### HOUSEHOLD

COLD CREAM.

This is an invaluable recipe furnished the writer by a lady who prepares it for her | while the storm was at its height, the Rising face free from those abominable marks callbeing greasy or shiny, a disfigurement com- The life-boats were away rescuing wrecked | theory. mon to many women. One and a half crews. ounces of white wax, four ounces of sweet almond oil, six drams of rose-water, and five drops of oil of rose. Melt wax and oil of almond in a bowl; then add rose-water and mast fell. Just as the rocket bearing the it is stirred the whiter it will get and the the other mast toppled over. more creamy. Finally add the oil of rose, and then pack away in small jars or pots. This will be found the equal of any cold cream preparation ever invented.

#### HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Boiling in strong soapsuds will clean up time he became conscious. an old lampburner and make it as good as

ed with kerosene.

Sinks, both iron and zinc, can be kept-free | "Where am I?" from any coating of grease by rubbing them with kerosene occasionally.

Avoid taking cold by not sitting or standing still out of doors in windy or exposed places, especially after severe exercise.

White spots on varnished furniture are removed by rubbing them with a soft cloth or sponge dipped in a camphor solution,

Broiled steak, etc., should be served as soon as cooked, if you would have them at their best. A hot platter with a cover to receive the steak or chops is desirable.

keep them from fading. Those and colored hands. calicoes liable to fade dry in the shade.

SALT AND MILK .- Remember that salt will curdle milk; therefore in preparing dishes where much milk is used, do not add the salt until just before removing them from the fire.

A rusty wash boiler, if not leaky, can have its usefulness prolonged by making a bag of coarse white muslin and scalding the clothes in it to save them from rust.

Any gold jewelry that an immersion in water will not injure, can be beautifully cleaned by shaking it well in a bottle nearly half full of warm soapsuds, to which a little prepared chalk has been added, and it dry.

In canning fruit, if there is juice left over, put it in self-sealing bottles and use it in preparing sauces for desserts. Juice of strawberries, raspberries, and the like, makes a very pleasant drink in water, to which sweetening can be added or not as desired.

A looking glass is nicely cleaned by rubbing well with moistened paper. When all spots are removed, use dry soft paper for polishing it. Another method is to add last one of them, by a fortunate pass, one room. The beds are rolled up in the enough ammonia to the water in which both windows and looking glasses are washed, to make it teel slippery; rub dry with paper.

hanging in the closet. To beautify the nails, hold them for fifteen minutes in warm water, then, while flexible, cut carefully. Polish them with a oil and finely powdered pumice stone. Push down the skin at the lower part of the nails to show delicate half-moons of white.

Odors from boiling cabbage, onions, ham, etc., can be prevented by using a kettle with an open pipe running down the side from a grooved top. This pipe discharges these odors into the fire, and they are thus carried into the chimney. The kettle has a rounded, very close fitting cover that sets into the grooved top so closely that no steam can escape into the room.

Ice will not melt so quickly if the pitcher is covered with some non-conducting covering. A thick paper bag, slipped over will do some good, but it would be better to make it fit better, and line it with raw cotton. Take a piece long enough to go around the pitcher, fit a round piece into the top. Sew them together, and make a cover of chintz the same size to go over all. Sew handles of braid to each side to lift it by.

When washing glass, slip it into the water so that the inside and the outside touch the water at once. The reason glasses who have long fingers. Short, thick fingers, break is because the side which is first put Wash glasses in hot soapy water and wipe on a dry linen towel, to make them glossy. water as it dims its brightness, but old silver that has always been washed thus, may look better when washed in hot soapy water and a husband whose hands are naturally red; regarding the meaning of the word. rubbed with a dry cloth. Knife handles and hands made red with difficulty should Finally, the postal was returned to the should never be wet, nor should the blades be carefully avoided. A man with dark sender, with a polite letter stating that the be put in too hot water as they may expand, colored hands is inclined to biliousness and meaning of the word "charraghe" was uncracking the handles.

