Our Immigrants.

No migration in history is compare ble to the great hordes that have crossed the Atlantic during the past 20 years to enter our territory, says National Geographic Magazine. In 1905, 1.026.499 immigrants were admitted; in 1906, 1,100,735, and in the present year the total will exceed the record of 1906 by many thousands. Since June 30, 1900, 6,000,000 have been admitted, of whom probably 5,-500,000 have settled permanently in the United States. The report of Mr. Sargent for 1906, recently issued, contains much interesting information about the character and qualifications of the immigrants. Perhaps the most striking fact is that less than five per cent of the newcomers have reached or passed the age of 45. Of the arrivals in 1906, 913,955 ranged in age from 14 to 44, 136,273 were less than 14 years of age, and only 50,507 had reached or passed the age of 45. More than two-thirds of the immigrants were males, the figures being 764,463 men and boys and 336,272 women and girls. About 28 per cent. of the total number were illiterate, which is a very large proportion when we consider that only 6.2 per cent, of the total white population of the United States and only 4.6 per cent, of the astive-born whites in 1900 were illit-

The Chinese minister to the United States, Sir Chentung Liancheng, is graduate of Andover and Yale. He is a devotee of baseball, and often attends the games. A good player himself be often is the chief figure in a most unique picture, when playing, his shirts tacked up, with his two small boys and their little friends. Tennis, too, has been a great favorite with the minister, while he is also very much devoted to horseback riding and bicycle riding. These last two accomplishments are rather rare among orientals.

Sables are becoming very rare, and, on account of the great demand for them, have risen considerably in price during the last few years. A coat that about two years ago, would have cost 226,000 would now be worth at least \$30,000. The empress of Russia poses one of the most beautiful sable costs in existence; it is made from the most splendid sables procurable and is valued at anything between 2250,000 and \$400,000. Queen Maud, of Norway, is another queen consort who is lucky enough to possess magnificent sables.

Gen. Kuroki is such a little, unpretentious looking man, standing only four feet six in his footwear. that people expecting to see a great warrior are said to be expressing posintment when they see him. He doesn't come up to their ideal. nently so with distinguished When Alexander the Great d Babylon, intending to make that city the capital of the vast emaquered, the people www a man of even smaller physique then that of Gen. Kuroki, and they laughed at him.

Four battleships of the Dreadnaught type have been contracted for in the British shippards in the name of Braall and Argentina, but it is believed they are a speculative investment and will be offered for sale. The sudden fer to any navy of such levissays St. Louis Globe-Democrat. would be somewhat sensational.

The Weshington youth who has been giving the government trouble pting wireless messages in a se of his own could hardly he charged with wire-tapping.



Rotation of crops together with thorough cultivation operates as an effective fertilizer, especially if some stable manure is used.

Have the wrench attached to the plow or other implement by strap or wire so that it will not be dropped and lost in the field.

Emerson said, let a man learn that everything in nature, even motes and feathers, goes by law and not by luck. and that what he sows he reaps. Remember that.

It requires bran, middlings and ground oats fed to the brood sow to produce healthy pigs. Where too much corn is fed the offspring is

Test has proved that the cattle without horns fatten quicker, as there is

When the horse makes a mistake don't lose your patience and holler at him and terk excitedly upon the lines. Be sure he understands just what you want and then in a firm, quiet way

The farmer with cows should learn how to test them. Not only will he be able to find out which cows are bringing him profit, but he will be able to keep closer tab on the cream-Eastern cattle feeders want hornless ery and know whether he is getting

Experiments in North Dakota show stock when the bulk of the rations is The best out is the one that gives most meat, and some varieties uniformly give a higher per cent. of it

Dairymen of Pennsylvania and the dairy and food department of the state agricultural department have com-The wood pasture can be kept bined forces to drive oleomargarine cleaned up with a flock of sheep, but and all other substitutes for butter out remember that they cannot live on of the state. As example worthy the emulation of dairymen of other states.

can be canned for the winter in the foilowing way: Fill the jars with the peas, then fill with cold water and lay on the tops. Place straw or Don't feed so liberally that the boards in the bottom of the wash swine leave portions of the feed each boiler, stand the jars on this, and time in the troughs. Feed only as pour enough cold water in the boiler to come half way up the jars. Put the boiler on the stove with the lid A little soaked corn scattered about tightly closed and boil three hours. will soon encourage the little pigs to When the jars are taken out see that eat and they will soon learn to eat they are full to overflowing and

