DRESSING TURKEYS.

Turkeys intended for markets should be penned up without food for 24 hours before killing to insure their crops being empty. Give them all the clean water they will drink. Always kill the flowls by sticking in the roof of the mouth, and be sure that they bleed proceed until a bushel and a half or freely; if they do not the flesh will less are packed in the barrel. Keep in have a reddish tinge and will not a cool place. No bruised or mellow apkeep well. Different markets require ples will be preserved, but they will different modes of dressing. Some require them dry picked, undrawn, heads and feet on, others wish them scalded, the entrails drawn and the heads and feet off. Inquiries should always be made beforehand of the firm to which you expect to ship, as to the manner they wish them dressed.

For scalding, have the water as near the boiling point as possible, without actually boiling. Hold the fowl by legs and head, and quickly immerse three times, holding under the water for only a second. Do not allow the head to touch the hot water, as it will become discolored, and give the fowl the appearance of having been sick. Pick depends upon many other things, chiefcarefully so as not to tear the skin or bruise in any way. After picking, hold in water near the boiling point long enough to count 10; this plumps and cleanses them, then dip in ice cold as many of them are at this season, monds valued at \$400. water and hang up in a cool place out nothing is better than a daily supply of drafts until thoroughly cooled out, of pumpkins. Begin gradually, giving for if packed with any of the animal each hog about one-fourth of a modheat left in they are almost sure to erate-sized pumpkin. Increase this spoil. Never allow them to freeze; this until each animal is getting about half greatly injures their market value. Dry-picked turkeys usually sell best in most markets. Dry picking is not the difficult task many consider it if rightly managed. It is easily and quickly done if picked at once while the body is still warm. The skin is not so apt to be broken or the flesh bruised as when picking those that have been scalded. In packing, be careful to assort the fowls properly and place all of the same grade together, putting the toms or any not looking so nice in boxes by themselves. Place together the hen turkeys, which always have rounder, plumper bodies than the toms, and to sell well the packages should always be of uniform quality. When different qualities are packed together they are all invariably rated with the inferior fowls. Many dollars are lost every year by not giving attention to this simple but important particular. It is best to have packages to weigh from 100 to 200 lbs, as these sizes are most conveniently handled. We always ship our turkeys to a reliable commission merchant and have always been well treated and obtained the best prices. On the outside of boxes should be plainly written the contents, gross weight, and name of the consignee as well as the consignor. Care in this respect will insure prompt delivery and returns. Medium sized hen turkeys sell better for the Christmas and New Year's markets. After the holidays are over, 8 and 10-lb birds sell best. When shipping poultry that is first-class in every respect, it is a good idea to neatly tag each fowl with the name and address of the sender. In this way a reputation may be gained that will enable him to always dispose of his stock at fancy prices.

CHARACTERISTICS OF A GOOD

FARMER.

A man may be energetic and still not succeed in business. The successful farmer must plan judiciously, and then faithfully carry out those plans. The farmer of to-day must stop all the leaks if he wants to keep even with the world. He must attend to the small details of his business and waste nothing that he can turn into cash. A successful farmer with worn-out lands, poor fences, and farm buildings, is seldom found, because he cannot afford to let them run down. He will use good tools because he cannot afford to use poor ones. His taxes are paid on time because he cannot afford to pay interest on them. As a rule he buys and sells for cash. When he hires help he gets good help because he gets more in return for his money. He faces the problems which confront him in his business and meets them in a practical way. He plans to grow his crops at the lowest cost, and to get the best returns for his money and labor. He informs himself as to the best methods of all branches of his calling. In a word, the successful farmer is an all-round man, looking carefully after his business interests, quick at discovering and remedying mistakes and in adopting the best methods of others.

ROOT PRUNING AND GROWTH. Experiments have recently been made to determine how much the roots of young trees should be pruned away before planting. By the Stringfellow method the roots are cut back to only one or two inches in length, at the same time cutting the top back to a mere stump a foot or so high. Another method is to cut about one-half of the roots and limbs off, while a third tion of alum. method consists in leaving the roots wholly unpruned with the limbs cut back one-half. Some time later obser-

those with roots cut back. Those planted by the ordinary method of taking off one-half of the limbs proved to grow fully as fast as those trimmed in

KEEPING APPLES SOUND ALL WINTER.

Take fine dry saw-dust, preferably that made by a circular saw from hard wood, and place a thick layer of apples, not close together, and not close to the sides of the barrel. Put sawdust liberally over and around and so ples. This is an easier and quicker way than to wrap each specimen in paper, and the apples would bring fancy prices in the late spring.

ADVANTAGES OF FALL PLANTING. It is oftentimes argued that if a tree is planted in the fall it will become established in its position and make some root growth before the ground freezes and before the leaf growth begins in the spring. Experiments were made by Prof. Fred W. Card of Neb station, to the effect that the fall planted trees made some root growth in the autumn succeeding planting and in the spring before the leaves started. Whether or not this is desirable ly climate.

