A health resort : The doctor. Japanese soldiers carry fans. These weapons are probably used in the hottest

of the fight. The face of the sun is covered with something for its blood.

"Man wants but little ear below," said the school-boy who got a sounding box on the side of his head.

An article containing a dozen of hints on how to take care of a horse is going the rounds of the press, but there is not one hint as to how to get the horse.

A bill has been presented to the state legislature to regulate the manufacturing of cider. Is this not unwarranted interference with the freedom of the press ?

"No," said the man who looked on with unconcern at a fight at the Philadelphia board of aldermen, "that seems nothing to me; I've run an opera com-

James, who was trying to sew a new button on his cost murmured: "They say there's a new yacht that makes fifteen knots an hour, but this thread makes twenty knots a minute."

foot of Woodward Avenue and looked aeroes to the Canadian shore, "what is journey. the depth of water off the dock here?' the way it's allus been! If a fellow wants tion of the strong true heart that took up but answered gravelyto commit suicide its allus someone so big that his clothes won't begin to fit me! won't tell you nething about it !"

The Presidential Election.

over the forthcoming presidential electory for a second she turned faint and giddy, all that had passed, "better that she hour's time Nettie joined him, and told place, he began to grow irritably impation of the company of the comp tion will soon reach a fever heat. The growing so deathly white that Vance should pass away in this merciful mad- him that her prophecy had been ful- tient of a state of things that puzzled for a memorial before God." election will take place in November and thought she might lose consciousness, and ness than wake to the realising horror filled. the National Conventions of the two flung his arm around her. But she ral- her after-life must be!" parties will soon be held in order to no lied in a moment, assuring him, with Strong and unselfish as Vance Single- sheer weakness, now; but her mind is how little she remembers until she begins minate their respective candidates. The brave white lips, that the motion of the ton had shown himself, his strength and wakening, her memory coming back, and to speak," he said to Nettie one day; and number of men spoken of as eligible on train had shaken her—that was all. | manhood had broken down under the theneither side is unusually large, and it is That was a terrible journey. The train terrible strain. He was only flesh and 'Heaven help her when she remem- sensible fashionquite evident that no one man now stands dragged its slow length from little station blood, not fine-tempered steel like Net- bers all!" Vance finished moodily, as out sufficiently prominent to have all eyes to little station; and from station to sta- tie, and he felt that night that he could Newtie paused, with an irrepressible sleeps, the stronger it will be to bear the turned towards him. Past experience tion the pale pair never knew that the bear no more; the meshes of the net were slriver. goes far to show that the preminent men, telegraph-wire had not flashed the news closing round them, the pursuers were 'Oh, that brings me to what I wished that it stirs uneasily, that she recalls too and the really popular men, are those before them, that exposure and arrest upon their track, escape seemed hopeless- to speak about, Vance!" Nettie much already.' standing the slimmest chance of nomina- might not await them on one of the plat- ly impossible. Losing heart and courage, said, with a relieved look. "Sit down, tion when the hour comes. Some "dark forms—shame and terror for them, shame he rested his head upon his folded arms dear, for a little serious business conver- Vance; he noticed that, whereas Nora's makes sweet music in the storm, and is to potatoes from the seed by the statement horse" usually secures the nomination and death perhaps for the dazed and help- and sobbed like a woman or child. as a compromise between the too ardent less girl who sat mute, motionless, and In a moment Nettie was kneeling be- She drew a big hassock from under the and complete, she had of late fallen as and fruit of refreshment in a weary and that the tubers first obtained were very supporters of the men of great promin- seemingly absorbed in a trance of horror side him, her arms around his neck; she table, and seated herself at the young rapidly away. The wild-rose bloom that perched land.