ter how careful one may be, and if it once | ill-formed, feebly-balanced thumb betrays | In reply came the following lucid explapenetrates a dress it is impossible to get it a vacillating disposition, Small thumbed nation: all out, besides necessitating frequent brush- persons are governed by the heart, while that it may stand out with the dress. Make large thumbs, or ought to have them, from Trubbel. He is a pore boy, hoo you must lible, and because it may carry the germs of it long enough to cover the dress completely, the point of view of the chirosophist, while eggscuse on ackount of his not Having went run a hem at each end wide enough to run a pliant, dependent, and easily governed to skool but little; therefore He speled the tape in. Button the belt of the dress and natures may be known by the smallness of word rong. hang it over a "coat hanger." Have a loop | that digit, always remembering that the on the hanger to come up through the bag, feature must be judged in propertion to the loops on the bag too, to hang it by when the size of the hand and the fingers on the wat a 2 sete, 2 hoarse, kovered Famly karthe skirt is out. Draw it up at top and bot- same hand. om, and you may bid the dust defiance, so ar as the dress is concerned.

Take equal parts of flour, grated cheese and butter; season with pepper and salt, nd mix with one or two eggs. Bake in mall cake or patty pans. You will call hem nice cheese cakes.

rax water. In the morning hang them to up in court and queried : ry without rinsing or wringing, and while amp, press smoothly on the wrong side.

RECIPE FOR ROOT BEER. - Take 1 ounce ch of sassafras root, allspice, yellow-dock herry bark and coriander seed; 1 ounce summer fallowed?" ops and 3 quarts of molasses. Pour suffi-

#### Why He Was Saved.

In February, 1861, a terrible gale raged along the coast of England. Eighty-ore vessels were wrecked in Hartlepool Bay.

The only means of saving the men clingparatus. Before it could be adjusted one

Sadly the rocket-men began to draw in their line, when suddenly they felt that something was attached to it, and in a few minutes hauled on to the beech the apparently lifeless body of a sailor-boy. Trained and tender hands worked, and in a short

With wild amazement he gazed around on the crowd of kind and sympathizing Oil-cloths can be brightened, after wash- friends. They raised him to his feet. He ing, by rubbing hard with a flannel moisten- looked up into the weather-beaten face of the old fisherman near him, and asked,

"Thon art here, my lad."

"Where's the cap'n?"

" Drowned, my lad." "The mate, then ?"

"He's drowned, too," "The crew "

"They are all lost, my lad; thou art the only one saved."

The boy stood, overwhelmed, for a few moments; then he raised both his hands, and cried, in a loud voice, "My mother's been praying for me! My mother's been praying for me !"

### The Courtship of Quails.

courting and pairing off of a flock of quails the use of exact terms. A half dezen of I was sitting so I could look down on a flat | the mollusks were permitted to crawl berock that stood up higher than the tops of tween two points ten feet apart, and the a thicket of brush and weeds surrounding average pace was ascertained. From this it it near a small brook. I first heard the was easy enough to calculate that one snail chatter of quails in the brush. After hold- can crawl a mile in just fourteen days. ing quite an animated confab one hen quail flew up on the rock and was followed by five or six males. Miss Quail strutted around a few times, apparently not noticing | sles, at the advanced age of 122 years. She her admirers, assuming coquettish attitudes, and putting on more style and affection than a human dudess of the present day. after rinsing in clear, cold water and wiping | She finally took a conspicuous position and appeared to devote her entire attention to herself. Her admirers, in the meantime, stood around and looked at each other with defiant eye and mien. They then began to strut around, spread and trail their wings, try graceful walks and poses, each striving to outdo the others. The more they tried to make a favorable impression before Miss Quail the more excited they became, until by the crowded condition of the masses. A they went to fighting.

knocked hls antagonist off the rock. He daytime, and when unrolled at night fill the did not stop, but picked into the first one room. A marvellous degree of economy is he came to, and then kept knocking one off | practiced even in the smallest details. Coffee To give bed-clothing and under-clothing a at a time until there was but one left. The grounds from the wealthy man's kitchen are thorough sunning and airing is the next best | victor took one comprehensive look over the | dried and resold to the poor. In a similar thing to washing it. It also sweetens it. A | field of battle, struck up a rattling chatter | way oil is twice and sometimes three times second suit of underclothing should be on and walked up to Miss Quail, strutted used, the drippings of each successive frying hand for afternoon wear, and what is taken around a few times with self-importance being gathered from the pan and sold to the off he thoroughly aired and dried before enough for a United States Senator, keeping poor. Old shoes, hats, clothes, candle ends, up a rattling string of-of-well, blarney, I dried coffee-grounds, "second.hand" oil, suppose. Finally they rubbed heads and and a hundred other things are spread out bills together, walked to the north side of upon the broad plaza (or square) of a townthe rock, rose simultaneously and flew away, and it is here, to a great extent, that the piece of chamois skin dipped in a mixture of lighting together, ready for housekeeping. Italian workman procures his supplies. A Another hen then came upon the rock with laborer's suit, consisting of breeches, jacket, three or four males and went through the vest, shirt, socks, necktie, and shoes, cost same form of courtship, and to the victor- anywhere from \$4.45 up. His food is as the reward of a wife. So it went on until simple as his clothing and his habitation. In all the hens were mated and gone. - San | the morning a great loaf of black bread is

