Budding Fruit Trees.

WAS IT CHANCE? The wind swept over a silver string; e cord responded, but why did it sing?

ie golden sun, rising, illumined the sky; e lotus awakened, but why did it sigh?

The nightingale hovered all night o'er the

Was it chance? The moon flew away with the dark gazelle Which courted the other? Who can tell?

Was it chance? The lover found many strange ways to his

But, arrived at the spot, she was ever there-Was it chance? -From the Persian

## THE SQUIRE'S WOOING.

Squire Kimba'l was pulling up t on coming down the road.
"That's Lucy Keene," he said to always. I felt sure you wouldn't ob- And then the squire net on coming down the road. prettiest girl in the neighborhood, by the family.'

ill odds. Her mother used to be just Like her when she was a girl." Then the squire's thoughts went back across the distance of five-andtwenty years, and he remembered when the sight of Hester Wayne's pink sunbonnet could make his heart flutter, and the faintest glimpse of the pink cheeks and sparkling eyes beneath its broad brim could bring such a sweet disturbance into his bosom that he couldn't get over it in all day-in fact, he did not want to.

But all this had happened long ago. He was an old man now, with a grownup son, and Hester-the woman he had loved and had meant to marry if Fate, or something he called Fate, had not come between them-was a widow, and before him was a second edition of his old sweetheart. It made him feel quite young again to look at her. As she came up and stopped beside the fence that beautiful June morning, the old fire stirred under the dust ashes of five-and-twenty years, "one of the family." and he felt a little flame kindling in

"I wonder why some young fellow hasn't captured such a prize as she is?' he thought, with a look full of admiration on his face, as Lucy said "Good-morning," and added something about its being pleasant weather. "Yes, it is pleasant," he said, looking at her face, and thinking more

about that than about the weather, if the truth must be told. "Very pleasant, indeed. How's your mother these if you were to see her, for she's clean-

the season for such work. We had visitors all through May. I wanted to help her, but she said she'd rather do it al ne, and take her time for it. As it was so nice out of doors, I made up my mind I didn't want to stay in the house if there wasn't anything I could do to help, so I hunted up an excuse for a walk to the village," explaimed Lucy, with a jolly little laugh that showed her even, white teeth, and made dimples in cheeks and chin. "What splendid strawberries you have! The meddlesome old hens got into our patch one day, when we were gone, and the first we knew there wasn't a berry left. Mother felt so bad about it, for she always reckons on strawberry preserves and jam for the winter, you know."

"I want to know!" exclaimed the sympathetic squire. "Now you tell vour mother she's welcome to all she wants out of my patch. She can have 'em just as well as not, for we shan't begin to use half of 'em. I'd a good deal rather have 'em used than

" I'll tell her, and I know she'll be delighted at the chance," said Lucy. "She was saying, only yesterday, that she should feel lost without strawberry-preserves in the house. You know she's a great hand for fixing up got rosy. such things.'

"Yes, Ido," said the squire, thinking Tes, Ido," said the squire, thinking but he wasn't at all at ease.

"I remember that "I ust see what he brough she used to have the reputation of out-

Lucy. "She'd be pleased to have you ple came in either cheek. come over to tea, and try some of that she made last year. She had extra

alacrity. "I'll do it, Lucy. Let me here and visit with the squire." see, to-day's Wednesday, isn't it? Tell have a good, old-fashioned shortcake- alone together.

that is, if it wouldn't be too much "Nothing would suit us better. I'm surmised, from what you said to me fauteuil, and looking at him with to tell her you'll be over to tea on the other evening," said Charlie, "and ghastly horror.

Saturday, then?" "Yes," answered the squire, feeling very much as he used to when her cold by turns. "I-I don't under- corn."-Chicago Tribune. mother smiled on him. "Oh, by the stand." way, Lucy, I heard from Charlie

her pink sunbonnet hid. If he had, it of the family, I mean. I knew from muller by name, and eighteen months might have set him thinking.

squire. "Home to stay, too."

Lucy, still hunting for daisies in all to get married at the same time. the grass, as if a great deal depended What do you think?"

mine needs young faces to brighten it up. One like yours, Lucy, for instance," | managed to stammer out at last. And the squire smiled across the do, really." fence at her in much the same way

to be her father; but 'twouldn't be that the girl he loved was the fairest the first time a girl has married an girl in all the world. old man, and if we're willing, I don't The squire sat and stared at the The sacred Kremlin or citadel in I'm going to do it," he added.

was a tall, good-looking young fellow, perspiration. been at his age; and the squire wasn't myself," he thought. "I'm not sure of the Red Plain. The curse invoked been at his age; and the squire wasn't but I did as it was, in thinking it by one of the victims was amply fulbut I did as it was, in thinking it filled. Sixty years later the Red Plain "I s'pose I'll have to tell him what I've been thinking about," thought the She's too young when I look at the Russians and the Poles were crowning. squire, feeling crawly all over at the data. "I'd rather take a horsewhipping, I declare, than to tell him I look at the case as I ought to—altogether too young. I'd better marry her mother. I—I will—if she'll have me," he conthink of getting married again; but I cluded, making up his mind suddenly, and it might as well be now as by-and-hall. "That's a great deal the best insurgent life guardsmen. The burnbye. Whenever you have a disagreeable thing to do, do it at once and have
done with it. That's my matte."

That's a great deal the best ing of Moscow in 1812 commenced near this fatal place, which was also rendered memorable by a formulable. done with it. "That's my motto."

Accordingly, when they were sitting lifty. The idea is ridiculous," on the veranda after supper, the squire thought, and then had to smile at his coughed several times, cleared his inconsistency. Not an hour ago there throat by way of preparation and began: had been nothing ridiculous in the

getting a new housekeeper, Charlie."

The widow came in and sat down cipality of Wales and earldom of by the window. What a well-preChester on his son, afterward Edward "I-I have been thinking of-of idea to him. served woman sne was: "Hy, he allow the ment. In 1843 Edward III. invested of a good many girls who would have ment. In 1843 Edward III. invested of a good many girls who would have ment. In 1843 Edward III. invested was a fresh clear his son Edward, the "Black Prince." answered the squire. "But I mean a been glad to have such a fresh, clear his son Edward, the "Black Prince," a housekeeper of another kind. Not complexion. It was true that a thread with the principality, and from that

is it to be, if I may ask the question?" | laugh! it took him back five-and of the prospective housekeeper. He him feel young again. was the case.

