THE HOUSE.

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To oil A moon .- If the cracks are open, tiese are filled with plasinseed oil. Burned umber or prices. brown ochre may be used instead of starch if the colour is agreeable. handsome polished floor.

THE CRITICAL PERIOD .- From the age of forty to the age of sixty a man who properly regulates himself may be considered in the prime of life. His mature strength of constitution renders him almost impervious to the highes attacks of disease, and all the function are in order. Having gone a year or two past sixty, he arrives to the critical period of existence. The turn of life has a turn either to a prolonged walk or unto the grave. The system and power having reached their utmost expansion now begin either to close, like flowers at sunset, or break down at once. One injudicious stimulant, a a single fatal excitement, may force it beyond its strength.

hot pine tar, to the width of three | products. or four inches, and also any seam or crack where a rat or mouse can a cheap expedient—if efficient.

come sour, which it will do in a few | the legumes. days; heat, and wash the articles with a woollen cloth, rinsing in pure water, dry and polish with chamois dairy-men talk as if the height leather. Never allow a particle of of skill in taking care of cows in

FOR SOFT CORNS.—Soak the feet into them. "I give my cows all of boiling water, and stir with a piece well in hot water before going to the good hay I can get them to eat," bed, then pare the corn, and, after is the boastful remark often heard having just moistened it, rub a little from a spirited and aspiring dairylunar caustic on the corn and just man, though in doing so he is wast-around the edge, till it turns light ing good provender without pro-gray. By the next morning it will moting the best welfare of his be black, and when the burnt skin animals. It is a good thing to feed peels off it will leave no vestige of cows well, and to be sure that they the corn underneath. Of course, the have food enough to sustain them corn is liable to return, but not for fully; but it is neither wise nor some length of time. Or, scrape a economical to crowd them with a bit of common chalk, and put a pinch | great bulk of hay of any quality. of the powder on the corn at night, It is not wise to crowd any animal binding a piece of linen round. with a great bulk of coarse food.

of bread crumbs, quarter of a pound | digesting, concentrated tood along of suet, quarter of a pound of marm- with it. The quantity of hay given alade, quarier of a pound of sugar, should never exceed what they will four eggs; mix the suet and bread- eat up clean, and twice a day is crumbs in a basin, finely minced, often enough to give time for stir all the ingredients well together, properly ruminating.-National Live beat the eggs to a froth; when well | Stock Journal. mixed put into a mould or buttered basin, tie down with a floured cloth, and boil two hours. Serve with applied to an animal which is a cross pole. powdered sugar over it.

Squash is a more delicate material for pie than pumpkin to make good squash pie: "Do not attempt to make a squash pie unless you have at least three eggs to spare for each pie. Beat the eggs till they are as light as it is possible to make them; then beat the eggs and squash together till it all looks foamy; add milk enough to thin it sufficiently; bake in a moderate oven, and success is certain."

chickens are said to be an effectual around her, letting it rest on her remedy for chicken cholera. A gambrel joints, or below. Let a little ground ginger mixed with their person stand at her shoulder and meal once every day or two is also hold the cord just tight enough that | As a lazy tramp came down the street beneficial when symptoms of cholera | it shall not slip down to the floor.

of milk; take three tablespoonfuls it is said, has never failed to cure each of flour and cold milk, add the most obstinate kicker, and withthree eggs and beat well together; out any struggles or harness. pour in the milk, stir well together and bake half an hour. Eat with a

freckles, tan and butternut stains. elas.

THE FARM.

for hens occurs about this time, and recently set on fire in a very curious ter of Paris calcined as for masons' as fowls are not then laying eggs manner. A waggon loaded with use. The whole floor is then sand- they are apt to be neglected. This sulphur was being drawn up an in papered and then oiled. When the is mistaken policy. Shedding their cline, when the rope supporting i oil is soaked in, it is sandpapered feathers and producing a new broke, and the waggon rushed back gain and then rubbed with a wool- growth exhausts the fowls' strength, into the mine at a frightful speed. en cloth dipped in a mixture of one and if not well fed they are a long The rapid motion developed heat part of bees-wax, one part of corn time in recovering. Generous treat- enough to set on fire the highly comstarch and two parts of linseed oil ment now will insure an early re- bustible ore, and the flames spread melted and mixed together and put sumption of egg production and so quickly through the mine that on hot. This is well rubbed in, plenty of eggs next winter when thirteen workmen were unable to and a last rubbing is given with they will command the highest escape, and thirty or forty others

