Growing Cloverseed. farmers from force of habit do w their clover seed, but buy it var to year. Such a course for rage farmer I do not think is Clover is practically the great We may talk a great deal manures and rotation, but after sink into insignificance when son is made with this great rating crop. Will not the experiof hundreds of farmers corrobo-

natter how cheap clover seed may chased in the local market, it has os been a considerable item of exto the farmer. A bushel of clover his spring was equivalent in value miy five bushels of corn or thirtymibels of onts delivered. To proa bushel of clover seed ordinarily pearly so expensive as the cost wing the quantity of these grains sed. It may be that clover seed be cheaper this year. However may be, I do not think the seed in part of the country ever sells units cost of production. But there stronger reasons why farmers mise their own seed for perme than for the money it will them in the market. They are bave an article at cost of pro which they know is reliable ere sure of what they are sowing will be no need of sowing seed or six years old, nor will they sow Mammoth or some other variety for medium, or vice versa.-National

aperiments with Forage Crops. per of experiments have been with forage crops that are very resting. A piot of the rity nine tons of hay per acre for the set from four cuttings, the first cutbeing made on May 2 and the last Crimson clover sown with and cut for green food on Oct. 23 Nov. 12 yielded 5,134 pounds of foron a half-acre plot, and a plot sown now. eats yielded 1,870 pounds when on June 24. The flat pea produced pounds of green fodder per acre, It was not as palatable to stock as clover or alfalfa.

Average Yield of Corn.

rding to the Government report, average yield of corn over the country is 23.7 bushels per acre. 1896 the average was 27.3 bushels, in 1805 it was 26.2 bushels. Hay raged 1.42 tons, against an average 121 for the last fifteen years. Such rages are very low, as it has not musual to secure over 100 bushels waper acre, and four tons of clover e plots. It is possible to largely ase this average, and, as the ave for wheat is about thirteen bushracre, our enormous wheat crops land for that purpose, and, as small averages, the profit from wheat and corn crops could be more

Killing Cutworms by Freezing. in digging into an old sod, many the white grubs or cutworms are md, it is best to fall plow the piece late as possible, so that the cutms will not be able to find new and are hifting places. Under a heavy the soil often does not freeze deepand it is always possible for the to find quarters where it will be during the winter. All kinds of ms and insect pests are easily killby exposure to frost preceded by A dry freeze does not hurt m; but when wet and cold come toher they succumb. Besides, the upning in the fall exposes the cut-rus to their natural enemies, the ster birds, which destroy great miers of them.

Thick Seeding for Fall Grain. great many farmers when sowing or wheat, especially if late, add a bushel to the seed they would put it was sown earlier. This is good etice, though the reason often as-sed, that the thicker seeding helps seep the plants from winter killing tting them close together so that can protect another, is a most falone. No fall growth of grain, ever large, can keep the soil beth it from freezing. When the soil tes each grain plant has to look for itself, and it is only injured if as another plant beside it, crampits roots and preventing them from ving horizontally, as it should in to be better prepared when the beaves and falls back in change spring weather. What is called fer killing of grain is really spring ing when there are several days of sing nights and sunshine during day time, thawing the surface. A fall growth is some protection last this, but it is better protection grain has been sown thinly, so each plant has room to spread own grain cannot spread or tiller he fall. Hence it may be sown

Feeding Fowls in Winter. of the reasons why hens do not cold weather is because they then heir food with too little exercise. the summer the fowls are ed mostly to care for themselves. get a great variety of food, eating y and taking much exercise while are filling up. In the winter they only one or two kinds of food. lly grain, and this is put in a mass them so they can fill themselves e the food digests. This would be what is wanted if the fowls were fattened. In fact, the hens thus latten and thus become unfit to It any eggs are formed they are with thin shells, the result of ing and lack of exercise. Give

RICULTURAL NEWS Onta only are not heavy enough food for fowls in cold weather. The chaff of oats fills their crops so that they cannot get enough nutrition. Then if this grain is buried in a mass of cut straw, and the hens are obliged to scratch for a living, as they do in summer, instead of being moping and dull, their lively prating will be heard all through the day, their combs will become red, and if kept warmly enough they will lay as months ago. The bear element is regularly as they did in the summer season.—American Cultivator.