> A whitewash recommended by the government experts is made as follows: Slake half a bushel of lime in boiling water, covering to keep in the steam. Strain the liquid and add a peck of salt previously dissolved in warm water, three pounds ground rice boiled to a thin paste and stirred in while hot, one-half pound Spanish whiting, and one pound glue dissolved by soaking in cold water and then hund over a slow fire in a give pot. To this mixture add five gallons of hot water, stir well and let stand for several days covered from dust. It is better applied hot.

It needs no extended argument in these days to prove that the silo is an indispensable adjunct of the dairy farm, but it is well to remind ourselves of the many advantages which it brings. In the first place silage is more palatable than dry corn fodder. It is succulent, which makes a satisfactory substitute for grass. Stock will consume more silage than dry roughage. It greatly increases the number of animals that can be kent on a given acreage. The sile assures plenty of green feed during dry summers when there is a shortage of grass. Silage keeps stock in good physical condition. It furnishes an abundance of prepared cheap and succulent roughage for all seasons of

The farmer cannot be too aler against the swindler.. There are all kinds of schemes to catch the unwary. Out in Colorado a couple of sleek fellows have been working a stock food swindle. They approach a farmer and ask him to be their agent and to take a ton. They send, or rather promise to send, a man to sell the first ton. The farmer must sign an order for the first ton and also s note for \$130. He is to sell the stock many farmers fall down. The skim food at ten dollars a hundred and milk used in hog raising will return a keep \$3.50 a hundred for his trouble. handsome profit where consideration After the shysters get the note that is the last heard of .hem nor does the farmer receive the stock food. order to obtain the largest gain with The note eventually turns up at some bank and has to be paid under the law for the third party is always such

Undoubtedly it is less trouble in the of removing the smell of the oil mont (Mich.) creamery over a year long run to keep the calf from suckago were astonished to find what a ing the dam from the very first. It poor showing many of their cows is easy to get the calf to drink if made, but it led to a weeding out it has not learned to suck, and the which had put the dairies on a better cow does not fret as she will after paying basis. Why not start a Cow the sucking calf has been taken from Testing association in your section? her. Then, too, sore tests are avoided, and the yield of milk is better, be Among the plants which may be sides being directly under your congrown between rows of young apple trol and easier to regulate the diet trees are tomatoes and potatoes, as of the calf and get it off sooner on these both use up large quantities of other foods. Nearly all the trouble tarch-making material taken from experienced in breaking helfers with the air. The potash and phosphorus their first calf to milk comes from taken from the ground are to some ex- permitting the calf to suck them. tent deposited in the vines and these to milk her she thinks you undertake to milk her she thinks you are rob-

nerally the Neglected Apart The dining room generally is the ne-

dected room so far as furnishings are sidered. As a place to go into at meal times it is provided with a table and chairs, a sideboard and china closet. The windows are curtained, the floor is laid with a rug or carpet, the wall is papered, and pictures are hung, then the room is thought to be finished. What are the possibilities for making this part of the house interesting? If we begin when the plans of the different rooms are drawn up by the architect we should put in a plea for placing the dining room in a position where it will get the best morning light, the full sunshine of day hours, and the lingering gleams of sunset. This means an exposure of east, south and west; but if this happy combination is impossible to reach, then one of the three may be the sub stitute. If only a north light, however, is available for the dining room especial care must be given to the coloring to make up for its cold out-One point that should be thought

of in making a new dining room is its shape. Long, straight lines or those exactly square are almost sure to create an uninteresting interior unless helped out by built in furniture or artistic woodwork. Color effect makes the quickest appeal to our interest in any room, and particularly in the dining room. When furniture is to be bought for the dining room the plain oak—called massive—styles in the various light or dark stains will be found to give more character than the ordinary golden or antique oak, and tables without carved work, rush seated chairs, and china closets with latticed panes will make a more artistic room than the ornate patterns and showy effects that cost the same amount of money.

