# USEFUL AND SUGGESTIVE.

Chocolate Biscuits: Mix some choclate powder, with white of eggs, and powdered loaf sugar, into a paste. Mold this into biscuits and bake them at a gentle heat on a sheet of white paper.

-Dr. T. H. Hoskins, of Vermont, who has been a fruit-grower for thirtyfive years and owns an orchard of over 1,500 trees, is "willing to confess that there is a great deal still to be learned about the business." He adds: "I have never found the kind of men that knew it all of much value as teachers." -To mark tools: Cover the part to be marked with a thin coating of tallow or beeswax. Then, with a sharp in-strument, write the name in the tallow, cutting clearly into it. Then fill in the letters with nitric acid. Let it remain from one to ten minutes. Then dip in water and rub off, and you will have the mark etched. -N. Y. Sun.

-Pianos and organs are becoming common at farm houses. This is all right, as farmers' daughters have as much right to the refined accomplishments as city ladies. But in addition to music, farmers' daughters ought to know how to wash, iron, cook a good meal, make bread, make shirts and dresses, and then the man who marries her gets a fortune, whether she has money or not. - Iowa State Register.

-To Prepare Spiced Blackberries: To six quarts of fruit take two and one-half pints of sugar, one and one-half pints of vinegar, one-half ounce of cinnamon (ground), one-half ounce cloves, onehalf ounce allspice and a little mace broken in small pieces. Boil the sugar and vinegar together, with the spices, putting these last into muslin bags. Then put in the berries and let them scald, not boil. - Denver Tribune.

-A correspondent of the Fruit Recorder says that cotton soaked in turpentine and hung among the branches of plum trees just as the blossoms are falling and frequently renewed until the plums are half grown will effectually protect the fruit from the depredations of the curculio. If gum camphor or any of the essential oils, such as peppermint, pennyroyal, sassafras, etc., are dissolved in the turpentine it produces an odor so strong that it becomes intolerable to all insects.

## Carrots as Food for Horses.

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A correspondent of long experience calls our attention to the following extract from the London Live Stock Journal, adding that he has himself fed carrots to cart and other horses for thirty years with good results, as hundreds of others have also done throughout the Eastern States, and that he has never heard of any injury from their use:

We do not entirely agree with those who maintain that the carrot is the most wholesome and nourishing food which can be given to horses. The carrot, says Agriculture, is excellent when employed as a tonic for old horses in order to purify and strengthen the blood; but its use is dangerous for young horses, and especially for stallions. It gives them too much blood; makes them nervous, irritable, spiteful or vicious when at work, and predisposes them to apoplectic fits if they do not take enough exercise. Geldings and mares might not be particularly liable to inconvenience of this nature; nevertheless, in all cases carrots should be given with the greatest moderation to horses of less than ten years of age. For horses past this age they may be harmless; and with oats, may constitute a valuable article of food. Horses cat them with avidity, especially when they are mixed with coarse bran. This diet gives horses new blood, which seems to restore their youth. Unfortunately, the carrot is not to be had all the year round. We need not regret this, however. An article of food the effect of which is so powerful is only valuable when employed for a time. Its prolonged use is of no good; for the body can get accustomed to everything, even to the most violent medicines. The carrot might be very appropriately called the regenerator of old worn-out horses. A horse which has been improperly treated, is fatigued, thin and exhausted, improves visibly when fed upon this generous diet. But if those who have the care of the animal are not careful to let it take regular exercise, or to take a little blood from it, or, better still, administer a strong purgative, they will find that, just when the embonpoint and vigor begin to be noticeable, the horse is seized with apoplexy, and perishes, just when it appeared to be completely made over again, and fit for work.

# Japanese Bamboo.

rapidly that you can see it increase in height as you look at it. One gentle-man of our party assured me that he

has bamboos growing on his place that are increasing in height three feet in twenty-four hours. Our host told me

that the grove we were looking at at-

tained its growth in about thirty days,

and they were at least forty feet in height. The first few days the growth

is not so rapid as during the last fifteen

days. The bamboo never grows in

diameter after leaving the ground.

There are many different species-some

as delicate in their rotundity as a lady's riding-whip, while some are several inches in diameter. At a ripe old age

grove we were looking at was standing

in the place where had grown, blos-somed and died some of the same family. It is said that as the "twig is bent the tree is inclined." As the bam-

boo shows itself at two feet above the

ground, it remains in girth during its life. It shows the same appearance al-

ways. The secret of its finely-fibered

exterior is thus accounted for. The

bamboo of to-day will be the same un-

thi it adorns itself with its death chap-

let. It is the very personification of

every vestige of root fiber is eradicated.

