Material and Cheap Painters.

In arranging for painting, a good many property-owners try to save money by employing the painter who offers to do the job cheapest-or try to save money by insisting on a lowpriced paint. But no property-owner would run such risks if he realized what must be taken into consideration in order to get a job that will

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Nearly every dealer has National Lead Company's pure white lead. (Dutch Boy Painter trademark.) If yours has not notify National Lead Co., and arrangements will be made for you to get it.

Grief That Kills.

"My poor boy," said the beneficent old elergyman, who had encountered a young waif sobbing in the streetc, what alls you? Some case of dire distress has touched your heartchords, no doubt."

"No," sniffed the lad, "you're clear off your base, old kazzozicks. Me an' Snippy an' de rest of de fellies tincanned the mangy, old yellow cur up at Schwarz' grocery, and while old Schwarz an' de gang followed the dog, I sneaked back to the grocery to swipe dried apples. De Fido chased into Schmitt's orchard and de gang cribbed de swellest peaches you ever seen, an' then dey smoked grape-vine cigarettes and set the barn a-fire. I made a sashay into de apple barrel at de grocery, an' de delivery boy pasted me with a bed-slat and it hurts yet, and I didn't get to see de fire, and didn't get nothin' to eat, and I wisht i wuz dead-dog-gone it all!"-The Bohemian Magazine.

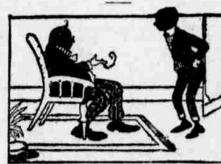
Too Literal.

"Well, yes," said Old Uncle Lazzenberry, who was intimately acquainted with most of the happenstances of the village. "Almira Stang has broken off her engagement with Charles Henry Tootwiler. They'd be goin' together for about eight years, durin' which time she had been inculcatin' into him, as you might call it, the beauties of economy; but when she discovered, just lately, that he had learnt his lesson so well that he had saved up 217 pairs of socks for her to darn immediately after the wedding, she peared to conclude that he had taken her advice a little too literally, and broke off the match."--Puck.

Not Our Discovery.

The Greek, Eratosthenes, 250 B. C., taught the doctrine of the rotundity of the earth, and the ideas of the sphere, its poles, axis, the equator. arctic and antarctic circles, equinoctial points and the solstices were quite generally entertained by the wise men of that time. There were plenty of men in Rome, therefore, who were prepared to talk about the earth as a sphere and to make globes illustrating their ideas.

THE WRETCHES.



Uncle-How is it, young man, that you failed again in your examination? Nephew-Why, the wretches asked me the very same question I could not answer last year!

"COFFEE DOESN'T HURT ME"

Tales That Are Told.

"I was one of the kind who wouldn't believe that coffee was hurting me," says a N. Y. woman. "You just couldn't convince me its use was connected with the heart and stomach trouble I suffered from most of the time.

"My trouble finally got so bad I had to live on milk and toast almost entirely for three or four years. Still I loved the coffee and wouldn't believe it could do such damage.

"What I needed was to quit coffee and take nourishment in such form as my stomach could digest.

"I had read much about Postum, but never thought it would fit my case until one day I decided to quit coffee and give it a trial and make sure about it. So I got a package and carefully followed the directions.

"Soon I began to get better and was able to eat carefully selected foods without the aid of pepsin or other digestants and it was not long before I was really a new woman physically.

"Now I am healthy and sound, can eat anything and everything that comes along and I know this wonderful change is all due to my having quit coffee and got the nourishment I needed through this delicious Postum.

"My wonder is why everyone don't give up the old coffee and the troubles that go with it and build themselves up as I have done, with Postum."

Easy to prove by 10 days' trial of Postum in place of coffee. The reward

"There's a Reason." Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are grauine, true, and full of human interest.

It Cannot Be Done by Using Cheap A SERIOUS PERIL TO **NURSERY AND ORCHARD**

Brown-tail Moth Imported Into New York From Anglers, France, Causes Alarm to Department of Agriculture.