chances of disaffection in the ranks. was reached, and they found, to their in- actress was as the face of an angel in that "You know the offer we had to go to cheek itself grew painfully thin, the eyes singing. With all our wisdom, and fore- has had much experience in raising seed-Party wire pulling has become a profess- tense relief, that their trains almost moment. ion in American politics, and the wire matched, and that, so far at least, the pullers begin to make their influence felt news had not preceded them. They had voice was, it thrilled like a trumpet-call weeks before, they had, after much contain the waking agony, her sings all night as if the day were not long tomato, sowing the seeds in the same from the very outset in these campaigns. gained a little breathing-space, a little to duty, making the man blush for his sideration, declined an astonishingly lu- health was failing fast. No one could enough to tell its joy. The "party hacks" are in bad odour, and time to think and act. if they draw the wires too strong with one | Night found them in Glasgow, and in | we lose hope, we lose all. If it please manager, because Nettie did not like to was possible the young pair kept their party or the other there may be enough the lodgings that they providentially se- Heaven to take Nora, we shall know that go so far away from her mother and Jenny. charge from all contact with the outer bolting to bring about defeat. Parties gured beforehand for a party of three. she has found peace; but, if she is spar- "Well, dear, I think we will accept it. crowd, the curious theatre people, in are now pretty evenly divided, and good Once under shelter, it was comparatively ed-" luck, or good friendship, will probably casy to act, and Nettie's prompt instinct "To what a waking!" Vance broke in people he engaged, and would gladly re- her perpetually from dangerous shocks. win the day. The Tammany men have, served her well. for a long time been a source of difficulty | Their new landlady was a very differ- think of that !" to the Democrats. It has recovered ent person from the easy-going chatty old "Do not, dear," she said gravely; again much of the influence so potent in lady at Stoke Vernon. A bustling, slav- "trust and wait. The darkest hour is I know they will be disappointed"—with fact that the rich blue-black hair had the palmy days of Boss Tweed, and its ing woman with a house full of lodgers just before the dawn. Something tells me a tiny quiver of the lips, a sudden bright- grown snow-white, clustering in short soft ring leader have not a much better repu- and hands full of work, she had neither that our darkest hour is here, and that ness in the dewy eyes, that was not hid- rings round the young pathetically sad may be unexpected, but sooner or later, tation than the old Boss, so far as real time nor taste for gossip, and, once hav- morning is at hand." the Stalwarts and Half Breeds is not yet only too glad to leave them to their own heart. If the dawn tarried still, some not get her away com here before she re- than one member of the theatrical comwell healed up, and it may break out devices. any hour. Such recognized leaders of | She did indeed regret, with abstracted | blackness of the sky. public opinion among the Republicans as civility, that Mrs. Vansittart's sister-or Carl Schurz and Harper's Weekly, are was it her maid?—should fall ill just already sounding an alarm and putting when she was most wanted; but, when their friends on guard. The development | Nettie, with well-acted heartlessness, deof the next month or two will be watched plored "the whole affair" as "an awful with great interest.

Goats, Camels, and Bees.

"A camel can carry a ton." Robert Eldridge, of Cincinnati, who has just returned from Russia, where he has been rearing goats and camels, says he has seen good pack camels carry more than a ed a fair burden.

"Are there many camels reared in

"The industry is not important in a commercial point of view. I have been engaged at it for four years. I have figured that there are 25,000 camels in the Kuidsha and Erivan districts, the Kalmucks have about 20,000, and the Khirgeso, not far from 180,000. Camels are bred for their labor principally, but also shear from eighteen to twenty-two pounds of hair. This is worth in the open market about \$2.50 a pood. "You also mised goats?"

"Yes, I had about 800 on my ranch when I left. There are over a million and a half of goats in European Russia. The industry is the most important in the mountainous portions of the Caucasus. The Angora and Cashmere breeds are bred in some of the governments for their milk, meat, and hair. In 1880 the export of goat down amounted to \$38,000, while the coarser qualities of hair about doubled it. The largest export was in 1876, when it reached \$400,000 for down and coarse hair combined.'

"What do you know of bee culture in "In Little Russia and Lithuania, the very profitable. The finest honey I ever saw is produced in Kovno. The largest

great linden forests render bee-keeping quan'ities come from the governments of murderess. Yekaterinoslav and Poldova. There are over 450,000 hives in those two districts. Kalugs - produces annually about 1,860 poods of honey and 3,500 poods of wax. A pood contains about thirty-six pounds. This annual production in the Don Cossack county amounts to \$50,000 in round

numbers. "In Volhynia and Bessarabia the combined vield of honey reaches a value of nearly \$200,000 a year. The annual yield of the whole empire is not far from \$4,-000,000, or about 18,000 tons. To this must be added nearly 5,000 tons of wax, worth \$2,000,000. This is about all consumed in Russia, the exports being very small."

