Something About Curtains.

There is no one thing that adds so much to the furnishing of a room as cnrtains. With a good carpet, nice walls, tasty curtains, though you have little furniture in your room, it will look quite elegant. There is no greater mistake made by people furnishing than putting all their money into a parlor set, and leaving only enough to buy dark shades for their windows. Where a house is without shutters, dark shades seem a necessity, but uglier things could not have been thought of than the present fashionable shades-dark gray and brown. They make the house gloomy within, and look, outside, as if no one lived in the house. For shades there is nothing prettier than white, and nothing wears much better. I have some that have been in use five years, and do not look so very bad yet. The dust slips off Holland very easily, and if the large brass rings are attached to pull them down with, they can be kept free from finger marks. But inside the shades some drapery is necessary to give a graceful appearance to the window. These can be of Swiss, scrim, or Canton flannel, as one fancies. If the windows are a north look-out, Swiss could be used very well; these are pretty, made to part in the center, and edged with antique or coarse torchon lace, and at the top set in large box-plaits and fastened to rings slipped on a pole. It is not necessary to purchase the heavy, expensive poles, and rings at the stores, if on choose to manufacture your own. Have a pole turned at the carpenter's, a little longer than the width of the window; into the end fasten a knot which can be bought at a hardware store, together with martingale-rings of iron. which can be covered with crotcheting in brown zephyr. Sew these at equal distances along your curtains, and hang them on two large hooks, which can be purchased at the hardware store. The curtains should only reach the floor; loop them back a little below the middle of the window with ribbons, and not at

the window sill as formerly. For a door, a pretty curtain is made of tarlatan, very full, gathered on a string at the top aud bottom; part in the middle, and tie back to each side with a ribbon, so that the opening forms a diamond. Inside of this have a red or white shade to draw down for privacy.

A very pretty way to fix a window looking out upon an unpleasant scene, is to dissolve Epsom salts into beer until it is the consistency of cream and put it upon the glass with a sponge. It will form the most beautiful shapes-equal to Jack Frost's paintings. This arrangement keeps out ugly sights, but does not keep out the light.

If the curtains are made of Canton flannel, the trimming should be in broad bands of another contrasting color, put a foot from the top, directly across the curtain, and on a line with the windowsill place another band. Nine inches, at least, in width should the bands be; line the curtains with thin cambric, and trim them on the edge with worsted fringe, which comes in beautiful shades at from 20 to 50 cents a yard. If you would like them more elaborate, there are beautiful strips of wool canvass about six inches wide, to be had in all colors, which can be embroidered in any of the pretty stitches now used, and used as the bands, instead | slices, and put them in a frying-pan with of another shade of Canton flannel. a little butter and parsley; and a spoon-These stripes come for afghans, but can ful of flour mixed with a little broth, a nearly all colors, and are fifty cents a minutes, and serve. yard. Very heavy gray linen is also used for curtains; along the edge of the pattern the linen is outlined in worsted or crewel. With the great abundance of material it is very easy in these days to make home beautiful, if one has taste; and one cannot do that with plenty of money unless they have taste. The great trouble with many homes is there is too much mixture in them. To have everything one must have a large house; and when people learn to furnish houses according to the house, we shall see more pretty homes. Furnish cottages in cottage furniture, and leave the massive styles for larger houses.

The Garfields.

Mrs. Lucretia R. Garfield, wife of the late president, is living quietly with her children and his mother in Cleveland. She spent a good deal of time during the summer out on the Mentor farm, which her husband loved so well, and which was in his lifetime such a place of politi-cal pilgrimage. Elder Zed Rudolph, one of the founders of the Disciple church, is living on the farm. There have been some slight improvements, and the grass is greener in the front yard than it was when trodden down by the feet of "countless thousands" of office seekers in the fall of 1880. The porch. which ran across the south and part of the west ends of the mansion, has been extended clear across the east end this summer. The wires which ran into the little office and library building, a little to the rear and cast end of the house have been removed.

On bright Saturdays Mrs. Garfield and the children take a run down to Mentor and remain until Monday. She still takes a great interest in matters there, and the neighbors say that her whole desire seems to be to do everything just as the general intended. Captain Burridge, a neighbor, and one of the elders of the little Disciple church there when the Garfields used to attend, related the following incident to me:

Just before the general's departure for Washington he told me to go ahead and do as well as I could toward raising funds for the church, and that, at the close of the year he would divide whatever deficiency there might be with me. Meanwhile he died, but Mrs. Garfield was careful to ask me if there was not some arragement for the year's church work between the general and myself. I explained how matters stood. She asked how much the deficiency was, and I told her \$300. She gave me her check for \$150 immediately, and I paid the bal-

ance. The new \$50,000 residence which Mrs. Garfield has lately purchased on Prospect street, in this city, was selected, I am informed, by Dr. Boynton. It is quite large, but probably none too large for her some what extended family. There are Mother Garfield, Mollie, and the two younger boys, besides Harry and Jimmy when they are at home.

It will be remembered that it was announced some time since that Mrs. Garfield would in due time publish the authorized edition of her husband's works. President Hinsdale, at that time of Hiram College, but now superintendent of the public schools of this city, was selected as the editor; James R. Osgood & Co., of Boston, are the publishers, and the books are printed at the University Press at Cambridge, Mass. Mrs. Garfield herself, however, has the exclusive control of the work and its publication. She pays for and owns the plates, and whatever profit there may be from the sales of the books will be hers. There will be two volumes of the work, each volume containing 750 pages. About 100 of General Garfield's compositions have been selected. These include speeches in congress and on the stump, some of his finest legal arguments, occa sional addresses, and articles contributed to various publications .-- [Chicago Tribune.

