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tine, 2 hours and 11 minutes LATER than at Halifax. At Annapolis, St. John, N.B., and Portland Maine, 3 hours and 25 minutes LATER, and at St. John's, Newfoundland, 20 minutes EARLIER, than at Halifax. At Charlottetown, 2 hours 56 minutes LATER. A Yarmouth, 2 hours 20 minutes LATER.

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AGRICULTURE.

THE WHEAT HARVEST is now fairly commenced around this city, says The eighteen years ago I was threatened Toronto Globe of July 20, and if it with cancer. The doctor advised the were not for the unsettled weather a use of the knife. I resolutely refused great breadth of the barley would also to submit to a surgical operation, prehave been cut. The winter wheat is ferring to go to the grave all in one fully coming up to the anticipations piece. There were two or three mediformed of it from our crop reports, cal journals coming to our house reguwhile the spring wheat, which is now larly, one published in Chicago and one coming along fairly, will be somewhat or two in Philadelphia. In one of short. The barley appears to be some- these I read an article on the use of what short, but is generally a good lactic acid. The author said that lacsample. So far as our observations tic acid was beneficial to persons of a have extended the best variety of cancerous diathesis These were not winter wheat this year is the silver his words, but his idea. Taking this chaff, a new sort which together with fact, if fact it is, and adding to it the the Clawson, came exceptionally well fact that I had an excessive appetite through the unfavorable season of 1876. for buttermilk, I concluded to try an The Clawson wheat is more widely experiment, and ordered two quarts of diffused. Mr. Beaty, of Eglinton, buttermilk per day for my own special was cutting a piece that looked like use. After drinking that amount daily turning out thirty-five bushels to the for about six weeks all traces of cancer

ham Planet have got their ideas up to in the same locality. I again coma yield of 45 bushels to the acre of menced the buttermilk treatment, and wheat. We believe the yield in Kent, with the same result. The pain has where there is a large breadth sown, entirely disappeared. I send you these will average from 30 to 35 bushels, facts hoping they may prove beneficial the greater number of fields exceeding to other sufferers. If buttermilk can the latter figure. The weather for take the place of the dissecting knife harvesting has been so far most propi- in this terrible disease, we can well aftious, and another week without much | ford to let the doctors sneer at the simrain will see the grain in the barn. plicity of our cure. - Mrs. J. E. Good-Other grain is looking first-rate, and win in the Chicago Tribune. the general return this season will be far above that known for many years. A rich harvest will give a staggering LATER. A Westport, 2 hours 54 minutes | blow to " hard times" and usher in the dawn of better days. The struggle has been long and severe, and the help comes none too soon.

> BUCKWHEAT .- The name comes from beech-wheat, because the seed resembles the beech-nut in shape, but has been corrupted into buckwheat It was a native of Asia, was brought into Europe either by the Crusaders six or seven hundred years ago, or into Spain by the Moors. It did not reach England until within the last 259 years, but just in time to come over with some of the earliest settlers in America. It was first cultivated by the Hudson River Dutch, and by the Swedes on the Deleware. The Dutch mention it as early as 1620, and from what they say on the subject, it is quite certain they then knew as much about buckwheat cakes as was ever worth knowing. From these two centres of early settlement, the cultivation spread over New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, following the colonists into the new homes they cleared up in the forests as certainly as the honey bee follows the pathway of the Western pioneer, making his home wherever the white man builds his cabin. These three States have always been immense producers of buckwheat, growing twothirds of the whole quantity raised, now amounting to many millions of bushels annually. Its cultivation rapidly extending through the North and North-west, until the present anbushels.

How to INCREASE THE FLOW OF MILK .- A lady correspondent of a Southern paper, writing from Arkansas, gives the following recipe to increase the flow of milk in a cow. She saysduce costiveness (which is the case with "Tepid water, slightly salted, given twice a day will increase the flow proceed to scour that spot with very of milk one-third. If the cow will fine ashes. After doing the whole not drink it at first trial scatter a thoroughly, wash all over in clean warm handful of bran or meal over the top of water; then rub it all over again with and will drink all you give them. I I tried this plan three years ago with perfect success. I had only one cow, to supply my table bountifully and leave me a few pounds to sell every week. I give her three gallons of water twice a day."-N. Y. Herald.

> A lawyer and a clergyman were conversing about the direction of the wind. The former said: "We go by the Court House vane." "And we," remarked the parson, "go by the church vane." " Well," said the disciple of Blackstone, "in the matter of wind, that is best authority." And the clergyman went home to cogitate.

After a boy is tired out hoeing potatoes nothing seems to rest him more than to dig over a few square rods of found to be a good cement for broken greensward in search of bait,

SCIENCE.

BUTTERMILK FOR CANCER .- About disappeared, and I had no more symptoms of the disease until a few weeks Many of our farmers, says the Chat- ago, when the same old pains returned

DISINFECTING THE AIR IN HOT WEATHER .- M. Boschau has devised a method of disinfection based on the continuous and economical production of ozone by means of manganese dioxide, which in view of the present warm season, is of timely interest. Ordinary light brown wrapping is thinly covered with size, and on the latter the pulverized dioxide sifted, so that it forms ar adherent layer. It is merely necessary to hang the sheets thus prepared in the apartment to be disinfected or aerated. M. Boschau states that he lined a trunk with paper thus prepared, and placed therein some old cheese and strong radishes, which he left in the receptable for a fortnight. At the end of that period the materials were removed and the lid of the trunk quickly shut. Fifteen minutes afterwards, on opening the trunk, not the slightest odor was perceptable. the ozone given off by the dioxide having completely disinfected the carbonic and butyric acids produced. The inventor proposes to manufacture wall paper, prepared in an analagous manner for use in schools, hospitals, etc.

WOOD MORE LASTING THAN IRON. -The American Chemist says that a Western farmer discovered, many years ago, that wood could be made to last longer than iron in the ground. Time and weather, he says, seems to have no effect on it. The posts can be prepared for less than two cents a piece. This is the recipe; Take boiled linseed oil and stir it in pulverized charcoal to the consistency of paint. Put a coat nual product is over thirty millions of of this over the timber, and he adds, there is not a man who will to see it

To make copper kettles and boilers shine, take a flannel cloth, dip it into a little luke-warm buttermilk in which a teaspoonful of salt has been disolved; rub a little soap on the kettle; then it. They soon become very fond of it, fresh buttermilk and salt, after which wash again and wipe dry.

It is stated that a meteoric stone fell, and she was of the common scrub stock on the 19th of June, at Bowling Green, of the country, and after she began to Ky., within ten or fifteen feet of a little drink the water, prepared as above, boy at work on a farm, striking a tree she furnished me twice a day two ordi- with a report like that of a small cannon. nary water-buckets full of milk, and by The report states that it weighs about feeding a little corn boiled with cotton a pound and a half, and resembles a seed the milk yielded butter enough fragment of grindstone, but is much harder and heavier.

> The Italian Government is displaying much energy in excavating for antique statuary in every part of the kingdom where a probability exists of finding any. Reports of researches and of discoveries are sent every month to the directorgeneral of the Italian museums.

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