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THE TIDES .- The column of the Moon's Southing gives the time of high water at Parrsboro, Cornwallis, Horton, Hantsport,

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AGRICULTURE.

WOLFVILLE, KING'S Co., March 16th, 1878.

Mr. Editor,-

I notice an article in your paper o the 13th inst , taken from the Michigan Farmer, on butter making. I agree with the writer, with the exception of working the butter over the second time after it is salted. It should never be done, for which I will give my reason. Each kernel of salt when melted leaves a drop of pickle, which should remain in the butter to keep it sweet until used. Working it over the second time will press all the pickle out and make the butter greasy and tough, and it will turn rancid mnch sooner than if the pickle is left in.

J. F. CROWE.

Plants sleep at night, as is well known, but their sleeping hours are a matter of habit, and can easily be disturbed. A French chemist recently exposed a sensitive plant to a bright light at night, and placed it in a dark room during the day. The plant at first appeared much puzzled. It opened and closed its leaves irregularly, in spite of the artificial sun beaming upon it at night, and, in the daytime, it sometimes awoke. It finally submitted to the change, unfolding itself regularly at night, and closing in the morning.

Mr. Mechi, the famous scientific farmer of England, estimates that fifteen | gave a recipe for making a cheap one. hundred sheep folded on an acre of land LATER. A Westport, 2 hours 54 minutes for twenty-four hours, or one hundred sheep for fifteen days, would manure the soil sufficiently to carry it through

> In India the elephant is made serviceable before a gigantic plough. The implement is guided by two men and turns up a huge ridge and forms a fürrow three feet deep by four and a half feet wide at the top This is the deepest sub-soil ploughing we have any account of.

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VARIETIES.

A traveller interrogating a backwoodsman, received brief but pertinent answers, thus:

- "Whose house is this?"
- " Moggs'." " Of what built?"
- " Logs." "Any neighbors?"
- "Frogs." "What is the soil?"
- " Bogs."
- "The climate?" " Fogs."
- "What do you live on?"
- " Hogs."

" How do you catch them?"

" Dogs."

HOW PRAIRIE DOGS GET WATER .-It has always been a subject of curiosity and inquiry as to how and where prairie dogs, living on the prairie far away from any river or stream, obtain their water. F. Leech, formerly of Mercer County, Pa., and a frontiersman of experience, asserts that the dogs dig their own wells, each village having one with a concealed opening. It matters not how far down the water may be, the dogs will keep digging until they reach it. He knows of one such well 200 feet deep, and having a circular staircase down to the water. Every time a dog wants to drink he descends of apples, six pound of sugar, one-half this staircase, which, considering the distance, is no mean task. In digging a jar, a layer of apples, then sugar and for water the animals display as much pluck as in resisting the efforts of settlers to expel them from the land of their progenitors.

North Pole and South Pole?" Why, and boil for one hour, or until the apples all the difference in the world," replies look clear and the syrup rich, adding answer.

SCIENCE.

AQUARIUM CEMENT -Mix together litharge and glycerine to the consistency of thick cream or fresh putty. This cement is useful for mending stone jars or coarse earthenware, stopping leaks in seams of tin pans or wash boilers, or cracks and holes in iron kettles, etc. I have filled holes an inch in diameter in kettles, and used the same for boiling water and feed. It may also be used to fasten on lamp tops, to tighten loose nuts, to secure loose bolts whose nuts. are lost, to tighten loose joints of wood or iron, loose boxes in waggon-hubs, and in a great many other ways. all cases the article mended should not be used until the cement has hardened, Do., which will require from one day to a week, according to the quantity used. This cement will resist the action of hot or cold water, acids, and heats.

To MEND CHINA .- Take a very thick solution of gum Arabic in water, and stir it into plaster of Paris until the mixture becomes the proper consistency. Apply it with a brush to the fractured edges of the china, and stick them together. In three days the article cannot be broken in the same place. The whiteness of the cement renders it doubly valuable.

A CHEAP TELEPHONE.—Professor Barrett, in a lecture on the telephone delivered recently in the United States, Take a wooden tooth-powder box and make a hole about the size of a half crown in the lid and the bottom. Take a disk of tinned iron, such as can be had from a preserved meat tin, and place it on the outside of the bottom of the box, and fix the cover on the other side of it. Then take a small bar magnet, place on one end a small cotton or silk reel, and round the reel wind some iron wire, leaving the ends loose. Fix one end of the magnet near, as near as possible without touching, to the disk, and then one part of the telephone is complete. A similar arrangement is needed for the other end. The two are connected by the wire, and with this Professor Barrett says that he has been able to converse at a ditance of about one hundred yards.

NEUTRALIZING POISON .-- A poison of any conceivable description and degree of potency, which has been intentionally or accidently swallowed, may it is said be rendered almost instantly harmless by simply swallowing two gills of sweet oil. A person with a very strong constitution should take nearly twice the quantity. This oil, it is alleged, will most positively neutralize every form of vegetable, animal, or mineral poison with which physicians and chemists are acquainted.—Scientific American.

A novel industry has been started in Mansfield, Massachusetts-the manufacture of jewelry out of sour milk. The milk comes in the shape of curd from the butter and cheese making counties in New York, and after having undergone a wonderful change, receives the name of American coral. The secret in making it up is carefully guarded; but it is certain that it has to be heated very hot, during which coloring matter is introduced, followed by a very heavy pressure. Some of it is colored black and called jet, while some appears as celluloid. It makes very handsome jewelry.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

SCOLLOPED POTATOES.—Take dozen raw potatoes and slice them very thin; break about a pound of bread into fine crumbs: and a quart of new milk. Put a layer of crumbs upon the bottom of a pudding dish, next a layer of potatoes, a trifle of butter, a sprinkle of salt, and pepper, with a little of the milk; next, another layer of crumbs, then potatoes, reserving enough crumbs for the top, which may be ornamented, if you think best, by a very small piece of pastry. Bake in a good oven for about an hour.

APPLES PRESERVED LIKE GINGER. -Peel and cut in quarters six pounds pound race ginger: pack the apples, in ginger until all are put in; next day bruise an ounce of ginger and infuse it in half a pint of boiling water, closely covered: next day put the apples, sugar and ginger with the water from "What's the difference between the the bruised ginger in a preserve kettle lady, unwittingly; and that's the some lemon peel, cut very thin just before done.

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