# Language of the Hand.

travagance, nevertheless indicate talent and averages fifty cents a day. sagacity. Those who have short fingers are quick, impulsive, and act usually on the spur of the moment, more readily than those melancholy. As an indicator of character, known to the firm, and asking for its defini-Dust will penetrate into closets, no mat- however, the thumb is the "boss." A small, tion.

# He Had Paid Once.

A few days ago there was a small civil sent. suit tried before the Justice of Pizen Switch -the same man who decided the anti-treat law unconstitutional. It is always customary in such cases to have the winner of the

" Pay the jury \$12 ?" "Yes," replied the court.

tees. - [Carson Appeal.

### SCISSORS AND PEN.

An insurance paper has been collecting the statistics of suicide in the United States. Among the most singular and perplexing own use, and applied at night will keep the Sun, a stout brig, struck on Longrear Rock, things is the fact that "the classification by a reef extending a mile from one side of the | condition shows a greater proportion of suied flesh-worms, and from pimples and sun- bay. The vessel sunk, leaving only her cides among the married than the unmarburn. It will also prevent the nose from two topmasts above the foaming waves. ried which is contrary to the accepted

state that out of 2,682 patients who have ing to the swaying masts was the rocket ap- been treated 2,264 had been bitten by animals which were undoubtedly mad, and that enemy. After a struggle the spider lay out of these 2,164 only 29 or 1.34 per cent. quiet, and the wasp ran around, seizing stir well with a wooden spoon. The longer life-line went booming out of the mortar died. Before the discovery of this method the lowest death rate for persons affected by rabies was 16 per cent., and the secretary of the institute claims that 317 persons owe their lives entirely to Pasteur's discovery.

> never stings. But so long as he and his he departed without his spider. This time wife dress exactly alike this bit of knowledge | I watched him and saw him disappear at availeth nothing to the careless men, who | the edge of the lawn, under a pear tree, and, does not know it is the lady who is ap- following, found him, after some searching, proaching him until it be that she smiteth diligently at work with another wasp enhim with her bustle. What humanity de- larging a hole in the ground, having already mands of science in the case of the wasps is thrown out quite a little mound of earth. I the invention of some prompter method of | was surprised, for I did not then know that distinguishing hetween Monsieur and Ma. any kind of wasp lived in the ground. damwazzie at 4) yards.

Paper doors are coming into use, and, as compared with those of wood, possess the advantage of neither shrinking, swelling, cracking or warping. It is formed of two thick paper boards, stamped and moulded into panels, and glazed together with glue and potash, and then rolled through heavy rollings. After being covered with a waterproof coating and then with one that is fireproof, it is painted, varnished and hung in the usual way.

hose or other black goods are washed, will wet sand, and hid his sobbing face in his as a term more or less indefinite. By an interesting experiment at the Terra Haute Polytechnic the other day it was ascertained exactly and reduced to figures, which I once had the pleasure of witnessing the may now be quoted by persons who favor

Amy Avant, a colored woman on the plantation of Major James Reaves, in Marion County, S. C., died a few days ago, of meawas remarkably well preserved, and retained all her faculties up to the time of her fatal illness, previous to which she claimed that she had never taken a dose of medicine. During the last cotton picking season, she took her place regularly in the cotton fields and always performed a good day's work, Her age is well attested by family records.

