question is asked whether it is worse for the Chinese to admire a small, deformed foot than for the French and English to admire a small, deformed waist.

-At Harrodsburg, Ky., lightning shattered every window pane in the house of Isaac Terhune and demolished a tree measuring thirty inches so completely that large pieces of wood were thrown 100 feet and the trunk split into ordinary cord wood.

-A policeman in the Central Police Station of Philadelphia had just finished combing and dressing his hair in a recent thunder-storm when the electricity soon unmade it by drawing every hair on end so that it looked as il ruffled by a rake, but his body suffered no injury.

-Siemens, the great European elechis inventions, and expects to make as much more from the electric railroad which he has just put in operation at Berlin.

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