Interesting Experiments in Corn Raising by 138 Maine Boys .- An Ewim Others never get a chance to try. ple Worthy of Wide Imitation.

Stillman B. Allen, Esq., for many years past in successful business to Boston, retains a lively interest in the place where he spent his boyhood, a quarter of a century or more ago-Yark County, Maine. One of the ways of lating the boys of the present day to ebservation, thought and experiment. Last spring he offered \$200 in seven | United States Mints coined 376,621,340 prizes -one of \$100, one of \$50, and five of \$19 each-to the boys in the \$419,071,313. County under 17 years of age, who | The old house in Islington, near should produce the most Indian corn | London, from which Dickens took his intending to compete was to send his | destroyed by fire. name before May 1st, to the President of the County Agricultural Society, exchange, Well, just-wait till the who had charge of awarding the priz- harvest bee crawls up your trouser's es. About 200 boys reported. A com- leg, and you'll find out, mittee of one or more men was appointed in each town to measure every parcel of ground, and to be present language is believed to have been the at the harvesting, busking and weigh- Collector of a lucrative port. ing of the crop, and report at the Town House in Alfred on Oct. 25. Each boy was required to fill out the blanks furnished, giving a full account of the time of plowing, planting, kind of seed | kills the gr vs .- Norristown Herald. cora, and full particulars as to mawill be bound in book form by Mr. Al and pigs on provender containing salen, and kept in the archives of the vory herbs, to give flavor to their County Agricultural Society for refer- flesh. ence and use.) We have before us the the results obtained by 133 of the I think the most of it is made of fresh boys, some 75 of whom were present air." with their parents and many others, at the time of making the reports. We regret not to have been among the number to have seen the displays of the specimens of corn, and especially to have seen the bright-eyed, enterprising boys. We have space for but an epitome of some of the results. The shelled bushel of 50 ths. The average yield of the whole 138

trials was just about 100 bushels of shelled corn per acre. The first prize was awarded to Moses Milliken, of Pittsburg, "I was not in the War, but Biddeford, for 160 bushels per acre. my brother was, and he was wound-2d to David J. Morrell, of Cornish, for ed?" "Ah! indeed. Seriously wound-158 bushels. The next five prizes went ed?" "Yes, sir; he was shot in the to A. O. Bennett, of Waterboro, 145 borse." bushels; Cyres H. Smith, of Dayton, "We wish," says a Texas newspa-144 bushels; Willie B. Moore, of Lim- per, "that a few of our citizens could erick, 142 bushels; Charlie G. Austin, be permitted to live till they died a of Lebanon, 141 bushels; and Arthur putural death, so as to show the world M. Deering, of Waterbore, 140 bushels. | what a magnificently healthy country Six boys raised 131 to 137 bushels per Texas really is." acre; 12 raised 120 to 127 bushels; 23 What is the difference between a preduced 110 to 119 bushels; 24 pto- load of un-stable apples and a buckleduced 100 to 100 bushels-making 72 berry stain on the crumb-cloth? One boys who grew 160 bushels and up- is a drug on the market, and the other ward, 22 others produced from 99 to is a mark on the drugget. Five minbushels per acre. 29 obtained 75 to utes for refreshments. 80 hushels, and only 15 fell below 75 bushels of shelled corn per acre. No doubt, owing to poor soil, lack of fer- lord of creation, the question was tilizers, etc., many of the boys getting asked by an indignant heanty how the lesser crops were entitled to high long he remained lord of creation .praise for their efforts. Indeed, we "Till he got a wife," was the reply. commend every boy who had the intelligence and spirit to enter the con-

This shows what can be done in producing corn in a county in Me, lying betw. 43° and 44° of N. latitude. Not having the reports before us, we can 486 of whom ere women. not judge as to the profit of such crops, the cost of manure, cultivation, etc., The Figi Islanders were very much nor are we concerned as to this in the disgusted by the corsets worn by the present case. The important result is last lot of female missionaries sent the effect upon the boys themselves, there. The hungry but ingenuous naand upon many other boys in the coun- tives say that if the white-women are ty and elsewhere. These boys were led to have as many bones as a shad it to think, reason, abserce. They will really does not pay to import them .cach examine into how and why this and that one succeeded better or poorer than themselves. They will be betase careful record of the locomotive ter thinkers and workers hereafter, and its performances as ship-owners Mr. Allen's thoughtful offer will be do of an ocean-steamship. The Pennworth to his native county, in the far- sylvania does not repair one if the cost reaching future results, more than tens | will exceed \$3,000. The engine is then | of thousands of dollars expended in marked as dead on the record, and is some ways that might have been se- either sold or broken up. "17 and under" of to-day are to be the the front seat and drive?"

the result in York County that he now called him out of doors a few minutes es of \$10 to the boys of the entire knife. It is conjectured that Jones State, who shall produce the most corn | thought Grimes, professing readiness, from one-eighth of an acre during the might as well die at once, for no other year 1880. Those not over 18 years, motive has been discovered. who desire to compete, will send their when a man comes up to us and name and address to Hon. B. F. Hammentions "that little bill," we reply: itton, Pres't Maine Agr, Soc., Bidde- "Oh, yes; we should have fixed that ford, Me. - Am. Agriculturist, Jan. 1. some time ago, but had to go to Mem-

1889.