"Down the road," he managed to want you!" Why blossomed the rosebud at dawn? Who say, at last, as he turned his thumb "Why, Squire Kimball!" exclaimed Widow Keene's. is it?" laughed Charlie. "I'm glad to so sudden!"

better, in my opinion." bjections to it.'

could happen, I think." weeds in his strawberry patch when enthusiastically. "I don't think I to tell you so. Do say yes, Hester." he saw somebody with a pink sunbon-could do better if I were to look the "Well, then, if you want me to-

"I'm sure I haven't any objections,

with a twinkle in his eyes. "So that's over," said the squire, Charlie strolled off down the road in the dusk. "Charife's a remarkably sensible young man. I wonder he later, to tell them that supper was his drunken condition to place the never took a fancy to Lucy. She'll be ready, Squire Kimball rose up and marked coins in his pockets, and the a good mother to him, I'm sure," and came to meet her. then the squire had to smile at the thought of Lucy in the role of motherin-law to Charlie, who was two or

three years older than she was. While he sat there Charlie was telling Lucy that his father had hinted to marry Charlie, you can figure out the adjoining apartment, and, repairing in that he knew how matters stood between them as well as if he had been told; also, that there was a possibility, or a probability, rather, of a kissed the squire plumb on his mouth. double tie between the two families. willing to say that I feel sure it had something to do with Lucy becoming

About 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon the squire knocked at Mrs. Keene's door, arrayed in his best clothes, and with a basket full of great, scarlet strawberries on his arm. "Good-afternoon, Squire Kimball," cried the widow, as she opened the like eyes as these words reached her, door for their visitor, with a charming | and as her glance met that of George

been five-and-twenty years ago. taste one would scarcely have expected

of a gray-headed old man. "Thank you," said the widow, takobliged to you, I'm sure. If I're anything you haven't, that you'd like, you've only to say so. I'd be glad to return the favor if I knew how to. I upturned to him. was delighted when Lucy told me the word you sent about the strawberries. I don't feel as if I could keep house without a few jars of jam. Come right

She led him into the sitting-room. where the squire met a sight that rather surprised him. There sat Charlie. whom he had thought in the village, holding worsted for Lucy to wind, and apparently much at home. The squire felt his face grow uncom-

fortably red, and he managed to stammer out: "I-I didn't expect to find you here,

Charlie!" "I happened to find out that you had an invitation to tea, where jam and shortcake were to be the principal attractions, and, having had a liking for both ever since I can remember, I contrived to get an invitation for myself It'll be a kind of family party, you see." And then he laughed, and Lucy

As for the poor squire, he felt-" Just see what he brought us," said the widow, displaying the berries. "I'll of making strawberry-jam that nobody hull them. I remember you used to ever shake that love." like strawberry shortcake, Squire Kim-

"She hasn't lost it yet," laughed ball," and the widow smiled till a dim-disappointment?" he asks. mixing it, and when I get through fear. "What has happened?" "I'll do it," said the squire, with with that I can help him. You stay

her I'll come over Saturday if it's you're willing to do the work," agreeable, and take tea with her. I laughed the widow. "But I'll have to hink the strawberries'll be ripe enough | show you what pans to take the cream | I believe," he says. to pick by that time, and if they are, from," and Mrs. Keene and Lucy went I'll bring a pailful along, and we can out and left the squire and his son

> of the family, though it was all under- darling." stood some time ago, as you must have she hasn't any objections."

night, don't you, when you told me "Did you?" asked Lucy, stooping to about getting her mother for a house-esting subject brought before a Vienna keeper?" explained Charlie. "About clinic for many years was that of a The squire could not see the blush my liking to have Lucy for a member little girl living in the city, Kleinwhat you said that you understood old. The Vienna Neue Freie Presse "Yes, and he wrote that he would that we meant to get married some reports the case with such evident be home in a day or two," said the time. I've talked it over with her fidelity that its truth must be accepted. since that, and it's all settled but the The girl had shown for several days

The poor squire was speechless for upon her finding a few more.

"Yes, it will," said the squire. The poor squire was speechless for the space of a minute. What he order, and ascertaining from the "Charlie's a good boy, and it's rather thought in that time could not be conlonesome here. A great house like densed into a column of this paper. "I-I hope you'll be happy,"

"So do I," answered Charlie, " and he had smiled at her mother years ago. I am sure we will. And I hope you'll "I guess I'd better be going," said be equally as happy with Lucy's enter into rather unpleasant details, Lucy, "or I won't be back in time to mother. I told you she was a jewel, they soon found the cause of disturband I think so more and more every ance, and extracted a mouse, minus He leaned over the fence and day. If you aren't happy with her, the tail, which was subsequently rewatched her till she went out of sight | you couldn't be with any woman." 'I don't know but it's foolish to hull strawberries, and look at Lucy, as mouth of the sleeping child, and down think of such a thing," he said to she made the shortcake, and thought, her gullet. Her immediate recovery himself, by-and-bye. "I'm old enough as many a lover has thought before,

girl of twenty-one or two, and 1 past rendered memorable by a formidable

served woman she was! Why he knew I., as an office of trust and governa—a nonsekeeper of another kind. Not complexion. It was true that a thread with the principality, and from that of white showed here and there among time the eldest son of the reigning here, you know."

The being here, you know."

The brown locks, but there were no her brow, and her wales.

Wales.

said Charlie in some surprise. "Who eyes were as bright as ever. And her The squire tried to speak the name | twenty years to listen to it. It made | STRANGE INSTANCES OF MISLEADppened his mouth two or three times A happy thought came to him as he

to do so, but the name clove to the cast about for words by which to exroof of his mouth and he couldn't get | press his desires. "Hester"-very sudit out. He thanked his lucky stars denly, and with the energy of despera thousand times, after that, that such ation-"you said if you had anything I'd like, I was welcome to it. I-

over his shoulder in the direction of the the widow, blushing so rosily that he felt sure she was prettier than her "Ah, that's the way the wind blows, daughter. "I-I'm so surprised! It's

you've known me and I've known you

himself. "Lucy's the smartest and ject to have Lucy as a member of round her and kissed her, and she coins, minus one, were found in his looked prettier than ever. Why? and it seems she hasn't," said Charlie, not been as attractive as at this at the point of death, confessed he did moment. If she had been, he felt sure the robbery, managing to reach his inn the love-making which had just taken by a short cut, and, having paid out drawing a long breath of relief, as place would not have been postponed one of the coins before finding they for a quarter of a century.

