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A SNOWY EVENING.

One with shuddering hand draws silently
The covering upon a dead calm face.
The faint still face whom no longer we
The latest stamp of life's long pain can trace
The shadowed earth on whose broad moths
The earliest children pale and sickly eyed,
The spot pershing by lips and mouthing pressed.
The spent day lying like a wounded man,
Draws no last inhaled breath, and silent night
Most roughly thrusts him from the field, his spas
Of life run out, untied by one desire.
The poor boy poor Earth, by heart, alas!
Do like to both. Yet though therein were born
Full buds of youth and hope, to fate and pass,
May there not break for them a gladder moral
—Boston Transcript.

Varnish for Turkey Legs.

When the average householder or his cook,
Who proceeds to the Paris markets for
domestic provender is offered entrained greese,
turkeys with painted legs, and diseased
chickens, instead of healthy and unadorned
country, it is time for the police to interfere,
in the interest of the public. Recent re-
searches have shown that a considerable trade
is done in diseased fowl in all the Paris
markets.
The practice of embalming fowl or dressing
up long diseased birds so as to make them
look fresh is of comparatively modern origin,
but that of painting the legs of turkeys is as
old as the days of Private d'Anglemont. The
first person in the field in this department of
industry was a Pere Chapelier, who made a
little fortune out of it. He noticed that the
legs of turkeys were brilliantly black for one
day after they had been killed, and that then
they became of a dusky brown color. He
accordingly invented a peculiar kind of
varnish, the secret of which he sold with
profit on retiring from business, and with
this he touched up the legs of the birds which
remained unsold for any considerable period
of time. His services were requisitioned in
every market, and the effect of his varnish
was so conclusive that it deceived the most
experienced cooks and housekeepers, who
often bought painted turkeys in preference
to birds of the same species which had been
newly killed. It would be well if the poultry
merchants of the present day confined their
sales to this comparatively pious fraud.—
Paris Cor. London Telegraph.

What is Personal Magnetism?

"A great many people," said En-
Abbott, "agree with Rosini that you
needs but three things—voice and voice
voice. My experience has taught me to
become a successful opera singer one
have much more than voice, though this
course, is the first requisite. For inst-
one must have magnetism, a splendid
sique, dramatic power, the artistic sens-
drawing power."
"What is magnetism?" I asked.
"It cannot be defined in words any
than drawing power can be. It is a
thing that some people have and some
have not. Empson, you know, can
universality of soul, but to the pers
does not know what magnetism is uni-
ty of soul is just as meaningless, and
person who does know what universa-
cool means no definition of magnet-
needed. Some say earnestness of-
makes the speaker or the singer me-
Sometimes it does and sometimes it
I think, perhaps, the best idea of mag-
netism may be had by applying to art the
ing that the world loves a lover. If a
really loves his work, whatever it ma-
will do it in a magnetic manner, and
a speaker, or an actor, or a singer,
then be likely, if not indeed certain,
that quality called drawing power—the
to draw people to see him or to hear
to draw him."—Chicago Times.

Diphtheria a Fungus

A correspondent of Science,
Farnsworth, of Clinton, Ia.,
striking resemblance between
of diphtheria and the fungi
rot, or more especially those
in living trees. A white or
substance is produced, some-
"punk," the roots of the
the cells of the wood in eve-
ducing disintegration and d-
is called an exudation, or
bacterial disease, when in f-
of a higher order. It grow
and spreads by filaments, a
trains deeply into the
changes and decomposition
the soil for bacteria, genera
are absorbed and powerfully
system. In this view its life
been studied or found out. It
the membrane can be transplanted
and it is propagated by spores in
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system is required, which is the
capriciousness of its infec-
News.

Loss Caused by Insects

The annual loss to product-
the United States caused by
mated at \$150,000,000. Her-
between man and another
sizing
piera. They are smaller, but
they have undoubtedly as
world as we have. As can be heard
ing insects make their
ing sometimes eastward
ward. There are few in-
tion that have no pos-
foliage or fruit. The
ownership in
is estimated at \$15,000,000
to the apple crop is not in
the potato crop at least
Globe Democrat.

The lofty cypress, his old master
Swamp, under which
one night in his young
The huge fratched
Miami chief greeted
The magnolia tree
under which Gen. Lee
war previous to surre-
The pear tree pla-
Governor Endicott
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became quite a
than 30 years ago
The black walnut tree
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The Hudson, at which
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tered his forces at m-
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gs and strike the
with its fore paws.

