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People overlooked the importance of permanent beneficial effects, and were satisfied with transient action, but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently cure habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system.

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Florida will put 2,300,000 pineapples on the market this year.

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depends on the little things. A Ripans Tabule is a little thing, but taking one occasionally gives good results. It cures indigestion, flatulence, and that means good brain and brawn, and that means success.

The State of Minnesota has had a lumber company for the value of \$3,500,000 per foot.

Karl's Clover Root, the great blood purifier, gives freedom and cheer to the afflicted and cures constipation, 25 cts. 50 cts. \$1.

Beans are plentiful this year in the Maine and Adirondack woods than for some time back.

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Gives Perfect Health—Hood's Sarsaparilla Makes Pure Blood.
I became troubled with a sore which broke out on my face from the lower part of my body down to my ankles, dark, flat, and very painful. Hood's Sarsaparilla cleared my system, and healed the sore in a short time. I also improved my appetite and was able to get on my feet. Hood's Sarsaparilla is sold by all druggists. Price 25c per bottle. Hood's Pills are the best. 25 cents per box.

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"A Ripans Tabule!"
"Do you carry them around with you?"
"I do, indeed! Ever since I heard about them I keep one of the little vials in my vest pocket."
"Why I thought it was a quack."
"So it was, but it has given me indigestion. It distresses me fearfully."
"Oh, that's nonsense. Swallow this. You'll be all right in ten minutes."
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COOKING BEEF GERMAN STYLE.
Many who have married German gentlemen would like to set before their husbands occasionally a genuine German dish if they know how to prepare it. The recipes given here for good German cookery were obtained during a residence in Germany in the family of a notable housewife. They will prove agreeable additions to the general American menu.

For a favorite Teutonic dish take three pounds of the best beef, or for a large company, four or six pounds. Wash the meat and place it in a large jar or crock. Insert a dozen cloves. Lay on top a bay leaf and one large onion, thinly sliced. Pour over the meat enough milk-boiling vinegar to nearly cover it, and close the jar with a plate.

Should the vinegar be very sharp, water it, as the taste of vinegar should not be too strong. The boiling of the milk, of course, is at once evident in the milk, but do not doubt that the vinegar is not detected. It shows how useful it is that a strict watch should be kept on each of the cows in a herd.

Remove the meat from the jar and wash it free of the onions. Then cut sliced pork into very fine strips, as thick as a lead pencil and about three inches in length. With a sharp knife make deep incisions thickly over the top of the beef and thrust in the strips of pork. Turn and treat the other side similarly. Tie into shape with a strong cord.

Place in a deep kettle a piece of butter the size of an egg, and chop it up in the meat. In a moment's time turn it and add enough boiling water to nearly cover it. Close the kettle tightly. Baste frequently with its own liquor and cook with a good fire three hours and not a moment less; an extra half hour is preferable.

The gravy is made by a flour thickening and a cup of half a cup of cream added.

After having gone through this process once sauer braten will be found to be a very dish and one that will repay all trouble. It is excellent, and tender. To keep it moist and sliced cold. Turn over it the remaining gravy, cover and set in a cool place.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.
Milk applied once a week with a soft cloth freshens and preserves boots and shoes.

Acid phosphate will remove ink stains from the hands when everything else fails.

One of the easiest ways of taking cold is to drop asleep without an extra wrap over the shoulders.

Canned sardines carefully browned on a double wire gridiron and served with lemon are appetizing.

These are the days when extra care should be taken to keep the feet perfectly dry. A fresh pair of stockings should be used every day.

Canned tomatoes are more delicious baked than stewed. About ten minutes before removing from the oven spread buttered bread crumbs over the top.

When an eiderdown comfortable has got hard and lost all its elasticity, hang it in the cool, balmy sun for a few hours, and all the life will come back to it.

Calicoes, ginghams and chambrays cannot be properly washed along with the white clothes. They need a much quicker process, and the long delays of an ordinary wash day would ruin them.

The physician in charge of the Women's Hospital in Soochow, China, is Dr. Anne Walter, a Mississippian.

There is no country on earth now where the plucky American woman is not doing missionary work of some kind.

Every good housekeeper browns and rolls or grates her stale bread, thus having it in readiness for scones or frying meats, fish, croquettes, etc.

