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Strawberries and Garden Truck by the Barrel.

The following method of growing strawberries is not only novel, but it has been recently vouched for as a practical and profitable success. It would seem to offer many advantages for people in villag s, with little or no garden space. Bore fifty holes in a barrel with an inch auger and sink the bottom of the barrel an inch or two in the ground. Fill the barrel with rich !oam to the level of the first row or holes, then insert the strawberry plants, taking care that the roots are well secured. The row completed, fill up the barrel to the second row of holes, and set out another row of plants. and so on until the barrel is full. For watering and fertilizing, set into the top of the barrel an old tin can, with a perforated bottom, filling the can with proper fertilizers. The barrel of plants can be kept irrigated by water, enriched by passage through the can, or good results can be attained by irrigating with soapy wash-water, without fertilizers. Fifty well nourished plants can furnish a family with many messes of berries, and three or four barrels covered with plants would be equal to a good sized strawberry bed. The plants should be set out in the fall, and might be oovered for protection during the winter.

A modification of this plan is strongly recommended by other authorities for growing melons, cucumbers, tomatoes, etc. in places where regular gardening is not practicable. What is needed is a few harrels. Bore holes around the middle, and one hole large enough to admit the nose of your watering-not. Fill the barrel with stone bigh 48 the rows of holes, and fill it with good, rich, fine earth to the top, in which plant cucumbers, melons, squashes, tomatoes, etc. One barrel will be enough for each kind. Ba sure to have one large, flat stone lean over the large hole, where you will pour in water until it runs out of the holes you have made, and which will prevent the earth from filling this large hole up. Range the barrels around your vard and plant your seeds. Keep the barrels filled with water up to the holes and you have all the requisites for rapid, healthy growth-air, heat and moisture. You can raise all the vegetables you will need in the greatest perfection, and they will last until late in the autumn, as they can easily be covered on fresty nights. Cucumbers and tomatoes may hang over the barrels, cutting them off when they reach the bottom. Melons may be tied to the wall fence. The stones have an important service in holding up the earth and in absorbing the heat during the day, which they give out at night, keeping the water at an even temperature. You will be astonished at the result, if you have pever tried it .-Scientific American.

The Tower of Lendon.

The different buildings that make up what is known collectively as the Tower have all histories, and all bloody ones. There is nothing but blood connected with it. The identical headsman's block is carefully preserved, with the axe he has used an l the mask he wore when engaged in his delightful duty. The axe is shaped very much like a butcher's cleaver, and the mask about the most fiendish face that a devilish ingenuity could devise. Ugly and devilish as it is, it was probably an improvement on the face it concealed. You are shown the thembscrews and rack. The thumbscrews would extort a confession from a dead man; and the rack-well, that is something inconceivably devilish. You are laid in a box, ropes on windlasses are tied to your hands and ancles, then the windlasses are turned inch by inch, till your joints are distocated. After enduring the rack and answering questions the way they desired, for a man in that apparatus would say anything for a moment's respite, you are harried to the black for fear you may recant as soon as you get out of it. Then what was said in the rack was put upon record as a testimony to rack and behead other people. Those were the good old days of Merry England.

During the reign of Edward III. 600 Jews were imprisoned in the dangeens of the Tower for adulterating the coin of the realm. The trouble with the Jews was, they had too much of the coin of the realm, and Edward too little. The chronicler goes on to say that so strong was the prejudice of the King against these people that he | banished the race from England ; but with the thrift that distinguished kings of that day he compelled them to leave behind them their immense wealth, which he gobble, and their libraries, which, as he could not read, he had no use for, and they went to the monas.

teries. I suppose he sold them by the pound to the monks who could read. King Edward has a counterpart in the English landlerd of to-day. He allows no foreigner to take any money of the kingdom. It is curious how national traits show in people through ages. England has no more barons to take things by the strong hand, but she has hotel keepers. Their processes are different, but the result is the same. They have no racks now, but they have beds; the thumbscrew is gone forever, but bills are yet made out

A large part of the wast building is now used as a great national armory. Stored within its walls are \$0,000 ritles, of the latest and most approved patterns. all in perfect order, even to the oiling and ready for use at a moment's notice. England is always ready for war. It would be a quick nation that would catch her napping. These murderous weapons looked cheerful by comparison with the barbarens tools the old English used. After looking at the battle axes, and flails, and lances, it would seem to be a comfort to be merely shot to death with a Martini-Henry rifle. One could feel some sort of comfort in going out via a decent rifle ball.

The guards of the Tower are the famous "Beefeaters," and are all habited in the uniform of the time of Henry VII., who instituted the corps. the present yeomen are all old soldiere, who have distinguished themselves, and a very pleasant time they have of it. They don't have to drag women to the block by the hair of their heads any more, but spend most of their time standing around listlessly and eating ham sandwiches, which is certainly better than their ancient employment. There is nothing crue! in an English ham sandwich but its indigestibility, and that only concerns the cater. It is a matter entirely between him and his stomach and doesn't concern me at

Vennor on 1882.

The following are a few of the weather prophet's predictions for the next year's al makae :--

In Newfoundland the Winter of 1881 is likely to be extremely severe and stormy. A warm wave is likely to occur over a

large portion of North America during the month of November, 1881, and again during January and February, 1882.