Making an Asparagus Bed. Asparagus root may be planted in spring or fall, provided the ground is moderately dry; otherwise, it is better to plant in the spring. The land must be well prepared, and can hardly be too rich, Good, strong one-year-old plants are by many preferred to older For garden culture the rows should be not less than three feet apart and the roots planted two feet apart in the rows. In field culture, where borse caltivation is practiced, three to

four feet of space is given each way. The easiest way of planting is to make furrows with the plow ten or twelve inches deep. Level and mellow the bottom of these, and if the ground is not already very rich, spade in some decomposed manure, filling up the trenches so that the bottom is about six inches below the surface of the land. Plant the roots in these, covering them with three inches of soil, and as the shoots grow fill in the trench gradually until it is level. The ground is to be kept mellow and clear of weeds throughout the season. After two years a few stalks may be cut off each ear, but a full crop should not be cut before the third year.-American Ag-

Milk as Food on the Farm. To every city resident one of the advantages of living in the country is that those living there can easily secure fresh and pure milk directly from the cow. It is a most valuable food product, whether used directly as milk or cooked in custards and cakes, in the various ways that milk and cream can be used. Probably most housewives who have lived in the country find when they remove to the city that the sting. A plot of alfalfa yielded absence of the best milk and cream which they used to have in abundance was a stronger handicap than anything else. At the wholesale prices that are Sept. 28. Half-acre plots of Dent all that milk producers can get for Kaffir corn and sorghum produced milk, it is a much cheaper food than milk, it is a much cheaper food than Dent corn 15,354 pounds of green any other that comes to their tables. If farmers ate more of their milk product farmers ate more of their milk product ter and 19,388 pounds of sorghum they would be better off physically, as well as financially. What they then sold would probably bring as much as does the larger portion that they sell

A Large Artichoke Crop. Byron C. Crane, of Bridgeport, Vernont, is a prosperous farmer, and the first to introduce French artichokes as a crop in his section. He has one and one-half acres of artichokes. The folinge is more than ten feet high, and covers the ground densely, killing every weed. They were planted twelve inches apart in rows three and onehalf feet apart. He thinks he will get at least 1,000 bushels of the roots to the acre. He raised a small amount of this crop last year, and found that cattle ate the foliage with relish, and hogs ate the roots in preference to corn. Analvais shows them to be better as a feed than any other root which we raise in this country. This crop was raised with less work than corn, on land that has produced two crops of d be doubled without cultivating potatoes and one of corn, this being the America, 12 1/2c; California, 9@10c nery have become a great resort for to carry away a bolt of lightning. The wyields can be had at less cost plied. It is not affected by frost.-New England Farmer.

Fall Care of the Garden. If the garden is thoroughly underdrained, as it always ought to be, it should be fall plowed in ridges and the surface left rough, so as to expose the soil as much as possible from freezing. This is the more necessary because the garden is always a sheltered spot, where snow lies much of the winter, so that there are few times when the soil freezes very deeply. The garden is always the richest spot on the farm. It often is what the Scotch farmers call "much midden," or heavy with manure. It needs the winter's freezing to lighten the soil and make its fertility available.

Cause of Death Among Poultry. A Western poultry paper recently published an article on poultry and cause of death among same. By ittvestigation it was proved that 99 per cent, of the chickens that die lose their life in consequence of the ravages of lice, either directly or indirectly; that a laying hen covered with lice becomes so debilitated that her chickens are not so strong as those from hens free of lice. It is the lice worrying and suck ing the life blood from the fow! that weakens it so that it is not strong enough to resist disease in any form and soon sickens and dies. The first cause in nearly every case is lice. So when you find an ailing fowl look for

Preserving Eggs by Electricity. A certain electrician has discovered way of preserving eggs in an edible condition for a number of years. It is well known that an egg shell is more or less porous, and that air passes into the egg and hastens its decay. In preserving eggs by the new method the eggs are first placed in a vacuum chamber which draws the air from the interior. They are then painted with a composition which renders them airtight. Finally they are placed in barrels of water and subjected to an electric current strong enough to destroy any germ life which may be present.

