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HOME INTEREST.

Milk paint for fences and barns is made by mixing water lime with skim milk to a proper consistency to apply with a brush. It will adhere well to wood whether smooth or rough, to brick, mortar or stone, where oil has not been previously used.

Three pecks of boiled potatoes, fed a day, warm, is a remedy for diarrhœa in cattle.

To prevent abortion in cows give a tablespoon twice a week of a mixture of equal parts of plaster, ashes and salt.

If a box of ashes be kept in the henery, lice will be prevented from hatching on the hens to prey on the chickens when hatched.

In trimming off branches they should be cut close to the trunk, so that no dead stumps shall disfigure the tree; also that the bark may readily grow over.

The best remedy for the sting of a bee, wasp or hornet is liquid ammonia, and nothing will equal its dilution in water in allaying the irritation caused by mosquitoes.

Charcoal pulverized and mixed with water is highly recommended for relieving cattle suffering from any derangement of the stomach, such as bloat, heven, etc.

Young cows should not be taught to eat at milking time, as it will not always be found convenient to supply food and they will be restless without it when accustomed to it.

Saturating ashes with kerosene and applying a handful in a hill, will keep the striped bugs from cucumbers. It is not the bugs who recomend the recipe, but the people who have tried it. It is said to be more effective than a legislative enactment.

OUR COOK BOOK.

APPLE CHARLOTTE.—Butter a deep baking bowl; line it with thin slices of bread which have been soaked in milk; fill the bowl to within one inch of the top with sliced apples in layers, with bits of butter, sugar and grated lemon or orange peel; cover the apples with thin slices of bread soaked in milk; cover the bowl with an earthenware pie-dish, in which place water to prevent its cracking; bake in rather a brisk oven from one to one and a half hours, according to the size.

COCOANUT PUDDING.—Grate one cocoanut, roll four soda crackers fine, add a little salt, butter size of an egg, pour over it one quart of scalded milk When cold add three eggs well beaten, one coffee-cup of sugar, and the juice of one lemon. To make pies, add two more eggs to the above which will make to pies.

MUSTARD CABBAGE.—Chop one half a head of cabbage fine, put on to boil, one cup of vinegar, one cup of sugar, seven tablespoons of milk, two of mustard, and one tablespoon each of pepper and salt, add one beaten egg, stir the mixture well, then pour the whole over the cabbage, and serve. Very nice

MOLASSES FRUIT CAKE.—Two cups butter, two of molasses, two eggs, one cup of milk, one teaspoon of soda, one of essence of lemon, two nutmegs, flour enough to make a stiff batter—beat well; add currants, chopped raisins and citron. To prevent raisins from falling in cake beat them with the egg.

COFFEE CAKE WITHOUT EGGS.—One and a half cups of cold coffee, one cup and a half of sugar, one half cup of molasses, and nearly one cup of butter, one cup of chopped raisins, one cup of currants, one teaspoon soda, and nutmeg. Stir as stiff as fruit cake.

SUET PUDDING.—One cup suet chopped fine, one of molasses, two of flour, one and a half cups of sweet milk, one teaspoon each of soda, cinnamon and cloves, one cup of raisins. Steam two hours without lifting cover.

Health Notes.

Never lean with the back upon anything that is cold.

Never begin a journey until the breakfast has been eaten.

In sleeping in a cold room, establish the habit of breathing through the nose, and never with the mouth open.

Never go to bed with cold or damp feet; always toast them by the fire ten or fifteen minutes before going to bed.

Never omit regular bathing; for unless the skin is in active condition the cold will close the pores, and favor congestion or other diseases.

Merely warm the back by a fire, and never continue the back exposed to heat after it has become comfortably warm. To do otherwise is debilitating.

After exercise of any kind, never ride in an open carriage or near the window of an open car for a moment. It is dangerous to health and even to life. When hoarse, speak as little as possible until it is recovered from, else the voice may be permanently lost, or difficulties of the throat be produced.

