

QUEST ABOUT PRINCE

SWELLINGS.

In travelling thousands of miles through the West, during the past season, we could not find that all the dwellings are constructed of stone and a half high, the first story 8 to 9 feet high, and the second only 3 to 4 feet at the eaves. Now it requires just as much cellar, flooring, roofing, framing, etc., for such a house, as for a full two-story one, having high convenient rooms above, with attic room also. The only difference in the cost is for a strip of 3 feet all around, requiring merely a little longer posts, a few more boards for siding, and a slight outlay for lath and plaster. We should say that for the ordinary prairie house, costing \$700 to \$1200, forty to fifty dollars more would be all the extra cost of a convenient two-story house, over one having the same ground space, but only 14 or 15 stories high. A little figuring will show that a house 30 feet square, and 17 feet high has the same amount of walls, as one 45 feet square, and only 14 feet high, while the former has 168 square feet less of flooring, and of course costs less. Query.—Suppose the extra \$40 to \$50 cost cannot be added to the 28 feet square house to run it up 17 feet higher would not a full two-story house 30 feet square, be preferable to one 23 feet square, and only 14 stories high?—We know there is one argument in favour of low houses on the wind-swept prairie, but a few extra boards would make up for the extra strain of two or three feet more in the height.

TO PREVENT THE FLAVOR OF TURNIPS IN MILK.

D. McM., of Ulster Co., N. Y., writes to the *American Agriculturist* that he has fed turnips to cows for over 30 years and has never been troubled by any unpleasant taste in the milk. He cuts the turnips by means of a root cutter and spreads in a layer two or three inches thick, upon the floor of the barn or other convenient place, where they remain for 24 hours before they are fed out. He considers that by this exposure the flavouring principle is dissipated and the turnips may be fed without risk of imparting much taste to the milk. This is certainly a very simple plan and is much to be preferred to the use of saltpetre, and other drugs of doubtful efficacy, which have been recommended as a preventive. A gentleman who has had much experience, informs us that he never found any bad taste in the milk, if the turnips were fed after the morning milking, but that it was always bad flavoured if they were fed at night.

HOW TO KEEP BEEF.

In response to an inquiry for practical directions how to cure beef, so that it will keep until June, and yet not be too salt for the table, W. B. Dryer, Douglass Co., Ill., writes to the *American Agriculturist*: For every 100 pounds of beef, use seven pounds of salt, well rubbed on. Allow the beef to stand in the salt for twenty-four hours; take it from the vessel and pour off the drippings; then pack closely, and cover with brine, made as follows: For every 100 pounds of beef, 4 ounces of Saltpetre, 4 ounces of Bicarbonate Soda, 1 qt. Molasses. E. A. Leonard, Defiance Co., Ohio, says: I allow the beef to cure sufficiently after killing, then cut it into convenient pieces for use, and pack it loosely into a barrel in which I have previously placed a quantity of weak brine. When the meat is all in, or the barrel full, see that the brine covers it. Let it stand two or three days, then take out the meat, throw away the brine, rinse out the barrel, and repack the meat snugly. Make a quantity of brine sufficient to cover the meat and strong enough to bear up an egg. Add 3 ounces of saltpetre for every 100 pounds of meat, pour it on the meat, and it will keep until hot weather.

A subscriber in Greene Co., Ill., writes: To 8 gallons of rain water, add 2 pounds of brown sugar, 1 quart of molasses, 4 ounces of saltpetre, and enough of common salt to make brine sufficiently strong to float an egg. Rub the beef well with salt before placing the meat in the barrel. Then pour over it the prepared brine, and put on it a sufficient weight to keep the beef covered with the pickle. Each of the above contributors says that the method recommended has been tried by him for several years, and the result was every way satisfactory. Where a considerable quantity of beef is to be cured, it might be well to try all the above ways on different parcels; we should like to hear which produces the best article next May or June.