When Lucy came in, half an hour errand he had sent the hostler on and

> "This is your mother, Lucy," said, leading her up to the widow. "I

relationship to suit yourself." "I suppose I can kiss my father-in-Then the squire gave his arm to the had a large sum of money in his posseshad turned out. No one but himself knows how near he came to making an

## awful blunder .- Eben E. Revford. George W. Simpson's Dilemma.

"Heaven help me!" Reine McCloskey looked up with startled expression in her deep, fawn-

For an instant George did not reply. ing the berries. "I'm a thousand times his lips were almost touched by the to the room of his guest with the mind asked.

drawing still closer to him and stroking execution of his murderous design. with a gentle touch his handsome face. really are not well. Let us go into the with an only daughter named Cathar- confidence to own it. conservatory where the air is purer." "No," said George, "let me sit here one John Lawson, a jeweler, toward beside you for a few moments. You whom her father bore all the hearty,

more steadfast and abiding?" well, he scarcely knew how he did feel, love you, and your smiles and caresses | isted for some weeks, when one evening | be in every respect happy, it is dread-

line. They used to say she had a knack make the shortcake, Lucy, if you'll Nothing in the wide, wide world can therdelay, and prepare for marriage at hension. "Not even misfortune, or a bitter "I'll make the shortcake," said Lucy. why do you ask?" and her ruddy

"Well, I don't care if I play lady, if silence, every feature strained in after this for awhile, but soon the tense agony, awaiting his next words. sound of low groans fell upon Morri-"We are engaged for the next dance,

"Yes," is the answer. "It is the racquet?" "It is." "I've spoken to her about being one "I cannot dance with ou, my

"Why?" she asks, rising from the

"You know what you said the other A Mouse Runs Down a Child's Throat. The most extraordinary and inter-"That'll be pleasant for you," said day. I think it would be jolly for us an utter aversion to food, and her mother finally took her to the general clinic for examination. The professors, perceiving that it was no common dismother that the child on the night of March 15 nad awakened suddenly with a loud scream from sleep, and continued in great pain for fourteen hours thereafter, determined to employ the gastroscope and explore her stomach with the aid of electricity. Not to moved. The only possible conclusion Then Charlie went to the kitchen to is that the mouse ran into the open was confidently expected.

m going to do it, ne added.

Charlie came home next day. He of it. Then he broke out in profuse square on which Ivan the Terrible put to death by torture several hundred perspiration. "I—I'm glad I didn't make a fool of men at once, whence it took the name the Great massacred thousands of his

> On the conquest of Wales by Henry III., of England, he bestowed the prin-

SOME SINGULAR STORIES. ING TESTIMONY.

The Danger of Circumstantial Evidence---Instances of Persons Hanged for Crimes They Had Not Committed. Mr. David Graham Adee, in the Washington Republia, gives some interesting instances of the mislealing character of circumstantial evidence.

In 1742 a gentleman on his way to

Hull was robbed by a highwayman. He to bee-keeping in the South. Several stopped at the next inn, and in describ- parties in the Southern States own his coins. Shortly after retiring to a orange groves of Louisiana, ar it. You couldn't possibly do "I know it," said the squire. "But private parlor he was waited on by the the squire, feeling much relieved. "I ought to be able to say whether you asked the time of the robbery, and said 'I don't see why I should," said trusting mine in yours. I've been he said that shortly before he had sent has been made by Doctor Birch, show-"I know you'd be happier pretty lonesome lately, and I know the hostler to change a guinea, who reling the tax in Egypt under the early with such a woman for a wife, for you could make my life pleasant if turned after dark, saying he could not Casars. he's a jewel. It's the best thing that you'd try to. I want you, Hester, change it. The landlord noticed the and"-here the squire unhesitatingly coin was not the one he gave him, but "Yes, she's jewel," said the squire, told an outrageous fib-"I came over before he heard of the robbery he had tures. Boiling water has been applied paid it to a countryman. He suggested "Well, then, if you want me to- that the hostler, who was then asleep under the influence of liquor, be And then the squire put his arms searched, which, being done, the marked which birds have fed often retain their pockets. He was tried and hanged, Five-and-twenty years ago she had but years afterward the landlord, being

> evidence of the countryman hanged The case of the innkeeper in Oxfordmean your mother-in-law. Oh, dear shire, Jonathan Bradford, has often the Gambier Islands, against which me! what am I saying? I mean that been told. Late one night two guests she rubbed, had picked up a young she's promised to marry me; and if you heard deep groans proceeding from an fungia, which adhered to the sheating, there, saw Bradford, with a long knife in his hands, standing over the body law, then," said Lucy, delightedly, and of a guest named Hayes, who, earlier in the evening, had admitted that he

woman he had meant to marry five- sion. Bradford stoutly maintained his of your business or mine, though I am and-twenty years ago, feeling perinnocence, claiming he had been atand twenty years ago, feeling perinnocence, claiming he had been atfectly satisfied with the way things tracted by the groans of the victim, and had just drawn the knife from the wound when the other guests arrived. The evidence, however, was strong against him, and he was hanged. The real facts of the crime did not come to light for some years, but Bradford was not innocent of the intent, if of the deed (overt act). The murder had been perpetrated by Mr. Hayes' own fortman, who, knowing that his rose-color on her face that made him W. Simpson she saw, or fancied that she master hal a large amount of money think she was almost as fair as she had did, a look of haunting fear and name: with him, determined upon his death een five-and-twenty years ago.

"Here's some strawberries," said the hand that held her own seemed to therefore, he had stabbed him, rifled squire, presenting his offering, fra- tremble slightly and the finely-chiseled his saddle-bags, and made his way in safety to his own apartment only, as the fortifications is, according to the "Oh, she's well, thank you," an"Oh, she's well, thank you," an"You are ill," she said, placing her it must have been, ten seconds before "You are ill," she said, placing her it must have been, ten seconds before "Oh, she's well, thank you," answered Lucy. "You'd think she was if you were to see her, for she's cleanabout the edge of the basket with a wistfully at the face of the man she the tragic scene. But, strange to relate. Bradford left a confession, which had been kept secret, that, although

