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A CHURCH BUILT WITH ONE TREE. \_A redwood tree, cut in this country furnished all the timber for the Baptist Church in Santa Rosa, one of the largest church edifices in the country. The interior Sixty thousand shingles were made from the tree after enough was taken for the church. Another redwood tree, cut near Murphy's mill. in this country, about ten years ago furnished shingles that required the constant labour of two industrious men for two years before the tree was used up. The above statements are vouched for as true by Supervisor T. J. Proctor of Santa Rosa. Santa Rosa (Cal.) Republican.

The orange-tree sometimes lives to be three hundred years old. It is the longest-lived fruit-tree known. It will flourish and bear fruit for more than a hundred years. The young tree, by the fifth year after budding, yields an abundant crop. For the next years its fruit-stems increase and multiply greatly, making the tree tall, broad and thick. An old tree is capable of producing several thousand oranges in a sea

Recent analyses of the gray matter of the human brain have shed some light upon the hitherto unsolved question why oatmeal is a more potent restorative of nervous energy than wheaten meal, which is more abundant in phosphates. It appears that the fatty substance of the brain is not composed of glycerine, as was formerly taught, but of palmatin-an element of which oatmeal contains a very large percentage; hence its extraordinary value as a cerebral nutrient.

A recent estimate, made by means of a very intricate testing apparatus places the rate at which an electric dot travels over a telegraph wire at 16,000 miles per second.

Some years ago a party of Camropes, my good man?" he inquired the pig yard to be worked over. when about half-way from the bottom of the awful abyss. "We change them every three months, sir," replied the man in the bucket; "and we shall change this one tomorrow, if we get up safe."

name is Mrs. Mary Walton, and sho lives in New York City.

## FARM AND GARDEN.

VEGETABLE POETRY

Potatoes came from far Virginia; Parsley was sent us from Sardinia; French beans, low growing on the earth. To distant India trace their birth; But scarlet runners gay and tall, That climb upon your garden wall— A cheerful sight to all around— In South America were found.
The onion travelled here from Spain;
The leek from Switzerland we gain; Garlie from Sicily obtain; Spinach in Syria grows. Two hundred years or more Brazil the artichoke sent o'er, And Southern Europe's sea-coast shore Beet root on us bestows. When good Queen Bess was reigning

Peas came from Holland, and were dear.
The South of Europe lays its claim
To beans, but some from Egypt came.
The radishes, both thin and stout,
Natives of China are no doubt;
But turnips, carrots, and sea kale,
With celery so crisp and pale

Are products of our own fair land; And cabbages a goodly tribe, Which abler pens might well describe-Are also ours, I understand. -Religious Herald.

of the following mixtures: Kerosene of boiling water. Stir it constantly 2 quarts; linseed oil, one gill; rosin until it is thick. Small cakes are of the building is finished in wood one ounce.—Melt the rosin in the nice if split and put together with there being no plastered walls. linseed oil and add to the kerosene. this jelly. It is also very good as a Coat all steel and iron tools wher- filling for a layer cake. ever bright, with this when they are to lie idle if for only a few days. It will not take half a minute or shoes that have become hardened by half a teaspoonful of the mixture to water and will render them just as coat a plough when one has finished | pliable as when new. using it, and it will prevent all rust and save half a day's time in cleansing it when it is again needed, besides saving the team many thoussands of pounds extra pulling. Coat the iron work of the mowers and reapers with it when they are put Moisten granulated sugar with good away for the winter. A little rust is a little thing but it makes much from a few grains to a teaspoonful. The difference in the aggregate.

> be warm. To secure warmth the houses must not only be tight, but must be heated either by the sun, by artificial heat, or by the warmth of the fowls themselves. Close quarters in winter are by far the most trial.—Therapeutic Gazette. economical. Two and a half feet of floor room to each fowl in the roosting and laying is more than sufficient; but they must have an equally large feeding-room where they can go day by day and a sheltered sunny yard besides. Thus drank with comfort, and with a slight for a flock of twenty fowls, a build- dash of cayenne pepper in it. This is ing, or better, a room eight feet by twelve would be required.

THE VALUE OF A FRUIT ORCHARD. In good fruit growing localities, where bare but fertile land is worth \$100 an acre, fields set with fruit ready to bear are worth twice to four times that sum. Considering the increased value of the land, the care which a farmer bestows on his newly-set orchard till it is ready to fruit pays him better than any other work done on the farm.

GIVE THE PIGS PLENTY OF STRAW. -The hog pen should be always bridge philosophers undertook, for liberally bedded with straw, not a scientific object, to penetrate into only where the pigs sleep, but the the vast depths of a Cornish mine. yard outside, where they run. Un-Professor Farash, who made one of less this yard is well bedded, much said; the number, used to relate with in- of the liquid manure will be lost. finite gusto the following startling | As fall rains come on, fresh supplies incident of his visit: On his ascent of straw will be needed almost daily. in the ordinary manner, by means The droppings of pigs are so rich of the bucket, and with a miner for that the whole mass will be made a fellow-passenger, he perceived, as into good manure before Spring. It he thought, certain unmistakable will be still better if the horse stables symptoms of frailty in the rope. are well bedded, and the whole bed-How often do you change your ding, after once using, be brought to the heart is doing ten strokes less a