It extends its roots in all directions,

and grows as fast almost laterally un-

derground as its shoots do above.

When the shoots make their appear-

ance so rapidly do they grow that the ground is raised and broken about them. In China, for the punishment

of certain crimes, it is provided that the culprit shall be bent over a grow-

ing bamboo-a terrible infliction of

punishment it must be, because it

means nothing more nor less than im-

palement: And yet so tender are the

young shoots that they are eaten as a

Yokohama Cor. San Francisco Chronicle.

and a quarter persons to each family.

In many of them the husband is the

The Opinion of a Physician,

Dock and Sarsaparilla, having carefully ana-lyzed its ingredients, says: "I feel enthusi-astic over this great health renewer. There can be no other remedy so harmless and yet

can be no other remedy so infrates and yet so effective. No other possible combination of drugs will more rapidly assist nature in hastening the cure of general ill-health. In chronic diseases of the lungs, liver and kid-neys and nervous system it is especially bene-

A physician writing of Dr. Guysott's Yellow

quarter.

-It is estimated by the census of

vegetable, and considered a delicacy.-

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the bamboo flowers and dies.

""Necessity is the mother of invention." Diseases of the liver, kidneys and bowels brought forth that sovereign remedy Kidney-There are some fine old bamboos in a neighboring grove, standing in sym-metrical order, their feathery tops piercing the sky. The bamboo not only Wort, which is nature's normal curative for all those dire complaints. In either liquid or dry form it is a perfect remedy for those terrible diseases that cause so many deaths. gives voice in its growth, but it grows se

At a family party the company was so large that two boys had to wait at supper. When the meal had long been over and the elder folks still sat at the table, the elder of the boys—it was his seventh birthday —was seen crouching on the doorstep outside the supper room and was asked: "Where is Paul" With a deep-drawn sigh, the lad re-sponded: "I don't know; I s'pose he's some-where prayin' the Lord for his supper!"— *Ellenville Journal*.

#### "I Don't Want That Stuff"

Is what a lady of Boston said to her husband when he brought home some medicine to cure her of sick headache and neuralgia which had her of sick headache and neuralga which had made her miserable for fourteen years. At the first attack thereafter, it was administered to her with such good results, that she con-tinued its use until cured, and was so en-thusiastic in its praise, that she induced twenty-two of the best families in her circle to adopt it as their regular family medicine. That "stuff" is Hop Bitter, in Standard.

A BLACK washerwoman will do in the city, but in the country the girls always want a white lawn-dress.—Boston Commercial Bulletin\_

#### Our Progress.

As stages are quickly abanyared with the completion of railroads, so the auge, drastic, eathartic pills, composed of grude and bulky medicines, are quickly abandoned with the in-troduction of Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant Purga-tive Pellets," which are sugar-coated, and little larger than mustard seeds, but composed of vigor. When it is once rooted in the soil it is there for all time, or until highly concentrated vegetable extracts. By druggists.

HANGING a thermometer in the coolest place in the yard to ascertain how hot it is, is one of the paradoxes of civilization.-New Haven Register.

### Tennyson's " May Queen."

Who knows that if the beautiful girl who died so young had been blessed with Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" she might have reigned on many another bright May-day. The "Favorite Prescription" is a cer-tain cure for all those disorders to which females are liable. By druggists.

"WHAT'S the man yelling at?" asked a farmer of his boy. "Why," chuckled the youngster, "he's yelling at the top of his volce."

#### Satisfactory.

Mrs. Wallace, Buffalo, N. Y., writes: "I have used BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS for nervous and billous headaches, and have recom-mended them to my friends; I believe them superior to any other medicine I have used. 1880 that there is an average of five and can recommend them to anyone requiring a cure for billousness." Price, \$1.

ETERNAL fitness was never more appropriate-ly dove-tailed in than in the euphonious name of the German planist, Hammeritt.

### "Pour on Oil."

L. P. Follett. Marlon, O., states that he has used Thomas' ECLECTRIC OIL for burns, and has found nothing to equal it in soothing the pain and giving relief.

OSCAR WILDE has been taken for an Indiana herb doctor 160 times in the last three months. ficial. In its composition I was especially pleased to find Iron, Celery and Juniper com-bined with the Sarsaparilla and Yellow Dock. -N. Y. Graphic.

Ir the blood be impoverished, as manifested Iron of itself is seidom beneficial, but in con-nection with such valuable vegeteble tonics its effects will at all times have a tendency to promote health and strength." by pimples, cruptions, ulcers, or running sores, scrofulous tumors, swellings or general debility, take Dr. R. V. Pierco's "Golden Medical Discovery." Sold by druggists.



Adulteration.