World's Largest Fruit Farm. What is said to be the largest fruit farm in the world is at Olden, Mo., on the Memphis Rallway. It contains 2,280 acres, on which are 100,000 peach trees, 60,000 apple trees, 2,000 pear trees and forty acres of blackberries, besides a large variety of other fruits. There is a large warehouse, a cannery. with a capacity for 10,000 cans per day; a storage building, which will hold 15,000 barrels of apples; a hotel, sawmill and a number of houses for the use of managers and tenants. The farm is valued at \$250,000 to \$300,000.

Harrow the field until the sods are broken; then roll. Always roll before drilling, and never after. The ridges of fine earth left between the drill rows are a great protection to the only small grain, oats or grain. This earth falls slowly and t, or better still, a mixture of both. | covers the grain roots.

WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

[Office of Downing, Hopkins & Co., Chicago Board of Trade Brokers, 711-714 Chamber of Com-merce Building, Fortland, Oregon.]

Light speculation was the dominating factor in the wheat market last week. Its force was felt more keenly than at any time since prices left 64 cents five working on the idea that all the bullish advance in prices of 36 cents from the low point in the spring. Wheat that stuff is moving out, the bulls think that prices should continue to go up, hold as freely, but export sales during week were heavy. For three 2 cents below it. The bears have been unable to maintain a break for more the bulls and their intention are as much of a puzzle as ever. They stand wheat, and are very liable to get it before the first of the year. Elevator people, however, are not disposed to closed, as they want to keep the wheat in their houses. The Leiter party have from 5,000,000 to 7,000,000 bushels bought. There are also scattered lines held by parties outside of the pool. The claim is made that there is no shortage, except on the part of the elea deal that no one except rich men can afford to be in. The bulls claim not shown any profit. If such is the case, it seems rather strange that two such shrewd business men as Armour and Weare should be so actively engaged in it. Government report gives crop of winter and spring wheat at \$50,000,000 bushels. Visible supply of wheat decreased 101,000 bushels, and now totals

Portland Market.

Wheat-Walla Walla, 72@73c; Valley and Bluestem, 75@76c per bushel. Four-Best grades, \$4.25; graham, \$3.40; superfine, \$2.25 per barrel. Oats-Choice white, 34@35c; choice

gray, 32@33c per bushel. Barley-Feed barley, \$19@20; brewing, \$20 per ton.

Millstiffe-Bran, \$17 per ton; middlings, \$21; shorts, \$17. Hay-Timothy, \$12.50@13; clover,

Eggs-18 % @25c per dozen. Butter-Fancy creamery, 50@55c; fair to good, 40@45e; dairy, 30@40c

per roll. Cheese - Oregon, 11 1/2c; Young The stockyards at the Linnton can-

2.50 per doezn; broilers, \$2.00@2.50; geese, \$5.50@6: ducks, \$3.00@4.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 10@11c per

Potatoes-Oregon Burbanks, 85@45c per sack; sweets, \$1.40 per cental. Onions-Oregon, new, red, 90c; yellow, 80c per cental.

Hops-8@14c per pound for new crop; 1896 crop, 4@6c. Wool-Valley, 14@16c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 7@12e; mohair, 20 @ 22c per pound.

Mutton-Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, \$3.00; dressed mutton, 5c; spring lambs, 51/2c per pound. Hogs-Gross, choice heavy, \$4.00; light and feeders, \$3.00@4.00; dressed,

\$4.50@5.00 per 100 pounds. Beef-Gross, top steers, \$2.75 @ 3.00; cows, \$2.25; dressed beef, 4@514c per

Veal-Large, 416@5c; small, 516@ Se per pound. Scattle Market.

