

FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD

RECIPES
A little alcohol mixed with a little white...

Waffles.—One pint of sweet milk, four eggs, one large cupful of cold rice...

CHOCOLATE CREAM.—One-half cupful of grated chocolate and one cupful of water...

TURNIP SOUP.—This soup should be made—all but adding the turnips—the day before it is required.

CODFISH-BALLS.—Prepare the fish as for boiling; after washing and soaking...

BUCKWHEAT CAKES.—One quart buckwheat, four tablespoonful of yeast, one teaspoonful of salt...

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.
A little ginger put into sausage-meat improves the flavor.

In icing cakes, dip the knife frequently into cold water.

If your coal fire is low, throw on a tablespoonful of salt, and it will help it very much.

In boiling meat for soup, use cold water to extract the juices. If the meat is wanted for itself alone, plunge in boiling water at once.

FARMERS AND RHEUMATISM.—In answer to the question, "Why farmers are so liable to rheumatism?"

WARMS.—If they give a special convenience, let them alone. But if it is of essential importance to get rid of them, purchase half an ounce of muriatic acid...

CURE FOR A FELON.—When a finger pricks as though there were a thorn in it, and throbs intolerably when held downward, and yet there is no external sign of mischief...

GOOD SEED.
The great advantage of having plump and heavy as well as fresh seed for any crop is now so generally known...

Of potatoes, Ireland produces twenty-three bushels and one-quarter of an acre; the German empire, 18.1 bushels; Holland, 14.5; Belgium, 11.6; France, 10.2; Scandinavia, 9.9; Austria-Hungary, 8.5; Russia and Finland, 4.5; Great Britain, 3.3; Italy, 1.1.

HARPER'S "DRAWER" tells of a little three-year-old whose mother was mixing a simple remedy for him. He watched the process, and asked if it was "good."

A MAD ELEPHANT AT LARGE.

Seven Men Crucified to Death by a Ponderous Brute.—A Hindoostani.
"I hate an elephant, energetically exclaimed Major Springle, an old Indian traveler."

"I know very little about the African elephant, but one of the failings of the Asiatic kind is that in very hot weather and under a severe physical strain he is very likely to go mad; and, I can tell you, my elephant is no exception."

"So far as I can remember, what I am speaking of happened in the latter part of 1866 or early in 1867. A young photographer, with whom I was acquainted, invited me to share his tent with him for a week or so on the exhibition grounds, where he intended to take views."

"Two nights before the exhibition opened we went out upon the grounds and found them covered with tents, and crowded with natives, who, for the most part, were attending upon elephants, bullocks, camels and horses."

"I had been asleep, perhaps, about an hour, when I was awakened by the beating of tom-toms and the shouting of the natives outside. I jumped out of bed and ran to the door of the tent, where my friend was already standing."

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"This boarding-house is her home. Riding horses at races and sales is her occupation. An orphan of respectable parentage, obliged to support herself, she finds employment from one end of England to the other."

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Curious Theories Regarding the Sun.

Speaking to a gentleman of wealth in this city recently, he said:
"Have you ever seen Captain Ericsson's solar engine? It is the most extraordinary thing in the way of mental deduction and historical anticipation extant."

"Ericsson says that the manufacture of the great solar engine was on the desert of Sahara. He anticipated the time when the earth will have consumed its fuel and men must make steam from the sun."

"It is an arrangement of mirrors by which from the solar ray intense heat is obtained and thrown upon water, which boils, makes steam, and gives locomotion and power."

"How does the live in New York? He is a shy man, but with sufficient pride and confidence to make him interesting when he wants to talk."

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