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Reports of the Markets, Telegraphic Dispatches. Local News, and Ceneral inteligence.

From the New York Citizen. LIGHTNING AND ITS CURIOSITIES.

The frequency and violence of thunder storms, and the many catastrophes that have attended them, have of late excited general apprehension, and reopened the old discussion about lightning conductors and other devices for safety. It is remarkable that recently observed phenomena refute not a few old and firmly trusted expedients, and suggest the utility of accepting all, or nearly all, of the time honored notions on the subject, with caution. Thus it has been held that feathers afford ab solute protection, yet a woman has been killed at St. Louis by a stroke of lightning while lying or a feather bed. It has been thought that intervening glass insures safety; but an instance has occurred of a person being struck who was sitting by a closed window. Iron and copper conductors have been depended upon; but persons have been killed in houses provided with rods and believed to be quite secure. The explanation of the first inadequacy appears to be that the protection of the feather bed is insufficient unless the head is covered by some non-conducting substance. As regards window glass, it seems that during lightning the inner panes of closed windows acquire an opposite electricity to the outside, whence any conducting body is likely to concentrate the action on the inside. On the other hand, it is indisputable that all draughts of air are is deductions peculiarly untrustworthy. conductors, and therefore should be Only within a very short time have

avoided. The great danger, it should always act as if they knew-that the electrical be remembered, from the electric fluid fluid does not descend alone from above (except when surrounded by non con- in vertical lines, but approaches horiductors,) lies in isolation, and this not- zontally, and even some times from withstanding the curious and appar- below. The fact that houses with-THING Neat, Tasty, Beautiful, and ently contradictory fact that nine per- out lightning rods have of late been sons were prostrated simultaneously frequently passed over without injury the other day by the lightning at a during storms, while adjacent houses place on Long Island, We seldom with those provisions have been more hear of accidents in great cities where or less affected, must mevitably have numerous houses are crowded togeth- serious influence in destroying confier, or at wharves where there are dence in a device formerly thought mnay ships, or in woods where there so effectual. It would be matter for are many trees. The aggregation of public congrat ulations if the country gathering of antagoinstic vereres the which prosessed a Franklin should, to a degree adequate to destructive liant, but in others dubious and undischarges. It is the solitary house satisfactory stage of electrical developor tree, the lofty and lonely church- ment and investigation, produce a steple, the solitary traveler plodding powerful and thoroughly trained thinkacross a plain, that is in the greatest er, who, by devoting his exclusive atperil, and in whose behalf, consequetly, the greatest precaution should be adopted. Now, it has been urged, knowledge into the light of a more in view of the frequent failures of lightning rods as protectors, that good rods, scientifically applied, are really sufficient for their purpose; that failures arise from ignorant or bungling part of the most singular will on recapplication, or bad materials, or disre- cord. The maker of the will is rep gard of some of those precautionary resented to be a shrewd, successful details, so carefully set forth ln Lyon's buisness man, who has accumulated "Treatise on Lightning Conductors," quite a large fortune. He exhibits no which have the endorsement of the other signs of insanity than may be Scientific American; but, after all, there derived from the extreme eccentricity is abundant reason to assume; and this of his will, although it is probable on the same principle of distribution courts will, in due course, be called already referred to, that a metalic upon to determine the question wheth roof, whether of tin zinc, or lead, er the testator was of sound disposing connecting by spours of similar metal mind. with wells, or with the earth, is as perfect continuation of metal pipes in-

TERMS-In Advance: \$7.00 ly explained, especially by the allegat however unique his nature; but the

immunity; but many women in France all my life been taught to believe that are very much exposed, and these are everything in and about man was injust the women who do not wear si.k | tend d to be useful; and that it was dresses. Moreover, it is affirmed man's duty, as lord of animals, to prothat in many cases the fluid, falling tect all the lesser species, even as God on a group of both sexes, has picked protects and watches over him. For out the males. It would appear from these two combined reason-first, that this that during thunder storms, if at my body even after death may con no other time, the ladies may, with tinue to be made useful; and secondly rational delicacy, give up the places of that it may be made instrumental as most approved security to their male far as possible in furnishing a substicompanions. Apart from this discrim- tute for the protection of the bodies of ination of sexes, the lightning exhibits my dear friends, the cat-I do hereby still other preferences. Wonderful as devise and bequeath the intestines of it seems, there are persons who have my body to be made up into fiddle been struck by it several times during strings, the proceeds to be devoted to their lives; and, what is more astonis- the purchase of an accordeon, which ing still, one such person has been shall be played in the auditorium of struck by lightning three times in three the Cat Infirmary by one of the regudifferent dwellings. He has the con- lar nurses to be selected for that pur solation of knowing that the frequency pose exclusively-the playing to be of these visitations seems to deprive kept up forecer and ever without them of their fatal character-for we cessation day and night, in order that believe he still survives-but yet the the cats may have the privilege of al chance of being struck by lightning, ways hearing and enjoying that in so often made a jest of, because in any strument which is the nearest approach individual case so unlikely, must al- to their natural voice." ways in his case be uncomfortably

