Selt on Heavy Soll.

A correspondent asks if salt would be beneficial on I eavy soil, to which an editorial reply says probably hardly enough to pay for applying. This is the right answer, in my opinion, in the majority of cases. Upon a wet or very moist soil, whether heavy or light, I would not use sait at all, but from an experience of about thirty years, during which time I used from 50 to 150 barrels annually upon soil, a portion of which was heavy, but dry, I found salt a great benefit, as by means of it the soil was kept moist, soft, and so much more adhesive, that it did not crack even in a long drouth. as dry, heavy soil is sure to do at such a time, and is very likely to do in an ordinary dry time; basides which I realized its benefits in destroying worms, preventing rust, securing a full berry of grain, stiffening the straw, assimilating the latent plant food, and bringing it into an available condition, &c., as when applied on light soil.

[Corres. Country Gentleman.

Sheep in the Fall.

It is the experience of old sheep men that sheep kept in good condition chrough the fall, are not only enabled to stand the winter much better, but that sheep kept in good condition chrough the fall, are not only enabled to stand the winter much better, but yield a much larger percentage of wool the following spring. If the pasturage has been good they will, by fall, be in good condition generally, and the owner who keeps them so until the coming of winter, will profit at the business. When the frosts come and blight the grass, its nutritive qualities are so diminished that sheep will lose flesh, unless a little something extra is given them. A little grain, cut pumphins, the run of a turnip patch, or any other green food at command—anything to keep them in a thrifty, growing state—should be given them twice a day at the close of the vegetable season. Especially does this advice apply to breeding ewes. If permitted to run down during the fall, its effect will be sure to show itself at lambing time in a stunted progeny, even if the ewes succeed in weathering it through them selves. Poor sheep are bad stock at any time, but especially now, when none but good sheep will pay. Common sense would, therefore, prompt every man to cull his flock, pick out the poor, the old, the lame, the halt and the blind, separate them from the others, and fatten them in a pen by themselves. It is astonishing how rapidly they will fatten in this way. Only give them a little meal, or even shelled corn, twice a day, with good hay and plenty of water, and they will fatten more easily than a hog. At all events, dispose in some way of all such as are too old to be profitable, and thus have your flock composed of none but the best, and the next year's clip of wool and frisky lambs will fully demonstrate the wisdom of your course. dom of your course.

Storing Vegetables.

To enjoy palatable and wholesome vegetables during the winter months, proper care and attention are just as essential in harvesting and storing a in cultivating. Roots and vegetables—as most of them generally are—thrown promiscuously in heaps about the cellar, very soon lose their freshness and flavor, from the fact that most of house cellars are too warm for the purpose. For storing a limited quantity for immediate use, it may be very well to make such storing a limited quantity for immediate use, it may be very well to make such use of the cellar; but the main portion should be stored either in the barn, or in a pit out of doors. The latter is easily made by digging a trench some three feet wide and as many in depth, and as long as necessary, to accommodate the quantity to be stored—taking care to select a spot where no water can stand. On the approach of winter the pit is then to be filled up to a level of the surrounding ground, with the roots and vegetables to be wintered—placing the same in narrow partitions, made with straw between the different kinds, so that each may be taken out sepaso that each may be taken out sepa-rately on going to use. These divisions have the additional advantage of making have the additional advantage of making the bulk of each smaller, and thus preventing the danger of being injured by heating. The pit, with its contents, is then to be covered first with short poles laid across, and then with as much earth as will protect them from the weather until about the first of December, when the earth-covering should be increased to about a foot and a-half in depth, and sufficiently rounding at top to shed off the rain.

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Where a pit is not practicable, the roots—such as beets, turnips, carrots and the like—may be placed loosely in barrels, set in the cellar and covered with sand, to exclude them completely from the light. Onions, not being so easily affected by cold, may be piled in the corner of an outhouse or barn and covered with sawdust, chaff or cut straw, as either is most convenient. Sweet potatoes are usually kept in houses built expressly for the purpose, the main things being to have them perfectly dry before storing, and the temperature of the room to be kept not lower than 60 degrees.

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Common or Irish potatoes for family use should be stowed away in barrels, fitting the interstices with sun-dried sand, and the barrels set away in some dark room or cellar; care, however, sand, and the Darreis set away in some dry, dark room or cellar; care, however, being taken when digging to leave them exposed as little as possible to the sunlight, as they are apt to acquire a a bitter principle, which gives them, when cooked, a disagreeable, nauseat-ing taste.

Kept in the above manner they are not likely to become shriveled, and will retain the freshness of newly-dug potatoes, and show very little disposi-tion to percut until late in the season.

FOR THE FAIR SEX.

Fashion Notes.

A new tint of white is called mag-nolia.

Cord lacings for fastening long kid gloves are gaining favor.

Shoulder capes shirred at the neck are worn by slender women.

White Danish kid gloves of exag-gerated length are worn by bridesgera.

moire silk, trimmed with black ad black lace, is worn for half White m

A novel ornament for "porte-bon-neurs" is a small hump-backed figure in heurs" is a sma silver or gold.

