

HINTS TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

Discolored tea and coffee pots may be cleaned by filling them with water in which two or three table-spoonfuls of wood ashes have been placed, and letting it boil up, then wash thoroughly with hot soap-suds, and rinse.

One may utilize old matting which is no longer fresh enough to look well, by putting it under carpets. It can be cleaned perfectly by washing it on both sides with hot salt and water; hang it on a line outdoors to dry.

Oilcloths will last longer if one or two layers of wadded carpet-lining are laid under them.

Tea leaves are good to scatter over carpets before sweeping, not only to freshen the colors, but also to prevent the dust arising.

A simple means of changing the air of a sickroom is to open a window at the top and opening the door, move it backward and forward rapidly, so as to insure a current of fresh air from the window.

Hans should be boiled very quickly, and just enough to cook through.

Tin cleaned with paper will shine better than when cleaned with flannel.

Flowers can be kept fresh for some time if a pinch of soda or saltpetre is added to the water. Wilted roses will regain their freshness if dipped a minute or two in hot water.

Cheese which will instantly and intensely redden blue litmus paper should not be eaten. This is a test easy of application, and every merchant on cutting a fresh cheese should make it. If the cheese is dry, a bit of it should be moistened with water and the litmus paper then applied.

To take grease out of white marble; Apply a pile of whiting or fuller's earth saturated with benzine, and allow it to stand some time. Or apply a mixture of two parts washing-soda, one part ground pumice-stone and one part chalk, all first finely powdered and made into a paste with water; rub well over the marble, and finally wash off with soap and water.

Boiled custard requires patience and care. If the eggs reach the boiling point, they will break, and yet if they do not reach it within one or two degrees, the custard will not thicken, and will taste raw, and lack the exquisite thick smoothness of well-made custard. To produce this, yet avoid curdling, therefore, patience, and proceed as follows: Stir the mixture over a moderate fire. When you see from the end of the spoon that it begins to thicken at the bottom draw it to a cooler spot where it will not boil, stir half a minute, then return to the hotter spot. Do this several times, checking the approach to boiling point each time there is danger, until the whole of the mixture has reached that point which may be known by its being rich, thick and perfectly opaque.

The number of horses in European Russia is 21,000,000. The Russian government devotes annually \$50,000,000 to the purchase of stallions, and so widespread has been the interest of late years in improving this stock, that races, trotting matches and shows have been largely increased all over the country.

The immigration to this country for the past eleven months foots up at 407,237, against 498,591 in eleven months of 1888. France sent us the most immigrants, viz., 92,027; Scotland, 59,179; Germany, 59,600; Russia, except Poland, 41,226; Poland, 31,644; Ireland, 27,610.

In the Cascade mountains, about seventy-five miles from Jacksonville, Ore., is to be found the Great Sunken Lake, the deepest in the world. It is said to average 2000 feet down to the water on all sides. The depth of the water is unknown. It is about fifteen miles long and 4 1/2 wide.

TEN DAYS ONLY.—Ho, ye business men, listen to the voice of the most conservative and successful men of our town. Buy an acre of land in Albany's addition to Astoria, which to-day costs you less than \$25 per lot and which will double in value less than one year. Now don't be a gump but buy it now. For further information inquire of the OREGON LAND COMPANY.

UPS AND DOWNS.—Some of the principal ups and downs in business life is to keep quality up and prices down. This is being done very successfully at LaForest & Thompson, and those dinner sets to be distributed among our customers Jan. 1st is creating no little interest as well as our prices.

BABIES.—The finest line of baby carriages in the Valley just received at Stewart & Sox's. Prices are remarkably cheap considering the superior quality of the carriages.

ABNEY'S ADDITION.—54 lots in this addition to Albany, near Hackleman's 3rd addition, for sale, at \$50 to \$125 a lot, at Curran & Monteth's.

A SHARP ITEM.—The finest line of cutlery and shears in the city at Stewart & Sox's. Their goods are the very best and will stand the test.

Attention is called to the local of I. D. Holden, the Stockton druggist, whose medicine is on sale at H. C. Hubbard's. It is of peculiar interest just now, when people are having such a siege of coughs and colds. These medicines are Pacific Coast medicines and are said to be remarkably effective. Try a bottle.

Many people in Canada believe the population of that country is increasing very slowly, or not at all, owing to the removals, chiefly of the young and enterprising, to the United States. The agricultural population of Canada does not increase at all. What gain there is concentrates in cities. In one county a recent canvass preliminary to an election showed that 350 heads of families had removed to the United States since 1886. The debt of Canada is increasing, while that of the United States is being paid off. Every year conditions favor larger removals of Canadians to this country, and there is only an imaginary boundary for them to cross to become identified with the most prosperous commonwealth.

The eleventh census will be much less elaborate than the last, and, as a consequence will be more exact. Doing too much has resulted in doing nothing well. The final volumes of the tenth census have only lately been published, and some of the statistics gathered were so obviously erroneous that they were never put into type. The new census commissioner promises to give the whole census in ten volumes, and to complete its publication in 1892. From debates in Congress it seems likely he will be urged to adhere to this excellent programme.

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Those wishing a first class instrument, the best made to stand the climate of the Coast, can be suited by calling at Mrs. B. E. Hymas's, opposite the Masonic Temple, on First Street. The latest vocal and instrumental music kept for sale, also the largest assortment of stamping patterns to select from, this side of Erie. Lessons given in painting and embroidery in her studio over Linn County Bank. Give her your order, and you will be pleased.

STRAY NOTICE.—Strayed from the farm of the undersigned one-half mile south of Albany, December 31st, two four year old bay horses, one branded with "5" on the right shoulder, the other JE on the left. Supposed to have gone towards Sweet Home. Any information regarding the above described horses will be suitably rewarded. Address, JOHN McLEARD, Albany, Or.

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COUNTY TREASURERS NOTICE.—This is to notify all concerned that there is now sufficient funds in the County Treasurers office of Linn county Oregon to redeem all outstanding warrants. Interest on all endorsed warrants will cease from this date. H. FARWELL, Treas.

FOR SALE.—A new milch cow, a horse, eight years old, and a buggy, almost new. For particulars call at this office.

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SEVERAL SMALL TRACTS of land near town for sale on easy terms. Inquire of H. Bryant.

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To All Whom It May Concern.

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