The lighting of the dining room can be made a pleasing feature, or, on the contrary, a most distressing one. The rival of a famous beauty, so the story goes, in her endeavor to show the latter at a disadvantage, invited her to a magnificent dinner party, and then placed her near some bright green candle shades. To sit facing a glare of sunlight will spoil the most enjoyable meal, and a table poorly lighted will bring equal discomfort. Just the right amount of light can be arranged after a little experimenting with curtains, gas, or electric shades, and all windows should have practical means for shifting the curtains during the day, according to the need for more or less light.

TO "AGE" NEW LACE.

Wrap It Up in Newspaper, Says a Woman Who Knows.

Now that real old lace is the rage and comparatively few women are rison, Joseph Mics, Samuel Strauss, lucky enough to own any, there is a Michael S. Plant, Dr. C. H. Evans, demand for a process by which mod- Clarence Baum and several other ern laces may be made to have the real "old" color.

Out of the south come all sorts of ington duties kept him away. old-fashioned ideas, says the New York Sun. An elderly southern wo- The pros and cons were put forward. man, hearing the complaint of a New Married men and bachelors and one Yorker that hardly any of her "old" lace really looked the part, gave a "Remember, gentlemen," counseled recipe for making new lace look old the mayor, "It is a very serious matwhich she says has never failed in ter and a very delicate one, which deproducing the right color.

"The whole secret," said she, "lies in a newspaper. We southern women used to put away our fine laces at the beginning of summer to keep them nice for the social campaign of the following winter.

"We would cut strips of newspaper trifle wider than the lace to be tinted and carefully sew the edges of the lace to the paper. Then we would make a roll of newspaper about as thick as an ordinary mailing tube and roll our lace trimmed newspaper strips around this with perfect smooth-

"Next we would wrap the whole in blue paper and seal up the ends. In the course of two or three months our lace would have the most perfect 'old' look you ever saw. A hundred years couldn't bring about any better results than a newspaper properly put

"I know all about the coffee tint and tea tint and dyes, but nothing can ever equal newspaper as coloring material for lace where one wants to months ago."

Care of Plano. Dust the piano daily with an old soft silk handkerchief. When the keys are soiled wipe them with a cloth dampened with alcohol. Never put water on the keys. Two or three times a year give the piano case a bath in the following manner: Make a mild soap suds of lukewarm soft water and white soap. With a piece of cheese cloth wash a space about a foet square, dry it carefully with either a large piece of cheesecloth or an old fine cotton stocking, then polish with a clean, dry, soft chamois. The bath not only removes the dirt, but takes

away that cloudy appearance which is

caused by dampaess. To Remove Finger Marks. The lintels of the door of a room and the woodwork around the windows when enameled white or in pale colors frequently become marked with the impression of finger tips, says Woman's Life. A piece of flannel dipped in herosene will effectually re-move all traces, but after rubbing the woodwork the surface should be washed with a clean cloth dipped in very hot water, this being the only method

Chocolate. Allow one-half cup of grated chocolate to three cups of milk and one cup of water. Place the chocolate into a little cold water and rub until smooth. Pour slowly into the cup of boiling water: add one-fourth cup of sugar. Let this boll one minute, then pour in the three cups of milk, which have been scalded. Boil five minutes, and serve in chocolate cups with whipped cream.-What-to-Eat.

The Childish Idea. Little Girl (after a domestic scene with her mother)—The best thing for us to do, mamma, is to agree to a sep-

Danville, Ill.—Spinsters and bach- sitions fairly and squarely. It is up | closer alliance. We have been elor maids of this, "Uncle Joe" Can-non's home town, have joined hands they will evade the self-imposed re-

They want the town bachelors taxed. Furthermore, they want the tax graduated according to age. The older bood at all. the man, the bigger the tax, demand the unwedded women of Danville. And, what's more, this is no idle dream; they have drafted their demands in black and white, and it is now before the common council of the town in the form of a proposed ordi-

Literally, it is a case of pretty much the whole unmarried female population of the town waiting at the church!

In a common cause

In Danville they have a delicate line drawn between spinsters and bachelor maids. A spinster, according to Danville definition, is one who is a maiden because she can't help it. A bachelor maid is a maiden because she wants to take:

But be that as it may, all distinctions have been cast to the winds. Those that can't and those that won't alike demand that bachelors be taxed, and the longer the eligible one re of a big cigar, having not the slightest | tunity. This would be a better plan mains a bachelor the bigger his tax semblance to a man, and who has the than tootry to buildose us by having mounts up, year after year.