The Domestic monthly for January will be found in every respect appropriate to the season, and abreast with the latest ideas of the best enstoners. The colored frontispiece this month persents a handsome reception dress in the popular princess form, combining the new satin de Lyens silk with showy broade. Children's continues are at present models of appropriateness and convenience, as is set forth by several new and admirable designs. Fins and their trimisings, with the decided tendency to ward the styles of long ago are named with a statement of the prevailing prices, and the latest styles of in jewelry, triminings, millinery, collures, etc., etc., are full and intelligently reviewed. In the Literary Department a Christmas tale He was one of the first prominent from the German of Maria Natius gives a picasant climpse of Holiday life, high and low, in the "Fatheriand." Heien Campbell's "Anice: Her Story." is concluded, and in the February Number a short serial by Rose Terry Cooke will begin, entitled "Three Times and Out."

ments to converse as published in this number. Among them are all the books now in the market, and Win. Holl's superb engraving of Washington as painted by John Faed, it. S. A. The DOMESTIC MONTHLY is published by Blake & Company, corner procadway and 14th Street, New York, at \$1.50 pet year, inclusive of pattern premium. Specimen copies 15 cents.

The Flagging of Cut Flowers.

Surprise is often expressed as to the they are employed, after being cut by the grower, generally a day at least before they reach the market, they have to remain until made up, and then often have to be a small made up, and then often have to be a small made up, and then often have to be a small made up, and then often have to be a small made up, and the soft a small made up and the soft as small made up, and the soft as small made up as a small made up as a small made up. then often have to be sent across the kingdom to grace the hand of a bride and her maids attendant, looking as if newly cut with pearly dew upon | Record. them. It is evident that those who grow them know the treatment best calculated to promote lasting powers. It is a well-known fact, that most flowers, if stood in water for a few hours after being cut, and before they are made up, will last far better in bouquets, button-holes, or in any other way that necessitates their being mounted and placed so that their stems cannot actually be put in water afterwards; and this holds good even still farther with Fernsand other leaves that are employed for mixing with flowers. The more water they can absorb after being severed from the plant before being arranged the better they will stand. For this purpose the Ferns, before being sent to market, are immersed altogether for some hours in water. We saw some made up in a bouquet on New Year's, and still quite fresh, having been cut on December 11. -Gardener's Chroniele (Eng.)

All Sorts.

The ten largest taxpayers in Provience, R. I., are ladies. One hundred thousand Londoners live on canal-boats and barges. Some men cannot stand prosperity.

Chimney-sweeping must be good business; it soots everybody who Cats never shed their fur, but the go for the shed the moment they have

any leisure time. The Countess of Tankerville and her manifesting this interest is in stimu- eldest son, Lord Bennet, are among the latest converts to the Church of Rome. From 1873 to 1879, inclusive, the

pieces of money, aggregating in value upon one-eighth of an acre. Each boy description of Bleak House, has been

"What will the harvest be?" asks an

The man who wrote that "duty" was the most sublime word in the English A physician has discovered yellow-

fever germs in ice. The safest way is to beil your ice before using it. This Mondar, an eminent French agrinure, cultivation, etc. (Taese blanks | culturist, proposes to feed cattle, sheep

An frishman who had on a very report of Mr. John Hall, President of ranged cont was asked of what stuff it the Society, giving a full account of was made. "Bedad, and I don't know;

There are three Rowland Hills, One preached and made jokes; another was commander-in-chief; the third invented postage stamps, and has been

buried in Westminster Abbey. The other day the Professor of German asked an unregenerate Janior ears were reckoned at 70 lbs. for a what the gender of a certain noun was, shelled husbel of 50 lbs. it is neater, sir; at any rate, it is neu

"No, sir," said the gentleman from

It being claimed by one of the stern-In the silk factories of Italy 120,428 women are employed, besides 26,976 in cotton, and 13,707 in tobacco factories.

There are 9,177 manufacturing estab-lishments of all kinds in the Kingdom, employing 392,048 laborers, 188,-

lected. We heartily wish there might | "Will the angels come down for me be a Stillman Allen for every county in a chariot and horses when I die?" in the whole country; and where there asked a little boy of his Sunday-school is not, we suggest that a like sum -if teacher. "I guess so if you are a real necessary one of the \$200 prizes often good boy," said the teacher. The litgiven to some fast "nag"-be appro- | the fellow's eyes sparkled with anticipriated by the Society to the benefit of pation as he eagerly exclaimed, "And some hundreds of youths. The boys of oh! do you think they'll let me sit on

notors upon the stage a very few years | Elisha Grimos said in a prayer meeting at Little York, Ind., that he was P. S.-Mr. Allen is so pleased with wholly prepared to die. Geo. Jones

phis to write up the scourge. Just The "Domestic Monthly" for January, back to-day. Come down to the office and we'll give you the money; it's in our traveling bag." And he says he's got to run to catch the train. Boston

John, second Duke of Montagu, directed his tenants and dependents not to work or kill their disabled horses, but send them to his fine park at Broughton, where anecdotes of his kindness are still told. He had a frightful dog, of which he made a great pet, because he said no one else would be kind to anything so ugly .apostles of kindness to brutes.