meeting with the most determined and ant cry. Crissy had tyrannised over her, have seen your face through a mist, albitter opposition from the Tories in the Vance had teased her, something was ways kind and gentle, and very, very sad. British House of Commons. The actual wrong she could not remember what - I thought you were an angel. Were you now, Vance?" change in the qualification in the fran- her mother could only help and underchise is not very great, but it is supposed stand her and her mether was dead. that, in the whole country, there will be Never once did Lord De Gretton's name a very large addition made to the number pass her lips, never once did she speak of best to speak with cheerful composure. of electors in consequence. The total Arthur Beaupre or her ill-starred love; number of voters is now put down at wild dreamy fancies, baby troubles in filled with wistful wonder, but had no something over three million, and the new horribly grotesque contrast with the real Bill will probably add nearly two million perils that environed her-these were their clear deaths. more to this number. The extension will Nora's only thoughts while every newsbe principally among the poorer classes in paper in the kingdom rang with her name, the country, and in Ireland. Heretofore and all the detective skill in England the franchise qualification has been a good banded itself together to track her down. deal higher in Ireland than in England, The doctor, whom, for appearance sake, ing look. The action, or some glimpse of the curse of madness had fallen, the sis- passionate tears fell thick and fast on the ly: what Christ did for us in His flesh turb every one present. If a sip of water and Mr. Gladstone meets with very stormy Nettie was at last forced to call in, pro- the averted face, struck Nora like a blow ter whose hands were red with his own cold lifeless face. "Oh, Vance, how calm and what He performs in us by His is given to a child who seems to be crying opposition in his proposal of equalization, nounced the case one of brain-fever, and | the placid face darkened and contracted, but he appears pretty determined to push looked very gravely at the anxious nurse, the pretty lips quivered pitifully. his measure through. Few of England's as he asked if she knew what great statesmen have done so much towards trouble had lately weighed upon the pa- weak excited whisper. "Then there is even-handed justice to Ireland, and few tient's mind. of them have met with more opposition | Nettie's courage had almost failed her, from the representatives of that country. so keen and searching was the old man's strange !"

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GEMS OF TROUGHT.

Let us with caution indulge the sup

We need not ask, "Will the true, pure,

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were wonderful. In the brief space of trap. time allowed her she had pinned the tra- "Poor soul!" he said, touching the hot velling-wrap shawl-fashion over her head gently. "Intense grief, or strength kerchief round the soft gray hat Vance Some daughters do take these things to Nettie away." had intended to wear in the train; and heart, I know. Well, good day, Mrs. in hand, consulting cheerily as to the ter have a nurse!"

Brave true Nettie! If he had not lov- she die?" The boy looked him all over with a care- ed her before, Vance felt that he must the burden under which he must needs "Brain-fever is always serious, generalsaved his miserable charge. Not until her life to you.' carriage-alone, as it most mercifully hap- thought. pened-did her nerves yield under the

in the corner of the carriage.

nuisance" and "a most vexatious thing," her thoughts had so evidently travelled off them comparatively free. Suspicion, it into the regions of "roast and boiled," of it safe to let the subject drop and the im-

patient woman go. one hideous blurred spot in Vance Singleton on their backs, but a ton is consider- tie and he never speak of those days, in which Mr. Dalmayne's cottage stood, which, move where they might, look every one was well pleased that it should heard speculations as to the cause of the murder, the flight of the murderess, had made the most of the nine days'

"The police! Oh, the police have been as wise as usual!" Vance heard a man at a street-corner observe with the easy cynicism of one on whom no responsibility rests. "As usual, they have let their

The answer made his fevered blood run

"For a time," his companion said, with a confident laugh "'Slow and sure, my that this thought gave them, there was a dear fellow; you forgot the good old proverb. For my part, however clever she may be and she is clearly crazy-I would Nora's supposed death, and was not Nora give long odds that the murderess is caught slowly but surely struggling back to life?

The tortured listener could hear no more; he drew his coat-collar up about his neck, although the day was close and great gray eyes on life with the innocent and resolutely refused to share his fears. pation of chafing the cold fingers and bathsultry, and hurried home-home to the trusting wonder of a child; her memory place where the brave little Nettie kept

The murderess! It wrung his very images of pain. heart to use that word even in his inmost thoughts respecting proud beautiful Nora, of the girl who lay in merciful one day; "but this is not Cristine." unconsciousness, fighting for the life that would be intolerable were it herswhich, as it was, was forfeit to the law.

