

SANTA CLAUS.

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house, Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse; The stockings were hung by the chimney with care...

As leaves that before the wild hurricane fly, When they meet with an obstacle mount to the sky; So, up to the house-top the couriers they flew, With the sleigh full of toys—and St. Nicholas too...

CHRISTMAS-EVE.

By L. E. G. To-night is Christmas Eve, and, as high as you can reach, Hang my stockings on the wall, and let a bow be on each.

My little shoe, Mother, on the cold, cold floor I've put my little shoe before the fire, and things might slip through; I know that He'll remember you, while He remembers me.

Lord help us! "So creature!" "So awful!" "So silly!" "No beauty!" "Quite thirty!" "Between you and I!"

AGRICULTURAL.

Wood ashes make excellent manure. Use whitewash to prevent dampness. Hydraulic cement will make dry cellars. Sulphur is the best destroyer of garden worms.

Good cattle have well formed heads, and full, mild eyes. In drenching cattle, it should be done below the grinders. A quid of common tobacco will cure horses of the bots.

Pick apples on a warm, dry day. The warmer the better. Unbrained apples keep longer than those shaken from the tree. Chimneys should be constructed small at the throat and large at the top.

Kerosene on your porches will rid your henry of vermin of all descriptions. Sulphur or lime sprinkled on the frequented spot will destroy the white pine worm. Allow your wheat seed to become thoroughly matured before cutting. 'Twill relieve it of smut.

Among wild flowers there is none better than the dandelion, as it is an excellent bee flower which comes early, remains until late, and grows plentifully near the apiary. Several new grapes were exhibited at the last fair of the Pennsylvania Historical Society.

Plenty of water should be within reach of the bees. The hives should be placed in a grove or orchard where they will be shaded from the sun. The reason of setting the hives low is, that when the bees come home heavily laden, and fall on the ground, they may crawl into the hives.

MISCELLANEOUS.

in itself to be prejudicial, hoping that somehow or other it will do you some good. To advise another to take a course which you have tried yourself, without making special inquiry whether all the conditions are alike.

Ninth. To eat without an appetite, or to continue to eat after it has been satisfied, merely to gratify the taste. Tenth. To eat a hearty supper for the pleasure experienced during the brief time it is passing down the throat, at the expense of a whole night of disturbed sleep, and a weary waking in the morning.

Eleventh. To remove a portion of the clothing immediately after exercise, when the most stupid dayman in New York knows that if he does not put a cover on horse the moment he ceases work in the winter, he will lose him in a few days by pneumonia.

Twelfth. To contend that because the dirtiest children in the street or highway are hearty and healthy, therefore it is healthy to be dirty; forgetting that continuous daily exposures to the pure outdoor air, in joyous, unrestrained activities, is such a powerful agency for health that those who live thus are well in spite of dirt and filth.

Thirteenth. To presume to repeat later in life, without injury, the indiscretions exposure, and intemperance which in the flush of youth were practiced with impunity. Fourteenth. To believe that warm air is necessarily impure, or that pure, cold air is necessarily more healthy than the confined air of a crowded vehicle; the latter at most can only cause fainting and nausea, while entering a conveyance while walking briskly, lowering a window, thus still exposed to a draught, will give a cold infallibly, or an attack of pleurisy or pneumonia, which will cause weeks or months of suffering, if not actual death within four days.

ON TUESDAY NIGHT A MEMORANDUM BOOK, containing money and warm papers. The owner of the Book will pay a liberal price for any person who will return the same to his office corner Water and Princess streets, F. G. MOORE, Assistant Assessor.

MISCELLANEOUS.



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Sheriff's Column. IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE FREQUENT default and destruction of notices placed in the public streets I have determined to place in the public streets and publish all official notices pertaining to my office in the columns of the Post.

RESTAURANT. OYSTERS FOR ALL! W. MOORE RESPECTFULLY INFORMS the public that he has opened a Restaurant (with BARBER SHOP in connection) on Water street, between Market and Dock; over the Auction room of Messrs. West, Meares and James.

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