MARDI GRAS.

HOW LENT IS USHERED IN AT NEW ORLEANS.

The Climax of More Than a Week's Series of Festivities-The Ar-"ival of Rex - Grand Pa--- radeof Floats.

ULIAN RALPH says in Harper that on mardi gras, the day before the beginning of Lent, is the time to be in New Orleans, particularly for a stranger, because in the scenes of the carnival"is found the key to the character of the people. They are not like the rest of us; Our so-called carnivals, wherever and whenever we have tried to hold them, have been mere commercial ventures, illustrated with advertisements, carried out by hired men, and paid for by self-seeking persons, who had not the backing of any populace. But in New Orleans the carnival displays are wholly designed to amuse and entertain the pleasure-loving, light-hearted, largely Latin people who originally took part in them, but who have surrendered active participation to the leading and wealthy men of the town.

The actual mardi gras celebration is only the climax of a series of festivities lasting ten days or more. Hirst is held the Bal Des Roses, in the week before the week whic's precedes the public carnival. This ball is purely a "society affair," like our Patriarchs' Ball in New York.

The week which follows is one of al most daily sensations. First, on Monday, the Argonauts begin the prolonged festivities with a tourney and chariot racing. A ball at night follows. On Tuesday the Atlanteans give their ball. On Thursday Momus gives a ball, with tableaux, in costume. On Friday of this gala week is held the Carnival german The Carnival German Club is composed of twenty-five society men, who give the german by subscription. Only seveuty-five couples participate in it. The carnival proper is celebrated with pagentry and dancing that occupy the afternoons and nights of Monday and "Fat Tuesday." Rex, the King of the carnival comes to town on Monday afternoon. Who he is a few persons know at the time; who he was is sometimes published, as in 1891, and more often is not. What is called a royal yacht is chosen to bring him from some mysterious realm over which he rules in the Orient, to visit his winter capital in the Crescert City. Last time the royal yacht was the revenue cutter Galveston, but ordinarily the societies hire one of the big river steamboats. The yacht is always accompanied by ten or fifteen other steamers, gayly decorated, crowded with men and women and appointed with bands of music and all that makes good cheer. It is supposed that the yacht has taken the king aboard at the jetties. The fleet returns, and the royal landing is made upon the levee at the foot of Canal street, amid a fanfaronade of the whistles of boats, locomotives and factories and the firing of guns. The king is met by many city officers and leading citizens, who are called the dukes of the realms, and constitute his royal court. These temporary nobles wear civilian attire, with a gold badge and bogus jewelry as decoration. Many persons in carriages accompany them. A procession is formed, and the principal features of the display are a gorgeous litter for the king, a li ter for the royal keys, and a number of splendid litters in which ride gayly costumed women. The king goes to the City Hall accompanied as I have described. The way is lined with tens of thousands of spectators; flags wave from every building; music is playing, the sun is shining, the whole scene, with the gorgeous pageant threading it, is magnificent. At the City Hall, the Duke of Crescent City. who is the Mayor, welcomes Rex, and gives him the keys and the freedom of the city. The king mysteriously disappears after that, presumably to his palace.

and marched beside the hidden wheels. The figures in Paris-made costumes, theatrical paint, and masks were 150 to 200 members of the Krewe-serious and carnest men of affairs during the other days of the year.

On Tuesday, mardi gras, Rex really made his appearance, leading a pageant called "the symbolism of colors," just such another display of the blending of strong and soft colors, but a thousandfold more difficult to render satisfactorily by daylight. The twenty enormous floats in line represented boats, castles. towers, arches, kiosks, clouds and thrones, and one, that I thought the best of all, a great painter's palette, lying against two vases, and having living female figures recumbent here and there to represent such heaps of colors as might be looked for on a palette in use. Canal street, one of the broadest avenues in the world, was newly payed with human forms, and thousands of others were or. the reviewing stands built before the faces of the houses, over the pavements.

The sight of such a vast concourse of people was as grand as the chromatic. serpent-like line of floats that wound across and across the street. That night all the people turned out once again and witnessed the parade of the Mistick Krewe of Comus, a Japanesque series of floats called "Nippon, the Lord of the Rising Sun." The display was, to say the least, as fine as any of the season.

Saved by a Slipknet.