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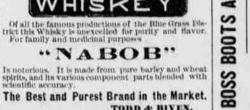


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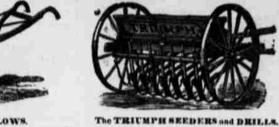








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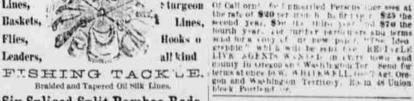
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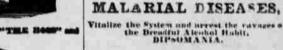
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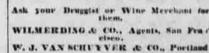










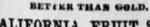


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'Tad Lincoln's Livutenancy.

Oe day, Tad, in search of amusement, loitered into the office of the secretary of war, and Mr. Stanton, for the fun of the thing, commissioned him a lieutenant of the United States volunteers. This elated the boy so much that he went off immediately and ordered a quantity of muskets sent to the White House, and then he organized and drilled the house servants and gardeners, and without attracting anybody's attention, he actually discharged the regular sentries about the premises and ordered his unwilling recruits on duty as guards. Robert Lincoln soon discovered what had been done, and thinking it a great hatdship that men who had been at work all day should be obliged to keep watch during the night to gratify a boyish freak, he remonstrated. But Tad would listen to nothing from his elder brother, and Robert appealed to his father, who only langued at the matter as a joke. Tad soon tired, however, of his selfimposed duties and went to bed. The drafted men were quietly relieved from duty, and there was no guard at the president's mansion that night, much to Mr. Lincoln's relief. He never approved of the precaution of mounting guard at the White House. While Tad sported his commission as lieutenant, he cut quite a military figure. From some source he procured a uniform suitable to his supposed rank, and thus proudly attired, he had himself photographed. Noah Brooks, in St. Nicholas.

ONE WOMAN'S MARRIAGES .- John A Philips was arraigned before Justice Nettleship, in Newark, N. J., on Friday for refusing to support his seven-year-old daughter. The child's mother is dead. The main witness was her sister. From her testimony it appeared that the mother's first husband was a man named Dean, who is now dead. Then she married a sailor named Beardsley, who went away in 1875. When he returned he found her living with Philips. In 1876 she left Philips and married Lawrence Burke. Burke testified that he was and did not know he had married the on the counter, saying: "That is good-N. Y. Tinins.

be used for a number of articles where spoonful of vinegar, or half a glass of stripes are employed. They are in wine, pepper, salt and spices; cook ten

Harmless Snakes .- It is a great mistake to destroy harmless snakes. They are great feeders on destructive insects, and very useful in field and garden. The foolish dread of them entertained by many otherwise sensible people is something to be ashamed of.

Tapioca cup pudding .- This is very light and delicate for invalids. An even tablespoonful of best tapioca soaked for two hours in nearly a cup of new milk; stir into this the yolk of a fresh egg, a little sugar, a grain of salt and bake it in a cup for fifteen minutes. A little jelly may be eaten with it.

Squash au Gratin .- Pare, quarter and boil the squash, mash and press to get out the water, beat in a good spoonful of butter with peper, salt and a little cream, pour into a bake dish, stew with fine crumbs, and bake in a quick oven until they are slightly browned.

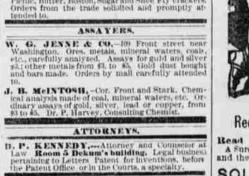
Force-Meat Balls .- Mince boiled veal or chicken very fine, add nearly the same quantity of salt pork scraped very fine and about as much bread; season with sweet herbs, cloves, allspice, pepper, mace and nutmeg; mix it well with eggs, and make it into balls; fry in butter.

Ham Cooked in Cider .- Put a pint of cider and a cup of brown sugar into enough water to cover the ham; boil three hours, or until the skin will peel off easily. Remove the skin, cover the ham with a crust of sugar, and bake in a slow oven three hours. Dissolve a cup of sugar in a pint of cider and baste the ham frequently while baking. If the cider is sweet use less sagar.

Steamed Fish .- Place tail of fish in its month and secure it, lay on a plate, pour over it a half pint of vinegar seasoned with pepper and salt; let stand an hour in the refrigerator, then pour off the vinegar and put in a steamer over boiling water; steam twenty minutes or longer if the fish is very large (when done the meat casily parts from the bone); drain well and serve on a napkin garnished with curled parsley.

SOCIAL MATHEMATICS .- A mathematical professor had been invited by a city friend to visit him at his residence in a certain square, and had promised to do so. Meeting him some time alterwards, the friend inquired of the professor why he did not come to see him. "I did come," said the mathematician, "but there was some mistake. You told me you lived in a square and I found myself in a paralleogram, so I went away again."-[Hartford Times.

MRS. PARTINGTON IN TOWN .- Mrs. Partington says that a friend of hers is building a fine cottage at the seashore in the Mary Ann style, and when it is finished it will have fine terra firma chimneys. While shopping a few days ago she presented a trade dollar in payment, which was handed back as bad. She threw it woman until the certificate was shown.-- it has a deep tone-it sounds resinons.' N. Y. Tinlas.



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