A lady sent a note to the newspaper to get a recipe to cure the whooping-cough in a pair of twins. By a mistake a recipe for pickling onions was unconsciously inserted and her name attached, and received this answer through the "Answers to Correspondents;" "Mrs. L. H. B. If not too young, skin them pretty closely, immerse in scalding water, sprinkle plentifully with sait and immerse them for a week in strong brine,"

A gentleman of our borough some admirable way in which the forced time ago captured a large bullfrog. dowers used in Convert Garden stand and on opening it he was not a little in bouquets, and other ways in which surprised to find in its stomach a fulltells us of a small snapping turile he found in the maw of a still more voraclous batrachian .- Westchester Village

Curing Beef by Injecting Brine. The infiltration system of salting

beer, by filling the blood-vessels with brine is attracting considerable attention in Australia. In some recent experiments at Brisbane, bullocks were treated as follows: At the instant of killing, the animal's heart was laid

! I incisious were made in both Into the orifice of the left ventricle a pipe was inserted, and a stream of weak brine was forced through the blood-vessels, washing out all the blood. Pressure was made by having the brine in an elevated tank. After the expulsion of the blood the right ventricle was closed by a clamp, and stronger brine was forced in until all the blood-vessels were full. In this way the distribution of the brine through every part of the meat nex' to H Boeck's. is said to be complete and the curing PLATTSMOUTH. - - perfect .- Pei. Am.

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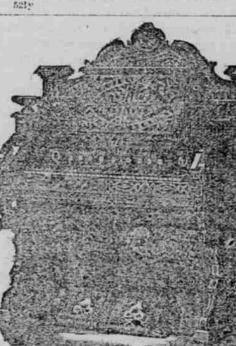
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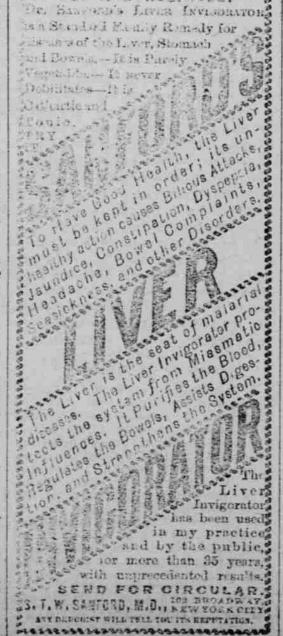
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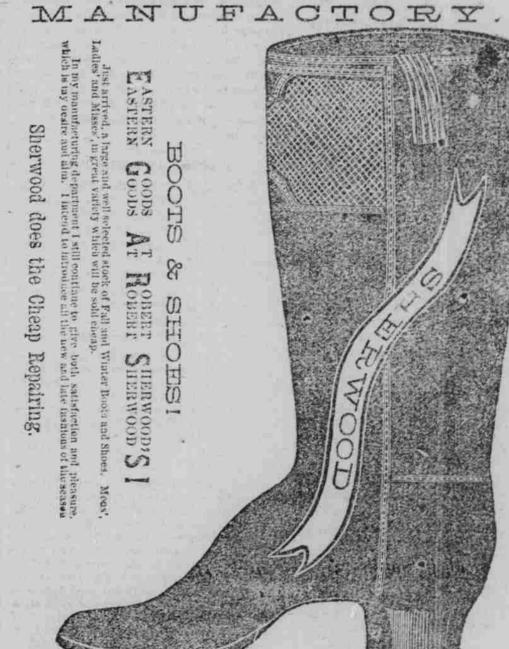
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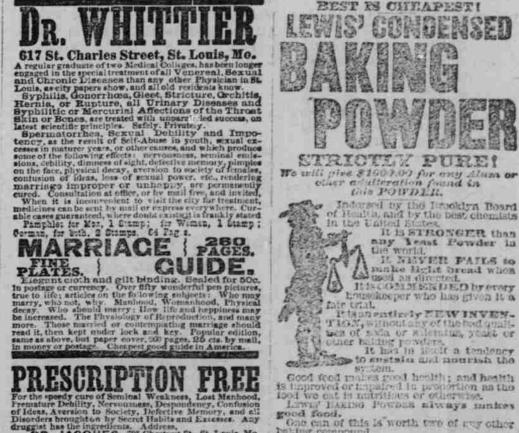
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