

Poisoned by Chloride of Sodium.

Early this morning a tremendous commotion was created in a lodging-house on H street by an inveterate wag who ought to be taken care of at once.

"If you can get a stomach pump into him inside of an hour, he'll live. Now, don't get excited. Keep cool. Put a mustard-plaster on his stomach at once, and send for all the doctors in reach.

"What has he taken, madam?" asked Dr. Harris. "Here's the paper!" cried the mother, sobbing.

"What Cool Courage May Achieve." Speaking of the destruction of a British force by Zulus in South Africa, a London letter gives this incident:

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FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD.

Lentils. The agriculturists of England are taking a good deal of interest in the cultivation of the lentil. While it is nothing new, the discussion appears to show that the lentil is considered an especially valuable article of food.

REMEDY FOR RATS.—Peppermint is said to be so obnoxious to rats that they will not long remain where it is plentifully used. A farmer drove a horde of rats from his barn by binding up mint with his wheat.

CLEANING ALABASTER.—Strong soap and water is good for cleaning alabaster; if too much discolored, make a paste with quinine and water, cover the article well with it, and let it remain all day; wash off with soap and water, rubbing hard the stains; or, supply diluted muriatic acid, having previously diluted with water and grease.

FRENCH KNOTS.—Every dabbler in embroidery thinks that she can make a French knot; but they are few who know the rapid old-fashioned way of doing it. The silk should be held down firmly by the left thumb, at about an inch to the left of the place where it comes through the cloth, and then the needle should be passed under and over the thread three times, and then through the cloth close to the point where the silk comes up.

To BLEACH DRESSES.—Like the leaves, summer calicoes, however pretty, fade. Then bleach your dingy dresses, ladies. Let them be washed and boiled in hot soda until all the color possible is extracted, then finish the job by soaking in lye and washing with soda and lying on the first young grass. Good prints and other articles of dress are frequently cast aside because they are faded, but they may be made to render good service by this mode of bleaching.

To make lip salve, take one gill of sweet oil, one ounce of white wax, three quarters of an ounce spermaceti. Dissolve them over the fire and stir till cool.

Milk is found to form an excellent solvent for quinine, and also to disguise, in a measure, the bitterness of the drug. It will be found particularly useful in administering quinine to children. Five grains in a tumblerful of milk is almost tasteless.

Persons troubled with feet that perspire, or smell offensively, can effect a cure by bathing them every night or oftener in a strong solution of borax. Two or three weeks of this treatment will probably be sufficient.

Give your children plenty of out-door air; let them sniff it until it sends the rosy current of blood into their cheeks and temples. Air is so important to their cheeks and temples. Air is so important to their cheeks and temples. Air is so important to their cheeks and temples.

APPLE TAPIOCA PUDDING.—Take six large tart apples; pare, core and quarter; put in a pudding dish, over this pour a cupful of tapioca, soaked over night in a pint and a half of water, a cup of sugar and flavored to taste; eat with a rich sauce or thin cream and sugar.

ers of this vegetable now urge making the furrows of the beds deep enough to bring the crowns of the roots low down, so that a cultivator or small plow may be worked over them without injury.—New York World.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS. REMEDY FOR RATS.—Peppermint is said to be so obnoxious to rats that they will not long remain where it is plentifully used.

The War in South Africa. The character of the country in Zululand is thus described by the London News: Mountain-sides are furrowed by dark gorges and gloomy 'kloofs' or fissures. These merge downward into deep ravines, forming at their base sometimes the beds of small streams, sometimes those of roaring torrents.

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you again." "Well," persisted the old man, "I never did." To think that this is your fate, you tell me you've grown awful rich, John," John admitted that he had "saved something." "And they say you're the president of a railroad and get a big salary." Again John had to admit that rumor spoke truth.

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