The Toronto *Globe* argues at length to prove that while the U. S. might capture few posts along the Canadian frontier "it would be impossible for it to annex the Canadian territory." There is not the slightest desire on this side of the line to elevate Canada to the dignity of being a portion of an independent country, either by entreaty, purchase or war. Because Queen Victoria's son-in-law is managing their affairs at present our Canadian neighbors should not grow vain, and vaunt their untried prowess unnecessarily. It is better for the two countries to cultivate feelings of security and friendship. For the generation to come their need be no occasion for counting guns and soldiers and calculating what would be the probable results of a war. Some day it may be alleged that the natural northern boundary of the Republic, east of Lake Ontario, consists of the St. Lawrence River and the gulf of St. Lawrence; but the probabilities are that if any territorial acquisitons are made by the U. S, they will be made amicably and to the southward.

The King of Siam will soon be making a pilgrimage through Europe, and will give America a call likewise. He will discover that the Siamese twins have rendered his country quite well known abroad. His subjects are not barbarians, as many suppose, but are very polite people, and delight in poetical compliments. His Embassador once wrote home from England: "I am deeply impressed with the august Queen of this realm, in that her eyes, complexion and bearing are those of a beautiful and majestic white elephant." Victoria was much affected when she learned of it.

It appears from the testimony of impartial witnesses that Mr. Parnell is fully justified in the denunciation of the Irish land tenure system as the principal cause of the destitution in that country. The system drains from the country annually $80,000,000 in rents and $35,000,000 in land taxes, leaving for the support of 5,000,000 people, about $10 per head yearly. James Redpath, who represents the N. Y. *Tribune* in a special tour of investigation, says that the landlords of Ireland are not contributing a shilling to the relief fund, but that as a class they are mercilessly enforcing their claims to their pound of flesh from their starving tenants.

It is sometimes alleged that millionaires are seldom patriotic. This is not the case with Vanderbilt. He takes a deep interest in the General Government. Every night it owes him $3450 for that day's interest on registered bonds, and on the following noon owes him $1725 more, which along toward sunset grows to $3450 again. While he is playing a game of billiards his Government bonds earn him about $250. They are remarkably industrious, and work night and day. Everybody should have them.

There are some wealthy men who do not put away all their surplus coin in Government bonds. Such an one is Edwin D. Morgan, ex-Governor of New York and a philanthropist, whose good deeds would fill a volume. A resident of New York City, he has given liberally to a score of charities; he has founded a young ladies seminary at his country home on Cayuga Lake, and now he has added $100,000 to the endowment of the Union Theological Seminary. As he pays the money down, his bequests are actual facts.

As some inquiry is made as to the position of Portland we give its latitude and longitude for the benefit of these inquirers, as published by the signal service. Latitude 45 deg. 30.; longitude 127 deg. 27 min, 30 sec. This is considered by the service as correct at corner Front and Washington streets where the office was formerly located. The office has no instruments with which to correct chronometers and are therefore unable to make any such corrections.

Congressman Springer showed the House very clearly yesterday that the charges of bribery brought against him were baseless, and placed Manning, of Mississippi, who spread the story, in a very awkward position. Springer lays the blame of the whole matter at the door of Tilden, and charges that Finley, one of the sage's young men at Washington, was the author of the anonymous letter. It is curious how the traces of Tilden crop out in all these dubious transactions.

The American population of New Mexico has more than doubled in the past year, but is still only 25,000. The total population of the Territory is estimated at 135,000. Railroad enterprises will soon transform and people that long neglected and naturally rich region.

The New York *World* has increased its price from three to four cents a copy. This is in consequence of the enormous increase in the price of paper.

A very curious number, 142,857, which multiplied by 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 gives the same figures in the same order, beginning at a different point, but if multiplied by 7 gives *all nines*:

142,857x1—142,857
142,857x2—285,714
142,857x3—428,571
142,857x4—571,428
142,857x5—714,285
142,857x6—857,142
142,857x7—999,999

It is a pleasant thing to be a royal biographer, even if one is compelled to deal out a large amount of panegyric and exhaust his superlatives in depicting more than mundane virtue. Theodore Martin, has sung in prose, and very heavy prose, too, the idyl of Queen Victoria's married life and the blameless career of the Prince Consort, and has just been rewarded with Knighthood and the order of the Bath.

Co-operation has proved highly successful in England, so far as management of stores for the sale of dry goods, groceries and family supplies are concerned. The commercial classes are demanding a Parliamentary enactment for the entire prohibition of co-operative stores, and the question has been dragged into the political arena. For some reason not apparent, the co-operative movement has been a failure.

Nobody need be astonished if Boss Tweed should materialize in Michigan and once more adorn his bosom with a diamond chandelier That State has $8,000,000 on hand in excess of its liabilities.