DAUGHTERS OF EVE.

Lotta made \$95,000 this season.
Mrs. U. S. Grant is at work upon her rem-
inances.
The wife of Munkacsy, the artist, will soon
visit America.
Mrs. Gladstone employs homoeopathic phy-
sicians and remedies.
Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe walks from
five to seven miles a day.
Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake thinks women
would make good soldiers.
The widow of the late Chief Justice Waite
will live in Cincinnati with her son.
Julia Folville, of Belgium, is soon to be
brought out as a rival to Josef Hofmann.
Mme. Durand (Henry Greville) is squat,
has an almost clumsy face, and is clumsy.
President Eliot, of Harvard, says that
women should never lecture to young men.
Mrs. Mary Read Goodale is one of the
most successful temperance workers in
south.

Miss Virginia M. Hubbard, of Carr,
has been granted a patent for
holder.
Mme. Blanc lives quietly with
and is seldom seen except a
ceptions.
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HUNTING FOR "FIGHTING JOE."

Confederate Soldiers Hoarding at Will in
the Village of Gettysburg.
When the streets of Gettysburg had been
cleared of all armed bodies of Union sol-
diers, the Confederates began to roam about
at will, sightseeing and foraging. At
house, closely barred, a party of these
pendents halted and began to re-
Unseen from the street the F-
watching from an upper window, as skull
he heard his name used in this way, he
ominous. The door of his business had
and one of the boys at Ind-
man, amused by the scene, murderers
out. "Fly—
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MARKET REPORT.

Annals of the Market.
Marketable Quotations Carefully Revised
Every Week.
WHEAT—Valley, \$1 25@1 26
Walla Walla, \$1 17½@1 18½
BARLEY—W hole, \$1 10@1 12½
ground, per ton, \$25 00@27 50.

OREGON NEWS.

Everything of General Interest in a
Condensed Form.
Pendleton will spend \$2,000 more in
extending the levee along the Umatilla
river.
The wife and child of Hon. J. D.
Burnett, of Douglas county, are very

AGRICULTURAL.