"BAD FOR THE COW."—When Geo. Stephenson was presenting the claims of his first Locomotive to the British Parliament, he was sneered at by many members. Said one of them: "Well, Mr. Stephenson, see how absurd your idea is. Suppose it were possible for you to run your carriage 30 miles an hour, on straight rails so that it could not get off. What if a cow got on the track, and you could not turn out for her?" "Well," Mr. Stephenson said, "I would be bad for the cow."

WOMEN AND CUPS.

A thousand dollars are lost in the selling price of one of the California silver mines, and the owner is in New York, the board of directors has been fixed at one dollar per day.

Women must remember that she brought more sin and misery into the world by her eating than even man has by his drinking.

WOMANHOOD IS GREATER THAN WIFEHOOD. It comprehends and embraces it. The best woman makes the best wife.

A newspaper is a sermon for the thoughtful, a library for the poor and a blessing to everybody. It is the best public instructor.

THE REMEDY.—An Irishman called in great haste upon Dr. Abernethy, stating that—"Se jabers, my boy Tim has swallowed a mouse!" "Then, he jabers, tell your boy Tim to swallow a cat."

A jolly old doctor said that people who were prompt in their payments always recovered in their sickness, as they were good customers, and the physicians could not afford to lose them.

The supreme tribunal of Madrid has just given final judgment in a suit which had been under litigation 240 years, and which involved the succession to the inheritance of Pizarro, the invader of and conqueror of Peru.

Troubled Christian, bear up bravely with in the ways of God shall only reach thy outward man; and under all these trials thou mayest have as high and sweet communion with him as if thou hadst never known what hardships meant.—Brooks.

Walter Savage Landor has recently published a new volume of prose and poetry, from which the following is a scrap concerning Canada:—

"ON THE RECALL OF SIR JAMES DUFF."
Our ministers, we hear, recall
The Governor from Montreal.
I wonder whom they intend to
I only know they want a Head!"

A humorous writer in the *Chicago Post* describes how he got out of a bad scrape in the Police Court:—"The next morning the Judge of the Police Court sent for me. I went down and he received me cordially. Said he had heard of the wonderful things I had accomplished at Bryon Hall, and was proud of me. I was a promising young man, and all that. Then he offered a toast: 'Guilty or not guilty?' I responded in a brief but eloquent speech, setting forth the importance of the occasion that had summoned us together. After the usual ceremonies, I loaned the city ten dollars."

THE MEMORY OF THE DEAD.—It is an exquisite and beautiful thing in our nature, that when the heart is touched and softened by some tranquil happiness or affectionate feeling, the memory of the dead comes over it most powerfully and irresistibly. It would almost seem as though our better thoughts and sympathies were charms, in virtue of which the soul is enabled to hold some vague and mysterious intercourse with the spirits of those whom we dearly loved in life. Alas! how often and how long may those patient angels hover above us, watching for the spell which is seldom uttered and so soon forgotten!

CURE FOR HYDROPHOBIA.—Hydrophobia, it appears, from a communication addressed to the *Abelle Medicate*, may at once be cured by a single vapour bath, which immediately eliminates the virus. It says that experience has shown that the cure is certain on the first day of the outbreak. But no one should wait the appearance of the paroxysm, but immediately after the bite of the dog have recourse to the Russian vapor bath. As the disease never shows itself before seven days have elapsed after the accident, there is always ample time to prevent the access of this hitherto incurable malady. To those who have studied the subject this announcement seems incredible, and the Academy of Medicine in 1836 did not give a favourable report of this peculiar treatment.