The traveler in the uncivilized regions of South America has to face many perils. If he escapes the savages, who are adroit and bitter enemies, if he can secure water and food and survives the intense heat, and believes his expedition has every chance of success, he may die within an hour from the bite of a poisonous serpent. M. Thouar, in his diary kept during his explorations in the Pilcomayo delta under a commission from the Argentine Government, describes an experience which prompted him to eternal vigilance in regard to snakes. He

was lying in his hammock ; the Sergeant

FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

HEALTH HINTS FOR FARMERS. As the country grows older much of the soil around dwellings becomes saturated with the drainage and slops from the house, so that it no longer acts as a perfect filter. The soil then be-

comes the breeding-place of bacteria, and these are conveyed to wells, occasioning diseases more deadly than the fever and ague of new settlements. Wherever putrid sore throat is known to exist, look for its cause in some contaminated well whose water furnishes the drinking supply of the afflicted family. Remove the cause and the danger will disappear. If a filter cannot be procured, the water may be purified by being boiled. It is not an accidental circumstance that the Asiatic Nations, which have longest used boiled water to make tea and coffee decoctions, number more than any other quarter of the globe .- Boston Cultivator.

HOW MANY TIMES TO MILK A DAY.

There has been a good deal of discussion as to how many times a cow should be milked during the day. Those who claim that two times a day is sufficient have a good following, while those who claim that the animal should be milked three times a day also have a certain number of adherents. It is a well known fact that the longer the milk remains in

the udder of the cow the poorer it gets, and for that reason three times a day should the animal be milked. For the same reason the night's milk is much richer than that of the morning. would be well to try milking an animal thrice a day and another two times during the same period, and see which gives the greatest amount of butter. Keep up the expreiment for a week and see how much greater in the aggregate is the butter of one as compared with that of

the other .- American Farmer. FATTENING GEESE.

While the turkey has gained in popu larity and retained its quality, the good, old-fashioned goose has been neglected. A real juicy, good young goose is a rars avis. The chief trouble in obtaining a good goose is in the fact that the breeder of the same does not understand the process of fattening. A goose must be fat to be good, and the fatter the better. This means heavy feeding and stuffing. In Germany, that land of the goose and beer, geese are fed on carrots and barley. Each goose is placed in a coop by itself and nudeled. This consists of cramming doughy pellets of mixed grain and carrots down the throats of the birds. One of the delicacies to be found in the fancy German grocery stores of this country is the smoked Pommeranian goose breast. If we compare the immense amount of fine meat on such a breast with the rather inferior quality on the American goose, we can readily see the value of careful feeding. As the Germans and Hebrews are great con-

Beat well together and add nearly half a pint of salad oil.

Johnny Cake-Scald white Indian meal which has been sifted, stir it thoroughly, add a little salt and cold milk to make it thin enough to turn into a baking tin, which must be greased to prevent it from stic king. Make it one unch thick in the pan and bake in a quick oven. It will take about twenty minutes to cook.

Tapioca pudding-Take one quart of milk, four tablespoonfuls of tapioca soaked over night in milk, a piece of butter the size of a small egg, the yolks of four eggs and sweetening to taste. Put all together in a pail and boil until the tapioca has become clear. Turn into an earthen dish and frost with the whites of four eggs. Set in the oven to brown, and then in a cool place until wanted. Minced Chicken on Toast-Stew part of a chicken until tender. Remove the meat from the bones and cut with a sharp knife into inch square pieces. thicken the gravy in which it was stewed with a teaspoonful of butter rolled in one of flour; add a little milk and season to taste. Heat the mince in this sauce, and pour over crustless slices of lightly buttered toast. Cold fricasee 1 chicken may be warmed up in this style.

STRAWBERRIES.

This exceedingly delicious fruit is be oming more widely popular as improved varieties are brought out. Culture has lone as much for the original "old field strawberry" as it has for the grape. Vaieties of the strawberry have increased to rapidly that only those who have devoted themselves to its culture have kept pace with the multiplicity of names. The latest and most promising is Murray's Extra Early Strawberry. This originated in 1888 in the little garden of a lady at Faison, N. C., Mrs. S. E. Murray. Some traveling men, noticing its extreme earliness and handsome appearance, advised her to take care of the few plants and "she would find a fortune in them." Following their advice the plants



Mr. Harvey Heed Laceyville, O. Catarrh, Heart Failure, Paralysis of the Throat

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The Tuneful Harp.

Harp playing is again in vogue. Fashionable young women are hanging their banjoes on the willow tree; they are taking lessons in harp manipulation. The light airs of the instrument so long held sacred are forgotten in the deeper and more dignified notes of the harp. We suspect that the decorative qualities of the harp have considerable to do with this revival of that ancient instrument. A harp is a pretty thing. A curiously carved cabinet from Venice or an oldly were propogated and have really brought | fashioned table from France cannot be more effective in a drawing room. The harp has a noble ancestry. Skill in bringing forth music from its chords won praise and honor in the day of King David. Kings and Queens have enjoyed its music through hundreds of years. Its addition to the orchestra, however, does not date back many years. A Chicago musician has made a study of the instrument, and he says its possibilities are not yet fully understood; that the semitones of the harp can be regulated with a nicety heretofore unknown.