At first Nettie had nursed her night and day, fearing to summon even a doctor to her aid, lest in her delirious ravings the secret that must at all costs be kept should be revealed; but soon she saw that fear was vain. Nora babbled in- Vance would have given. deed incessantly; the parched lips never ceased to murmur, the hot head tossed for ever on the pillow in a very frenzy of scorching pain ; but her thoughts took a | ;11 great backward leap into the regions of the past-they were all childish troubles Mr. Gladstone's new franchise Bill is she bewailed in her heart-broken incess-

"Boy," he asked, as he stood at the probable delay in the train that would | "No-that is, yes! I will see about words. inconvenience them in their cross-country it," Nettie said hurriedly ; "but, Doctor Hudson, is it a very serious case? Will

ful eye and then slowly answered: "That's have bowed down then in helpless adora- the sudden break in Nettie's soft voice,

"Better that she should die, Nettie," may go to sleep.

raised his head, and made him look into man's feet, crossing both arms upon his the fresh sea-breeze had brought to the The chief danger in the way of success At last the great junction from which her face; and, in its sublime faith and knee, and looking up into his face with softly-rounded cheek now faded to a sick-sorrow, God gives us so much to be thank- tained. Mr. Breese, who was the fortuin either party just now appears to be the they took their departure for the North womanly tenderness, the face of the little big inquiring brown eyes.

with a shudder. "Nettie, I dare not new his offer.

CHAPTER XIX.

Nettie proved a true prophet. The

morning brought news that, while it seemed a mockery of the watchers' fears, robbed them of their worst sting, and set seemed, had from the first moment point-"cold joints and hashes" that Nettie felt ed to suicide as the only logical sequence to Lady De Gretton's mad act; and, when, a fortnight after the murder, the The week that followed will always be body of a young woman in an altogether unrecognisable condition was washed ton's memory. Even to themselves, Net- ashore at the very foot of the cliff on catch the public fancy. On every side theory-Lord de Gretton's family pleased reflected that Nora will not be always abouts. familiar to their ears, on every side they the matter should end; and even the newspapers were fain to admit that they

oner's inquest and the funeral-at which, to the scandal of many and the comprehension of a few. Arthur Beaupre's mother was present-a sentimental leader orso, and aside as a thing done with and forgotten. At last Vance and Nettie dared look the future in the face, at last they were free to act. Immeasurable as was the relief ghastly unreality about it too; for did not their new freedom come through assurance unhesitatingly now. But her dread for you. mind was clouded still. She opened her seemed an absolute blank for the first few her patient watch by the sick-bed of the days after the fever passed away, and even

wistfully from the young man to Nettie

"No, dear ; Cristine is not here." "I am glad." She dropped her head with a little sigh of content. "Cristine is not kind-but you. What is your name ?"

The girl flashed a warning glance across the bed, forbidding the fuller explanation

"Nettie!"-Nora repeated the word with caressing accent and a little flickering smile. "Nottie, have I been very

"Very ill, dear," Nettie answered

"And you have nursed me? Yes-I sorry for me, Nettie ?"

"Very sorry!" Nettie said, with a little catch in her breath, though she did her Nora raised the great eyes that were story of all others on the girl's mind. shadow of fear or of remorse to trouble

"But I shall get well soon. You are not sorry for me now ?"

Nettie turned her head abruptly aside. unable to endure the innocently inquir-

something more. I must try to thinkmust try to remember; but my head is so week after week, month after month, counterfeited death so well. Vance physician who has to resort to pewder and this freedom, and they will be better and strange!"

year after year, till youth had passed and thought more than once that she had so ball to get rid of a patient.

look; but fortunately at that moment the "You must neither talk or think any manhood touched upon the confines of old caped from all her troubles; but, when heart-broken "Mother, mother!" came more at present; it is against the doc- age, with and for the doomed creature, she did awake at last, Heaven alone from Nora's lips, and brought with it an tor's orders," Vance interrupted authorit- whose unconscious crime had shut her off could help her, for she remembered-"Her mother is dead," she faltered; ment, the ominous red spot on each story came to us as a lesson and a guide. The girl's courage and forethought but the good man fell easily into the cheek, and the premonitory glitter in the What Charles Lamb bore alone with large eyes began to alarm him.