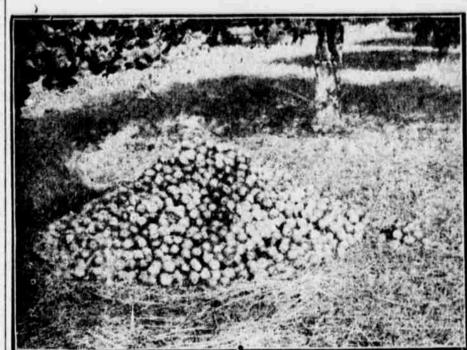


Fig. 1. Sprayed three times. Picked harvest. Damaged by Sound, 3152 99.37% Wormy, 15 Curculio, 5

haps comparable with the foot-andmouth disease in animals, and undoubtedly destined, like that plague, to be shut in and stamped out by the vigorous and enlightened methods of the present day, says a writer in the Country Gentleman. We refer to the brown-tail moth, which has made havoc for years in eastern New England, but was not found elsewhere in the United States until a fortnight ago, when living caterpillars of the creature, in their winter nests, were discovered in a shipment of apple, pear and cherry seedlings and quince stocks received by a New York dealer from Anglers, France, and possibly exsimilar stock now regularly arriving

The nursery, orchard and forest in- | add the caution that the caterpillars erests of the country are menaced now found in the nests are in many just now by an imported danger per- cases very minute creatures that only an entomologist with a microscope can satisfactorily pick out. Our picture is copied from one of the publications of the Massachusetts board of agriculture, which gives also this de

scription of the winter nest: "Each web is composed of a tenacious silk hibernaculum, inclosing leaves from which the epidermis has been consumed, although the outer leaves on the web may not have been attacked. The webs are firmly attached to the twigs by stout bands of silk. Almost invariably the web commences where the egg cluster was deposited, and remains of it can usually be found on or in each web. Exit holes someisting in nobody knows how many times remain open on the webs more of the hundreds of boxes of throughout the winter, but as a rule they are closed by the matting toin the United States from the same gether of the web under the influence country. So far as this state is con- of rain. The web consists internally cerned, the instant attack that was of numerous layers of silk, inclosing a made on this invasion by the state de- great many small, irregular silk-lined partment of agriculture has undoubt- chambers, which are often connected edly ended all danger of distribution and contain from six to fifty larvae

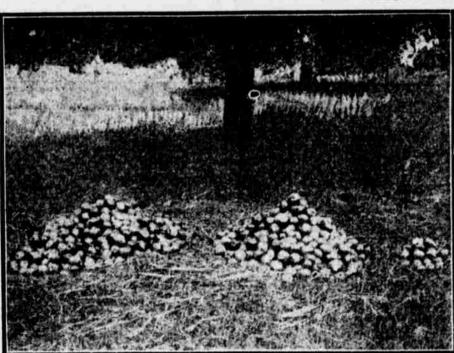


Fig. 2. Not sprayed. Sound, 773 59.83%

Picked harvest. Wormy, 461

Damaged by Curculio, 58 6.98%

The usual number found in the cham-

bers is about a dozen each. The larvae

in the web. The lowest part of the

from this particular source; and the entomological authorities of all the states of the union having been noti- are also often found in the galleries fied of the discovery, it is to be supposed that vigilant watchfulness will web is usually full of fine black exeverywhere be exerted, with the result of preventing any general outbreak. Nevertheless, country resi- bers.' dents everywhere should be apprised should consult the nearest entomolohaving a wide range of feeding. We give in this article engravings where. Still, there's no knowing; and which may be serviceable, but would

crement, and the castoff skins of the first molt occur in many of the cham-Of course it is understood that these of the possibilities of the case, and nasty nests are to be looked for only on imported stock. The figure in the gist immediately in the event of dis- center of the illustration has no bearcovering anything like the winter nest ing on the case in this country at of the creature on imported plants of present, except in eastern New Engwhatever name or nature, the moth land; and we have faith to believe it will not be necessary to study it else-

forewarned is forearmed.