Novel Decoration for a Room. A novel plan for the decoration of an]

invalid's room has been successfully carried out in a house in New York City. The upper floor, which was not partitioned off into rooms or finished with a plaster ceiling, is fitted up to resemble the upper deck of a river steamboat. Some round holes are placed in a slight curve a short distance from the front and back windows, and these uprights support horizontal rods on which curtains are hung, by rings, allowing light or securing darkness, according to the mood of the invalid. On the walls are window suggesting frames of light oak. and the wall is painted to suggest woodwork. The wooden rafters overhead are painted in gray and blue, soft blue meilowed with yellow ochre, and Indian red, and "flatted" with a little, wery little, zinc white, not white lead. In the oaken frames, pictures with a large proportion of sky are fitted, and are changed four times a year. In deep winter the pictures are of South American scenery; in spring, they are all Italian landscapes; in summer, cool Canada views, painted from nature, suggest the pleasures of travel to the helpless invalld; and autumn brings California's luxuriant

vegetation on canvas, to brighten the sick room. - Demorest's Magazine.

"Crank" is not an American word. It has been in common use in Derbyshire for a generation, and it is still often heard. It is used to describe a man who has fads, fancies and notions outside the co amon run of those of his neighbors. A man with a bee in his bonnet is

cranky, and so are those who ride hob-bies of any kind.

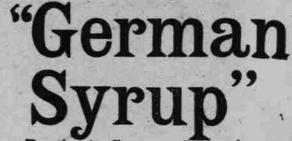
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That night, the night before mardi gras, the Krewe of Proteus holds its perade and ball, and in extent and cost and splendor this is a truly representative pair of undertakings. "A Dream of the Vegetable Kingdom" was what the last Proteus parade was entitled. It consisted of a series of elaborate and spleudid floats forming a line many blocks long and representing whatever is most Licturesque, or can be made so, among vegetable growths. The float that struck me as the most peculiar and noteworthy bore a huge watermelon, peopled, as all the devices were, with gayly costumed men and women, and decked with nodding blossoms, waving leaves, dancing tendrils, and the glitter and sheen of metal, lustrous stones, and silk. Butterflies, caterpillars, birds, a great squirrel on the acorn float, snails, and nameless rotesque animal forms were seen up the vegetables and their leaves, men dressed as fairies, of bo sexes were grouped picturesq OD every devices were not inartistic lawdry. They were made by skilled workmen trained for this particular work, and were not only superior to any of the show pieces we see in other pageants elsewhere-they were equal to the hest that are exhibited in theatres. They ware displayed to the utmost advantage in the glare of the torches and flambeaux carried by the men who led the horses

of his guard was asleep under a tree close by. Suddenly he noticed an immense serpent coiled about the Sergeant's leg, and extending its head toward his bare chest. What should he do? To wake the man meant certain death to him; but how kill the creature or at tract it away without waking him? He recalled a method of capturing the cobra of India. He prepared a slipknot. By stealthy, almost imperceptible, movements he attracted the serpent's attention. It turned its head. Then he leaned from his hammock, and with a long piece of grass tickled it gently on the throat. It raised its head. He cast the noose over it, and drew it tight around the reptile's peck. It was not a moment too soon. The Sergeant awoke. He fainted with fright, but the danger was passed. The slipknot had saved him, and the stroke of the sabre cut off the serpent's head .- Manchester Times.

An Inseluble Puzzle to Naturalists.

The peculiar breed of cats found in the Isle of Man differs from others only in that they have no tails, and the lack thereof is the insoluable puzzle to naturalists. Since it has become the fashion to explain everything by the principles of evolution, two theories have been offered -one, that owing to the limited range and lack of dense forests the original cats had no use for tails, and consequently they (the tails, not the cats) gradually atrophied for lack of use and became rudimentary; another, the primitive Maux cut off all their cats' tails, and in the course of time developed a tailless breed. One thing is certain, the cats are there and they have no tails. The highbred Chinese cat is a splendid proof of what may be done by kindness and culture. If you were to repeat to a well-to-do but untraveled Chinaman the current saying with as that cats are selfsh creatures, utterly devoid of affection, he would be very much astonished, and, if the owner of a thoroughbred, probably in-

digmant. The Chinese cat appears capable of intense attachment to one person, and a ges of selection and careful breeding have | rought the species up to a high stand ard. The Chinese claim that one of th ese cats-and any cat to some extent Lis a valuable clock. In the mornhe pupil of its eye is a broad band; it co ntracts regularly till noon, when it is a, mere hair-line, and expands again The United States Department of 88 regularly till night. So when a Chin Agriculture seems to have answered aman wants to know the time of day he picks up his cat and looks. - New clearly, and in the negative, the question Yori News. whether bees injure fruit and especially grapes.