There is no anonymity about thing, either. Old maids and budding debutantes have signed their names in black and white to the petition. Stire Up City Officers.

Of course, the petition upset the city officers. A meeting was hurriedly called by Mayor John H. Lewman. City Clerk John Torrance, Fire Chief G. W. Bridges and Councilmen Clarence T. Brittingham, John H. Harprominent citizens attended. Speaker Cannon was invited, but his Wash-

The matter was carefully gone over. divorced man gave their opinious. mands our most patient attention. I dread to think what might happen should we take a wrong stand in the

Committee Chosen Finally the whole proposition was left to a committee, of which all were to be bachelors and a majority lawyers. This committee of experts was carefully chosen from among the most popular bachelors of the town, in order that everybody might be sure of having a fair show. It consisted of Court Stenographer Harry Brittingham, Circuit Clerk John W. Barger and Attorneys Thomas A. Graham, M. F. Keegan, William H. Dwyer and Ray F. Barnett. After careful consideration they decided to issue a statement to the expectant unmarried members of the gentler sex.

They took the bull by the horns. In a word, they demanded that before action be taken they have the privflege of meeting the petitioners. Here is the bachelors' official reply to the proposition for an ordinance providing for a graduated bachelor tax for wear 'heirloom' lace bought about two the unwedded adult male population of Danville:

> "We, the single men of Danville, would like to make the acquaintance of the unmarried women of this community who are so much interested in us. We would like the privilege of petitioning the city council, as a matter of self-defense while awaiting furordinance taxing these unmarried women of Danville \$50 for each time they turn one of us down, not because we feel aggrieved or wish to get married, but as a matter of protection. Retaliatory Proposition.

"The above appears to be a fair oposition. If the unmarried women of this city who are behind this movement against our peace of mind are in carnest and have a grain of human sympathy, they will meet our propo- by our fairest spinsters, in lieu of a ter."-Chicago Journal.

"There isn't a peg on which to hang desire to obtain homes and husbands, a single romance, sneered one elderly I don't believe the bachelors will be maiden, "let alone hundreds of ro- found slow by any means mances. Let's reply to them, girls!"

"Let's!" chorused spinsters and bachelor maids, all in one breath. | we who have our clubs are more at And after a week this volley of hot home in them than in the drawingshot was turned loose upon the ene- rooms of these girls, who have apmy's camp: "We have read the reply of the Dan- mg our most ardent campaigns. 1

ville bachelors to our appeal to the would suggest that the bachelor girls counter proposition to tax us \$50 for contain a reception or billing and cooevery time we turn them down. We ing room where their friends can are willing to agree to this provided spend a pleasant hour occasionally, they will agree that the following becoming acquainted with those who proposition is a correct position for us desire to be brides. "Objects" That Are Barred.

any of them because they are ugly of Danville I will say that there are some face, but when one of them comes of us who will surrender gracefully around to see us, fastened to the end | and gladly if we have the right opporappearance of not being able to sup- an ordinance passed taxing us. That port himself, much less a wife—then, would only make us more stubbora." out he goes."

in relation to this matter that there is Danville, Ill. such a thing as a matrimonial tree, and all that any girl wanting a husband must do it to shake the tree and down comes a helpmeet.

"Laying aside the thought of such a ridiculous proposition, we desire to present the facts. We wish to say frankly that we feel rebellious against the fate that forces us into the commercial world, where we must go of necessity in order that we may earn a living. Not a day passes that we do not feel that nameless longinga yearning for protection, for shelter for a good husband's tender care and solicitude.

"How we hate the noise, bustle and worry of the commercial life! How we hate the competition, the clamor, the drudgery, incumbent upon us who must go through life alone, battling every day against a cold and heartless world in an effort to earn our daily bread!

"Every finer instinct in us cries out against the coarse, rude life of the business world. Women, and only women, possess warm hearts which have depths and heights of feeling that a man can never hope to under stand and which many of our gender are too sensitive to admit."