Then bending tenderly over her until | innocent of the murder, he had stolen coronal of sunny hair that her father of effecting his death. He had heard had agreed to pay for next month, he Hayes boast of his money at supper, kissed the fair white brow that was he i deliberately planned to kill and rob him, and was stricken with amaze-"You love me, sweetheart?" he ment when he found that the deed had already been done. He had been an-"Better than life," replied the giri, ticipated by but a few minutes in the him who has not the science of honesty In Edinburgh, in the year 1721, which was hot and feverish-"but you lived William Shaw, an upholsterer,

have said that you love me, Reine. Is honest aversion known as "Scotch that love the mere ephemeral passion hate." John had been a wild lad, too of a girlish fancy, or is it a true, deep, fond of "hot Scotches" and the lasses, holy affection that will go on and on but was entirely devoted to one lass forever and ever, each day that dies since his engagement to Catherine on the horizon's purple rim making it | Shaw. Old Shaw had sworn that Lawson should never enter his family, For answer she placed her hand and with violence forbade him to come again within his own, and as she near the house. There was the son of nor insensible, nor oblige us to be quietly they lay, almost cleft to the beautiful brown eyes were suffused son, however, whom the father urged comb. with tears. "You are cruel to ever his daughter to marry. The girl's lot doubt my love, darling," she said be- was hard enough, what with her love sound like cider coming out of a jug—
"far more cruel than you know. No about her consent to wed her parent's life this life be unhappy, it is a burden matter what betides, I shall always choice. This state of affairs had exbe ever to me as the gentle dew that Shaw returned home in wrath, and kisses into new life the parched and peremptorily ordered Catherine to acwithered flowers of an August day, cept of young Robertson without furan early day. The girl angrily refused

to comply, preferring death to the alternative of sacrificing happiness. The "Nothing!" exclaims the girl. "But quarrel had waxed so violent that it was overheard by several neighbors, "Charlie can hull berries while I'm cheeks became ashen with a sudden and when Shaw left the room one named Morrison heard him shut and son's startled car. In terror he ran to the neighbors, giving the alarm, the upholsterer's door, and Catherine's

voice was distinctly heard to murmur: "Cruel father, you are the cause of my death. You have killed me!" The door was then broken in by a constable who had been summoned, died without another word. At this critical instant Shaw himself came up the stairs and into the room. All eyes were fixed upon him. He trembled when he beheld the horror at his feet. grew deadly pale and seemed as if

about to faint. His guilty consternation was apparent. all was plain enough. The quarrel, ante-mortem declaration of the victim chains at Leith Walk in November,

Some time after, however, workmen in the girl's bedroom in which she announced she would commit suicide

since she was denied the man of her In the case of Shaw strong efforts feetly satisfied of its authenticity (so that no injustice should be done), straightway directed that the bleached bones of the executed Shaw should be cut down from the gallows, where the chains still held them, and given to his friends and family for decent sepul-ture, while a pair of the town colors were to be waved above the group in were to be waved above the grave in never known that the performance of those repentant ceremonies brought pack the breath to the body of the poor wretch hanged by mistake.

alone for the rest of the year .- Puck. The average weight of 20,000 men stitution. and women weighed at Boston in 1864 was: Men, 141 pounds; women, 124

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

A Yankee has stormed a prairie-dog town in the West and captured the an-imals for their skins, which, when made into gloves, rival the finest kid. Silk-raising has become fashionable among the wealthy women in California, and an a sociation has been formed for the purpose of spreading information on the subject. Great attention is now being paid

ing his loss stated he always markel small colonies that are kept near the In ancient Egypt the tax collector's landlord, who, informing him he had receipts were inscribed on fragments "I'm glad to hear you say so," said ever since we knew anybody. You heard of his (the traveler's) adventure, of broken crockery. From the British museum collection of these queer lidn't know but you would have some feel safe in trusting your happiness in he suspected his hostler, who of late documents, which have been found in my hands. I haven't any fear about had had plenty of money. Continuing, large numbers, a series of translations

> The roots of many plants retain their vitality under intense temperato some without injury to them, and some plants absorb poisons that are. destructive to others. The seeds on powers of germination for a long period, as birds sometimes carry them in their bodies from one country to another, where they have grown and

After a cruise of a few months in the South Pacific a French man-ofwar was recently found to have specimens of living corals growing upon her hull. The interesting discovery has thrown some light on the question of the rapidity of growth of corals. The evidence tends to show that the vessel, on passing a reef of and grew to a diameter of nine inches and a weight of two and a half pounds

in nine weeks. It would still astonish many persons no doubt, to inform them that even the purest country air is peopled with mal and vegetable, and even with a multitude of living creatures which enter into our lungs together with the air which we breathe, and which come in time to take up their residence in our bodies, as in a well-furnished house all prepared to receive them. The surprise would be greater and more disagreeable should we add that the number of these germs thus held by the air in suspension enormously increases in places thickly or even constantly inhabited-that in the great like features so often seen among our cities they multiply to fantastic proportions-and that in Paris the number of these germs within the circle of and lighting a fresh cigarette, began: statistics of micrographers, not less we were scouting with four companies

A cheerful face is nearly as good for an invalid as healthy weather. We seldom find people ungrateful so nearest town. It was a typical tropilong as we are in a condition to render them service.

WISE WORDS.

All other knowledge is hurtful to and good nature. Envy is a passion so full of cowardice

To educate a child perfectly require ine. The girl was to be married to profounder thought, greater wisdom han to govern a state.

Fate is the friend of the good, the guide of the wise, the tryant of the foolish, the enemy of the bad. The best part of our knowledge is faithful one, and we trusted to his that which teaches us where knowledge leaves off and where it begins. Humility does not make us servile canon and hide themselves. How

looked up to him he saw that the a friend of the family, named Robert- ridden at the pleasure of every cox-Outward actions can never give a just estimate of us, since there are tween the sobs that made her words for Lawson and the harsh treatment many perfections of a man which are

If this life be unhappy, it is a burden to us which it is difficult to bear; if it we must exist in anxiety and appre-

but looking again we saw, about two either case the result is the same, for hot pursuit. But the pursued imag-The Need of Sleep. "To tell you the truth," remarked a venerable Atlanta physician, "I do the first volley. For one moment the Indians stood astounded, but then not think that a person should ever be waked, except, of course, in special their wild nature came to the rescue. "Be brave, my precious one," he murmurs, while Reine sits there in street. All was still in Shaw's rooms With one accord each man sprung to the nearest cover, a rock or stump. It was useless. Our men ture's rules the closest will receive were perched above them, and for four most of her blessings. A man in his hours every Apache head that showed natural state is healthy and sound. itself below was a target for a dozen He contracts disease or else some one ritles. To us it was a day of reckonaltercation. A crowd assembled about else contracts it for him. The ailing for years of violence, and each ments of the father and mother are man's aim became steadier as he visited upon the children, not because thought of some murdered brother or it is a source of pleasure to the Alfriend. Gradually the fire from the mighty, but because it is nature's law.