The following stopping places are said to be on the route to the Skagit mines: Death Canyon, Jacob's Ladder, Frozen Hell, Skeleton Pass, Sepulcher Swamp, and Sourdough Mountain.

Here and There.

Samuel Brachman, a Tehama merchant, committed suicide by jumping into the Sacramento river.

The Edison tailing process is to be used in a mill to be built at Orville, California, which will be completed Aug. 1st.

The Queen is expected in England by the end of this week, and then the Beaconsfield administration will lose no time to resign.

The Senate have confirmed J. Angill to be minister, and Swift of California, and Prescott of South Carolina, commissioners to China.

A terrible famine is raging at Mosul, in Turkish Kooristan. Four thousand inhabitants fled to Bagdad and hundreds are on the road.

Senator Kane, of California, is in the Sacramento jail, and will probably stay there until the legislature of California adjourns.

The house sub-committee on the Pacific railroads decided against the extension of time for ten years and are discussing the proposition to extend six years.

The evidence in the case of Colored Cadet Whittaker, at West point, looks as if there was something in his assertion that he was assaulted by other Cadets.

In the first three months of 1880 there were 1,400 failures in the United States, against 2,500 for same time in 1879. So times must be better than they were.

Postage stamps and cards issued to postmasters during the past nine months reach about $54,000,000, which is over $3,000,000 more than for corresponding time last year.

The following items under date of April 5th, from Goodell's, head of navigation on Skagit river, will be read with interest:

Great excitement prevails here to day over a rich strike on Sauk. The past week has been warm. Snow melted sufficiently to admit of a good deal of prospecting on many bars along the Sauk river, a few miles above its junction with the Skagit. Twenty-five cents to the pan was obtained in many places in top gravel, and almost every locality so far as prospected shows pay dirt. It has been the opinion of many old miners who have been in the vicinity this winter that the richest placers will be found in this section of the country, and these recent developments prove the correctness of their judgment. People are rushing in and staking off claims.

A new district will be organized only one day's travel from where the Seattle steamers land passengers. It is also learned from a party of miners just arrived from a prospecting tour around the portage that splendid prospects are taken from the side hills and from the beds of small ravines. One ravine, only a mile from the portage, was thoroughly prospected, and yielded the finest looking gold yet found anywhere on the Skagit. The average prospect here was 32 cents to three pans of dirt.

Distressing Report from the North.

VICTORIA, April 1.—A correspondent from near Clinton writes: The whole country north of Clinton to Peace river is covered with snow three feet deep. All the cattle in the vast district of Chilcoaten have perished for want of food, and fifty per cent. of those that grazed on the left bank of the Frazer. This is the 15th of March; the days are cold and the nights bright and very cold. The winter may last three weeks longer, and there is no chance for the remnant of live stock. The oldest Indian never saw such a terrible winter as this has been. In many places the dead bodies of the deer have been found in the forest frozen stiff. The bounding deer turning into a lump of ice, and the starving Indian trying to cut a venison steak with an ax would make a picture of life in northern latitudes very interesting to those who spend their lives in well aired rooms.

Two for a Dime.

He entered the saloon with a hasty stride and abstracted air, as if some bank would split wide open if he was not on time to save it with his mighty intellect. He laid down his short bit with the manner of a man who had paid any number of long bits over the same counter and would do it again if he felt like it. He poured out his four fingers and a half of whisky. As the bartender was wondering wheather he was a railroad magnate or a bonanza king in seedy disguise, in walked a wreck on the ocean of rum, who begged piteously for a "nip." The bartender was no greenhorn and couldn't be "played." He refused the bummer's appeal. "Stay, my good fellow," cried the compassionate millionaire. "Do you want a drink? Then divide with me. I poured out more than I want." They did divide, and walked out together to initiate other well posted barkeepers into the secret of getting "two for a dime."

About $800,000 was saved in the construction of the Hoosac Tunnel by the use of an improved drill. The inventor of the drill, who died recently in Boston, received only $5,000 for the contrivance. He also invented series of signals for use on ships of war, which were highly commended by the government and was patented both in this country and in Europe. He made many other contributions to labor-saving machinery, but notwithstanding his inventions he never realized even a comfortable competence from them owing to the difficulty of introducing them before the expiration of the patents.