FARM AND HOME.

A USE FOR FERNS. Every country neighborhood has woods for a long time, and are said to be superior to straw and husks, and even to "exe dsior," for stuffing mattresses. The tacks when filled should be stitched firmly with a mattress-needle, using strong linen twine, and making the intervals between stitches about an eighth of a yard.

BEET SUGAR IN GERMANY.

The following interesting statistics of industry in Germany have just been is-sued. The extent of the figures involved sued. The extent of the figures involved indicates to what an enormous value this industry has attained, and points an in-structive moral to those who have failed in their attempts to introduce and estabstructive moral to those who have failed and windows, and gives the whole house in their attempts to introduce and estab-lish it in the United States, viz.:

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1869-70		51,691,738
1868-69		49,953,656
1867-68		40,593,392
		50,712,709
1865-66		43,452,773
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HEDGE ROWS VS. MOVABLE FENCES.

We never advocated hedge planting, except it be upon the roadside; all else is wild and uscless in a land as varied in the ownership of real estate as ours in America. Again, were there any permanency attached to property as belonging to years or time, the cost of keeping the hedges, the harbor they give for vermin, the amount of land they occupy, the screen they make for thieves, are more than the balance of cost and availability in the use of movable wooden slat fences. or wooden posts with wire intermediate, light, and readily removed. They can be stored away under a shed during winter, and at a moment's thought can stand on tiptoe. be brought and used cheaply to protect any little part and parcel of the grounds. -Prairie Farmer.

CHURNING MILE, OR CREAM.

Upon this point of churning the entre milk in preference to skimming and churning the cream, it strikes us that the results of the most carefully conducted erperiments all go to show its economy as compared with churning the cream abne on farms where there are kept only a small number of cows, and that those who have tried it and given it up have failed to observe the proper temperature. Let it never be forgotten that the thermometer is to have the post of honor in the dairy. Without it all is guesswork. A difference of not over two degrees will affect the yield of butter to the extent of four to five per cent, which, in a large dairy, or in a small dairy, through the season, will amount to a very large item, especially with butter at fifty to sixty cents a pound, as it is and has been for a long time in our markets. - Massachusetts Ploughman.

WATER AS A PLANT-NOURISHER.

An experiment of considerable importance in botany has recently been con-ducted in England. Some plants of the watermelon, after their first germination from the seed, have been sustained wholly

out thin. Cut into small round shapes, and bake quickly.

BURN YOUR KEROSENE THE FIGHT her own ground. One remarkable scene WAY.-We wish to call the attention of of such effort is still sought by tourists which are full of ferns and brakes, which usually die and go to seed without doing any good save as a gratification to the sense of sight. The softer parts, if stripped from the stems and dried in the sun, retain their toughness and elasticity with the sense of the stems and elasticity of the sense of the stems and dried in the stems and dried in the stems and elasticity and the stems and elasticity of the sense of the stems and elasticity of the sense of the stems and dried in the stems and elasticity of the sense of the stems and elasticity of the sense of the stems and dried in the stems and elasticity of the sense of the stems and elasticity of the stems and elasticity of the sense of the stems and elasticity of the stems and elastic the stems and the stems and elastic the stems and the stems are the stems and the stems and the stems are the stema are the stems are the stems are the stems are the stems are should be consumed by the name is by Bella," an enchanted ground well worthy this means left heavily in the air, while the cost of the oil thus saved, at the present prices, would be scarce one dol-to the freaks of a spendthrift nobleman, lar a year for the lamps of a household. it is "a joy forever." Ten terraces A large family of children in the country built in massive stone piers rise out of were taken ill one night, and on going to the water, earth of sufficient depth to were taken ill one might, and on going to the nursery the mother found the whole room nearly sufficient depth to turned nearly out, whereupon the doctor forbade the use of a lamp at night unless clime. There flourish the camphor and

PRISON DISCIPLINE. Flogging the Rebellions Convicts in the Missouri Penitentiary.

[Jefferson City (Mo.) Cor. St. Louis Republican.] At 7:30 o'clock Mr. Bradbury came in-the man who lays on the strap and rawhide, and who is more tacitum than his fellow-officers. With the crowd of guards we walked to the "old hall,"

filled with 326 cells. Two pests near by stand out clearly in the light of a neighboring lamp. At first a young negro boy is brought up by the guard. As he gomes up with abashed countenance, he trembles like an aspen. "Take off your shirt !" A slow movement in that direction. "Lie down and you can take it off quicker." When he has the shirt off he comes up to the post, and, extending both hands sees each firmly bound by a rope. The man then takes the rope, which leaves about a foot's distance be-

a hook placed further up on the post. When this is fixed, the prisoner can only

different discipline here." Bradbury takes a rawhide and lays it

on the bare yellow back before him. raises a long red line on the yellow back, column. and the negro leaps two feet off the floor. Further, it brings a yell of pain, and an abject cry of "Mr. Bradbury, please, Mr. Bradbury, sir." But Bradbury lays on four or five more lashes without flinching. The punishment is done, and the African humbly picks up his clothes, and goes back to his cell."