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one spot. There, sheltered and inshall have sleep. If it had been in- trenched behind boulders and safe proportion to their weight, and an forests. Continuing, he said to the simple process straightened; but the tended that a man should work from our rifles, lay seven of the Apache "Because," he replies, in low, ago"What!" The squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by thems "I\_I don't under the squire felt hot and old by the squire fel and with a bloody knife besideher, and nature would have made the sun shine without interruption all the time. beasts don't have lights. They are re- and every time the unerring Indians and sleek and the skin soft. When the process is simple. The straw is re-Lights are an innovation. Wild served for man, with his superior intelligence and multiplicity of bodily ailments. Night was made for sleep the rocks from all sides, and their bay- and the hair rough and rusty. and the day for work. The man who onets tossed the bodies of the hated disregards the demands of his mind

enemies in the air. From that fight on was apparent.
"To prisen with the murderer! Off and body for the amount of rest but twelve of the Indians were supwith him to jail!" shouted the threat- which nature claims suffers sooner or posed to have made their escape. We ening throng, and William Shaw was later and pays dearly for having killed in all perhaps 170 men and hurried before a magistrate and at abused this prime rule of health. Na- women; but no loss inflicted on them nurried before a magistrate and at once committed to a cell, charged with once cell with once cell with the cell with once cel once committee to a cen, charged with ever saw. You may overdraw your two brave men. Both the fate of hurriedly caten in the ordinary way. account, but you always pay back the those victims and the fate of last farthing and often give our countrymen who went before the ill-feeling, the broken words of Catharine ("barbarity, brutality, death.") overheard by Morrison and the other broken words of Catharine ("barbarity, brutality, death.") overheard by Morrison and the other broken words of last farthing and often give our countrymen who went before them shall be remembered in the Mexican army until not one A man may think he can steal from living Apache pollutes the fair "Cruel father, you are the cause of nature, but he cannot. As I said, I face of our country." my death. You have killed me!") all do not think a person should be waked officer stopped he rose and left the these proofs left no doubt as to the at morning, and for this reason; when fire. For a moment silence hung over guilt of the unnatural parent. He was a man falls asleep he is in the shop for the party, until Colonel Garcia, turnconvicted, sentenced and hanged in repairs, as the railroad men say. His ing to us with a smile, said: frame and all its intricate machinery young friend does not look like a person who could be very bloodthirsty or is being overhauled and made ready for the next day's work. The wear of savage." "No," we answered. the previous day is being repaired. would, on the contrary, say he had a discovered a letter thrust in a cavity Nature is doing that herself. She nature that was particularly gentle knows what the tired frame needs just and sympathetic." as she knows how to make the heart the colonel, "in that same slaughter throb and send the blood coursing that boy threw aside his repeating through the veins. Then she takes rifle, came out from his ambush and, that tired frame, lays it down on a bed, climbing to the edge of the precipice, hanging of an entirely innocent man became the talk of the excited town. The magistracy of Edinburgh, after a surrounds it with the refreshing air of lifted large rocks and dashed out the danger threatening vineyards from the squaws and papooses that phylloxera. His proposes the phylloxera. His proposes the phylloxera. His proposes the phylloxera and lets the man rest. Tired nature's crouched in the canon below. He revenues and lets the man rest with the control of vertoning the danger threatening vineyards from the dang were made to set matters right. The surrounds it with the refreshing air of lifted large rocks and dashed out the old man, and if we're willing, I don't see as it's anybody else's business. If I make up my mind to marry I mgoing to do it," he added.

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The squire sat and stated at the squaws and papers to square on the squaws and papers to square of the square o rine Shaw's posthumous letter, perfooth entirely and as the hours wear by ms compelled to send three of the men to attack plants thus treated, and are exstance capable of being reduced to larva, living in hollow trees, are equally compelled to send three of the men to attack plants thus treated, and are exfooth entirely a stance capable of being reduced to larva, living in hollow trees, are equally compelled to send three of the men to attack plants thus treated, and are exfooth entirely a stance capable of being reduced to larva, living in hollow trees, are equally compelled to send three of the men to attack plants thus treated, and are exlarva, living in hollow trees, are equally compelled to send three of the men to attack plants thus treated.

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The vines but the plants thus treated are renewed, his strength compelled to send three of the men to attack plants thus treated. comes back, and finally, when morning two brothers were killed a year since tirpated for want of food. The vines pulp—prairie grass, for instance. But sought for an I roasted over fire. But breaks and the sunlight steals through by the Apaches, and he has sworn are in no way injured by the inoculated how can the straw give out? It takes it is especially a large caterpillar called breaks and the suning t steas through the lattice, he opens his eyes and is himself again. Or if he is early to bed he wakes with the cocks crowing. Now who shall go to that man's side Now who shall go to that man's side Now who shall go to that man's side Now are supported by the Apacies, and his revenge." Who of us can say that his process. Chicks need no food for the first straw grows every year. In the Northwest they burn straw in vast can in the cocks crowing. Now who shall go to that man's side to great, and his compared to great the great to

were to be waved above the grave in get up? He has had enough of rest. token of restitution. But it was Well, nature will say, 'you can take him if you will, but I will charge him with an nour's loss of sleep and 11 Episcopal, 79; Presbyterian, 41; Methodist Episcopal, 60; Baptist, 96; Ludout the second week cracked wheat and his hairs and eyesight. You can't theran, 19; Reformed Dutch, 16; Contact the cheat me; I'll find property to levy on. This is the time of the year that the The old masonic law used to be eight young man thinks of joining a boat hours for sleep, eight hours for the club, and, as a preliminary athletic usual vocation and eight hours for the movement, he purchases a pair of service of God. Masonry was operadumb bells. He uses these about five then and the law was carried out. minutes night and morning for two The day was divided into three equal stead of the Jewish Sabbath. or three days, and then leaves them parts, and each part was devoted to a specific purpose and one was sleep and Michigan has 400,000 milch cows. not one bit too much."-Atlanta Con-

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AMBUSHING THE APACHES. THE SUPPRISE BY MEXICAN TROOPS IN THE CASA GRANDE.