### The Poor of Naples.

The stranger is unpleasantly impressed whole family, consisting of parents and passed around; each member of the family lect, as well as a sence of energy or moral cents, finishes the bill of fare. At night force. A hollow, deep palm indicates mis- more macaroni, then the beds or pallets are fortune, loss of money, misery and failure in spread and the family goes to sleep, to get enterprises. Shakespeare tells of an "itch- up and go through the same routine on the ing palm:" that indicates that the blood is morrow. The rent of one of these rooms is out of order, with a covetous disposition. from ten to twelve dollars a year; the cost A stiff, hard hand, that opens with difficul- of the wine, macaroni and bread is about ten ty to its full extent, betrays stubbornness of cents per day for each person; but even at character and reluctance to open to calls of this cheap rate of living, the workman who charity. Supple elastic fingers, on the other has a family often finds it difficult to make hand, while manifesting a tendency to ex- both ends meet. A skilled bricklayer only

# His "Charraghe."

A wholesale firm in Chicago received the nearly all of the same length, indicate a following postal from one of its out-of-town in expands more quickly than the other. | callous, cruel character, and betray clumsy | patrons : " Plese too lett mee no the Prise unhandiness in manipulation, as well as a of A goode charraghe." No member of the constant tendency to falsehood and the de- firm, and not one of its employes from the New silver should not be washed in soapy famation of the character of others. Long, office-boy up to the manager, could tell slender fingers betray a peevish, worrying what was meant by a "charraghe," and disposition. Young women ought to choose Webster and Worcester were also ignorant

" DERE CIRS.—the postal was rote by mi ing which wears out silk A good plan is to the large thumbed are swayed by the intel- Clurk, me Being Buzzy, an' i Reegrit that

> "It is 'Karridge' instid of 'charraghe.' Pleze eggscuse his ignorantz, an lett me no ridge will cost."

The "ignorantz" of the clerk was excused, and the price of the "karridge"

# Food Adulteration.

The New York World has recently turned dishonest practices.

### STORIES ABOUT ANIMALS.

A WASP'S WISDOM.

While sitting, one summer day, at the side of the house on a platform which served as a piazza, but was roofed only by the branches of two large trees, something dropped upon my head and into my lap, when I saw a large white bodied spider in the clutches of a small wasp. Hastily A recent report of the Pasteur Institute brushing these unceremonious visitors on to the floor, I watched to see if the wasp would succeed in flying away with his huge first one part, then, another but finally went away, as I supposed, for help. In about quarter of an hour he returned, still alone, and began trying again, as I thought, to find some place by which he could seize The male wasp, the naturalist tells us, the round body and carry it away. Again

I returned to the piazza, and soon, when the wasp came back, I was convinced, by more careful watching, that he was measuring each part of the spider's body instead of trying to get hold of it. The antennæ seemed to be the organs mostly employed in this operation. When he went home again, I was before him, and saw him meet his coworker, put his head close to his, and evidently informed him that the doorway was not yet big enough, for they fell busily at work enlarging it. Then more measuring, Ox-gall added to the water in which black And then he dropped on his knees on the A snail's pace need not be used any longer he returned, this time with his friend, and more digging, until, after three long hours, they carried away their prey and bestowed it in their underground home.

#### HOW SNAKES CLIMB.

A writer in the Scientific American says -A few years since I was walking along a broad road in Richmond County, Georgia, when from the opposite side of the road coming directly toward me I saw a "coachwhip," a snake much like the common black snake in form, but in color a very dark brown some two thirds of its length, the other third to the tip of the tail being a light brown, in appearance, from the peculiar markings, much like the lash of a whip. Having nothing with which to kill the snake, I thought to amuse myself by preventing his getting to cover in the "thick" just beyond me; but to turn back would leave him exposed for quite a distance, so, not being in a fighting humor, he made a rush for a water oak which grew just beyond me but not on a direct line with me, the long branches of which came down to within four or five feet of the ground; then rising until he seemed almost to stand on the end of his tail, he shot up like an arrow through the branches, getting his They fought hard and furiously, until at sometimes from five to ten children, live in grip entirely by lateral pressure and not by coiling around the branches as I thought he would do."

### A Dog SAVES A TRAIN.

under an old farm gate by the side of the of the largest of his species. tance. He was wild with gratitude, licked you this story. my hand and wanted to follow me into the cab. Every day after that I would see him sitting beside the track and wagging his tail as my train passed by. Several weeks had we struck it at full speed.