pers, from scientific sources, on electri- Journal. cal phenomena, coupled with late notorious refutations by nature, not only of the superstitions of the ignorant, but of the elaborate conclusion of savans, leads us to the belief that the present state of human knowledge on this ted their minds; and hold up as a maxmysterious and most interesting subject men known-or, at least, begun to tention to the subject might lead us out of the mists and clouds of our half

perfect day.

SINGULAR WILL. Yesterday we heard of and read

The will disinherits all the natura good a protection against lightning as heirs of the maker of it, and devises a dwelling can have. It is admitted the entire property in trust for the by experts that in houses so provided, establishment of an Infirmary for Cats the efficiency of lightning protectors A most elaborate architectual plan for proper, is impaired by the preponder | the necessary building is attached to ance of conducting surface on the roof and made part of the will. It proand down the side of the building; and vides areas for that sweet amatory as the application of such rods, un- converse so dear to the feline heart der such circumstances, looks very and rat holes of the most ravishing namuch like gilding refined gold and ture, to be kept well stocked. The painting the lily, we may ask why most ingenious contrivances are proapply them at alt? Steinmetz, a very | vided for securing to the rat a chance good authority, seems to think the for escape, so that the cat may not best lightning conductor to be lead or lose the pleasure of the chase by findcopper on the ridge of the roof, with | ing their prey come too easily. High walls are to be built, with gentle sloping roofs, for the moon-light There is no doubt that certain indi- promenade and other no:tural amuseviduals are far more likely to be in- ments of the cats. The trustees are jured by lightning than the mass of directed to select the grounds for this their fellow-beings; and hence, if such Infirmary in the most populous part susceptibility is apprehended, and can of some American city, and the deviby any means be verified, it is highly sees are to be protected by a compeimportant that such person should tent force of nurses from the ravages have recourse to extraordinay protect- of men and dogs. No person of the ives. That women are less obnoxious male sex is ever to be admitted withto the fluid, or less attractive to it, in the walls, and no female who has than the men, is established by abun- children or is under thirty years old. dant statistical evidence. The French There are hundreds of minute direc-

tables-the most minute of which we tions which we have no time to note. have any knowledge-give the casu- One would suppose that in the forealities to women at less than one-third going provisions the testator had ex of those to men. The fact is various- hausted all eccentricities of one man, tion that men are more exposed than last provision of the will seems more H. BERNARD, by the latter give them comparative before. Says the devisor: "I have ton.

If any journal can give us information of a more singular will than this, An examination of many recent pa- we should like to hear it .- Ohio State

CLEVER WOMEN. There is an unaccountable antipathy to clever women. Almost all men profess to be afraid of vlue stockingsim. that there is no safety in matrimony, or even in the ordinary intercourse ridges, two feet or a little more apart, or society, except with females of by throwing two light furrows togethmanaged than a woman of spirit and avoiding clever women. But I am man should marry beneath the rank to secure them ? I rather apprehend that cowardige in this case, as in most danger, As for the rest of the argument, I would be far from saying that to marry a woman much superior to one's self in intellect, is a direct way to happiness. I must insist, however, that there is more safety for a man of well regulated feelings, in the partnership of a superior than of an inferior woman. In the former case, I verily believe, his own understanding is likely to be more highly estimated than in the other, In the first place, he is allowed the credit of having had the sense at least to choose a good wife. In the second, he has counsel and example always at hand, for the im proved society. The very superiorty, however, of his wife insures that she will be above showing off to the disadvantage of her husband; she will rather seek to conceal his faults, and supply his deficiencies, for her own

When the good and the lovely die, the memory of their grod deeds, like, well as quality of food. The philosothe moonbeams on the stormy sea, lights up out darkened bearts and lends it is a field of inquiry which will pay to the surrounding gloom a beauty so as richly for investigation as any the sad and so sweet that we would not, farmers can explore. if we could, dispel the darkness that

The name of the thimble is said to have been derived from "thumbell," and composted with lime or unleached having been first worn on the thumb ashes. as the sailor thimble still is. It is of a Dutch invention, and was in:roduced into England in 1606 by John women, and that the silk dresses worn outrageously bizarre than any that go Lofting, who manufactured it at Islang. on an eminence, where one minute

AGRICULTURAL. From the Hillsboro Recorder. HOW TO RAISE TURNIPS.