he Story of the Fight as Told Over a Mexihave it yet to learn. It is so easy to toward preventing the disorder from can Camp-Fire---Desperation of a Mild-Mannered Captain. acquire and affords so much satisfac-To-day the most admired military tion in the practice that the wonder is man in Northern Mexico is Colonel everybody who owns a few feet of Garcia, and his popularity rests on a ground does not acquaint himself with single success, known as the "Surprise the practice. The preference is now given to f the Casa Grande." No full account of this affair has been published in budding over grafting in the majority of cases-first, because of the great the North, and in view of the recent rapidity with which it may be acco.nexcitement a circumstantial one cannot but have interest. Within four weeks ast past the writer had the good fortune to travel one hundred milesfrom the town of Oposura to the heart of the Sierra Madre mountains—with

plished; second, the more convenient season at which it is done; third, the fact that the operation can be performed without injuring the stock in case of a failure, which is always more or less liable in stocks headed Colonel Garcia, commanding about 500 down for grafting; fourth, the oppormen, and on his way to the Rio Aros country, where he hopel to surprise tunity which it affords, when personne ludian villages. It was after a formed in good season, of repeating earthen pudding dish. Sift together some Indian villages. It was after a long day's march over thirty-five miles | the trial on the same stock. To these of a mountain trail, along which the several advantages may be added: flour, one level teaspoonful of salt and slow, serpentine file of the troops in their white, Turco-looking costumes fruits, such as peaches and apricots, powder. Beat the yolks of four eggs could be seen circling and winding in but which are budded with ease. graceful curves for a mile or more. The bugle had at last sounded the grateful halt for the night, and the nen stacked their arms and camped on a rolling hillock, where the country could be seen for miles around. On each corner of the square in which he troops camped was lighted a fire,

nd in the center stood the solitary tent of the colone.

Description of two party of two grouped our party of two Americans, the commanding officer and the captains. The bright fires showed the Mexican women engaged n making the "tortillas" and cooking 'frijoles" for the scanty meal. The oldiers, forgetful of the day's fatigue and regardless of to-morrow's danger, were some arguing over the trilles that among them always can provoke ar-dent discussion, and others chanting with great display and little musical effect some fervent love song. At in-tervals the rhythmical "Uno," "Dos," Tres," "Quartro," of the tireless picket sentinel rang out clearly. The conversation lagged around the tire,

and the moment seemed opportune to of the incision. If the upper portion get an account from the actors themof the bud projet; above the horizonselves of the Mexican victory at Casa tal part of the T cut it smoothly off Grande. that it may completely fit. Next tie a To our request Colonel Garcia said bandage over the wound, beginning at that he had been witness to only part of the engagement. "But you, captain," he said, turning round, "were leaf only exposed to the air. in the midst of it." The officer spoken to was a tall, slim young man, with the beautiful eyes and delicate, girltropical neighbors. He, courteously drawing his "serape" a little closer, "You must know that not long since hua and New Mexico. The heat for lays had been excessive, and our for this purpose. less. The men were dispirited, their provisions being exhausted, the colonel demandel our return to the mountains and the

June and make considerable growth night. cal day, and the men moved silently under the scorching sun. The ground itself, shaded by the scanty 'mesquite,' seemed to suffer from the heat. We had traveled since daylight, and about soon reached where the trail began to and shame that nobody ever had the climb the mountains through a narrow canon. Here one of our Babispe scouts, who hal been riding in the rear of the file, spurred his Indian pony along the train, and reaching the colonel pointed to a cloud of red dust on the horizon, saying: Apaches!" The column of dust was

are budded late. In all cases it is strain it through a cloth at the final necessary that the bu s be perfectly melting. ten miles off, but our scout was a leveloped in the axils of the leaves on the young shoots intended to bud from warning. Entering the pass the men and the bark must raise freely from were directed to climb the sides of the the stocks to be budded. The chief difficulty experienced by eginners is the proper removal of the rocks, fearing almost to stir in the bud, but a little practice will enable fread that the cunning Indian nature the budder to overcome this with other would scent the trap and balk the ammechanical obstacles. There is no betbush. Almost every man had some ter way to acquire a knowledge of the murder to avenge, some outrage to reletails than to watch an experi as he pay. In two hours the Apaches came goes through the performance of hurrying along to the number of 160 selecting and preparing the buds and warriors, and the squaws following, inserting them .- New York World. driving the stolen stock. To us the haste of the Indians was a mystery,

Form and Garden Notes. Keep ahead of the weeds. hours behind, the American troops in Paise p'enty of parsnips for milch themselves safe, as they had lows. They are one of the best of roots for milk and butter. reached the mountains. Unsuspectingly they crowded through the pass It does not take a great deal o until our bugle gave the signal for slovenly management on an ordinary sized farm to waste \$1,000 a year. Sweet butter cannot be male from ream under which why and thick our milk have formed. The moment whey forms it has passed the point of Curry horses frequently in spring to the uses to which it may be put."

tid in removing their old coat. A small quantity of oilmeal added to reporter that nearly 70,000,000 rail- cut in the edge. When the stick has their feed will also greatly assist in its road ties are used yearly, and that he removal. Discontinue this when the had started to invent a substitute for working season begins. A good guide for feeding grain to attention was first attracted to the

mimal weighing 1,000 pounds may re- reporter: The coat of a horse is one of the country where paper, straw, prairie times the bugle sound d the charge; surest indications of his state of health. grass and other fibrous substances are three times were our men driven back, If in good health the hair is smooth converted into straw board. The claimed one dead soldier each. On the system is deranged the skin loses its duced to pulp and run into boards.

When horses eat their oats too My invention utilizes straw board. the cane is pulled slowly and gradually capidly the evil may be checked by The cross tie is constructed of sheets placing some clean cobblestones in or layers of paper or straw board, lail the box. The horse will thus be com- one upon another, cemented and compelled to pick his oats slowly, masti- pressed into molds. It makes a perfect cate them more thoroughly, and they A lamb saved now may be worth dollars next fall. What is called "bad luck" in raising lambs is sometimes bad management, or no management at all. If the sheep are healthy, nearly every one well formed should be raised, and nothing pays the owner better than close, personal attention to

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A writer says that he has never failed to cure garget by the use of decayed so that the spikes that held tion of Southeastern Africa. Toward meal, mixed with other meal, for four successive days, and has found that quantity sufficient to cure the worst cases. He thinks if cows were fed with beanmeal several times a year they plenty of 'give' to the paper tie, so would never be troubled with garget. that the rolling stock of a railread will iiscovered a method of overcoming the and weigh a little more than wood."