James Shea comes up-an intelligent and fine-looking young fellow of less than 23-and takes his punishment with bravely-suppressed moans of anguish, until eighteen blows are measured out. It is curious to mark the blows, how

Bradbury tries not to plow up too much space, but to plow deep. The long red lines deepen and darken, widen and lengthen; then become clotted; to-morrow they will be blue. "Eighteen blows; take him down, if he is ready." "Oh, yes, sir, I am ready ; but I have on water, in which their roots were im-mersed, and have in this condition pro-the prisoner, pointing to the guards. duced fruit of the finest quality. Very few plants can obtain sufficient nourish-ment from water alone to enable them to deed is done. The already quive "Imposed upon, have you?" says Brad-

A Wonderful Island.

Men have often tried to rival nature on er own ground. One remarkable scene f such effort is still samplit her to be a scene A GENTS. Chang Chang sells at sight. Necessary as A scep. Goods free. Chang Chang M'Tg Co., Boston. \$200 smonth to agents overywhere. Addre \$5250 per day at home. Terms free. Addre

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where with the living green ivies, honey suckles, trumpet-creepers and a wealth of ferns and creeping plants. The "spendthrift nobleman" who perpetrated all this magnificence was Count Vitaliano

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Mr. Bradbury here comes up. "What is your name?" "Henry Schaeffer." "What have you been doing?" "Speak-ing in the line, sir; that is all." "Don't you know better than that? how long have you been here?" "Nine months." tained by the new. There is not a bet-Turning to your correspondent, Mr. Bradbury remarked : "We have begun too, have just been reduced.

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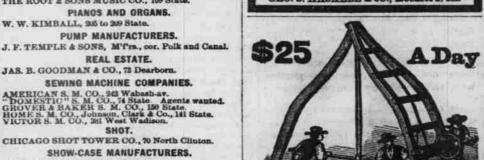
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years in the soil, and has stored in its bulb sufficient food for the maintenance of its foliage and flowers for an entire guished suffering that looks up at the thrives seems to act only as a solvent of Mike Malloy, low-browed, hard, and this food, for it fails to furnish the material with which the hyacinth can stock its bulb for a succeeding year's subsist-ence. Hence, after the plant has once blossoned in water it is either thrown away or set in the ground or allowed several years to recover its spent forces. and most convicts. "I would rather be In the case of the watermelon cited above with my mother," he piteonsly whines bethere was, however, no previous prepara- tween the blows. Bradbury coolly says, tion of food, and its entire nourishment throughout vegetation was derived from the water.

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The Household.

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Boil in the usual manner some potatoes of a firm kind; peel and let them cool; then cut them equally into quarter-inch alices. Dissolve in a very clean sance-pan from two ounces to four ounces good butter; stir to it a small dessert spoonful of flour, and shake the pan over the fire for two or three minutes; add by slow degrees a small cup of boiling water, some pepper, salt, and a tablespoonful of minced parsley; put in the potates, and toss them gently over a clear fire atheres well to them; at the instant of serving add a dessert-spoonful of strained lemon juice. lemon juice.

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able case of dyspepsia. carry on the complete process of blossom-ing and fruiting. The hyacinth, which is made to flower in water, has been first tighter, though the moans caused by the term and tighter tighter and tighter, though the moans caused by the Consumption-A Wonderful Cure. brought to maturity by a growth of several scorching rawhide cannot help coming,

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Catarrh was tenfold worse than before. Every effort for relief seemed fruitless. I seemed to be losing ground daily. I continued in this feeble state, raising blood almost daily until about the first of March, 73, when I became so bad as to be entirely confined to the house. A friend suggested your remedies. But I was extremely skeptical that they would do me good, as I had lost all heart in remedies, and began to look upon medicine and doctors with disgust. How-ever, I obtained one of your circulars, and read it carefully, from which I came to the con-clusion that you understood your business, at The brave, patient follower faints before a cry of pain shows how the blows have sunk into his flesh and into the sensitive covering of his soul. Some come up dauntless, some with trembling-all de

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