### HOUSEHOLD.

Choice Recipes.

Sous Milk Pis - One-half cup of sour milk, one-had oup of raising after they are seeded and chopped fine, one-half cup of sugar, a little salt and different spices as one pleases. Use enly the thick part of the milk. Bake in two crusts,

SURE CURE FOR A FELON. - Common rock salt, dried in an oven and then pulverized, mix with an equal part of spirits of turpentine. Keep a rag constantly wet with this preparation on the felon for twenty-four hours. It will cure a felon in that time.

FISH GEMS —Take any remnant of boiled fish, chep it fine, and add the same amount of bread crumbs soaked seft in milk, also two eggs beaten and a speenful of butter; season with salt, pepper, and chepped parsley. Bake in a buttered pan twenty minutes.

GREEN CORN CAKES - Mix a pint of grated green corn with a teacupful of flour, half a reacupful of milk, and a teacupful of melted butter, one egg, a teaspoonful of salt, and a little pepper. Drep on a buttered pan by the spoonful and bake or fry for ten er fifteen minutes.

CALIFORNIA CHICKEN. - Take two young a little minced paraley and enions. Take feur large pepper peds, soak in water, strain, and pour in the juice; add salt, butter, and a little flour to thicken. Fill a large dish with boiled rice, and pour the gravy on it.

CHILDREN'S FRUIT CAKE (very nice) .-One cup of butter, feur cups of flour, one pound sugar, one cup milk, three eggs, three quarters pound currents, threequarters pound raisins, one quarter pound citron, ene quarter grated nutmeg, enequarter teaspeenful baking pewder; flavor with lemen.

TOMATO CATCHUP. - Out up and stow ripe tematoes, but de not peel them. When sufficiently ceeked strain through a sieve. To one gallen of the tematees, measured after straining, add four tablespeonfuls of ground black and white pepper, three tablespoonfuls of ground mustard, three red peppers chepped fine, and one pint of vinegar. Simmer all tegether slowly for four hours, then bottle and cork tight.

Select only perfect tomatees for canning. If they are ever ripe or have a bad spot in them they will not keep. Tomatoes are excellent sliced, dipped in flour with a little pepper and salt and fried in butter. Another good way is to put a layer of bread crumbs with little lumps of butter, some pepper and salt into a baking dish, then a layer of sliced tematoes (with akins remeved) and another layer of bread crumbs, etc., finishing with the tematees on tep. Bake about three-quarters of an hour.

BATTER AND FRUIT PUDDING .- Chap up ene pound of apples and put them in a greased pudding basin (geoseberries, plums, er any esher fruit will de) and sprinkle sugar ever them; now make a batter of one egg, six ounces of flour, and one breakfastcupful of milk; ene-half a teaspeenful of baking powder must be added to the flour; when the batter is smeoth press it over the fruit and steam gently for one hour; care must be taken that the water remains boiling and dees not evaperate tee much.

CORN OTSTELS .- One cupful of flour, half a cupful of melted butter, three tablespeenfuls of milk, two teaspoonfuls of salt, onefeurth of a teaspoenful of pepper, one pint of grated corn. Pour the corn on the flour and beat well; then add the other ingredients and beat rapidly for three minutes. Have fat in the frying-pan to the depth of abcut two inches. When smoking het put in the batter by the speenful. Held the spoon close to the fat and the shape of the eyster will be good. Fry five minutes.

PICKLED PEACHES .- After the peaches are peeled, allew one half pound of sugar to each peund of fruit. With as little water as possible make a syrup of the sugar; when the syrup is quite clear, just scald the peaches in it, and then place them carefully into medium sized g'azed stone jers; sprinkle plenty et stick cinnamen and a few cloves between the fruit. Let the syrup beil for five minutes lenger, then add pure vinegar, sufficient to give a pleasant sub acid taste; let it beil up again, and at ence peur over the peaches. When cold, tie up well, and stere in a dark, celd place.

PRESERVED PEACHES -For cheice preserves it requires choice fruit and the peaches should be all white or all yellow and of even size Scald them lightly and real and allow three quarters of a pound of augar to each pound of fruit. With as little water as possible make a syrup of the sugar ; take eff the scum and when it is clear as water put the fruit into it; cover tightly and let it bell from five to ten minutes accerding to the ripeness of the fruit. With a silver fork lift the peaches into the preserve jars-these with percelain lined or glass tops are the best-fill up the jars with the syrup to everflowing, wipe the rim carefully and at once cles the jars air-tight.

## Notes for Housekeepers.

Salt sprinkled around the edge of a room is said to be a safe exterminator of the carpet bug. Seme mix pepper with the

To cleanse milk bettles cut a raw petato into long, thin slices and put a few in the bottle with a very little water. Shake thoroughly a minute or two and the milk will be found all adhering to the petato alices.

To prevent the smeking of lamp wicks seak them a while in vinegar and let them dry befere returning to the lamp. If burners are clegged and gummy beil them fer a half hour in water with a little saleratus and soap.

Crecks of butter to be kept for several menths, says the United States Dairyman, should never be placed upon the cellar bettem. This causes two degrees of temperature in the creck which will be at the expense of the quality of the butter near the tep. The crecks will keep their centents far better if placed at least a foot from the cellar bettom upon a bench and a thick woelen cleth thrown ever it.