Who of us can say that his process. less you disturb the chicks and brooding hen the better. After they begin to take food feed them on hard-boiled be adopted before long from sheer ne-The 500 churches in New York city are distributed among the denominations as follows: Roman Catholics, 19); green food. Milk scalded into curd tions as follows: Roman Catholics, 19); welcan be adopted before long from sheer hes nis." Whenever it appears in large cessity. We can't go on chopping numbers the negroes march out in full down trees forever. The paper tie force from their villages, camping out dealens sound. It's a pretty good for weeks in the wilderness to gather tions as 10 nows: 10 man catholics, 130, makes an excellent food for chicks; thing, I guess, eh?" asked the in- and cure the crop. After the intestines gregational, 6; Universalist, 5; Unital low, whole wheat grains. Cracked nails. rian 3; miscellaneous, 30. There are corn is not fit for young chicks, as it also 19 Jewish synagogues and tem- sours. Never give bread soaked in

the commonest and about the best an ounce. At the commencement of phibia of all sorts, even frogs and remedy it has ever tried for this the Christian era there was in the lizards not being touched by them in ma'ady is using common kerosene oil world \$427,000,000 in gold. This had times of starvation.—American Natucapable of producing products of the or else crude coal oil, anointing the dimin shed to \$57,000,000 at the time ralist. legs with it, and one application, if a America was discovered, when it thorough one and worked well under began to increase. Now the amount vear more than 1,600 horses were cut The Florida ship canal will be twenty the scales of the legs, will effect a cure of gold in use is estimated to be pear more than 1,600 horses were cut of gold in use is estimated to be up as beef in Berlin.

THE FARM AND HOUSEHOLD. work, and more than that is apt to make the legs swollen, and it persisted | HOW MANUFACTURED AND All farmers, it is natural to suppose, in will render the legs useless. Ocknow the art of budding, but begin- casional smearing of the perches with ners there are in large numbers who coal oil, say once a month, will go far

> naking its appearance. Recipes.

RICE PANCAKES .- Have ready a pint of rice, boiled quite soft; sift torether a pint of flour and one teaspoonful each of baking powder and salt; beat three eggs and mix them with a pint of milk; before putting these ingredients together, see that the griddle is hot; then mix the pancakes and begin to bake them at once : if the first ones seem too stiff, add a little more milk to the pancake batter; serve the pancakes hot, as fast as they are baked. half a pound or two level capfuls of

Budding is preferred for all stone a heaping teaspoonful of baking which require extra skill in grafting, to a cream and the whites to a stiff froth. Mix the the yolks smoothly Budding, in its nature and effects, with the flour, then stir in a pint of differs not in the least from grafting. milk, and, last of all, quickly and Each bud is a distinct individual, lightly mix in the beaten whites. Work capalle of becoming a tree unler very fast; put the batter into the pudfavorable circumstances. In grafting ding dish the moment it is smooth and a branch composed of several buds is set the dish at once in quick but not One year it was to walk with a spring employed with a considerable quantity too hot oven. Bake the pudding threeof bark and woo', while in budding quarters of an hour. Serve it as soon but a single bud with a small quantity as it is done, either with powdered of the adjoining bark and wood is sugar or with any good pudding-sauce. and thumb, correctly balanced, so as CELERY FRITTERS. - Pick and What is known as shield or T-bud wash some thick, well-shaped ding is largely practiced by our best celery roots, cut off the tops to poinologists. Having decided on the part to be budded, select a smooth spot and make an unright incision in the and make an upright incision in the hour in boiling water. Take them bark from one inch to one and a half out and throw at once into fresh inches long and at the top of this make a cross cut, so that the whole drawn cold water. When quite cold drawn them well and the lightly todrain them well and tie lightly tocut a thin, smooth slice of wood and gether in bundles of four; put a small shall form a T. From a stick of buds bunch of parsley, some pieces of rounded end of the knife next raise the lacon, a little salt and some good bark containing a bud. With the bark on each side of the incision just white stock into a stewpan; lay in the wide enough to admit the prepared bud. Taking hold of the footstalk of the land invested by t the leaf insert the bud under the bark, fully to prevent it breaking, drain pushing it gently down to the bottom well; then dip ea h piece in a batter,

## to table on a folded napkin.

and fry a delicate golden color. On

the bottom and tying firmly above, leaving the end and foot-stalk of the CLEANING PAPERED WALLS .--In about a fortnight after the bud-Papered walls are cleaned by being wiped down with a flannel cloth tied ding its success or failure will be apparent. If it has succeeded and the over a broom or brush. Then cut off stock is a good deal is wollen, loosen or a thick piece of stale bread with the remove the bandage. If it has failed crust on, and rub them down with this. and the bark still parts readily, make Begin at the top and go straight down. another trial. Strings for tying in the SMELL OF PAINT .- To get rid of ir they are prepared from the bark of this most objectionable odor, slice a ance is so peculiar that their owner the basswood. A poor quality of cot- few onions and put them in a pail of ton wicking is also a suitable material | water in the center of the room; close | leave the window open a No specified time can be given for little, and in a few hours the disagreebudding fruit trees, for much depends able smell will have almost gone. Anon the age, condition and location of other method is to plunge a handful of the tree, maturity of the buds, the sea- hay into a pailful of water, and let it

son, etc. Buds may be inserted in standinto the newly-painted room over the same season, as they do in the Whitening Beeswax .- My way, says South, but, as a general thing, this is a writer in an exchange, is to make the not desirable in the propagation of wax and pour it while hot into a quanfruit trees. The ordinary season in tity of the coldest water I can get; the the Northern States is from the middle | cold | water sets it quickly and it will of July until the middle of September, look like a large sponge; then take out and the earliness at which a species is of the water and lay it in a sunny budded depends-other things being place out of doors, leaving it there unequa'-on the condition of its growth. til white enough to suit, occasionally Those accomplishing their growth turning it over. It bleaches in a short early in the season are budded early time. Then melt again and mold it and those that grow until the autumn into any desired shape. Sometimes I

> Paper Railroad Ties. A tall man, with sharp features and a thoughtful air, sat in a small study, in New York, and gazed gravely at a brown object that lay at his feet.

