ABOUT ASPARAGUS.

A VEGETABLE THAT ENJOYS A DE-SERVED POPULARITY.

It Grows Wild In Some Places, but Flourishes Best In a Well Kept Garden - Its Relation to the Famous Asphodel-The The sunny side o' city life, what is it to the Seeds Used For Coffee.

As a tickler of the palate asparagus has come down the ages with all the weight of Greek and Roman approval. Plate ate it by the plateful, and Aristophanes, the hamorist, regarded it as a great aid in digesting the crank philosophers of the day.

It is an odd fact that this culinary ancients to be the leading flower in the gardens of the elysium, the Greek pur-gatory or paradise. A part of the quaintness of this lies in the fact that the roots both possess purgative quali-ties. The roots and fruit of both were formerly much used in medicine for this purpose

According to the superstition of the Romans, the manes of the dead fed on the roots of the asphodel. They planted it, therefore, in and around the cometeries. Hence to this day it covers with its beautiful golden blossoms as profuse-ly as dandelions the Apulian hills and valleys, and the sheep feed on it greed-

of perennials, and the only difference between the asparagus and the asphodel appears to be in the fruit and the color of the flowers. So abundant is the wild asparagus in the steppes of Russia that cattle cat it like grass, just as Italian sheep devour its botanical cousin.

Not native to America, it has here, however, been raised to its greatest per-faction as a table delicacy. Perhaps no other plant gives as good proof of what cultivation can do. In its wild state it rarely grows higher than a foot or thicker than a slate pencil. Culture has mul flavor-not, however, to its value as a food, for it still possesses very little nntritive substance.

It was once regarded as a garden ornament in this country, and in New England rural places especially was used in making up bouquets. Dried specimens can still be found in Maine and Massachusetts parlors. Nor is this, which would strike those who know it only to eat it, as a curious old fashioned taste, without good foundation from an artistic point of view, for the full grown plant is remarkable for its deliyellow luster.

Its expansiveness is also remarkable, and it has lent itself to modern humor as it did to ancient. One of the most delicious passages of Charles Dudley War ner's "My Summer In a Garden" tells of his planting it, leaving it alone for awhile and coming back to find that it had overrun everything and threatened to turn his place into an asparagus grove. The methods of cultivation and cut-

ting of the young and tender shoots for market before ramification differ very little here and abroad except as to time. Here it is generally not cut for the first two years. Abroad it is often allowed to grow three or four. The life of a plant properly at and tended is a dozen years. The beds are generally 4 feet broad, with trenches 212 feet deep for the ma-

A SONG OF SUNNY SIDES.

The sunny side o' city life, what is it to the O' sunshine gleamin, dreamin, on the valleys an the hills? What is it to the river banks where honey-

suckles swing? Fo the penchilelds where the mockin birds are primpin up for spring?

purple an the white pringtime's earliest blossoms seem blowin into you. Fred, whose full name is Jay Fred-O'spr

"Howdy do?"

The sunny side o' city life, the poets sing it

Eages to God. -Frank L. Stanton in Chicago Inter Ocean.

He Needed Their Prayers.

An aged man in a town adjoining and heir, and Jay, in a spasm of fra-

parishes often had no other meeting thing handsome for his namesake. house than schoolhouses at the three cor-neers. The congregation of the town where the story teller lived had been much shocked upon learning that their be the story teller lived had been much shocked upon learning that their the story teller lived had been much shocked upon learning that their the story teller lived had been much shocked upon learning that their the story teller lived had been much shocked upon learning that their the story teller lived had been much shocked upon learning that their the story teller lived had been much shocked upon learning that their the story teller lived had been so he compromised by calling the boy preacher had departed under most dis-preacher had departed under most dis-greditable circumstances. On the follow-The lad was left motherless at an early ditable circumstances. On the following Sunday it seemed to be the aim of age, but he received a mother's care

nearly every one to hush up the scandal, It belongs to the same natural order and under great restraint many interest-

> wave went over the audience, and an- parchasing any articles. other brother, the senior even of the to pray for our erring minister—you, above all others." "Why?" "Because he ran away with your young wife." "Yes, I know, and that is the reason why I think he will need our prayers." -Lewiston Journal.

Marriage In Urban and Rural Regions. In the north Atlantic division, which of a chance of a fortune .-- San Francisconstitutes the principal manufacturing co Chronicle. section of the country, a section made up largely of urban populations, the single are found in smaller proportion than in any part of the country and the married and widowed in larger proporcate elegance. It has many branches married and widowed in larger propor-loaded with fine, threadlike leaves and small bell shaped flowers of a greenish eleventh and south central divisions, which are almost purely agricultural and rural, contain the largest proportion of single persons and the smallest proportion of the married. These results are directly opposed to popular belief. It is assumed that the development of urban popula- carry out any obligations made by their tion diminishes the number of the married. The explanation which naturally suggests itself is that the larger proportion of marriages in the manufacturing sections of the country is due not only

to the fact that the native white poputhat the foreign whites, who have set- monials sent free. Price 75c. per bottle, tled in large numbers in the north At- Sold by all Druggists. lantic division, were either married or of a marriageable age at the time of their immigration. -- Forum.

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JAY GOULD'S NEPHEW.

The San Francisco Scheelboy Whose Name Cost Him Perhaps a Fortune.