When you have strained your plain boiled potatoes, take them at once to the open door or window and give them a vigorous shaking in the draught. They will become white and mealy. Try it once, and you will do it always, so great is the improvement.

If you have many short stemmed flowers to arrange it is well to fill a low dish with damp moss, then with a sharp stick dibble holes in the moss and insert the stems. When the flowers have faded the moss may be dried and used again. Pansies show to better advantage in this way than in any other.

Do you wish to make gruel for a sick friend? Take corn meal and sift it into a quart of boiling water, stirring it until it is of the consistency of cream. Add salt to flavor, and let it simmer for half an hour or longer; then run it through a fine sieve. Have in a bowl a little cream or rich milk. Pour your boiling gruel into it, and you have a drink a sick person ought to relish.

White suede gloves may be cleaned by using dry pipe clay and an old tooth brush. White cloth such as is worn on military uniforms can be cleaned in the same way. Wet the clay and rub it vigorously. It will make an awful looking mess at first, and you think that you have ruined the cloth, but just rinse out the brush and scour the cloth with fresh water, and it will come out looking all right.

A Rockland (Me.) man has two tame quails. The hen has laid forty-three eggs this season and is still laying. Both birds seem to thrive in confinement.

A NEW Ohio law prohibits the use of foreign names in partnerships.

MILKING.

Milching of strawberries to retard them is done by placing manure over the ground when it is frozen, and then scattering straw over it. Care must be taken that the manure does not cover the crowns of the plants. Leave the covering of straw on quite late in the spring. The manure can remain permanently.—New York World.

CREAM THAT WILL NOT MAKE BUTTER.
It is often the case that the cream of the milk of a cow does not make butter, and some cows are so affected that the cream will not yield any butter. Every cow should be dried off, if the milk does not set naturally, two months before the calf is due. At any rate, good butter cannot be made from the milk so near milking. This condition of the milk, of course, is at once evident in the milk, but do not doubt that the cream is not detected. It shows how useful it is that a strict watch should be kept on each of the cows in a herd.

It makes a great difference in the value of corn whether it is cut during warm dry weather, when it will cure rapidly, or later, when rains and cold make it dry out more slowly. At all times it is better to waste the going on in the nutritive value of the stalk. When the drying is hastened the waste is small; when it is protracted by rains, especially with warm weather, the waste is much greater. It is not stopped entirely by cold weather. As the moisture freezes out of the stalks it is found that the woody fibre is increased and the nutritive value has decreased in like proportion. Every farmer knows that cornstalks after repeated freezing and thawing become of little value for feeding.

They are dry, steeled, and the stock will not eat them readily, as they do the partly-dried stalk, at the beginning of winter. Much is said to the waste of nutrition by fermentation in the silo. There is such waste, but it is trivial compared with the waste of cornstalks by slow drying. The silo makes the nutrition more available by partly cooking the food.—Boston Cultivator.

FEEDING APPLES TO COWS.
There has long been a practical opinion among farmers that while sweet apples might be fed to cows with satisfactory results, sour apples were very injurious for them; but this opinion has been founded upon very slight actual knowledge of the real feeding value of apples. At the Vermont station apple pomace, ensilage, and used supplementary to and in part as a substitute for corn ensilage, was found to be relished by cows, and the results of four tests found it to be about equivalent in feeding value to corn ensilage. At the Massachusetts station Dr. Goessmann found apples to contain about eighty per cent of moisture, the apples having been gathered October 6th. The farther advanced apples are towards maturity the more sugar is found in them, and their value depends largely upon the amount of dry matter which they contain. Laboratory tests show that the feeding value of apples is somewhat higher than that of an equal weight of turnips. Apple pomace it said to be equal to sugar beets, it being somewhat singular chemical fact that the pomace is richer in nitrogen than the pomace of the apple from which it has been produced, and the feeding value of pomace is assumed to be, pound for pound, one-third higher than that of the whole apple. Still apples are deficient in nitrogen, and ought on this account to be literally supplemented for dairy cows with wheat shorts, bran, oil cakes, clover, and good hay. To obtain the best results from feeding them to cows, the early sort should be fed by itself, four or five in less quantity than sweet ones, fed when fully ripe, after the night milking. The quantity should not exceed four to six quarts to a feed.—American Agriculturist.