The Sun reporter lifted it with some difficulty. It was of very close fiber, and so highly polished that it resembled 103ewood. Its inventor tapped it with

his nail, and said: "It doesn't look much like paper, does it?" "It seems more like iron. Is it possible that it is made of paper ?" "Oh, yes; almost anything can be made of paper. A paper ball can be rendered so solid that nothing will indent it but a diamond tool. Car wheels are now made of paper. Its strength ever, have to go through a process of is astonishing. You can suspend 339 poun's from a Bank of England note, which are a mystery to the uninitiated. and it will not part. Bath tubs, pots, plates, knives, forks, cooking stoves, printing presses, steam engines and

the wooden cross-tie or sleeper. His

There are scores of mills in the fourth charge our men swarmed over pliancy, the surface is hard and dry These straw boards are sold all over the country as substitutes for wood. cross tie. It is practically water and changes have no effect on it. It can be made as cheap as wood of the present time and will last at least twenty-five years. One paper tie will outwear five wooden ones, and will render better service, because it does not rot and there is no danger of spreading rails. The accident to the Long Branch train last year was due,

the rails were loose." "Will the paper tie take a spike? It seems like iron.' "It will take a spike as readily as wood, and hang to it, too. There is banana leaves, while, within this cover, A French chemist claims to have not suffer. They are of uniform size, ber of white ants, males and females,

plications at the furthest will do the FACTS CONCERNING CANES.

MATERIALS USED.

he Changing Fashions in Walling Sticks-Where the First Canes Came From-Nau-neberry Sticks from New Jersey Swamps. The horrible habit of Americans of putting their hands in their pockets has led to the popularity of canes in this country. The Japanese gentleman shows appreciation to the same feeling when his costume is incomolete-without his shutting fan, which he hangs at his belt, over his right shoulder, or in the breast folds of his silken gown.

The fashion of carrying canes, however, among the swells an I lah-de-dah lads of New York has each season its rules, which are observed with as much exquisite punctilio as those of ladies who wear a poke bonnet one year and a scoop hat the next. Most of these fashions originate in Europe. A year or two ago there were two styles-the shepherd's crook, shaped like a fishhook, and a Zulu crook, a plain, curved handle. When our fathers were lads the whalebone cane was the proper thing. Now they are so scarce that they are worth to the dealer from \$3 to \$3.50. Last year the fashion was to carry a silver ball cane. Then there is a style in carrying a cane, and this varies each year. gait, with lent knees and arms akimbo as far forward as possible, and the cane was held between one finger to swing gracefully. Then came the æsthetic style. The cane was held in front of the body by the first and second fingers of both hands, and was allowed to hang limp, while the el bows were still further forward, and the shoulders, if possible, more round. Then there was a fashion last year of holding the ferule down. This year it is to hold it in the middle, with the ferule to the front.

The material is as various as can

well nigh be conceived of. Many are

of imported woods; some from the tropics, China and the East Indies. The celebrated Whongee canes are from China, where they are well known and celebrated for the regularity of their joint , which are the points from which the leaves are given off, no account let it be too dark. If posand the stems of a species of phylsible just glaze the top lightly the inlosiachys, a gigantic grass, closely stant before serving, and send quickly allied to the bamboo. The orange and lemon are highly prized, and are imported chiefly from the West Indies. and perfect specimens command enormous prices. The orange stick is known by its beautiful green bark, with fine white longitudinal markings, and the lemon by the symmetry of its proportions and both prominence and regularity of its knots. Myrtle sticks possess also a value, since their appearwould seldom fail to recognize them. They are imported from Algeria. stick is an The rajah grown in Borneo, and takes its name from the fact that the rajah will not unless a heavy duty is paid. These canes, known as palm canes, are distinguished by an angular and more or less flat appearance. Their color is brownish, spotted, and they are quite straight, with neither knob nor curl. They are the petioles of leaf stalks of the date palm. Perhaps the most celebrated of the foreign canes are the Malacca, being the stems of the calamus sceptonum, a slender climbing palm, and not growing about Malacca, as the name would seem to indicate, but imported from Stak, on the opposite coast of Sumatra. Other foreign canes are of ebony, rosewood, partridge or hairwood and cartus, which, when the pith is cut out,

present a most novel appearance, hollow and full of holes. The manufacture of canes is by no means the simple process of cutting "It is a paper railroal cross tie," he | the sticks in the woods, peeling off the bark, whittling down the knots, sandpapering the rough surface, and adding a touch of varnish, a curiously carved handle or head, and tipping the end with a ferule. In the sand flats of New Jersey whole familie; support themselves by gathering nanneberry sticks, which they gather in the swamps, straighten with an old vise, steam over an old kettle, and, perhaps, scrape down or whittle into size. These are packed in large bundles to New York city and sold to the cane factories. Many imported sticks, howstraightening by mechanical means, They are buried in hot sand until the y become pliable. In front of the heap of hot sand in which the sticks are chimneys are made of paper nowa-days, and there is absolutely no limit to to six feet long. fixed at an the uses to which it may be put."

The inventor proceeded to tell the and having two or more notches become perfectly pliable the workman places it on one of the notches, and, bending it in the opposite direction to which it is naturally bent, straightens it. Thus, sticks, apparently crooked, bent, warped and worthless are by this

most curious part of the work is observed in the formation of the crook or curl for the handles, which are not naturally supplied with a hook or knob. The workman places one end pipe on the part which is to be bent. When sufficient heat has been applied, round until the hook is completely formed, and then secured with a string An additional application of heat serves to bake and permanently fix the curl. The under part of the handle is frequently charred by the action of tho gas, and this is rubbed down with sandpaper until the requisite degree of smoothness is attained. - Chicago

Times. Mr. Max Buchner's "Contributions

to the Ethnography of the Bantus" contains the following interesting notes which show that insects are by according to official investigation, to no means despised as food by this tribe spreading rails. The wooden ties had of negroes, which inhabit a large porthe end of the rainy season, in April, when the white ants are swarming. the conical buildings of these insects are covered with a dense matting of vessels are placed with funnel-shaped entrance. In these vessels a vast numare caught and roasted on the spot. "ugoungoo," which is harvested by the in packages of fresh leaves. To a civilized taste they are most disgusting, the smell reminding one of that of our ples and a mixed congregation of freethinking Hebrews and other elements
that holds its meetings on Sundays inthat holds its meetings on Sundays inthe Poultry Monthly says of "scab
a cubic foot, \$362,380; a cubic yard, tom it seems to be strange that the that holds its meetings on Sundays in leg," "scaly leg" or poultry itch, that \$9,797,762. This is valuing it at \$18 Bantas refuse to eat snakes and am-