PUMPKINS FOR HOGS.

When hogs are on a full feed of corn, a one. Do not cut up the pumpkins but simply break them into several

LOOK AFTER THE POTATOES.

As the nights grow colder keep adding to the covering upon the outdoor potato or other vegetable pits. Do not put on all at once, but be sure that cold weather does not arrive before there is enough earth to keep out the



FROCK FOR GIRL FROM 8 TO 10.

This little frock is made of red cloth with a plain gored skirt and a blousewaist. The waist is cut down in 3 point at the front and round at the back, and is bordered with rows of narrow velvet ribbon. The top of the waist is filled out with a yoke of red silk covered with lace. It has a red ribbon belt.

A DIAMOND CROWN.

A pretty and agreeable amusement is the production of a perfect imitation of a diamond crown by means of a cheap chemical solution. It is only necessary to dissolve a pound of alum in a quart of hot water and hang in this solution a crown made of wire, wound with flannel.

In order to achieve the best results a smooth surfaced and perfectly transparent glass should be used, and this, with the solution and the crown, be allowed to stand, undisturbed for Mills appeared in the Police Court in twenty-four hours. The alum will then London, Eng., on Thursday, charged have been depoited in crystals on the crown, giving the latter the appear- ic. They were admitted to bail ance of a diamond studded crown, which can be taken out of the solution, dried and preserved. In place of the crown. one can select any other shape, which can be made with wire, and one can bles that of similar bookings for Auscolor the crystals by pouring a little tralia during the year, and exceeds the ink of whatsoever tint into the solu- Cape Colony total by 8842.

complete returns of the plebiscite vote Mrs. Richard King, of Texas, owns vations showed that trees planted with two thousand square miles of land in electorate voted for prohibition, 21 1-2 per cent, against, making a to no root pruning averaged larger than that States

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CANADA.

Parts of Manitoba have a foot The population of Berlin is 9,632, or

within 368 of the city mark. All the passes to the Klondike are now reported to be blocked with snow.

Hugh Ryan, the well-known contractor, is seriously ill at his residence in

ness houses at Deloraine, Man., were over all opposition combined. destroyed by fire on Thursday.

store. Montreal.

The survey of the proposed new Thunder bay and Nepigon railway line will be commenced at once.

Homestead entries in the North-West this year so far are 2383 as against 2389 for the whole of last year. Only 315 vessels passed through the Canadian Soo canal during October, as against 404 vessels in October last

Two Montreal girls, aged ten and sixteen years respectively, have been arrested on a charge of stealing dia-

British Board of Trade returns for October show increases in imports from Canada of \$1,600,000, compared with October, 1897.

Winnipeg cigars makers will start a manufacturers having refused to adopt the union scale of wages.

city is invaded by desperate northern | faith. thugs. Numerous burglaries and attempted murders have taken place. The Doukhoborskis will be wintered

in the emigration buildings at Regina, Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Yorktown and Dauphin. The books in the Picton Street School at Hamilton, where the pupils had suf-

fered from diphtheria, have been burned and the room fumigated. License Inspector Flatt, of Guelph,

has gone to New York to be treated at the Pasteur Institute. He was bit- have destroyed hundreds of villages, ten by a dog two weeks ago. The Socialist Labor party in London

have nominated Mr. Fred. J. Darch for Mayor. It is probable they will put up Royal castle at Stuttgert, Germany, a full municipal ticket in the field. Lord Aberdeen has sent the Prison- of Wurtemberg. He is now in jail. ers' Aid Association of Canada a

cheque for \$25 and signified his in- peal to Germany and Austria against tention of becoming a life member of the appointment of Prince George of the association. The Quebec City Treasurer's annual powers in the Island of Crete. statement shows a revenue for the past

year of \$624,420.92, and an expenditure ject, was assulted at Havana on Tuesof \$610,896.26, leaving a surplus of \$13,- day last by a Spanish officer because 522.66.

is exhausted. The rush of grain through to the sea over the Grand Trunk is unprecedented. The greater part of it is American, the Manitoba grain not yet moving to

any extent. The largest passenger engine ever Maids. built in Canada has just been completed at the Kingston Locomotive Works. It is the first of an order of three for

the Intercolonial Railway. A plaster cast of a marble bust of which I offer my millions,". said the the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, by first to speak. Mr. Chevre, sculptor of the Chaplain monument, is now on exhibition in the

rooms of the Garrison Club, Quebec. Dr. Robert Bell, of the Dominion Geological Survey, speaking of the Michipicoten district, of which he has been making a map, says enough gold has been found to encourage development.

The Grand Trunk Railway freight authorities are seriously considering forty generations of this earth's the advisability of erecting another elevator at Midland, the present accommodation not being sufficient to meet the demand.

Henry Pigeon was arrested in Montreal on the charge of robbing a church. He told the detectives that there were two men in penitentiary serving terms for crimes that he had committed.

The Toronto Street Railway has decided to make an experiment in the matter of smoking cars and will run cars on certain lines during certain hours of the day, in which smokers will be allowed full privileges.