COLIC IN HORSES.
Irregular feeding in the matter of hours, long fasts and too great quantity given at long intervals are frequent causes of colic, says the New York World. Irregular work is not without its influence—a twenty-mile journey once a week is likely to be productive of more mischief than the same distance every day. A horse put to hard work at intervals cannot be kept in condition. Horses ought to be fed late at night and early in the morning; they should have at least two hours to consume and digest their morning feed before being taken out to work, and if not returned to the stable when the next feed is due, should be provided with nose bags.

Changes of food should be introduced gradually. Horses may be fed with impunity on what will make them seriously ill if a horse is not taken to make the change gradually. This, green food, when it first comes in, and is young and succulent, often causes gripes, because fed too largely to the exclusion of the accustomed dry material. If a small quantity is fed with the hay and then the horse is less gradually brought to a larger quantity is allowed, and the digestive organs as gradually become accustomed to the change. Attention to the prevention of colic is much better than the possession of a recipe for its cure, for some day the recipe misses fire, and death wins the match. Apart from this, an attack successfully dealt with still means loss of service for some time—very often at a busy period.

SEE AS A PASTURE CROP.
I have believed for twenty-five years that most of us, in what is called "the West," did not sufficiently appreciate the value of rye as a late fall and early spring pasture crop, writes E. D. Coburn in the New York Tribune. Where conditions are at all favorable it furnishes an astonishing quantity of rich, succulent grazing just at a time of year when it is most relished and most needed by all kinds of farm animals, even including poultry. It pieces out to great advantage other feed that may be scant or poor, and while especially agreeable to all the stock, it will make poorly nourished cows practically double their milk in quantity and quality. In fact, I have never seen a Kansas farmer so well fixed that a good piece of rye pasture wasn't a genuine bonanza to him. There has never been a season in all the central West when something of that sort was more of a comfort to its possessor than it will likely be within the next nine months. Hence I would say to every farmer who reads this, do not fail to sow, and sow early (in fact just as soon as the ground can be put in proper condition), a goodly area of rye for pasture. Don't sow it for grain, but for pasturage; make the most of it for grazing and it eventually it also yields some grain worth harvesting, well and good. If you can't secure the seed readily, sow wheat just as you would rye; if it is not a plump, high grade article, that will cut off a small figure it would not so low less than five pecks to the acre; if plump a bushel and a half would be none too much; at all events, use plenty, and don't be afraid of having too many acres. I haven't discovered anything that was a better regulator for the pigs, the colts, the calves, the cows or the old blind mare than a good bite of green rye or wheat. It is excellent in years of great abundance; in years when other feeds are scarce or poor, it is simply indispensable—really a benefactor. Sow it with a drill or broadcast as you think best, but do a good job, as if you desired success and meant to deserve it.

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Cents Are Legal Tender.

There is one story so utterly ridiculous that it seems incredible that it should ever have been printed, which in one form or another makes the rounds of various newspapers of the country annually. Look for it and you will sooner or later see it crop up again.

This tale is always based upon the unpopularity of the one-cent piece in the extreme West and Southwest. In its most common form it tells of some Eastern traveler who attempted to dispose of a hundred or so one-cent pieces in San Francisco, El Paso or some other place. The tradesman is always represented as looking at them curiously and declining them.

The writers of these senseless tales may have been in the West or they may not. It matters little—their story is pointless. They seek to brand the mythical tradesman as of the same category with themselves.

The cent is a legal tender in amounts of twenty-five and less. If an Eastern man in San Francisco or anywhere else owes a debt of twenty-five cents and tenders twenty-five cent pieces in settlement, the courts will sustain him.

Of course, the coins are not popular in the extreme West and South, but so one need carry a hundred of them in a cigar box or anywhere else as useless metal. If you are in a city that has not a United States Treasury, go to the Postoffice, dump in twenty-five cent pieces, and see if you will have any difficulty in obtaining stamps or postal cards of like amount. If one is refused a letter of complaint to the postal authorities will soon work the removal of an employe who would discredit United States money.

It is well to bear this matter of the legal tender of a cent in mind. No one for spite can make a person take more than twenty-five of them in any single transaction involving the settlement of a debt. One need have no fear, then, of receiving \$100 in cents from some embittered debtor.—New York Herald.

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