Restaurant Matron-" I want you girls to fix up a little extra and look as pretty as you can." Waiter girls-" Is the butter bad again?" " No, the meat's tough."

## THE FARM

About Threshing.

western correspondent writes thus about threshing :-

Few of us in the "wild and wooly west" have room new fer our grain. Some of the more progressive have barracks ; but to the great majority but two alternatives present themselves-to stack in the open air or t thresh from the shock. In the days el oradles, or even of self-rake machines, stack ing grain was not considered such a great undertaking; but it must be confessed that among the present generation there are few who care to be good stackers, and, if pessible, fewer who can. This makes it very difficult to stack grain, and expensive, at the best, stackers getting at last twice as much per day as other harvest hands. But it is not this alone which inclines many to threehing from the shock. Labor is saved. Net only is the labor of the stackers avoided, but all the laber of pitching the bundles frem the wagen to the stack. Even mere; fer one man, pitching from the wagen, can keep the threshing machine supplied, while It requires two, or possibly three, pitching from the rick. Labor saved is so much money gained at any time; but at this particular season it is an unusual amount gainchickens, out up and stew; when done add | ed. Time is precious Harvest has just ended. All hands are "worked dewn." Yet the early petatoes must be harvested the weeds cleaned out of the corn, truck patches, and fence corners ence more; the ground for fall wheat plewed-clearly the earlier the better; the manure for this ground drawn from the yards and stables, and yet other work to be done, and seemingly bunched iste a period not half leng enough for its accomplishment. A saving of a few days' labor at this time is impertant, But the arguments are not all in favor ea

> threshing from the shock, as I have found by sad experience. With our steam threshers grain can be threshed very rapidly; but it requires a large force of men to handle it. You must have help from your neighbors, and in return you must help them at stacking or threshing. The result is that you de not get at your plowing er manure hauling any earlier than, if as early, as if you had stacked the grain. It is true that the threshing is done, but at this time the object is to get at work in its season rather than to do work before it is necessary to do it. Threshing can be dene later, when the wheat is sown and the potatees are barvested; and while the days are shorter then, they are enough cooler to compensate for this in amount of work done. Yet another thing: All cannot be the first to thresh; some must wait, and while they are waiting their grain may be sadly damaged in the shook. Such damage is exceedingly prebable. We have frequently severe windsterms, accompanied by drenching rain, that will scatter any shock that can be built and then wet the bundl-s through. knew that the first year I tried threshing frem the shock I was one of the last to get to thresh, as on account of a misunderstanding I failed to engage a machine until twe weeks after I had intended to do so. Wet weather set in and continued. This greatly delayed our threshing. The result was that my grain stood in the shock for six weeks. Many shecks were blown down two or three times. I expected my grain would be ruined. I was agreeably surprised to find that very little was damaged when I finally get it threshed, but setting up the shocks had required more labor than stacking the grain would have dene, while the risk I had run and which came so nearly resulting in serious loss has made me disposed to stack my grain, unless it came my turn to thresh early in the season.

It may be argued that grain spells in the stack, and I must cenfess that I have had more grain damaged in the stack than in the sbeck. I wice when I have hired the best stackers to be had, paying them \$5 per day, they built such defective stacks that in two of them the grain was damaged to the very bettem, the rain having traversed the stack from top to foundation. But while it is true that I have had more grain damaged in the stack than in the shock, this is because, perhaps, that stacking has been my rule rather and threshing from the sheck the exceptions, though they have not been

Small grains pass through a sweat, and undoubtedly it is better that this should eccar in the stack than in the bin. If it ecours in a stack properly built the grain comes out plump and bright and dry, and will not speil in the bin by reason of anything existing in the grain itself. But if the sweating takes place in the bin, as it must when the grain is threshed frem the sheck, sheveling the grain about is eiten necessary to prevent its molding, and though this be not necessary, the grain is net se bright as if it had cured out among the chaff and straw. Millers much prefer grain that has sweated in the stack, and some, at least, will pay for it 1 or 2 cents more than for grain that has sweated in the

It is apparent that the arguments for and against threshing from the shock are about equally divided. My experience and ebservation lead me to stack, unless I can be among the very first to thresh. In my neighborhoed nearly every one threshes from the sheck. In a neighborhood where the majority stacked their grain, the man who threshed from the field could get his grain out of shock in good season, provided he could get sufficient help from his neighbers; but if they stack their grain they will not want to help him thresh until they have finished stacking. Stacking has been the general rule, and it is well that such is the case; threshing direct from the field should be the exception, though if you rightly manage matters you can nearly every year get to thresh as seen as the grain has cured sufficiently, and thus save considerable laber without incurring unusual risk of the grain spelling in the shock.

## To Cure a Corn.

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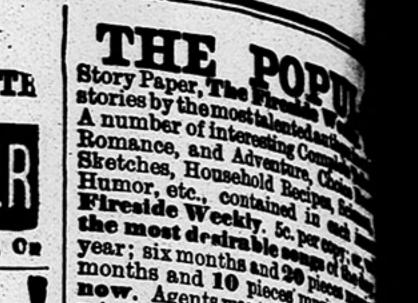
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