not always grow as readily or as vigorously as might be expected from the richness of the soil. In recent years it has been discovered by scientists that the growth of plants of this class (clovers, peas and beans) is dependent to some extent on the presence of small nodules or bunches on the roots. These nodules contain bacteria which building a wire fence,it is necessary. in some mysterious way assist the roots in taking up food from the soil. If these bacteria are not present in the soil the clovers will be likely to in the lowest place, so that it will not make poor growth-indeed alfalfa may not make any growth. If the proper kind of bacteria are supplied and the inoculation of soil and root is success-

ful the plants will show extra vitality. have been sent out to farmers from over the top of the lower post. the Ontario Agricultural college for the past four years, with directions for applying to the fields that are being seeded with clover. Last season floor four inches thick as the cistern is 300 farmers reported that their al- very large. Material will be: Cement, falfa crops had been benefited by the 13 barrels; gravel, 13 yards; sand, one application while 140 reported that yard; concrete, mixed eight parts there was no gain. With alsike clover gravel to one part cement. Mortar the reports were equally favorable for plastering side walls should be over 66 per cent. of the experimenters mixed two parts sand to one part cefinding that the culture had improved | ment.

······ inoculation of Clover.-Clovers do the crop. With red clover the results were not so favorable only 55 per cent. having noted a gain. Peas and beans showed still less benefit from the applications. As the work is still in its infancy it is probable that better results will be obtained as the methods of application are better understood.

Building a Wire Fence.-Often, when to cross a small ravine or depression in the field. In such cases it is sometimes a puzzle how to anchor the post "pull out" when the wires are tightened. The accompanying drawing shows a good method of solving the problem. A wire (doubled to secure strength) is stretched from the bases Cultures containing these bacteria of the two posts near the ravine edge,

To Make Concrete Cistern.-Cistern walls should be eight inches thick and

THE SUNDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Time of All Times Where the Exper! with the Chafing Dish Can Make Good.

Probably the most sociable meal la the whole week is the Sunday night supper. It is an informal occasion for the dropping in of intimate friends, and the informality adds to its charm. In many bouseholds the servants are allowed to take a holiday on Sunday afternoons, and the members of the family bestir themselves for supper with the chafing dish, and perhaps the delicatessen shop, as assistants. It is an opportunity for experimental cooking with an indulgent company and the delicious dishes that may be concocted on these occasions are manifold. Of course, a gas stove is even better than a chafing dish for cooking things, but the shining metal dish over the alcohol flame is a very cheerful looking ornament on the supper ta ble. While somebody mixes the salaand somebody else slices the bread, the confident culinary queen, who is generally the eldest sister, takes the chafing dish in hand.

The Home.

Sugar should be added to turnips beets, peas, corn, squash and pumpkin. Spareribs should be broiled rather than roasted, and served with apple sauce and mashed turnips.

It takes longer to cook sweet potatoes than the common kind and they cook more quickly in salt water. A meat chopper may be better

cleaned by running a piece of bread through the machine before washing. Oatmeal can be used instead of barley or rice in the soup. It thickens it and adds a flavor which is pleasant.

Place mirrors so that the direct rays of the sun do not fall upon them. 15 gives the glass a milky appearance which can never be entirely remedied,

To remove tea, coffee, fruit and vegetable stains from white goods, heap salt on the spot, rub hard, and rinse it in hot water in which considerable borax has been dissolved.

A reliable test for mushrooms, saya an experienced housekeeper, is to put a bit of silver, such as a well-washed dime, into a dish in which they are cooked. If it discolors the mush rooms are unfit for food.

Keeping Bread.

For a bread box, a covered stone

The bread will keep much nice than in a tin vessel.

The crock should be placed in a cool place.

Never put the bread in it without covering it with a cloth, to exclude the air. To keep sandwiches that have been

in a slightly-damp cloth. This is not practical if the be kept too long, as they will get musty.

prepared beforehand moist, wrap them

Be careful that not a bit of butter gets into the bread box. It will get rancid and make the rest of the bread taste.