As a score or more of farmers, old and young, have asked me to give them my plan for raising turnips, I am vain enough to think my plan a good one, and that the public will be benefitted by learning it through your columns. But, as Naaman and Syrian "went away very wroth" because he prophet Elisha did not bid him "do some great thing :" to make him do so simple and old fogy a thing as "wash and be chan;" so perhaps will your readers be disappointed when they learn how simple and easy my way of raising turnips is. Simplas it is, however, I made by it in fs on five-sevenths of an acre, 500 bath els measured and put up for wi use, after having used from the pare for my table from --- ly in the season till the time of taking them up (about the middle of November). In 1868. I made from one acre, 450 bushels for winter use, having led to my hogs beforehand, 100 bushels I think, or thereabouts.

My plan is to make the land rich with good, well-rotted stable manure; plow deep; harrow and cross-harrow until every clod is broken and the manure is thoroughly incorporate with the soil. Let this be done by the 1st that is, of women who have cultiva- and 20th, when the soil comes into good plowing condition after a season, with a one-horse turning plow make plain understandings. The general er. Knock off the top of the ridge idea seems to be that a duil ordinary with a hoe handle, or bean pole, or woman, or even a fool, is more easily better still, a light hand plow with a bit not more than 21 inches wide, run sense, and that the acquirements of a furrow on the flattened ridge an the husband ought never to be obvious- inch and a quarter deep (better under ly interior to those of the wife. If that depth than over it ;) sprinkle in these propositions were true, there this furrow No. 1 Peruvian Guano at would be some show of reason for the rate of 100 pounds to the acre; cover the Guano with a noe or rake. afraid they rest on no good grounds then, just over the covered guano, Hardly any kind of a fool can be so open a furrow, or rather barely make easily managed as a person of even a mark with some light implement, first rate intellect; while the most of (a sharpened bean pole or a bean pole the species are much more untractable. with a twenty penny nail driven into A dull fool is sure to be obstinate; ob- it will answer) not over a half inch so that the husband is every day pro- cover ;- with the back of severy woked to find that she will fully with- paddle sharply, so as to press the soil hold him from acting rightly in the around the seed. In three or four most trifling; and perhaps also the days the seed will be up, and the flea most important things. Then the bug on the ground ready to "gobble" volatile fool is full of whim and ca- them down. You may keep off his price, and utterly defies every attempt attack for a short time by sprinkling that may be made by her husband to the plants when the dew is on them guide her aright. In one case his life with soot, dry dirt from an old house embittered for days, perhaps, by the (if the saltpetre-makers did not use it sulkiness of his partner; in the other, all for another purpose,) quick time he is chagrined by the fatal conse- or Baugh's Raw Bone Phosphate. In quences of her levity. Are these re- ten days the plant, under tavorable sults so much to be desired, that a circumstances, will be beyond the reach of the flea-bug. If the soil is of his own understanding, in order free from grass and weed seed, you will make a good crop of turnips, after thinning to six inches without iurothers, is only the readiest way to ther work; but a much better crop, most likely twice the amount by giving them thorough cultivation, first with the hand plow and hoe, and next with the bull tongue plow, when the plants have attained sufficient size . W. B. LYNCH.

NATURAL CULTIVATION .- He that cultivates well and keeps the soil stirred and loose in his orchard, has his ground nearer'a state of nature than the slovenly man who pretends to take nature for his guide, and allows the weeds and the grass to grow in his orchard; allows the sun to bake and he rains to beat the soil as hard as a country road. In a natural state, trees and plants get natural cultivation, so to speak, that is to say, they are close together and their leaves and branches shade the ground so the sun cannot bake it, the leaves and branches also break the force of the rain and prevent the ground from being beaten credit. Now, what sense a fool has, down; but more than all, the yearly she must always show it, even though | crops of leaves and decaying branches sure to excite ridicule from its being fall to the ground and remain there, torming a natural mulch, which keeps the ground loose and porous.

Animals require quantity as well as phy of feeding our farm stock has been but little attended to by farmers ; yet

Muck should never be taken to the field direct from the swamp. It should be exposed to the atmosphere for six months or more, the longer the better,

In ploughing or teaming on the road in hot weather, always rest the horses will be worth two in a warm valley.