Hyacinths may be grown in pots Frequent rubbing in time makes a from four to six inches in diameter. istence is that of the desert iron-Fill the pots with a light, rich soil, wood-tree, which grows in the dry and then press the bulb down into wastes along the line of the Southern it, and press the soil down around Pacific Railroad. Its specific gravthe bulb, to finish the operation. If ity is nearly the same as that of potted loosely they will not thrive; lignum-vitæ, and it has a black heart If potted too firmly they will rise up so hard, when well seasoned, that it as soon as they begin to grow, and will turn the cdge of an axe, and be one-sided: After potting they can scarcely be cut by a well-tem-should have a good watering, and pered saw. In burning it gives out be left a day or two until the sur- an intense heat. face of the soil begins to dry, when they should be placed in a cool,

A correspondent of the German | per cent. below that of last season. | warm (not hot) the turpentine

A writer in the Philadelphia stand to gnaw. This is certainly | Record strongly advises keepers of stock to grow peas and beans as better feed than corn for growing To CLEAN SILVERWARE. - Save animals. They will not fatten stock water in which potatoes have been as rapidly as corn, but corn will not

Cows in Winter.—We often hear soap to touch silver or plated ware. the winter was to get all the hay down that it is possible to cram Repeat this for a few days, when Cows should have no more hay than the corn will come off in little scales. | they have time to re-masticate, and if this is not enough for their necess-GOLDEN PUDDING .- Half a pound ities they should have some easy

> The use of the word "grade." of some pure breed, or improved "Did you know," said a cunning other first-class PIANOS. breed on the common stock of the country, is purely American. Came into use from grading wool by breed ing Merino on the common stock of this country. Sheep writers speak of grade sheep, or sheep producing a given grade of wool. This practice introduced the term "grade' into the American stock-grower's

Kicking cows .- Take a snapring, attach a half-inch cord about a dozen feet in length, put the snap Onions cut up with food for in the kicker's nose, draw the cord Any one can then proceed to milk her without trouble. This course QUICK PUDDING .- Scald a quart of treatment pursued for one week,

Try a hot flannel over the seat sauce of butter and sugar stirred to of neuralgic pain and renew it fre-

Try buttermilk for removal of Try cranberry poultice for erysip-

SCIENCE.

Moulting.—The moulting season | A sulphur mine in Sicily was were seriously injured.

One of the hardest woods in ex-

CHEAP BLACK PAINT or varnish dark cellar. There they may re- for iron work: Clear (solid) wood main for several weeks to allow tar 10 pounds: lampblack or minthe roots to get a good start. If eral black, 14 pounds; oil of turpenbrought to the light gradually, and tine, 51 quarts. The tar is first a few at a time, a succession of heated in a large iron pot to boilflowers may be kept up through the ing or nearly so, and the heat is winter.

The pot at crop of Europe is 40

The potato crop of Europe is 40 town Telegraph keeps rats out of This, with the unexpectedly short mixed with the black is stirred in. his granary by daubing all the angles | crop of cereals, will cause a large | If the varnish is too thick to dry on the outside of the building with demand for American agricultural quickly add more turpentine. Benzine can be used instead of turpentine, but the results are not so good. Asphaltum is preferable to cheap

Mica in stoves when smoked, is readily cleaned by taking it out and thoroughly washing with vinegar a boiled with a little salt; let it be- make the stock grow as quickly as little dilutep. If the black does not come off at once, let it soak a little.

> STAINING FLOORS .- Put one ounce Vandyke brown in oil, three ounces pearl ash and two drachms dragon's blood into an earthenware pan or large pitcher; pour on the mixture one quart of wood. The stain may be used hot or cold. The boards should be smoothed wid a plane and sandpapered; fill up the cracks with plaster of Paris, and use the brush, not across the boards, but lengthwise, and coat only a small space at a time. When quite dry, size the floor with glue-size, made by boiling glue in water, and brushing it into the boards hot. When this is dry, sandpaper them, and varnish with brown, hard varnish.

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Yankee to a Jew, "they hang Jews and donkeys together in Poland?" "Indeed! then it is well that you and I are not there," retorted the Jew.

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"Now here," he said, "I'll get some

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