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wise men smoked to propitiate the

spirits before entering on any new un-

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habit out of that which was the relig-

ious ceremony of a savage. - Putiburg

Dispatch.

sumers of geese, the above facts may prove of value to goose culturists, hence the foregoing is here produced from the Franciers' Journal. FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

Early chrysanthemums are gaining increased attention in England.

Tuberous begonias given a moderate temperature do well as house plants. Since horses have no gall bladders to be acted upon emetics have no effect. The hay for heifer calves should be cut very fine and roots thoroughly crushed.

Plum and pear trees thrive best on a sandy, clay loam, made rich with manure and given clean cultivation, affirms a fruit-grower.

As rust is a fungoid growth it is injurious to animals to feed straw which has had rust.

Giving a little bonemeal in poultry food is one of the best rene lies for leg weakness. It is not necessarily a dangerous disease.

Parker Earle is a nost promising strawberry for general culture. This plant is a vigorous grower and its fruit rive and excellent.

White Plume colory is beautifully white when not earthed up, eating is not so good as it looks. Earthing takes away its stringiness. Farmers are now giving their time to

the care of hotbeds and greenhouses. and are also engaged in preparing a stock of fertilizer for spring planting.

small fortune to their deserving origi nator, for the plants find a ready sale at \$25 per 1,000. No less than this number are sold, and the purchaser executes a boud not to sell or dispose of any plants for ten years. All honor to this enter prising North Carolina woman. .

An Exciting Time on a Hand-Car. "Undoubtedly," said H. G. Orcutt, "the most exciting experience that I ever had was in Iowa on one of the big trunk lines that cross the State. It was a ride on a hand-car. Now, I have never been a section boss, neither have I been a railroad employe in my life, but a combination of mishaps secured me a night ride on one of them. I was in the town of Emporia, and I wanted to get to Strong, a little town some fifteen miles farther west. My object was to see a leading merchant of that town who was, I understood, to leave at nine that night, just a half hour before I could reach the town by the regular train. The clerk intimated that I might ride to Strong on a hand-car. Some necessary work had delayed the section gang at Emporia, and now, at eight o'clock. they were preparing to return. I found the boss, told him my object and my distress, and asked him to take me aboard. We started, and after we had gone-some twelve of the fifteen miles, working along at a good rate, we were startled to hear the whistle of an engine in the direction of Emporia, and directly in the distance we could see the dim gleam of a headlight. Something was wrong. No train was due over the line for fully an hour and ten minutes. We did not stop to argue the case. The train would be on us before we could throw the car off. The order of the section boss wasto keep Fresh Air and Exercise, ahead of the engine, if possible, until we passed Strong, thinking, no doubt, that Getallthat's the approaching train would stop there. possible of We worked like Trojans. Everybody laid hands on the power-bar and worked for dear life. My, but we male that hand-car fairly sing! We kept ahead of the train for at least a mile and a half. Then it ran into us, but we were going so fast that the shock was slight. I would not like to repeat the experience." St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

An Extraordinary Iomato.

We see it stated in three or four papers (and of course it must be so) that a man at Rialto has a tomato tree on his place that is nineteen feet high an 1 with such a spread of branches that it shades the house. The leaves are of a dark green, the fruit of medium size, o. a rich crimson color, smooth skin, few seeds, of delicious flavor, and breaks open like an apple, though without any corp. It grew from the seed planted last April, and promises to continue its grow.' un. til old age cuts short its useful life. The owner gathers the fruit every fe e days, as it is a continuous bearer in this climate. On December 31 he gathered 219 ripe tomatoes from the single tree .-Riverside (Cal.) Press. A Magnifient Carving in lvory. Chicago will not see an enormous lifelike eagle carved in ivory and originally intended as an exhibit of the Tokio Sculptors' Society's exhibit at the World's Fair. The Yomiuri says the carving has been sold to the Imperial household for a sum of \$5000, to form an ornament in the Imperial Palace, the owner deeming its purchase by the Imperial family too great an honor to be missed,-San Francisco Chronicle.

No doubt Tannhauser and Orpheus would not recognize the harp if they were to see it, with the Chicago modifications, standing in a white and gold parlor and responding to the graceful touch of a Michigan avenue belle's slender fingers .- Indianapolis News.

Tramps crept into the elephant's room at Newcastle, Penn., where a menagerie is wintering, one cold night recently. When the keeper arrived the elephants were having more fun than the tramps, who suffered severely from their rough handling, or trunking.

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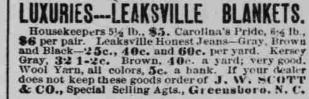
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A good lawn improves the value and appearance of any property. If there are thin or bare spots, manure them heavily now, and, as soon as the ground will permit, work the surface lightly and sow more seed. With a little care a good even sod may be obtained. RECIPES.

Mayonnaise Dressing-Mix one even teas woonful each of mustard and sait, with one and a half teaspoonfuls of vinegar. To this add the yolk of one egg.