Thus did the spinster souls of Danville's maidenhood lay themselves bare to all the world.

Results have already followed Bachelors who golfed with other bachelors last year are golfing in mixed foursomes this Bachelors who went to dinners and dances and teas during the winter months with no further idea that their fair friends thought of anything more serious than the latest mode in dresses or the daintiest confection in headgear have had their eyes opened. Within a short time many sweet secrets may be confessed. It is freely predicted that if the social upheaval crystalizes into an ordinance providing for a bachelor tax, the crop of au-

Things have gone so far now that City Clerk John Torrance, dean of Danville bachelordom, has been threat- for pay. ened with social and political ostrather moves of the enemy, to enact an cism unless he takes a wife. But he that, ma'am," I was fold, "for with all has escaped from both by large ma- the wind, not a poor man's est was jorities, much to the joy of his eronies jorities, much to the joy of his eronies harmed, nor another tree on the country idea. Now he has come out tryside, only those the ways looks with what is both a suggestion and a

tumn and winter brides will beat all

"The old maids have taken us by surprise," said he. "We were of the opinion they were all more than satisfied with their condition. In fact, several of the boys have complained that they have been adopted as 'brothers'

formed in the compound; the women

sit and gossip over their iced drinks.

while the men cluster around the per

table. Finally, the club building itself

is entered, and cards and billiards are

enjoyed under the punkah until it is

rides and proposals of marriage, but This didn't pour oil upon the not one of us has succeeded in setting troubled waters of Danville's spinster- them interested in matrimonial mat-

> Suggests Club for Girls.
> "My experience has shown me that peared human feicles, notwithstand

city council, in which they make a also form a club, and that their rooms "Of course, I don't want you to think we are over-anxious to get mar-"We do not propose to turn down ried, but on behalf of the bachelors of

And so it is still "Waiting at the "One would think by the comments | Church" in more ways than one in

Sure, Things Are Never so Bad but They Might Be Weres.

The Irishman sees everything through rose colored glasses, says a writer in the Guidon. He is supported, too, by a simple, sturdy faith, a spirit of resignation and unworldliness worthy of the saints of old.

The dread blight had fallen on the fields in most of the district where we were visiting in Ireland, and the potato vines hung limp and brown. No word of complaint was spoken, and when the likelihood of famine was mentioned the answer came:

"Danger, ma'am? Yes, there is, indeed, but God is good. He'll find a

"What a glorious night, Mikey!" I said to the boy, as he and I and the donkey drove home under the August

"A fine night, indeed, ma'am. Thanks be to God for giving it to us!" They showed us, on the road to town, a gentleman's place where, in a stretch of what not long since had evidently been thickly wooded land. stood stump after stump of giant trees. Four or five years ago, when the winter was exceptionally long and cold, the peasants suffered from scarcity of peat. They begged this landed proprietor to sell them wood offering not only to pay his price, but to fell the trees and carry them off. He

refused. Again and again they Begged, for the suffering grew intense, but he would not let his land-be marred. One night there came a wind so frightful that it seemed for a time as if the "big wind" were blowing again. In the morning the highway along this proprietor's domain was impassable. Huge trees, blown to the grou across the road for a distance of two miles, and the forest beauty was a thing of the past. The town authorities ordered the obstruction cleared away, and the peasants got for nothing more than they had been refu

"Twas the hand of God was in after His poor."

Then There Was a Fight. "You refuse to fight me?" "Certainly."

"I believe you are a coward." "Of course you do. Otherwise you never would have mentioned the met-

LIVING CHEAP IN INDIA. No Fixed Prices for Food-Pay Ac-

cording to Husband's Wages.

The Indian club is a unique institution; there is nothing like it anywhere else. In a small station it is the one in the neighborhood. Punctually at the Lady, than the extraordinary high than you do yourself, makes it his spe-

riages, ponies, and bicycle all following one another in the same direction.

Play and chat are at once the order of the day. While some indulge in

five o'clock, when the sun begins to spirits one meets on every side. Some lose its power, nearly every one moves say they are forced, others that they clubward. The giaring white road, are due to the lightness and brightuntil then occupied only by an occa- ness of the air, but certainly such zional bullock bandy with its native jokes and laughter are not heard elsedriver, suddenly becomes the scene of where. Tragedy may lie underneath. the utmost animation, dogcarts, car- but on the surface all is merriment.