# A SYMPATHETIC DOG.

had a troublesome habit of getting the reins The sinews under the tail-were cut, and, when in stable, the tail was strained by a cord passed through a pully in the ceiling over the stable. One morning the cord was found cut and the horse with his tail down as usual. After the stable was closed the stable dog had jumped on the horse's back, and with his teeth cut the cord that kept his friend in pain.

# AN AGED HORSE.

Harrison Gilbert, of Chili, Ill., has a ven erable horse. Horse and man went all through the war without receiving a scratch. The animal is now in his fiftieth year, and is tenderly cared for, living on corn bread and bran mash. He has not a tooth in his

# Oleomargarine and Butterine.

report of the Michigan Board of Agriculture from untainted animal, fat, is unwholedisease or parasites into the human system. ness of the manufacturers to produce the spurious compound cheaply, ingredients enter into it which are detrimental to the last of animals that die of disease, and taliow, rancid or even putrid, it is said, are largely used. These can be deodorised and brought to such color as may be desired, but their venue. dangerous character cannot be wholly destroyed by any chemical or other process.

The quantity of butterine now made in suit pay the fees. The plaintiff, a big raw- its attention to the evil of food adulteration. the United States is very large. One factory To clean black cashmeres and other all-bonod rancher, was called on to pay the Out of one hundred samples of tea collected in New York makes 50,000 pounds a day, pressive name "Pordiosetras" ("For-Godyool goods, soak them over night in strong jury of six \$2 apiece. He immediately stood of retail dealers, twelve were found to be and this sold at from 15 to 22 cents per sakes"). Saturday is universally recognised adulterated, for the most part, with foreign pound. Butterine is a preparation of fat as "Beggars' day," and on that day they leaves, known as lie tea. Of one hundred mixed with butter and churned in butter- appear on the streets in full force, plying samples of ground coffee, twenty eight were milk, so that the combination has the full their trade with the greatest industry. If "Look a'here, jedge, ain't this sorter mixed with chicory and peas. Of one hun- flavor of butter. In other cases the oleomar- repulsed they will make a stately bow and piling it on thick? I just paid four of them dred samples of sugar, only two were found garine is churned with milk. Of the pro- murmur a benediction upon the head of the ot and wintergreen; ounce each of wild boddlers \$20 apiece. Do you want the earth to be adulterated with glucose starch, so duct from 25 to 60 pounds in every 100 is person who refuses them. They always that of the three hundred samples tested, butter. Probably little of that quality is have plenty of children and dogs, and lead The dead silence in the room was broken forty-two, or an average of fourteen per cent, made. So completely may even the best a very happy, careless life. The plea that ent boiling water on the whole, let stand by a slight snicker from the defendant's at- were found to be impure, enough in all con- judges be deceived, that as Mr. Armour, the you have no small coin is not a valid excuse venty-four hours; filter the liquor, add torney, and then the spectators went out to science to show the necessity of local legis- great Chicago pork-packer, has proved, an with these beggars, for they generally have If a pint of yeast, put in a tight cask or in snort. The bailiff called everybody to order lation, sufficiently severe to effectually put article which in Iowa took the premium as a well-filled bag of silver, which they prottles and let stand twenty-four hours. and the jury filed out without asking for an end to these abominable and thoroughly creamery butter was butterine made in his duce and courteously offer to make change factory.

### Law versus Saw.

Sitting in his office was a lawyer-Standing in the street, a sawyer; On the lawyer's anxiou face You could read a knotty case, Needing law; While the sawyer, gaunt and grim, On a rough and knotty limb. Ran a saw.

Now the sawhorse seemed to me Like a double X in fee; And the saw, Whichever way 'twas thrust, Must be followed by the dust, Like the law

And the log upon the track.

Like a client on the rack,

Played its part-As the tempered teeth of steel Made a wound that would not heal, Through the heart. And each severed stick that fell, In its falling seemed to tell, All too plain,

That in lawsuits will arise, Bringing pain. Then methought the sturdy paw That was using axe and saw On the wood, Held a yie'ding mine of wealth, With its honest toil and health

Of the many severed ties

Doing goo . If the chips that strewed the ground, By some stricken widow found, In her need, Should, by light and warmth, impart. Blessings to her aged heart,

Happy deed.