"But, Vance," she began agitatedly. "But, Nora," he answered sternly, "if | will be infinitely light." pretty shoulders, and twisted a silk hand- broken down by long nursing, I suppose. | you do not promise to obey me, I shall take | After that Vance Singleton argued and position that morality can be maintained

now she stood beside him, luggage-ticket Vansittart; don't wear yourself out-bet- and clung to Nettie, with a mutely Within a month they had reach New treat from it we shall advance in it; and on the road some cattle belonging to

"Hush, dear!" Nettie drew the poor Gretton's murder. dazed head, the dark silken rings of hair | Like a child Nora had submitted to any loving, holy man be saved?" for he is The doctor looked a little surprised at threads, down upon her shoulders, and, content so long as she was in Nettie's and he is soon to possess the whole. stooping, kissed her thin hot cheek. "No presence, but silently content even then. | No humility is perfect and proportioned own sake you must be quiet and patient her step-brother's injunction not to talk, corrupt, but respect ourselves as immorhave broken down, and nobly served and ly fatal. If she does rally, she will owe for a few days more." Then she turned and, except to answer a question, never tal, the humility that kneels in the dust, say there is no doubt of the nature of the to her husband, and added, with gentle opened her lips a fact that Vance re- but gazes on the skies. they were safely scated in the second-class The words were even truer than he decision, "You may go now, Vance; she joiced in while he remained in Glasgow, "I have known," says St. Basil, "men will not talk any more, and presently she and while he was on board ship; but, who have fasted, and prayed and groaned,

The excitement in the United States unnatural strain laid upon them. Then Vance obeyed her; and in half an still moved like a lovely mute about the farthing." But God said to Cornelius,

"She is sleeping like a tired child, from

sation.

America, Vance?"

"But your mother and Jenny?" den by the quick bright smile ; "but it is face. away. In

finished betw his teeth. "I have for- little romance of an engagement broken seen that, before now." off by death.

remind her of her-her madness, she may people's curiosity you know."

kissed them with reverent and grateful knowledged the wisdom of her words.

Heaven's eyes her madness will count newspaper locked in her rigid clasp.

instinctive repugnance to "the shedder of grip. She was to live; the doctor gave that ship, the perpetual remembrance, that I is it?"

"Do you remember, Vance, a talk we ing the pale brow. when it slowly wakened it brought her no ashamed of my ignorance-yes, you were, graph headed with Arthur Beaupre's dear, and so indeed was I-and often name. "You are Vance," she said, looking turned the conversation on books and | "What is it ?" the girl repeated a little seen much of Egyptian harem life aside

She paused to smile at the conscience- porter's stereotyped phrases.

was but a stupid and officious schoolmas- before the public within the last year, once women, some smoking, sewing, lolling, all

chance that had made him impress that campaign."

You told me of his brave beautiful life, troubled look in her eyes. and every word sank into my heart-of "She has remembered !" she said, in his tender devotion to his sister on whom | an awe stricken whisper, while her comthink how that must have intensified the back to life."

atively; for the quickly growing excite- from all mankind. Vance, I think that all! cheery, dauntless courage we can bear together. And, besides his, our burden

protested no more. Within a week the with religion. The threat had its effect; she turned agreement with Mr. Valence was signed. | Sin is never at a stay; if we do not re- they were secluded, however they passed appealing gesture more eloquent than any York, and all the broad Atlantic rolled be- the further on we go the more we have to another farmer, and since then the extween them and the scene of Lord de come back.

of which were streaked with snow-white and every arrangement made for her, saved; he has heaven; it is in him new, one shall send me from you; but for your In the most literal fashion she had obeyed but that which makes us hate ourselves as when days and weeks passed on, and she and yet would not give the afflicted one

> "We shall never know how much or the wise little wife answered, in her bright

"Patience, dear. The longer her mind shock of waking. Sometimes I think

The same thought had occurred to physical recovery had at first been rapid the believer as the shadow of a great rock in the books, copied from English writers, ly pallor, now burned in a fitful red; the ful for, that we need never cease our nate originator of the Early Rose, and lost their child-like lustre, and gained a sight, we can take a lesson in gladness hings, informed us that he treated the "No, dearest Vance"—gentle as the Vance nodded acquiescently; three strange wistfulness. If Nora were not on and gratitude from the happy bird that potato seeds just as he did these of the own break-down-"hope still, for, when crative engagement from a New York look at her and doubt that. As much as Mr. Valance has been disappointed in some society it would be impossible to guard As much as possible they kept her within doors, for her naturally striking beauty "But Nora?" she said quickly. "Yes, was rendered more striking still by the

ously at bay, and accounted for her sister- those for whom you pray. the police," Vance in-law's sorrowful abstraction by a pretty

are in speech.

The time may be delayed, the manner

A Sharper's Ruse.

be more careful in the future.