Butter - Fancy native creamery, brick, 28c; ranch, 16@18c. Cheese-Native Washington, 1216c; California, 91cc. Eggs-Fresh ranch, 30@32c.

Poultry-Chickens, live, per pound, hens, 10c; spring chickens, \$2.50@ 3 00; ducks, \$3.50@3.75. Wheat-Feed wheat, \$22 per ton. Oats-Choice, per ton, \$19@20.

Corn-Whole, \$22; cracked, per ton, \$22; feed meal, \$22 per ton. Barley-Rolled or ground, per ton, \$22; whole, \$22.

Fresh Meats-Choice dressed beef, steers, 6c; cows, 5 1/6c; mutton sheep, pork, 7c; veal, small, 7. Fresh Fish-Halibut, 4@5c; salmon, 8@4e; salmon trout, 7@10e; flounders and sole, 3@4; ling cod, 4@5; rock cod, 5c; smelt, 21/4 @4c.

Fresh Fruit-Apples, 50c@\$1.25 per box; peaches, 75@80c; prunes, 35@40c; pears, 75c@\$1 per box.

San Francisco Market. Wool-Nevada 11@13c; Oregon, 12 @ 14c; Northern 7@8c per pound.

Hope-10@14c per pound. Millstuffs-Middlings, \$20@22; Calfornia bran, \$17,50@18.00 per ton. Onions-New red. 70@80c; do new ilverskin, \$1.40@1.60 per cental. Eggs -Store, 23@28c; ranch, 27@ 30c; Eastern, 14@20; duck, 20@25c per

Cheese-Fancy mild, new, 12 1/c; fair to good, 7@8c per pound .. Citrus Fruit-Oranges, Valencias, 11.50@3.00; Mexican limes, \$2.00@ 1.00; California lemons, choice, \$1.75 @2.25; do common, 50c@\$1 per box. Hay--Wheat, 12@14; wheat and oat, \$11@18; oat, \$10@12; river bar-

\$1@8; best barley, \$10@12; alfalfa, \$8@9.50; clover, \$8@9.50. Fresh Fruit-Apples, 35@85e 'arge box; grapes, 20@40c; Isabella, 69@75c; peaches, 50c@\$1; pears, 75c il per box; plums, 20@35c.

Butter-Fancy creamery, 26@27c; do secon is, 24 @ 25c; fancy dairy, 28 @ #4c; good to choice, 17@22c per pound. Potatoes-New, in boxes, 35 @ 80c.

INDIANS IN OREGON.

Reports From Klamath, Siletz and

Grand Ronde Agents. Joseph Emery, United States Indian agent at Klamath agency, in his annual report to the communissioner of Indian affairs, speaks of the great improvement that has been made in the matter of agriculture. There was also a good crop of rye and oats, and more land had been fenced and more buildinfluences have been discounted by the ings erected than in any former year. There have been also other improvements and more would have been made cleared last week was all bought a lumber. The Indians on the reservaif there had been a sufficient supply of month or more ago, and prices were ad- tion show a disposition to live in betvanced at the time. Now that the ter houses than heretofore. More attention is being given to stockraising than usual, and a marked increase has been observed in the herds. Some purbecause the stuff is being delivered to chases of thoroughbred cattle have been the buyers. The latter are not taking made, and the Indians show a disposition to take care of them.

The agent also reports the gratifying results of the two schools of that agency. months the market has backed and One hundred and fifty-two children filled around 90 cents for May, getting were in attendance at the Klamath 5 cents above it recently, and has been school, and 103 at the Yainax school.

The Klamath Indians are thrown upon their resources, as all allowances and other work, besides agriculture, ing." The total number of Indians on the reservation is 1,020, an increase of 59 ready to pay for 5,000,000 bushels of over last year. A better system of watemorks and heating apparatus is recnended for the Klamath school.