## HOUSEHOLD.

WASHING FLANNELS AND LINENS -To whiten flannel, made yellow by age, dissolve 1 1-2 pounds of white soap in fifty pounds of soft A woman's ingenuity. - When water, and also two thirds of an Edison, genius and inventor that he ounce of spirits of ammonia. Imis, had given two weeks of his valu- merse the flannel, stir well around able time to going up and down on for a short time, and wash in pure the New York elevated railroad water. When black or navy blue trying to discover what caused its linens are washed, soap should not noise and a cure for it, he gave up be used. Take instead two potatoes the job. Then a little woman took grated into tepid soft water (after a little more of the 'ruddy bumper.' She rode on the cars three days, having them washed and peeled), which you say is the soul of man below.' was denied a place to stand on the into which a teaspoonful of am- - Soientific American. rear platform, laughed at for her monia had been put. Wash the curiosity and politely snubbed by linen with this, and rinse them in conductors and passengers. But she | cold blne water. They will need discovered what made the noise, in- no starch, and should be dried and vented a remedy that was patented, ironed on the wrong side. An inand she was paid the sum of \$10. lusion of hay will keep the natural 000 and a royalty forever. Her color in buff linens, and an infusion of bran will do the same for brown linens and prints.

> STUFFED LEG OF MUTTON .- Cut out the bone and rub the meat with salt and pepper, and fill with forcemeat made of bread-crumbs, butter and a little chopped onion. Sew up the opening, lay the meat in a pan (dry) and dredge with flour; put in the baker and roast for two hours; take out, put it on a wa dish, garnish with mint or parsley. Stir a teaspoonful of flour in the gravy add a little water, and boil up. Serve in a gravy boat.

WHITEWASH .- Lime slaked with a solution of salt in water, and then properly thinned with skim milk from which all the cream has been taken makes a permanent whitewash for outdoor work, and, it is said, renders the wood incombustible. It is an excellent wash for preserving wood and for all farm purposes.

LEMON BUTTER.-To fill tarts, take one cup of white sugar, three eggs, ROCKFORD butter the size of half an egg, the juice and rind of one large lemon. Put this, after beating it well, into a Every farmer should keep a can bright basin and set it into a pan of

Kerosene will soften boots and

### HEALTH HINTS.

Dr. Henry Tucker recommends in the Southern Medical Record, the use of the following very simple remedy, in the treatment of hiccough, namely : vinegar. Of this give to an infant effect, he says, is almost instantaneous and the dose seldom needs to be re-Winter quarters for poultry must peated. He has used it for all agesfrom infants of a few months old to those on the down-hill side of life, and has never known it to fail. The remedy is certainly a very simple one, and although no theory is advanced to account for its wonderful action, it merits ONLY LINE RUNNING TWO THROUGH

> Is it hard for you to sleep? Try this remedy recommended by one of the pest physicians in New York as having been most successful in his own case and with his patients. Take half a teacupful of water as warm as can be harmless and has no unpleasant after

> HEART BEATS .- Dr. N. B. Richardson, of London, the noted physician. says he was recently able to convey a considerable amount of conviction to an intelligent scholar by a simple experiment. The scholar was singing the praise of the "ruddy bumper," and saying he could not get thro' the day without it, when Dr. Richardson said

> "Will you be good enough to feel my pulse as I stand here?" He did so. I said. " Count it carefully; what does it say?"

"Your pulse says seventy-four." I then sat down in a chair and asked him to count it again. He did so, and said: "Your pulse has gone down to

I then laid down on the lounge and

"Will you take it again?" He replied, "Why it is only sixtyfour ; what an extraordinary thing !" I then said: When you lie down at night, that is the way nature gives your heart rest. You know nothing about it, but that beating organ is resting to that extent; and if you reckon it up it is a great deal of rest, because in lying down minute. Multiply that by sixty and it

is 600; multiply it by eight hours, and within a fraction it is 5,000, different; and as the heart is throwing six ounces of blood at every stroke, it makes a difference of 30,000 ounces of lifting during the night.

"When I lay down at night without any alcohol, that is the rest my heart gets. But when you take your wine or grog. you do not allow that rest, for the influence of alcohol is to increase the number of strokes, and instead of getting this rest you put on something like 15,000 extra strokes and the result is you rise up very seedy and unfit for the next day's work till you have taken

## VARIETIES.

Sandy and Ned were brothers ; Ned was older than Sandy; And they were busy dividing A stick of peppermint candy.

Ned was earnestly trying To make the division true. And he marked the place with a fish-Where the stick ought to break in two.

But, alas, for little Sandy And his poor painstaking brother ! Twas a long and short division-One piece longer than the other

Ned gravely looked at the pieces. And their quite unequal length. And he wrestled with the problem With all his mental strength. And at last he said : "O, Sandy !

I can make it come out right, If I take the piece that's longest, And bite of just one bite."

Their four eyes beamed and brightened At this plan so very handy, Of disposing of the problem And distributing the candy. So Ned ate the pieces even-

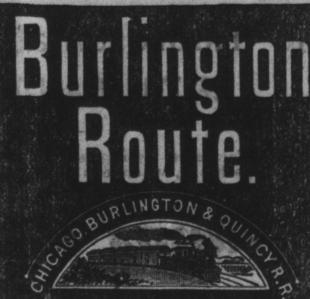
'Twas the simplest way to do it; And he cheated little Sandy— And they neither of them knew it.

-Bessie Chandler in St. Nicholas for



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