Harem Horrors.

band show any affection towards her. She

tempt to separate these two.

they heard the name that was so terribly that the disagreeable publicity caused by sick and helpless as a little child in your | Sometimes his conscience stirred a sharpers at his hotel. Explaining further most of their food. The melons are gross hands? When health and strength come little uneasily with the thought that he the host declared that he had seen the feeders, and require much water to suppl back to her, will you not shrink from the 'was treating his mother with unnatural same gentleman in the Bonaventure De- the abundant juices and large evaporation unhappy girl, remembering her terrible indifference; but to meet her would be pot go up to a detective there and ask from their extensive leaf surface, while for their hair and milk. A camel will and marvels that as yet she had not been wonder mercifully vouchsafed them in a past? Will not her presence cast a per- to meet Cristine; and, knowing what he him if he (the detective) was looking for the norther season is none too long for petual shadow on your path, and make knew of her, remembering the cold- him. This and similar expressions, he them. They grow with great rapidity in A few more paragraphs anent the Cor. you less happy than my bright Nettie blooded cruelty of her volunteered evil said, were acknowledged passwords among hot weather, and the most must be dence, he felt that he could not meet his pickpockets or sharpers, generally made made of the summer months, by sup-"No." Nettie's answer came quick and sister just then. So the autumn slipped use of by one of them to warn his confed- plying them with all the food they can clear; there was no shadow now on the away, and the winter was with them, erates of the vicinity of a detective or appropriate; it should be broad-casted little resolute face. "To save her will when, one day, coming back from a early some other minion of the law. The gen- with plenty of well-rotted stable manure game slip through their fingers, and get off then the Stoke Vernon mystery was set make us both so happy, we shall forget rehearsal, they found Nora stretched like theman from Montreal explained to the and ploughed as long before planting as the rest; besides, do you think that in one dead on the ground, with an English proprietor that he had only passed such a possible, that it may be well diffused

Nettie looked back eagerly over her detectives and police, often cause harm, is great satisfaction in raising fruits per-But his wife shook her bright head, shoulder, but never paused in her occu-

had in our old courting-days? How far Her husband did not answer immediback they seem now! You were a little ately. His eye rested on a long para-

things about which you could give me in- impatiently; and with trembling and un- from it. I visited a rich harem with a school formation in an easy ostentatious fashion. certain utterance Vance read the story teacher who has access to these homes. Oh, Vance, is it possible you thought I aloud. He could find no words of his We passed through court after court atdid not taste the powder in the jam ?" | own ; it was a relief to fall back on the re- tended by two eunuchs ; and several Ara-

striken acknowledgment in her husband's "Our readers will be interested to learn loose robes, low necked, covered with This new potato has been tried at Brest, face, her innocent triumph obliterating for that Captain Arthur Beaupre of the -th jewels (slaves they are yet, all are sub- in the north of France, and appears to the moment all darker thoughts from her Hussers has volunteered for service in ject to the master); finally through a have qualities which may be of value Burmah, where trouble is daily appre- lovely garden with flowers and a fountain. when it has been improved by careful cul-"Did you see through me so easily?" hended. The gallant young officer, whose We entered a large salon, with gay divans, ture. Among others, it promises to be Vance asked, with a rueful laugh. "I name has been twice brought prominently and on the lovely Turkish rugs sat seven hardy, and when once established, it rein connection with his long captivity in on the floor, and as many slaves standing remains to be seen if this is a desirable "Now, Vance, you are unkind; but Zululand, and again in romantic connect ready to do their bidding. They are the property. Think of a potato becoming that is not the question now. One night tion with the De Gretton murder, has wivesoftworich brothers. Some were young a weed, and forcing its tubers upon us some one spoke in the theatre of Charles only recently recovered from a long and some were old; one pretty little wife, Lamb-and I-I knew nothing of him or dangerous illness; but, with the chivalrie only 14 years old, had one child 2 months of his works; but, discreetly veiling my gallantry of an English soldier, he is too old. She had a chance to say a word to height, its freedom from disease, and its ignorance at the time. I asked you after- eager for the fray to rest even until his the teacher some weeks ago, and told her wards for information. Do you remember strength is fully restored. We are sure she remembered when some men took thoroughly tested. On the other hand, the best wishes of all who know him, and her from her mother in Caucassia, about the difficulty of rooting it out where once Yes—the young man remembered well; know the painful trials through which he three years ago. She had been sold but, for the moment, he did not answer, has recently passed, will accompany this twice since. She said the old wives beat so struck was he with the strange fateful distinguished young officer upon his new her sometimes, when they saw the hus-

Vance dropped the paper and looked is so sad; was covered with jewels and "I shall never forget it," she went on across the room. Nora still lay white gay attire. They can't put their heads gently, the clear eyes growing luminous and still, as though her troubled spirit out of doors after marriage until after children suffer so much as from thirst. with a deep inner glow. 'You told me had indeed found an eternal rest. Nettie the birth of a child; it is a disgrace to do They require water, usually, ten times of his works, but those I have forgotten. was almost as pale, and there was a sorely so. What a life is this harem !- Clere- where they get it once. Infants should land Leader.