Bailey Gaither, agent at Siletz, reports that the population at that agency make any deliveries until navigation is is 486, a decrease of 12. He also reports that the Indians have been working, and were employed in picking hops and packing fish at the cannery which has been constructed near the that will reach above 2,000,000 bushels dians received during the year \$15,562 from various sources, including \$5,853 annuity from the government.

He reports a great deal of confusion among the Indians who claim to own vator people. The latter have been land of dead alottees, as 116 have died bringing wheat down from Duluth. It since the allotment was completed, making about 9,000 acres of land for the Indians to quarrel over. In some cases there is no question as to who are that the wheat brought down from the the legal heirs; but in the majority Northwest by the elevator people has there are a number of claimants, and it is very difficult to determine the relationship of any of the claimants. The agent says it is a means of considerable annovance, and will grow more so unless some simpler and less expensive method of adjustment is devised. At present, application is made to the state courts to determine who are the heirs, and it is usually so expensive that it excludes the Indian from any means of determining his rights.

Mr. Gaither reports gratifying work from the schools, and says that there is not sufficient room in the buildings at the present time.

Andrew Kershaw, the superintendent in charge of the Grande Rond's agency, says there has been steady progress in the school work there, and he also speaks very highly of the industrial work of the pupils. He shows that there has been a decrease in the poplua-\$10@11; California wheat, \$10; do tion during the year, but the reservaoat, \$11; Oregon wild hay, \$9@10 per tion is in general good order.

> During November, 312 carload lots of freight were shipped over the Elgin branch of the O. R. & N.

ls and crows. Hundreds of these Poultry-Chickens, mixed, \$1.75@ birds haunt the yards in search of food. The authorities of Lakeview, in Lake county, are improving the streets of

that town with gravel. It is estimated that the cost of the improvements will The Lane county rock crusher is at work near Goshen, where rock is being

crushed to repair the road near Camas swale. About 800 feet of new road will be built. An Ashland man is over among the

Klamath Indians, endeavoring to gather 100 dogs to be sent to Alaska in the spring. The dogs of the Indians being accustomed to hardships and food of dried fish are thought to be hardy enough for the northern climate.

Residents of Wallowa county report a run of salmon which began within the past week. A run of salmon this late in the season is very unusual in that county. The fish are large and have deep red sides, and have other characteristics. They are headed for Wallowa lake and are very plentiful.

The Santiam News gives the following account of the courageous efforts of Mrs. Mack, who resides near that place, in trying to save her little son, Frank, from drowning. The lad was dragging a plank on a footlog, crossing a deep but narrow stream, between their house and the residence of Mr. A. Biggs, who lives near, and in some way fell in the stream. The youngest boy, Wallace, screamed for his mother, who came running to their assistance, and jumped into the stream to save the now drowning boy. She missed him as he floated past, got in deep water herself, and but for the timely assistance of Mr. Biggs would have drowned. She was rescued with difficulty, just as she was sinking the last time. The boy floated down stream till in coming contact with some overhanging willows, he managed to pull himself

There was not exactly a tidal wave at Seaside, Clatsop county, Thursday, but during the high tide the wind blew the waves high upon the beach, and one unusually large one broke over the knoll near the bathhouses and sent tons of water into the camping grove. The water ran back as far as the Estes, Allen and Kopp cottages. A number of people were watching the surf at the time, and many of them received a ducking, but none were injured, and the damage to property was compara-

tively slight. The demand for terrapin in San Francisco is making quite a business of the shipment of turtles to San Francisco from points in Shasta and Siskiyou counties, as they can be found in the various rivers and lakes throughout Northern California and Southern Oregon. They are kept in water ponds until a sufficient number is obtained to make up carload shipments, when they are hauled to the railroad in sacks, kept constatly moist to preserve them

There was an over-supply of wild ducks in the Marshfield market last Cooking by Solar Heat.