Garnet jewelry is gradually creeping back into fashion again, and the price of the stones has advanced.

Among the new lingerie are Byron collars of fine needlework done on linen cambric, with turned-over ruffs to match.

Colored ribbon, from one-half to an inch in width, is worn around the waist, and tied in a bow with very long

A handsome reception dress is of dark strawberry red velvet, with ficelle figures, made up in combination with plain velvet, and trimmed with ficelle lace or embroidery in designs like that of ficelle.

A new color has been added to the already extended list of novel artistic shades. It is called honeysuckle, and in one light is of a delicate rosy pink, and in another throws out a delicious

golden hue.

In the arrangement of the coiffure heavy bangs, "Montagues," or thick rings of hair, are now considered "bad form" by the most fashionable people, and only the lightest, babyish fluff of hair now shades the forehead.

Ribbon in velvet, moire and satin are worn in the greatest profusion on dressee and mantles as sashes, flat-bows for draping scarfs and tunics, papillon bows scattered over flounces and puffings, and loops pendant over kiltings, peeping from amid waves of lace or forming the edge to the bodice and tunic.

"Pomponette," a plush fabric used last season by Parisian dressmakers and milliners, will be largely used next season for parts of costumes, garniture, etc. It appears in the new round raised balls with the pile longest in the middle, and represents row after row of flossy pompons on the satin background. It is a frail fabric, and is only durable in the best qualities, where the long pile is very closely woven into the back of thickly twilled satin

A Female Cattle Reporter.

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One of the most noted women in New York journalism is Miss Middy Morgan, who does the cattle reports for some four New York papers, among them the Times and Tribune. She has acquired a fund of knowledge of cattle and horses, both on the farm and turf, which may be envied by the most experienced male sportsman. Her journalistic career dates from an interview with Horace Greeley, whose rather jocose allusion to the need of a reporter of cattle sales was turned to earnest account. Miss Morgan is descended from an old family of Irish gentry, and away back in her girlhood days she was the best horseback rider in all Ireland. She is an immensely tall woman, six feet two inches in height, and her shoulders are broad and square, so that she looks much like a man in disguise. Sne has a fair and delicate complexion, despite constant exposure to the elements, and her eyes are blue and very expressive.

Jean Ingelow.

Jean Ingelow, when at home, resides at Kensington, near London. Her home and the surroundings are delightful, and on her reception days her drawing-room is thronged. The guests, upon entering the house, are shown into a large, cheerful room on the left of the hall, where, in a broad window, the usual afternoon tra was spread. After partaking of their tea standing, they repair to the drawing room, on the opposite side of the hall. Here, standing beside an oriental divan, is the hostess, a small, slight woman, of perhaps 40 years, with a pleasant manner and a quiet, somewhat timid smile. Her eyes are bright and expressive, and her heir, slightly tinged with gray, is drawn smoothly back from her forehead, under a head dress of muslin and lace, and her dress is simplicity itself. As the room slowly fills numbers of the company pass out into the balcony and wander about the grounds and gardens, but throughout the hours the hostess is at her post. is at her post.

The Chinese Compositer.

The Chinese compositer cannot sit at his case as our printers do, but must walk from one case to another constantly, as the characters needed cover such a large number that they cannot be put into anything like the space used in the English newspaper office. In setting up an ordinary piece of manuscript, the Chinese printer will walts up and down the room for a few moments and then go down stairs for a line of lower case. Then he takes the elevator and goes up into the third story after some caps, and then out into the woodshed for a handful of astonishers. The successful Chinese compositor doesn't need to be so very intelligent, but he must be a good pedestrian. He may work and walk around over the building all day to set up a stickful, and then half the people in this country couldn't read it after all.

Immense Electric Balloon.

The large electric balloon projected by M. Tissandier, is to have the following dimensions: The electric machine is to weigh five cwt., and the secondary batteries seventeen cwt., representing about five horse power. These will be carried by an elliptical balloon of a volume of 106,000 cubic feet. The balloon is to be 131 feet long, and its diameter in the centre 60.7 feet. The balloon would have a lifting power of 3½ tons, and, consequently, would be able to support one ton weight of passengers, ballast, &c., besides the batteries and machinery.

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With the air calm its speed would be from twelve miles to fifteen miles per hour, which, of course, could be maintained for only a few hours. M. Tiesandier intends constructing such a balloon shortly, and undertaking voyages with it over and around Paris. The problem of aerial navigation can by no means be considered as solved with this balloon. Even if the first experiments should not give satisfactory results, some advantage will be gained by the general evidence they will supply of the practicability of the idea.

A Prosperous State.

The tax returns for the State of Georgia for the present year confirms the claims put forth of the prosperous condition of that State. These returns show an increase of \$16,255,515 over the total value of last year. The value of farming lands has increased \$4,000,000, while there is an increase of \$5,000,000 in town and city property. In cotton manufactories there is an increase of over \$1,000,000, but this does not fairly show the boom in this line, as there are show the boom in this line, as there are in course of erection cotton factories which will cost several millions of dollars, which were not subject to as-sessment this year.

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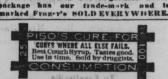


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