AGRICULTURAL.

The Foot and Mouth Disease.

An American agricultural journal gives publicity to the following facts which show how much care is needed to prevent the spread of infectious diseases among the cattle. Fortunately there are no contagious diseases among the cattle in Canada, and the greatest care should be taken to prevent their introduction :-A forcible example of the manner in which contagious diseases are spread

among cattle has just occured at Deering. Me., where twenty-eight head of cattle are afflicted with foot-and-mouth disease. The disease, as usual, first appeared among some animals shipped from Liverpool to the Western States by way of Portland. After examination on their arrival the inspector pronounced them free from disease. They were then driven to the quarantine station at Deering over the pubblic highway, and were followed by a yoke of oxen belonging to a neighboring farmer. In less than two days the symptoms of the disease appeared among the quarantined animals, and in less than a week the oxen were afflicted. Before posed animals and others of the same herd have been stricken. As this is the first authenticated instance of foot-andmouth disease that has appeared in this country outside a quarantine station, it has attracted much attention. Dr. Thayer, of the Treasury Cattle Commission and other Veterinarians, however, malady. The utmost care is taken to confine the disease to its present limits."

New Varieties of Potatoes

The tubers will sometimes, though rarely, "sport," and produce a different variety from the one planted, giving the Disobedience lost us an Eden of flowers, impression that they will "mix in the but God has replaced it by an Eden of hill." The only way to be certain of prolove. We sometimes wander from its ducing new varieties, is to plant the real shades; but when weary and worn by seeds, chose found in the fruit or "ball," the conflicting cares of this world, we that succeeds the flowers at the top of the croop back with thankful hearts to that vine. Each seed in a ball may produce a one spot, forever green in the great des- distinct variety. That wonderful seed ball which contained the seed from The tree of peace strikes its roots into which came the Early Rose, also produced the crevices of the everlasting Rook; it several other varieties, some of which were grows securely from that rock, and casts good enough to be propagated. People out its cool shadow in the sunshine, and have been deterred from trying to raise small, and required several years of culti-In the deepest night of trouble and vation before their quality could be ascermanner, and setting out the plants at the The act of giving is described by Paul same time. If a seedling did not at the as a grace. Only think of it, "As ye end of the first season show some tubers abound in utterance so abound in this of an eatable size, he did not bother with it grace also." What a blessed thing it any further. Some seedsmen offer potato would be in this America of ours, in | seeds, but unless it is known what variety which the gift of tongues seems to have produced them, we should prefer to wait been so lavishly bestowed, if Christianity and procure seed next fall from known generally were as fluent in giving as they varieties, and thus be sure of the pedigree of the seedlings.