Almost every one is young, and all are When the light fails, two groups are suburbs.

Then, India is the ideal country for visiting. Each visitor arrives at a friend's bungalow with his own ser-vants and ponies. Native servants are responsible for their own meals of curry and rice and curl themselves up in a rug to sleep in any available cortime to go home and dress for dinner. per, so they are no trouble in another Nothing is more striking on one's person's household. The butler, who cial duty to see that no home comfo are lacking, and is always particularly generous with a strange "master" If there are many visitors, the array

of smart beturbaned butlers in the dining-room is most imposing, and the waiting is done as if by magic.

There are certain advantages in livready for a little companionship and ing in a country where houses are amusement after the long, hot hours cheap, servants are cheaper and most spent in office or bungalow. It is this can be bought for 2d a pound. By a friendly intercourse with one another curious native arrangement there is croquet or Badminton, others fill the which Anglo-Indians miss so much no fixed standard of prices for articles tennis courts, which are provided with when they first return to England and of food sold in the bazaar. The mema number of little brown faced boys have to put up with the alcofness of sahib pays much or little, according who run about and pick up the balls. county society or the limitations of to the salary earned by her husband. which is always known to a peany.



"Food for reflection" should be well

This is a good time of year to di the live stock for paragites.

The improvement of the potato is said to have decreased its hardiness. Old steers are not profitable, re-

member that A had egg amongst the good ones

will soon spoil the others.

The sheep raiser who lets the old animals accumulate on his hands is

losing money. Stir a half galles of flour paste into a gallon of whitewash, and it will not

rub off easily. Oats not corn for the work horses, remember that, is outs make muscle

and corn makes fat. Drains in fields should be at least 30 inches below the surface of, the

cattle and will pay more for them than the full credit for his cream.

for others.

so dry. The boy born with the silver spoon than others. in his mouth generally swallows it before he is big enough to know how to use it.

weeds and brush. Alfalfa should be cut just after it

begins to show bloom. The first cut-

ting contains more protein than later

the corn dry and to shell it them- screw the lid on tight.

much as will be eaten up clean.

Some of the best orchardist dispute the claim that fruit buds can be kept back in the spring by mulching the ground over their roots while it is Let'us repeat that tidiness is es-

sential to pure milk. Enough dirt can

be carried on the clothes of the milk-

er to influence the product, whether it be milk, cream or butter. There is a vast difference in soils. A heavy soil turned up too soon after rain will bake and dry out quickly. while some lighter soils if allowed to

go over 12 hours will not plow good.

Milk may become tainted from various reasons, such as unsuitable feed. injudicious feeding, impure water supply, want of sait by the cows. absorption of odors and the germs which get into the milk during and after

Remember every weed which you give place to on your farm is taking so much from the soil which you need for paying crops, and not only that but it is growing and scattering seed which will cause increased trouble in the future.

"Cornfield stuff" are sheep and lambs that have been fed in a field of corn and rape. The trouble with this method is that the sheep will eat nothing but the rape while it lasts and will then "burn themselves out" with too hearty feeding on the corn, thus throwing them of and cousing in many cases, death.

The success of the dairy business lepends as much on the disposition of the skim milk as upon that of the cream, and here is where a good many farmers fall down. The skim is given to the best proportions in which to feed corn and skim milk in the least waste of food.

Do you know what kind of cows you are keeping? Many of the mem- his money good or bad. bers of the Cow Testing association

crops the cultivation need not be bing her baby and will have none deep.

rameal into which has been entity of oil meal rope a small quantity of oil mean cooked is the best kind of food for

That dragged out feel may not be good for you but it is good for the oad. Give it a good dose and you

will feel better.

To cock hay in the field for drying every forkful should be laid snugly not rolled on the heap by itself. Then the cock will be in flakes and will shed the rain well.

deficient in bone and muscle.

not the fretting and the worrying among the cattle which is always present where the cattle are horned.

insist on his obedience.

Plant a few sugar beets. They will that oats that weigh most per bushel be appreciated next winter by the are not necessarily the most valuable.

The surplus peas from the garden

an innocent cuss that he has to have