ACKNOWLEDGING AN OBLIGATION.—Lieut. J.—n, late of the Sixteenth New York regiment, was a few days ago walking down Main street, Utica, when he was accosted by a fellow, half soldier, and half beggar, with a most reverential military salute—"God bless your honour," said the man, whose accent betrayed him to be Irish, "and long life to you." "How do you know me?" said the Lieutenant. "Is it how do I know your honour?" said Pat, "Good right, sure, I have to know the man who saved my life in battle." The Lieutenant, highly gratified with this tribute of his valor, said a fifty-cent bill into his hand and asked him when "God bless your honour, and long life to you," said the grateful veteran, "Sure it was at Antietam, when seeing your honour run as fast as your legs could carry you, from the rebels, I followed your lead, and ran after you out of the way, whereby, under God, I saved my life." O, good luck to your honour, I never will forget you."

SHERIFF'S SALE OF LANDS FOR TAXES.

COUNTY OF VICTORIA.
BY virtue of a Warrant issued by the Treasurer of the County of Victoria, and bearing date the Twenty-third day of September, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-three, and to me directed, for the collection of Arrears of Taxes due upon the following Lands in the said County of Victoria, I shall, on TUESDAY, the 5th day of January next, at the hour of Twelve o'clock Noon, in the Court-house in the Town of Lindsay, proceed to sell the following lands, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the payment of such arrears of Taxes, unless the same, with all lawful charges thereon, be sooner paid:

Township of Emily.

Description.	Lot.	Con.	Acres.	Amount.
N.E. 1/4	19	3	50	\$9 85
N.E. 1/4	1	10	100	20 17
N.E. 1/4	23	16	200	4 29

Description.	Lot.	Con.	Acres.	Amount.
W. 1/4	23	2	100	\$24 35
W. 1/4	2	6	100	19 17
W. 1/4	21	4	103	16 31
W. 1/4	27	6	100	9 28
S. 1/4	8	8	100	11 74
S. Portage Rd.	15		30	6 20

Description.	Lot.	Con.	Acres.	Amount.
W. 1/4	17	1	200	\$44 07
W. 1/4	30	1	100	45 51
W. 1/4	14	2	19	9 21
W. 1/4	29	2	100	48 80
W. 1/4	18	4	100	18 84
W. 1/4	21	4	100	25 22
W. 1/4	16	5	200	43 93
W. 1/4	9	6	100	11 49
W. 1/4	13	6	100	9 44
W. 1/4	25	7	100	31 14
W. 1/4	25	7	100	13 25
W. 1/4	29	8	66 1/2	29 92
W. 1/4	2	10	200	47 35
W. 1/4	12	10	120	37 91
W. 1/4	13	10	95	35 81
W. 1/4	21	10	200	21 72

Description.	Lot.	Con.	Acres.	Amount.
W. 1/4	22	1	100	\$22 77
W. 1/4	26	1	50	33 51
W. 1/4	29	2	80	52 23
W. 1/4	15	4	32	9 58
W. 1/4	24	6	200	31 18
W. 1/4	1	7	100	7 01
W. 1/4	6	8	100	13 20
W. 1/4	29	8	100	34 94
W. 1/4	29	8	140	23 03
W. 1/4	28	8	100	17 34
W. 1/4	29	10	100	53 43

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W. 1/4	6	8	100	13 20
W. 1/4	29	8	100	34 94
W. 1/4	29	8	140	23 03
W. 1/4	28	8	100	17 34
W. 1/4	29	10	100	53 43

Description.	Lot.	Con.	Acres.	Amount.
N. of Bond W. of Colborne street	2		\$10 76	
N. of Louis W. of Colborne street	9		7 54	
S. Queen W. of Colborne street	4		20 32	

Town of Lindsay.

NORTH WARD.

Description.	Lot.	Acres.	Amount.
S Bond street, North-east part	5	1/2	\$ 8 81
S Francis street	5	1/2	16 23

SOUTH WARD.

Description.	Lot.	Acres.	Amount.
S Melbourne street	7	1/2	4 78
W Albert street, Park	7	1/2	72 80
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EAST WARD.

Glenelg-street East, S side.....	
Lindsay-street N, E side.....	
Park H ¹ , North Mary-street.....	121
Sub-division Park I.....	