This conclusion, then, I draw That no exercise of jaw-Twisting India-rubber law-Laggo d As the exercise of paw On the handle of the saw. Sawing word.

### Saved by Two Girls.

Whatever may have been the original of the fabled mermaids, "sea-girls," the real mermaids are certainly found in the Sandwich Islands. That a strong man, much less a young woman, can be so much at home in the water as to fight and kill the fiercest native of that element on its own battle-ground, seems incredible, but Senator Fair, of Nevada, tells the following story as an experience of lis own:

It happened upon my last visit to the Sandwich Islands. I am a very expertswimmer, and nothing pleases me better than a plunge into the salt water. The temperature of the island is delightful, and I could not resist the temptation to take a

I prepared myself, and plunged in. After I had been in the water for half an hour, I pushed out over and beyond one of the reefs which surround the islands. All at once I realized that something was going on on the. shore. There was quite a number of natives there, and they appeared to be greatly ex-

Srddenly two native girls swam out behind me with long knives between their teeth. I looked around, and to my horror I saw a shark making for me with terrific

An instant later the girls had dived, and the shark had nearly stopped. The water around him was red with blood. The girls came to the surface again, and again they dived and plunged their long knives into An engineer on the Rock Island Rullroad | the monster. At last he lay still on the top tell this story : "While running along near of the water quite dead. The natives drag-Joliet I saw a fine big black dog stuck fast ged him ashore, and found that he was one

track. He was howling piteously, and I But for the wenderful bravery of these stopped my engine and went to his assis girls I should not be here to night to tell

# The Telautograph.

Prof. Elisha Gray, of Chicago, whose later the train was running at great speed, name is connected with many electrical debeing behind time, just at daybreak. The vices, has just perfected a wonderful invendog stood on the track ahead barking furi- tion which he calls the "telautograph," and ously. As we drew near he moved ahead, by means of which a fac simile of any writbut continued his antics. I supposed, of ing can be transmitted by telegraph. It course, that he would leave the track, but wil' enable a Chicago speculator, for instance, gouges out a piece of the inside, until finally he did not, and the train ran over him and to give his New York broker an order to buy only the hard crust is left. At noon the ground him to pieces. We stopped the or sell stock, the fac simile of the order Hands indicate character. A thin, skinny, crust is eaten, softened by a little wine. A train, and were astonished at finding a short being reproduced in the latter city at the narrow palm expresses feebleness of intel- plate of macaroni, costing two or three distance ahead an obstruction on the track same instant that it is written in Chicago. that would surely have derailed the train A cheque for money can be sent in the same manner, though it remains to be seen whether the banks or the courts will recognize such paper. No particular kind of A horse belonging to a Boston gentleman pen or pencil need be used in writing the document to be transmitted; in fact, a sharp under his tail and holding them there tight. pointed piece of wood will answer the purpose. Many satisfactory experiments have been made with the machine over a short circuit at Prof. Gray's laboratory, and the tests were of a kind that indicated that the same work could be done over 1,000 miles. of wire if necessary. This being so, there can be little doubt that this method of transmitting messages will in time supersede the present system of telegraphic communication. Professor Gray regards the invention as a more important one even than the

# Japan.

The population of the Island Empire is now about 37,000,000, and its public revenue approaches £16,000,000 sterling. Its foreign trade (including exports and imports). amounts to £12,000,000 sterling. There are already three hundred and thirty miles We learn from a paper published in the of railway completed, and lines are being steadily pushed forward so as to open out for 1886 that in the opinion of eminent med- the entire country. The army is effective ical men oleomargarine, even when made with peace and war establishments of 82;-000 and 100,000 men, respectively, thoroughmake a bag of an old sheet, starching it first lect. Independent, self-reliant people have His ignorantz shood make you so much some, because it is insoluble and indigest- ly trained and equipped in European style; and the navy consists of some twenty-five ships, of all sizes, including seven ironclads. As a matter of fact, however, "in the eager- Complete systems of telegraphs, post offices, police, saving banks, goals, universities, schools, colleges, light-houses, meteorological observatories, etc., exist, all on the best degree to the consumer's health." The fat European or American models. These immense innovations have been accomplished lard and other substances that have become | within the short space of fifteen years, and so economically, that the whole national debt amounts only to about one year's re-

# Well off Beggars

In Mexico beggars are called by the exin any desired amount.