Adulteration has become a science. We water our stock, and sand our sugar. and dilute our prayers with many words, and have fallen so low that we use glue in our ice cream. What an appetizing combination is glue and cream. We don't know what the glue is made of, and for that matter we don't know what the cream is made of, though we have a strong feeling that any self-respecting cow would repudiate the idea that she had anything to do with its manufacture, but when the glue and the cream are properly compounded one is able to buy a heaping plate of the refreshment at the old price, while the profits of the saloon keeper are indefinitely increased. The beauty of the glue is that it makes the ice cream frothy, and deludes the unwary into the belief that he gets a great deal more than he pays for. There may, however, be a moral side to this matter, and if glue taken internally will only make some men stick to their word, and make others stick to their business instead of spending most of their time attending to other people's, it will cease to be an adulteration and become a boon.-N. Y. Herald.

IF you must drink ice-water put a little oat-meal in it. The oat-meal doesn't help the water any, but gives you time to make a will, -Detroit Post.

Mn. M. A. Coons, of Ripley, O., writes: "I have been taking Dr. Guysott's Yellow Dock and Sarsaparilla for impure blood, weak kid-neys and liver complaint. I found it very effective. What pleased me was its mildness. effective. What pleased me was its mildness. When I left off taking it there was no craving for its further use, nor was there any reaction and consequently no renewal of my complaint. I think a great deal of the medicine and rec-ommend it strongly."

THREE members of a brass band in Illinois were practicing in a hotel struck by lightning, and never knew that anything unusual was going on.—*Chicago Tribune*.

"BUCHUPAIRA." Quick, complete cure, all annoying Kidney Diseases. \$1, at Druggists.

"H'M!" ejaculated Fogg. "So they say this play is taken from life! I should say rather that the life is taken from the play."-Boston Transcript.

BETTER than castor oil, Wise's Axle Grease, and we know it.

Lyon's Heel Stiffeners keep new boots and shoes straight. By shoe and hardware dealers.

WE see an article in the papers about boy inventors. We hope they will invent a boy who won't whistle on his fingers and yell on the streets at night .- N. Y. Post.

THEN you are fond of yachting? Very well. Then we expect your vocabulary to embrace all the terms in the nautical dictionary, none of them mis-applied. Who's got the topsheet anchor halyards in his vest pocket! An-swer quick.-New Haven Register.

THE excursion steamboat accident season has opened. To make an excursion steam-boat perfectly sufe, first remove the boilers and then beach the boat.—N. Y. Graphic.

WHEN it hails in Kansas it doesn't stop at pellets of ice the size of marbles and peaches, but works up to chunks as large as or-anges, and cows are knocked down and horses break their necks in trying to dodge al ways at once. - Detroit Free Press.

AN exchange asks: "Why stand ye with out!" Well, stranger, it's because the dog is not tied, and we haven't yet made his ao quaintance.-N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.

WHEN a young lady asked to look at a par-asol, the clerk said: "Will you please give the shade you want?" "I expect the para-sol to give the shade 1 want," said the young lady.

A NEW bonnet is trimmed with radishes. As everything in dress and the wearer must harmonize nowadays, it is presumed that this bonnet is to be worn with a radish, and not a turn-up nose .- Norristonen Herald.

The Chicago people say that, talk as yot may of culture, the product of their penu amounts to more than the income of all the authors of New England. Pig thing -Bostos Commercial Bulletin.

POCKET STOVES are now provided for picnis parties. It is a fine invention, though nothing warm is used at picules except the lemon ade, and that is not carried in the pocket,-N. O. Picayune.

WHEN you bay blackberry jam at the gro cer's don't ask him if it is made of wormy fige soft peaches and poor brandy. He was never in the foundry where such things are put un

That "the living skeleton is dead" seems strange enough; but the news was announced that way in New York .- N. O. Picayune.

137 Nothing so simple and perfect for coloring as the Diamond Dyes. For carpet rags, better and cheaper than any other dye stuffs.

Tug young skipper who takes a party of girls out sailing should content himself with hugging the shore. - N. O. Picayane.

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county. Address,

It was a Detroit girl who wanted to marry at lifteen, so as to have her golden wedding hurry up the faster.-Detroit Free Press.

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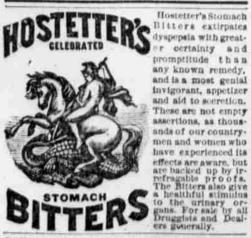
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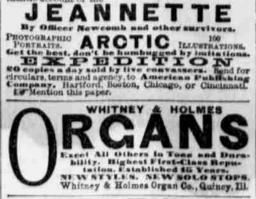
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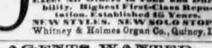
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