Copies of the Wentworth County Council's petition to the Legislature, asking for an act to regulate bicycling on public highways, are being sent to other County Councils, whose co-operation is designed in the matter.

Trenton, who mysteriously disappeared from Montreal a couple of weeks other two, who grew reckless and ago, has made a claim on the London & Lancashire Insurance Co. for \$5,000 insurance on her husband's life.

GREAT BRITAIN. with the manslaughter of the newspaper correspondent, Harold Freder-

During October 2, 114 emigrants left England for Canada, while 18,473 came during the ten months of 1898. The The percentage computed from the

of 44 per cent. Of the entire electorate 56 per cent, did not go to the polls. UNITED STATES.

The Italian protected cruiser Etna, on a cruise around the world, is at San Francisco, Cal. Mrs Leslie Carter, the actress, has

filed a petition in bankruptcy, showing liabilities of \$63,773 and no assets, except wearing apparel, valued at \$200.

The body of an unknow man was found in a lane off State street, in Chicago on Thursday night. | Murder and robbery.

A crazed mother exchanged her wedding ring and "baby's" pin for a razor, then cut her throat in a New York pawnshop on Thursday.

A train on the Central Railway in California, has been delayed over twenty-four hours by fire in the snow sheds and tunnel between Summit and Trucker.

The Republicans claim a majority in the United States Congress, Mr. Babcock stating that in the House of Re-The Queen's Hotel and several busi- presentatives the majority is thirteen

Two thousand dollars' worth of furs gious meeting at Kansas, Mo.., on Sunwere stolen from Trudel & Graham's day, and after uttering a prayer professing her readiness to die fell back into her seat dead. Heart disease was her trouble. The Richford, Vt., savings bank was entered by burglars Sunday morning

Mrs. Jennie Walker attended a reli-

by three unknown men. They secured from the vault stamps valued at \$600 to \$800. Two citizens who happened to pass when the burglars were at work, were captured and tied.

Postmaster-General Smith, of the United States has issued an order admitting private mailing cards authorized by the act of May 19, 1898, into the foreign mails at one cent postage each for Canada and Mexico and two cents each for all other postal union coun-

The British consul at Philadelphia has investigated the death of a Buddhist sailor on board a British vessel factory on unionist principles, the and found that he starved himself, having been convinced by his countrymen that the time had come for him to A despatch from Vancouver says the offer himself up as a sacrifice to his GENERAL.

The University of Heidelberg, Ger-

many, is trying to put a stop to student duelling. The Sultan has dispatched his Am-

bassador with gifts and a letter to the It is said that Jamacia will likely decline to join the proposed West In- GRISTING AND CHOPPING DI

dian federation. The floods of the Hoang-Ho, in China, and threaten a million persons with

famine. A lunatic gained entrance to the

and declared he was the rightful King Turkey has made an ineffectual ap-

Greece, as High Commissioner of the Alfred Belancourt, a British subhe wore a five-pointed Cuban star as

Montreal is threatened with an epi- scarf pin. Belancourt was also orderdemic of disease because the Health ed under arrest and imprisoned. Mr. Committee has stopped removing gar- Jerome, British Vice-Consul, demandbage everywhere, as its appropriation | ed his release, which was granted, but very reluctantly.

WINNING THE QUEEN OF MAIDS

Three men journeyed to sue for favor at the shrine of the Queen of

"Oh, surpassing queen, I come to woo your beauty, which I would fain place upon a throne of gold and for

"You have not half enough," replied the queen sternly.

Then a second man stood before her and he lowered his eyelids in lieu of a bow: "All hail, supremest of womankind. Wealth untold I have not to bestow, but in my thin vein flows the bluest of blood, inherited through proudest people!"

"The bluer the blood the colder," scoffed the queen.

"Ah, fair ruler of hearts," said the

third and last man, "no worldly goods have I and my biood is none to boast of. My humble offering does ill compare with those before me." "Go, all of you, to the blind dun- selection of the Tea and its blend, in the organical control of you, to the blind dun-

geon," commanded the stately queen.
"Whoever discovers and brings therefrom some treasure of priceless worth It your grocer does not keep it, tell him to wit shall receive as his reward my lifelong devotion." The blind dungeon was dark as mid-

night. The man of wealth searched systematically, going over every foot carefully. The man of high birth groped about in a helpless way from wall to wall. The humble suitor fled Mrs. Ireland, wife of Dr. Ireland of to one corner and stood quite still, having a dread of colliding with the frantic after the first few moments. At last they returned to the queen empty-handed.

"So dense was the darkness I could A FIRST CLASS HEARSE IN CONNEC Miss Kate Lyon and Mrs. Athalie find nothing," lamented the moneyed

"Naught but bruises did I gain for my trouble," moaned the nobleman. "While I," sighed the third, "bring back only my heart with its boundless love for you, oh, queen !" "Ah, that," smilingly replied the queen, "was the only 'treasure' ever

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