The various experiments made with solar engines by the French in Algeria, where the sun is never overclouded and shines with great power, have been attended in some instances with marked success. The best apparatus is stated to be a simple arrangement of boiler and concave mirror, the steam generated being condensed in a coiled tube surrounded by water, this being intended merely for distilling water. But in India an inventor has contrived some machines with which more varied results are accomplished. One of these, says the Philadelphia Record, is what termed a cooking-box, made of wood and lined with reflecting mirrors, at the bottom of the box being a small copper boiler covered with glass to retain the heat of the rays concentrated by the mirrors upon the boiler. In this contrivance any sort of food may be quickly cooked, the result being a stew or boil if the steam is retained, or if allowed to escape it is a bake. The heat with this device may be augmented indefinitely by increasing the diameter of the box.

Jacobin Songs at Balmoral.

Queen Victoria recently invited a Glasgow singing society to sing to her than a day or two below 90 cents. De-cember sold 4½ cents to 17 cents and are making their way very well. premium over May. The position of They are engaged in hauling freight Charlie' and "Charlie Is My Darl-

KNOCKED OUT.

It knocks out all calculations of attend ing to business in the right way for a day when we wake up in the morning sore and stiff. The disappointment lies in going to bed all right and waking up all wrong, There is a short and sure way out of it. Go to bed after a good rub with St. Jacobs Oil and you wake up all right; soreness and stiffness all gone. So sure is this, that men much exposed in changeful weather keep a bottle of it on the mantel for use at night to make sure of going to work in good tix.

Long Distance Signating. The Greenwich observatory has been put into telegraph communication with that of the McGill college, Montreal, and the signals can be flashed between the two places, a distance of 3,300 miles, in three-quarters of a second.

THE LAST MAN ON EARTH

To recklessly experiment upon himself with hope of relief is the dyspeptic. Yet the nostrums for this malady are as the sands of the sea, and, presumably, about as effacious. Indigestion, that obstitute malady, even if of long perpetuity, is eventually overcome with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, an appetizing tonic and alterative, which cures constipation, fever and ague, billious remittent, rheumatism, kidney complaint and feeblences.

An even cubic foot of average soil was weighed and analyzed at Cornell University. It was found that the soil in one acre one foot deep weighed

AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS.

We are asserting in the courts our right to the exclusive use of the word "CASTORIA," and "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," as our Trade Mark. I. Dr. Samuel Pitcher, of Hyannis, Massachusetts, was the originator of "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," the same that has borne and does now bear the fac-simile signature of CHAS, H. FLETCHER on every wrapper. This is the original "PITCHER'S CASTORIA" which has been used in the homes of the mothers of America for over thirty years. Look Carefully at the wrapper and see that it is the kind you have always bought, and has the signature of CHAS. H. FLETCHER on the wrapper. No one has authority from me to use my name except The Centaur Company of which Chas. H. Pletcher is President.

March 8, 1897. SAMURL PITCHER, M.D.

Lightning rods may be valuable if large enough and insulated sufficiently

SOME PRODUCTS AND PURE FOOD.

Ail Eastern Syrup, so-called, usually very light colored and of heavy body, is made from glucose. "Tes Garden Irips" is made from Sugar Cane and is strictly pure. It is for saie by first-class grocers, in cans only. Manufactured by the Pacific Coast Syrup Co. All genuine "Tea Garden Drips" have the manufacturer's name lithographed on every can.

In a recent lecture Professor Bergmann, of Berlin, stated that in 50 cases of perforating the skull for epilepsy, he knew of only one permanent

"King Solomon's Treasure," only Aphrodislacal Toble Known. (See Dictionary.) 53.90 a box, I weeks 'treatment. Mason Chemical Co., P. O. Box 747, Philadelphia, Pa.

iliary fittings, such as armor, gun mountings and mechanism, torpedo Firelighters are made in German; by twisting, wood into a rope, cutting it into short lengths, and dipping the gear and special fitting. ends of the pieces into melted resin.

I believe my prompt use of Piso's Cure prevented quick consumption.—Mrs. Lucy Wallace, Marquette, Kans, Dec. 12, 1895. Try Schilling's Best tea and baking powder.