In one of the public schools of this city is a bright cycd lad of 15 years known as Fred Gould. No one to lock at him would ever dream how near he The sunny side o'cly life, what is it to the came to being the favorite nephow of fight That is tangled in the woodlands, where the late winard of Wall street or what a potty trick of fortune it was that wind in stomach, etc

With the runpled trees a-bendin an a-bowin rick Gould, is the son of Abram Gould if St. Louis, the only brother of Jay Could. Abram is a railroad man in the An fer the girls with glintin curis their city employ of the Texas and Pacific and isouri Pacific. He never traded on It is an odd fact that this culinary plant is closely related to the famous asphodel, which was supposed by the Unice the brightest light is beamin from a wild-er, sweeter and. Unice the bright is the family and the family for the family of the family o indiate circle of railroad acquaintances. Fred first saw the light of day in St. Louis. The happy father notified his brother in Wall street that he had a son

Lewiston tells a story of the old days ternal feeling, asked that the child when every minister was not a college should be christened Jay Gould, Jr., incated man and when churches and and promised that he would do some-

from the wife of Captain Austin of the and under great restraint many interest-ing conversations were held, merely to show that the members of the church brought to Oakland, where he lived uncould rise above sensational gossip. Just before the services were closed one clder brother arose and said: "Brethren and the widow lives here and sends the boy sisters, since we last mot in this house to school. The boy has the Gould feasomething which seems to have cast a tures and complexion. He is very slow gloom over this congregation has eccurred. We were all much attached to he inherits the business sagacity of his

When his nuclo died, Mrs. Austin other, arese and said: "I'm astonished was very anxious to learn whether the ness nearly as much, adding also to its that you should desire the congregation millionaire had done anything for his nephew. She knew that Jay had been wroth because the father had not followed his instructions in naming the boy, but she thought the millionaire might have relented. The will showed that he gave Abram \$25,000, but there was absolutely no mention of the little boy whose middle name knocked him out

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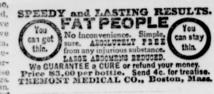
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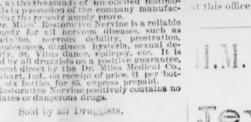
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nuring. The plants are usually arranged from 6 to 10 inches apart, and the cluster of heads that grows from each root is cut from a little below the surface of the soil.

Asparagus possesses, in common with asphodel and some score of related plants, a very peculiar crystalline chemical called asparagine, and an extract of the shoots and roots is still administered occasionally in dropsies as a diuretic, and also as a lithic to dissolve calculi in the bladder. It seems to be unquestionably a stimulus to digestion and is probably one of the most wholesome adjuncts of a dinner.

The seeds in some parts of southern Europe are dried and used as a substitute for coffee, which may yet come into fashion here. A wild variety in Philadelphia Times. Spain and Portugal is considered the crown of a salad, having a pleasant bitter taste that gives not only a fillip to An exchange tells a story connected with a strike on the North British railthe tongue, but also to the appetite. The amount raised in Staten Island and in Jersey for the New York market increases markedly every year, and the quality seems to keep pace with the quantity.

The ways of cooking and serving it are likewise on the increase. Asparagus on toast, apparagus salads, asparagus pattics, sauces and even soups, plain and in combination with many other vegetables, indicate by their variety the favor it has attained.

A very common mistake, however, that is made in preparing it is to cook it whole. After being delicately washed, it should be cut in half, and the lowest part should be cooked for three-quarters of an hour. Then add the tops and cook for 10 or 15 minutes. By this method both parts become just right. The stalk is tender throughout. 100,000 cats, of which more than one-half are unsheltered. He considers it as a conservative estimate that 10 per cent and the tops do not fall all to pieces.

So called Prussian asparagus, an allied plant, of which the spikes are eaten in some places, is not wholesome, and canned asparagus seems to lack not only flavor, but the medicinal virtues of the fresh .- New York World.

Chemical Perfumes.

Chemistry seems to furnish substitutes for the expensive perfumes now made from flowers. It has long been known that the exact odor of the banana is produced in the laboratory. There seems a possibility, however, that even when some fragrant plants cease to be cultivated for the perfumes many bore a marked resemblance to these of may become of importance in surgery. It has been discovered that some such sion by sitting for photographs, which plants are free from the attacks of in- were afterward sold as portraits of the sects and from fungous growths, and this prince. Like the milkmaid of our story may be due to the fact that their essen- | books, his face was his fortune until tial oils have antiseptic properties. The one fine day the police made it his misencalyptus yields an antiseptic, and so fortune and cast him, face and all, into do other familiar plants - Chicago a dungeon deep. -Berlin Letter. Herald.

et Mr. Lane's, Veron Mount, lately. It st Mr. Lane's, Veron Mount, lately. It stracked children playing in the fields, attacked children playing in the fields. The children raised an alarm, and the easily be obtained. Stir in two hours snake was killed. It is not so large as of beauty sleep, a silver tongue (from the snake killed on the banks of the the tip of which all spite has been re-Tramore some time ago, but it is of the moved) and an eye that looks out on same species and as said to be poisonous. the brighter side of life. Into this mix-How these snakes came to the Douglas ture throw a pinch of humor and a How these snakes came to the Doughas sprinkle of the essence of romance. district is enveloped in mystery. - Cork And there you are.

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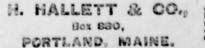
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