

Agriculture, &c.

CUCUMBER BUGS

A correspondent writes the Observer— "I am induced to send you a remedy for the striped cucumber bug, that I discovered and tested a year ago, and which was published in the Gardener's Monthly some time ago. Take pieces of paper—leaves from an old book do very well; dip them in coal tar, and place them on the ground near the plants; with the foot, move a little soil on one corner of the paper to prevent it blowing away, and the work is done. Not a leaf so treated was touched, while all the others were utterly destroyed. Two or three pieces to a hill are quite enough."

PRETTY PLANTS FOR IN-DOORS.

Take a common tumbler or a fruit can, and fill it nearly full of soft water. Then tie a bit of coarse lace or cheese-sacking over it, and press it down into the water, covering it with a layer of peas. In a few days they will sprout, the little thread-like roots going down through the lace into the water, and the vines can be trained up to twine around the window, or, what is preferable, a frame may be made for the purpose.

Here is another pretty thing with but a little trouble: Take a saucer and fill it with fresh green moss. Place in the centre a pine cone, (large size,) having first wet it thoroughly. Then sprinkle it thoroughly with grass seed. The moisture will cause the cone partially, and in a day or two the tiny grass spires will appear in the interstices, and in a week you will have a perfect cone of beautiful verdure. Keep secure from frost, and give it plenty of water and you will have "a thing of beauty" all winter.

SAGACITY OF A HORSE.

Yesterday morning a blind horse wandered into the river near the National Road Bridge, and, getting beyond his depth, swam around in a circle in his efforts to find his way out. His distress attracted the attention of a horse near by, on the bank, who instantly went to his assistance. He first went to the water's edge, and attempted to direct the blind horse by neighing, but finding this proceeding ineffectual, he boldly took to the water and swam out to his relief. After swimming around with him for nearly a quarter of an hour, he finally got the blind horse to understand his good intentions, and in what direction the land lay, and the two horses came to the shore side by side amid the cheers of upwards of one hundred persons, who were interested spectators of the scene.—Indianapolis Jour., June 19.

COOKING GUINEA FOWLS.

In reply to the inquiry, "Is the flesh of the Guinea fowl good for the table, and if so, how should it be cooked?" the Rural New-Yorker says: Guinea fowls are as eatable as the domestic duck, taste like it, and are cooked like it.

WORKING BULLS.

A writer in the Mark Lane Express strongly advocates working bulls. In his own case he uses a bridle, collar, and cart saddle. He says it is remarkable how soon a surly bull may be taught obedience by a man of good common sense, courage and firmness.

A FINE DICTATION EXERCISE.

While hewing yew, Hugh lost his ewe, and put it in the Hue and Cry. To name its face's dusky hues. Was all the effort he could use. You brought the ewe back, by-and-by, And only begged the hewer's ewer, Your hands to wash in water pure, Lest nice-nosed ladies, not a few, Should cry, on coming near you, "Ugh!"

FAMILY JARS.

- Jars of jelly, jars of jam, Jars of potted beef and ham, Jars of gooseberries nice, Jars of mincement, jars of spice, Jars of orange marmalade, Jars of pickles all home-made, Jars of vinegar but no wine, Jars of honey superfine! Would the only jars were these, Which occur in families!

How does a horse regard a man? As the source of all his whoas.

MESSENGER ALMANACK.

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