Receptacles should be scalded out frequently, being wiped well after-

The cloths used to cover the bread should also be washed often.

Prawn or Shrimp Curry.

Put four ounces of butter in a sauce pan and slice into it two small onions. Fry them until brown, then remove them into another dish. Have the prawns or shrimps picked and rub one and a half tablespoonfuls of curry powder over them; put them into the melted butter and stew over a slow fire until the fish becomes a light brown. Add as much stock or gravy as will cover the prawns; season with a little salt, and when the gravy has became thank add a coffee cupful of cocoanut milk or cream and the juice of a lemon. Mix well together and serve hot with boiled rice. A dessertspoonful of chutney is an imprevement.

Salad Dressing.

I will tell you just how I make it put the vinegar in a pint bowl that just fits the top of my teakettle, mix sugar, salt and mustard together, and stir into the vinegar. Cover, and let it get real boiling hot before I stir in the milk and egg, and then keep stirring till it thickens, which ought not to take over 15 minutes. If it don't thick- ing the scantiness of evidence for this en next time, wet one-fourth teaspoon of cornstarch in a very little milk and stir it in. I sometimes do when I want it extra thick.-Boston Globe.

Creole Chicken.

Make a roux-that is, take one heaping tablespoonful of lard, put it in a kettle over the fire, and when hot add a large tablespoonful of flour and stir until brown, and do not let it burn. Add one large minced onion. Then the chicken, cut into pieces as for frying or stewing, and let it brown. Then add two large ripe tomatoes and enough water to make a nice stew. Let it cook slowly until tender, adding water as needed. Have a slow fire; stir often to prevent burning; add pepper to taste.

Lucanian Eggs.

Chop fine a large white onion and slowly fry in a tablespoonful of butter. When nicely browned add half a pint of milk and six hard-boiled eggs cut in quarters. Let heat slowly. When smoking hot add two tablespoonfuls of grated cheese mixed with one tablespoonful of chopped parsley, a little salt and pepper, a pinch of cinnamon and two well-beaten egg yolks. Stir over a slow fire and add a teaspoonful of lemon juice.

Sunday School Lesson for April 25, 1909 Specially Arranged for This Paper

LESSON TEXT Acts 11:19-30; 12:25. GOLDEN TEXT. "The disciples were ulled Christians first in Antioch."-Acta

TIME.-The Antioch church was formed on after the martyrdom of Stephen, A D. 36. Paul and Barnabas were at Antioch in some part of A. D. 61-16. The famines occurred during A. D. 43-48, that in Palestine (Ramsay) in A. D. 46. The visit of Paul and Barnabas (Ramssy) to Jerusalem was probably the same year.

PLACE. Antioch, the rich and important capital of Syria, 300 miles north Jerusalem. St. Luke was a native of Anlioch; so was Chrysostom.

Suggestion and Practical Thought. "Having proceeded to such

length, the rage of the people turned upon the whole Christian body."-Cambridge Bible. The disciples "were scattered abroad." The Greek verb is based upon the thought of seed sowing. and indeed every disciple was a seed of truth. May all Christians be such when they go abroad, traveling either for business or pleasure. The Jews were like foolish children trying to stamp out a forest fire, and merely spreading more widely the sparks and blazing coals. The disciples were driven "as far as Phenice" (Phoenicia, the Mediterranean coast north of Gali lee), "and Cyprus" (the large Mediterranean island northwest of Jerusalem, 60 miles from the Phoenician coast). "and Antioch" (the most northern city on the coast. Thus the fleeing Christians, "following the track of coasting vessels, went northward."-Rackham.

It is easy even for the modern church to conceive Jewish prejudices. and feel that there is no possibility of much good outside "our" denomination, or "our" country, or "our" race. True Christianity, however, makes its followers realize that all men are brothers for whom Christ died, and that the most degraded nations and races have in them the making of saints and apostles.

V. 21. "A great number believed, and turned unto the Lord." The reasons for this were many:

1. The Christians who established the Antioch church had been strengthened by persecutions, which they had met with unflinching bravery and fidelity.