Devoted to the Interests of Farmers
and Stockmen.
Saving the cream daily until enough
for a churning has accumulated is
wrong. The best butter is made from
cream that has been recently removed
from the milk.
A good deal is said about the "dairy
form" of the cow. But it must not be
taken for granted that every angular
cow is a good milker, and every smooth,
straight-lined cow a poor one.
After the hen is set and process of
incubation begun, it is desirable that
nothing disturb the hen. Every pre-
caution should be taken to keep her
settling steadily until time for the eggs
to hatch.
According to some experiments re-
cently made in Holland, cattle fed on
hay with other food increased in live-
weight more than those fed with en-
silage, but those fed with en-
silage were more and better milkers.
Poor, sandy soil should not be left
uncultivated. Carefully prepare the
land, sow to buckwheat, and plow the
buckwheat under when the crop is in
blossom. In this way the land may
gradually be made productive.
A few stakes around a young tree,
with barbed wire wrapped around the
stake, will protect trees from animals.
With this method fruit trees may be
planted in a field given up to stock.
Pyrethrum or buhach will kill the
apple tree worms. With a bellows
blow the powder into the nests (or
holes) after four o'clock in the after-
noon—the later the better—for the
worms will then be in the nest. The
powder will kill them instantly.
Pig pens should not be in the same
location every season. By having them
in a movable much valuable nature
can be secured from the saturated
earth around the old sites, while they
change to fresh places will greatly
promote cleanliness and health.
It is not best in planting young or-
chards to trust to labels or to memory.
Both may fail. The only sure way to
know what trees are planted is to
make a record at the time of laying
the orchard out in a map and mark-
ing on the each variety.
In multiplying very scarce and dear
varieties of potatoes, gardeners plant
the eyes in hot beds early, placing in
rich soil, and from each eye will get
several plants. These may be set out
in the open ground, and cultivated
the same as potatoes planted in the
usual way.
There are a good many cattle com-
ing out of their barns and stables this
spring with the hair rubbed off in
some places. Whether it be barn
itch, or some other minute parasite,
the old-fashioned cure is the best:
Sulphur and lard well applied. This
knocks all of them.
If a sample of sweet cream is di-
vided, and both parts are kept at a
favorable temperature for ripening,
and the air is excluded from one and
a free exposure given to the other,
both will sour at the same time, but
flavor will only be increased in the
one exposed to the air. Churning the
two parts will show this.
The peppermint growers of Wayne
county, N. Y., where three-fourths of
the world's oil is produced, are com-
plaining that the prospects this
season are the worst for twenty years.
They say that Japanese oil is now
being sold in America at such rates that
the former large profits from the busi-
ness are greatly lessened.
Do not now trim shrubbery that
blooms on last year's wood, if you de-
sire abundance of flowers. The best
ways to cut out the old and weak
wood immediately after flowering. A
judicious thinning, if too large and
thick a head remains, will improve
the quality of the flowers, but to cut
back the whole head is not the best
way in America.
The garden should be near the
house but free from shade. Set no
trees of any kind in the kitchen gar-
den. Have it laid out so that as much
work as possible may be done by horse-
power. A sandy loam is the best soil
for most vegetables. Use no green
manure in the garden. The standard
fertilizers are good. Use wood ashes
freely and slops from the house. The
secret of success in gardening, as in
courtship lies in small attentions fre-
quently and steadily bestowed.
Mr. D. B. Widr, says he has solved
the problem of the plum curculio. A
mixture of one pound of Paris green,
or London purple, and sixty gallons
of water sprayed over the trees just
before blossom buds shall open, then a
spraying of soap emulsion two weeks
later, with a third spraying about
June 10th, will effectually destroy the
curculio, as well as its leaf lice, aphid
and other injurious insects.
There are in America over 4,000,000
farms, large and small. They cover
nearly 20,000,000 acres of improved
land, and their total value is some-
thing like \$10,000,000,000. These figures
are not, of course, very comprehensive.
They simply convey the idea of vast-
ness of area and equal vastness of im-
portance. The estimated value of the
yearly products of these farms is be-
tween \$2,000,000,000 and \$3,000,000,
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H. H. Dowenthal, whose connection
with the Little Pete bribery case will
be well remembered. The association
has appointed a committee to pro-
secute him in the Supreme Court.
A former employe of the California
Southern railroad named Long was
caught in the act of misplacing a
switch in the yards at National City,
Cal., and arrested. It is claimed he
was trying to wreck a train in revenge
for being discharged.
A boiler in the works of the Sacra-
mento (Cal.) Wool Pulley exploded with
terrific force. The building was
a wooden structure, was 32x40 feet in
dimensions, and was literally blown to
pieces. The men being at dinner,
there was no loss of life.
H. S. Wheeler, recently employed
by the government in the construc-
tion of lighthouses on the Oregon
coast, dropped dead of heart disease
at Alameda, Cal. Deceased who was
a member of the Masonic order, is
about 55 years of age, and a widower.
A three-story brick building owned
by the Sharon estate, and occupied by
the West Coast Furniture Co., burned
at San Francisco. The loss to the
building is estimated at \$50,000. The
Furniture Co.'s loss is \$10,000. A finely wrought cabi-
net intended to hold cereals to be sent
to the Sydney exposition from this
State, and valued at \$2,000, was de-
stroyed. The furniture factory of A.
Johnson, and the carpenter shop of
John Cuff, adjoining, were damaged
to the extent of \$1,000.

— "What does it mean when the
King rent his clothes?" "I suppose
he hired them out, ma'am."—Teacher.
—We believe no one has yet secured
an instantaneous photograph of a kiss.
"Cause why? 'Cause the old lingering
variety is more popular.—Burlington
Free Press.
—Landlord—"I've called to tell you,
Bridget, that I'm going to raise your
rent." Bridget—"Glad to hear it,
sorr. Faith, I can't raise it meself."—
Texas Siftings.
—Lightning never strikes twice in
the same place. Neither does a mule.
The reason of this is because the place
is never there after the first strike.—
Drake's Magazine.
—"Night-caps are coming into favor
again," say the fashion journals. Bless
those innocent fashion writers; "night-
caps" have never been out of favor.
Ask the bartenders.—Boston Globe.
—"How would I advise you to be-
gin?" responded an old actor to an as-
pirant for stage glories. "Well, the
best plan is to begin like a good din-
ner; with the supa."—N. Y. Tribune.
—"The milky way"—"Hol' on, boy!
Don't put no water in dem cans to-
day. Fill 'em up wid snow. Dat's de
same color as de milk, an' we must be
jos as honest as we kin, whenever we
git de chance."—Harper's Bazar.

—The old adage is good in these
days of progress and innovation: "Do
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