Why Farmers Fail to Raise Melons

to some form or another, the answer is Many farmers in the more Northern honesty of purpose is concerned. In the ing shown the new-comers their rooms | He kissed the sweet earnest face, and not a matter of life and death with them, | Naturally it had not been possible to sure to come. Not a tear of sacred sor- states fail in the melon crop. The vines Republican party the old feud between and heard their requirements, she was let a little comfort steal into his aching and it is with Nora. Vance, if we do shield her from all observation, and more row, not a breath of hely desire, poured grow, blossom, and bear fruit perhaps, out in prayer to God, will over be lost; but it is small and poor in quality, often silver star of hope had pierced the sullen calls the past and realises the full horror pany had manoeuvred skillfully for an in- but in God's own time and way it will be unfit for cattle feed. This frequently of her position shall never get her troduction to "Miss Vansittart," as Nora wafted back again in clouds of mercy, and occurs in the same locality, and on agony she was called; but Nettie kept them dexter- fall in showers of blessing on you and the same kind of soil, where a skillful gardener raises melons of good size and finest flavor. No doubt melons can be grown more easily in a southern than in The Mentreal Star says; But few per- a northern climate; but it is true of this "Then interest it happen; let us take | "It is true, Vance," she said apologeti- sons have any idea of the trouble and in- crop, as of many others, that it reaches her acres the sea, where, with nothing to cally to her husband, "and it satisfies convenience to which they frequently put its highest excellence in the northern our city detectives, and of the large num- himits of the belt where it will mature. Vance laughed, and shook his head at ber of criminals who escape through their For example, the valley of the Connecti-He took the little clasped hands and the little Jesuit ; but in his heart he ac- unwitting assistance. The veracity of this cut River, especially in Hartford county, assertion was proved a short time ago in is somewhat famous for its fine waterlove; he looked into the dear true eyes | So things went on quietly for a time. the city of Chicago. From the facts of melons. There, as in some other localities, that mirrowed every thought of the pure They had been in New York at least a the case, elicited from the chief Detective the facility for marketing them by a near soul, and he saw that on this sacrifice couple of months before any event of here, it appears that a well known citizen navigable stream has I'd to their cultivathat would crown her work, Nettie's heart greater magnitude than the arrival of of Montreal, having had occasion to visit tion as a staple crop. But certain it is, home-letters with news of Mrs. Clare Chicago on business of importance, went the sandy alluvium abounding in that where they would, they saw the hideous be identified as Nora's, and the astoundshadow of the gallows flung across their ingly sensational romance be brought it seemed foolish and superfluous to thank Vance there was none—and indeed he did and was greatly astonished at hearing the a common cause of failure with this crop, her, and the simplest words were best. not expect any—Cristine and Mrs. Bruce proprietor refuse to give him a room. On is the lack of sufficient manure. One puts murder was on every tongue; the subject satisfactory and complete. The police 'Stay, Nettie-there is one thing more were at Wiesbaden, he knew; but he had demanding an explanation he was still a shovelful of manure under the seed was too romantic and sensational not to were delighted to be justified in their you must consider yourself. Have you in no way informed them of his where more surprised to hear the hotel keeper without care for the rest of the ground declare that he wanted no pickpockets or where the roots are to penetrate and seek remark in a joke, and that he had no idea through the soil. Early in August we With a sharp cry of distress, Nettie at the time he might have been prevent- visited a garden where the melon patch, "No," the young man answered, after a raised and tried to restore her to con- ing the detective from capturing some about a quarter acre, had received twelve brief pause; then he added, with a shud- sciousness, while Vance mechanically pickpocket or sharper. The hotel-keeper cartleads of manure, of about a half cord der-for in truth his warnings to Nettie drew the papers from the cold stiff fin- finally adopted his explanation, but warn- each. The melons apparently never sushad been but an interpretation of his own gers that clutched it with so despairing a ed him not to be too free with such gen- spected they were not growing in the tlemen. The same advice can be given to tropics. There were plenty of them, and blood"-"but it is the daily companion- She has seen something, Vance; what a large number of our citizens, who, of Cassabas, and Nutmegs, beautiful to the through their being too sociable with the eye, and melting upon the palate. There and it would be well for them to remem- fect after their kind, only possible in

ber the particulars of this incident and northern climates, with abundant manure. A New Potato.

Our cultivated potatoes are derived It would take many more pages to tell from Solanum tuberosum, and we have you all of that eventful night. I have new varieties of these by the dozens every year. The European journals now announce an entirely new species of solanum with edible tubers, Solanum Ohroudi, so named from the person who discovered it on an uninhabited island at the mouth of bian girls stood here and there in white the river La Plata'in South America. mains in the soil from year to year. It whether we wish them or not! The dwarf habit of the vine, not exceeding a foot in hardiness, all make it worthy of being planted will make our planters cautious of it, should it be introduced amo usng.

Thirsty Children

There is nothing from which infants and have a tesspoonful or more of cold water every hour, commencing when they are a Religion stands upon two pillars, name- week old. Infants often cry so as to dismother's, blood-his mother! Vance, she looks! It seems cruel to bring her Spirit. Most errors arise from an at- without cause, it will stop instantly in nine cases out of ten. Thirst causes more "You are sorry still?" she said, in a horror of his memory! You told me It was long before the kindly trance of "Shot dead by a doctor!" Such is the bad tempers in children than anything how, never knowing when the curse peace was broken, long before all efforts startling caption of an article in an ex- else. We speak of anything being "as might fall again, he lived on cheerily, served to rouse Nora from the swoon that change. He must be a very unskillful free as water." Let the children share