A frigid wave may be expected towards the close of November and entry of December, 1881. Thd winds and storms of March will pro-

bably arrive ahead of time, and render the closing days of February exceedingly disagreeable. Minnesota is likely to experience more wintry weather than many neighboring

The latter part of April and entry of May, 1882 will remind one of Winter again, and the Spring is likely to be cold and backward generally.

sections.

The Winter of 1882 is not likely to be characterized by heavy snow. falls on this side the Atlantic.

In Western Canada, and sections south of the Lakes, navigation may remain open all the year, or close but for a very brief period.

December, 1881, will be a month of storms in the Lake region.

The Summer of 1832 will be generally unfavorable to agriculture, owing to cold and wet weather.

Western sections will probably suffer more from rains and floods than from thander storms or cyclones during the Summer of 1842.

Volcanic disturbances are likely to be exceedingly active on the American continent, and will probably occur in entirely new sections.

There will be a brief period of severe cold during the winter of 1882, and longer ones of warmth.

Figs.

Figs have been used in the East as an article of food from time immemorial, The flowers of the hg, nulike those of most fruit trees, take no outward appearance, but are concealed in the fruit. Under favorable circumstances a fig or two is formed along the shoots at the base of almost every leaf, and the quantity that sometimes attains maturity is enormous. The drying is easily effected in the warm climates by exposure to the sun's rays, in the same Iway as grapes are dried, which are called from that circumstance raisins of the sun. Like the grape the substance of the fig abounds in what is termed grape sugar. In drying, some of this exudes, and forms that so ta d white powder which we see on imported tigs,

They are thus preserved in their own sugar, and rendered fit for storing up as an article of food.

In warm climates two crops of fruit are produced from the fig tree, each crop being preduced on distinct sets of shoots. The second crop grows from the eyes or buds of the shoots made in early summer, and, if the season be sufficiently warm and long. the fruit will ripen. In such a climate it is the second crop that is most prolific and valuable, and that is used in drying for exportation. In climates where winters are severe the trees are so trained that the branches can be tied in bundles and laid along the ground, when they are covered with litter and earth.

The March of Intellect.

The world occasionally witnesses the appearance of a man preeminent among his fellows, who leaves his mark upon the world either for good or for evil. Our century has been unusually fruitful in such men. We have our military hero, our philosopher, our astronomer, our statesman, par excellence; we have, also, our physician and philanthropist, par excellence. But now we have Professor Holloway, who, benefited by the long experiments, and enlightened by deep study, has bestowed upon the world one of the greatest treasures, in the form of kis celebrated Pills and Ointment By their instrumentality health is placed within the reach of all that will avail themselves of them. They have recommended themselves everywhere by their beneficial effects, and are known throughout the civilazed world. We see glad to know that not only knbounged fame, but a considerable fortune, has rewarded Holloway for his philanthropic

South and Central America, Mexico and Cuba, following the example of Spain, have become large consumers of these articles, and wherever the Spanish language is spoken they are now extensively used as a family medicine. No region of the earth affords such opportunities for testing the universality of a remedy as South America. From the enormous inequality of level between its different partions, itocomprehends the climates of all zones, and all the diseases peculiar to the varieties of temperature know as frigid, temperature, and torrid are found among its inhabitants. A grander field for the employment of preparations adapted to the cure of every species of disorder, internal or external, cannot be conceived, and as their success has been uniform in all parts of the southern continent, we may fairly regard these medicines as specifics for the maladies of every soil and elime,

We do not make these statements and express these opinions without having weighed them well. They are not founded merely upon common report, but upon the testimony of parties occupying high positions in societymen of unblemished reputation and matured judgment; that, likewise, is confirmed by circumstances within our own immediate knowledge. Moreover, we have the less hesitation in declaring our predilections for these remedies, inasmuch as it is shared by our brothern of the press in every quarter of the globe .- The Pennsylvanian'

Singing Pish, v

Some of the fish brought alongside were

as those celebrated in the Arabian. tale. where "this fisherman, looking into the lake, saw in it fiel of different colors white, and red, and blue, and yellow;", indeed, they could not have been more beautiful than ours. In fact, all that are caught on coral reefs are remarkable for the great variety of their colors ; but I must particularly describe one which bore the palm from all its splendid companions. It was about ten inches in length, and had for the basis of its colors an emerald green, with a head of a lighter shade of the same hue, which was handed longitudinally with stripes of rosy pink, and lines of the same beautiful tint were placed at intervals of an inch transversely across its whole body, the scales on which were very small. The two nectoral fins were rosy pink in the centre, surrounded by a broad band of ultramarine The short dorsal and ventral fins, which were continued to tail, were of the same colors the pink being inside. The tail was ultramarine ontside, and the centre part of the fin of gamboge yellow; it had no anal fins. There was another extremely beautiful one, a pra-green color; it appeared to be of the same genius as the former. In the Bruneri river I have often heard the singing or humming figh, which sticks to the bottom of the boat and produces a sound something like that of a fews harp struck slowly, though sometimes it increas s in loudness so as to resemble the full sound and tones of an organ. My men have pointed me out a fish marked across the back with altern to stripes of red, black and vellow, as the anthor of music. - From 'Life in the Forests of the Far East,"