2. The very vices of Antioch showed the need of a purifying gospel, and doubtless many were disgusted with them and eager to turn from them. The strongest Christians often grow up amid corruption,

3. The people of Antioch were energetic, vigorous, in the habit of doing things. The aggressive character of Christianity appealed to them, and when they accepted the new religion, they carried into it the same activity that had brought success in the world-

ly enterprises of Antioch. 4. But the chief reason for the growth of the Antioch church is given in the text. "The hand of the Lord was with them." "The hand" is the symbol of power and of work. Willing Christians are God's hands. Through them God can easily accomplish what would be impossible to their unaided efforts. Here were a little group of refugees, poor, despised, pursued. Here was one of the world's proudest, mightiest, richest, wickedest cities. And the handful of refugees so moved upon the city that three centuries later its greatest son, Chrysostom the golden-mouthed preacher, said that half its population were Christian.

V. 22. "They sent forth Barnabas," that he might (1) learn the exact state of affairs, since rumors, untrustworthy even in these days of the telegraph, were doubly doubtful then; (2) encourage the new disciples; (3) warn them against error, and (4) prevent discord between the Jewish and Gentile converts, of which the sequel showed the real danger (Acts 15:1-25). They might have sent a letter, but face-to-face methods are always best.

V. 28. "A great dearth throughout all the world . . . in the days of Claudius," the Roman emperor who reigned A. D. 41-54. This does not mean "all the world" in our enlarged sense, but all the civilized world, the Roman empire; nor does it mean that the famine fell upon all parts simultaneously. That widespread failure of harvests and scarcity of food did occur is "singularly well attested, considerperiod. Suetonius alludes to assiduae sterilitates causing famine prices under Claudius, while Dion Cassius and Tacitus speak of two famines in Rome; and famino in Rome implied dearth in the great corn-growing countries of the Mediterranean; Eusebius mentions famine in Greece, and an inscription perhaps refers to famine in Asia Minor."-Ramsey. The famine probably occurred in Judea A. D. 44-46. Josephus tells us that the Syrian queen Helena of Adiabene, a Jewish proselyte who was then in Jerusalem, imported corn and figs from Egypt and Cyprus, which she distributed among the people to save them from starvation.

This account of the Antioch church is a mirror in which we may view ourselves. Are we true to Christ amid trials and temptations? Is our Christian fellowship broad? Are we practically helpful to others? Are we bold to confess Christ, and able, in the strength of the Holy Spirit, to bring men to Christ? All this is involved in the picture of the church whose members were the first to be called Chris-

Diligence increaseth the fruit of toil. A dilatory man wrestles with losses, -Hesiod.

THE GOSPEL PERUNA IN ANTIOCH For Catarrh at the Trees.

Years' Standing.

"I was afflicted for two years with atarrh of the throat. At first it was very slight, but every cold I took made it worse.

"I followed your directions and in a very short time I began to improve. I took one bottle and am now taking my second. I can safely say that my throat and head are cleared from catarrh at the present time, but I still continue to take my usual dose for a spring tonic, and I find there is nothing better."- Mrs. W. Pray, 260 Twelfth St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

GOING THE PACE.



Tortoise-What, have you started ?

Snall-Yes, one must move with the times, you know.

It Jarred Him.

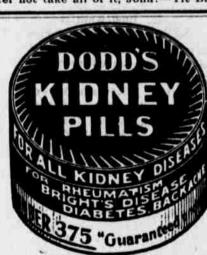
Howell-How did you come to break your engagement with that girl? Powell-I had reason to think that she hadn't enough practical knowledge to make her a good helpmeet.

Howell-What gave you that idea? Powell-I told her one day that the hens weren't laying, and she said she supposed that would affect the price of egg coal.

Natural Solicitude. Invalid Husband-Did the doctor say I was to take all that medicine?

Wife-Yes, dear. Invalid Husband-Why, there's

enough there to kill a donkey. Wife (anxiously)-Then you'd better not take all of it, John!-Tit Bits.



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