Awful Warning. A Spanish woman kissed her pug dog and djed of hydrophobia last week.

The retributions of Providence for lack of sense are often mysterious and severe.-Pomona Progress.

MRS. PINKHAM'S VICTORY Mrs. Sidney Hamlet.

Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable

RED HOUSE, VA .- To Mrs. Pinkham: "My heart goes out in sympathy to all who are suffering with troubles pecul-

lar to the female sex. "I would like to express my gratifude for what your Vegetable Compound has done for me. I have been a sufferer since girlhood; did not then know the cause of dreadful sick headaches and other troubles. I could not take long

walks, lift or carry anything heavy, and

was very nervous. "Last summer I was almost an invalid; could not walk across my room without pain. I sent for our physician. He pronounced my case a bad one of 'Prolapsus Uteri,' congestion and ulceration of the womb, and said I was to lie abed. I was so distressed to find myself so helpless and useless to my family; I saw your Compound advertised and thought I would try it. I took several bottles, and used the Sanative Wash and Pills as directed, and now I am as strong as I ever was, and do all my own housework. I can walk more than a mile without any inconvenience. Oh! I am truly grateful. I cannot write the good you have done me. Words are inadequate to express it. May God bless you for the good you are doing."—Mrs. Sidney Hamlet, Red House, Va.

CONSUMPTION

Last Chance!

The \$2000.00 missing-word contest closes December 31st.

Result will be announced about January

Schilling's Best baking powder and tea are because they are money-back.

What is the missing word?-not SAFE, although Schilling's Best baking

Get Schilling's Best baking powder or tea at your grocers'; take out the ticket (brown ticket in every package of baking powder; yellow ticket in the tea); send a ticket with each word to address below before December 31st. Until October 15th two words allowed for every ticket; after that only one

If only one person finds the word, that person gets \$2000.00; if several find

it, \$2000.00 will be equally divided among them.

Every one sending a brown or yellow ticket will receive a set of cardboard creeping babies at the end of the contest. Those sending three or more in one envelope will receive an 1898 pocket calendar-no advertising on it. These creeping babies and pocket calendars will be different from the ones offered in

Better cut these rules out.

Hercules Special

The fence is made of small rough wood-

wire. These posts are keeled over. On

one side the wires have fallen down.

The tablets and standards are covered

Four-Million-Dollar Craft.

The French cruiser Jeanne d'Arc is

estimated to have cost about \$4,000,000,

of which \$2,000,000 was for aux-

Bonn's town authorities have estab

lished a tax on "the use of the col-umns of air above the city streets." A projecting window or balcony pays 50

marks a year and every additional bal-

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED

By local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the car. There is only one way to cure dearness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the inucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling cound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of Ien are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflammed condition of the mucous surfaces.

the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of dearness, (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars; free.

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Sold by druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Germany and China.

The foreign office at Pekin says that when the bandits killed the two mis-

sonaries it ordered the governor of Shangtung to arrest the culprits, and

ed, but meanwhile, indeed only one

day before, the Germans landed troops

The Germans still occupy Kiao Chau,

place of great strategic and com-

mercial importance, and show no dis-

position to abandon it, but, on the con-

trary, appear to have seized upon the

murder of the missionaries as a pretext

for obtaining and permanently occupy-

ing a very desirable position upon the

Chinese coast, and so clear is this de-

termination that China has appealed to Russia to interfere in her behalf against

Germany. Germany reinforced her

squadron in the Chinese waters on the

heels of this seizure of Kiao Chau bay,

and it is reported that as long ago as

1895 one of our warships on the Chinese

coast was applied to by a German ves-

sel for charts of these waters,"and par-

mans verified these charts, and made

more extended surveys of the place,

at that time discussed the probability

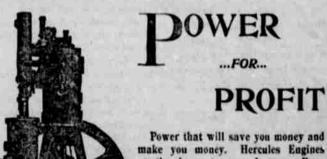
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