

Japanese Cotton Mill Expansion.
 Consul General Henry B. Miller, of Yokohama, forwards the following Japanese newspaper extract calling attention to two more large extensions to be made to cotton mills in that country:
 "The Osaka Spinning Company proposes to issue debentures to the amount of \$500,000 for the construction of a new factory, containing 1,200 looms and 17,000 spindles, at Shikwanjima, Osaka. The new factory, which is expected to commence operations by about March next, will engage in the production of shirtings for export.
 "The Japan Spinning Company, of Osaka, is to issue seven per cent debentures to the amount of \$500,000, for extending the Ichinomiyama Spinning Factory, near Nagoya, which it has recently absorbed. The number of mule spindles is to be increased by 22,300, and finishing machinery and a steam engine will be bought. The issue price of the debentures is fixed at \$49 for \$50 face value, and they will be redeemed by three annual drawings after the lapse of three years from the date of issue.

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 At a ball in Bermuda a wonderful dress was worn, in the making of which over thirty thousand stamps were used. Years were spent in collecting the stamps, and three weeks in the making of the dress, which was of the finest muslin.
 The stamps were not put on haphazard, but in an elaborate design. On the front of the bodice was an eagle made entirely of brown Columbian stamps. Suspended from the bird's talons was a globe made of very old blue revenue stamps. On each side of the globe was an American flag, having stripes of red and blue stamps.
 On the back of the bodice was a collection of foreign stamps in the form of a shield, in the centre of which was a portrait cut from old revenue stamps, says Home Chat.
 A picture hat covered with red and blue stamps was worn with this remarkable dress.

PROPER NAME FOR IT.
 The lawyer's pretty daughter and a young man were occupying chairs on the veranda.
 "It's rather cool out here," said the fair maid. "I move that we conclude the session in the courtroom."
 The young man having seconded the motion, they at once repaired to the front parlor.

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RECIPES.
Cheese Balls—Beat up the whites of two eggs to a stiff froth, add to them a pinch of salt and a few grains of cayenne pepper, then add two table-spoonfuls of grated cheese, mixing all thoroughly. It should be a quite dry paste. Roll this mixture into small balls; brush over with beaten egg and roll in fine bread crumbs and fry to a golden color in smoking hot fat, drain on white paper. Serve hot on a folded napkin.
Cheese Custards—Dissolve a tea-spoonful of corn starch in a cup of cold milk; have two eggs beaten light and smooth, heat the milk with the corn starch in it and add to the eggs, and add a pinch of soda; have six table-spoonfuls of grated cheese mixed with two of butter, and add to the eggs and milk while warm; season with salt and pepper and half fill buttered custard cups; steam half an hour or until the centers are firm and the custards high; set in the oven a moment to brown lightly; these should always be served with thin slices of bread and butter just before dessert, as a separate course.
Corn Meal Muffins—Sift enough corn meal to fill a cup, add a pinch of salt and enough boiling water to wet through, but not thin in the least; stir three-quarters of a cup of flour into this, beat in two eggs and a table-spoonful of batter; lastly add enough milk to make the batter just thick enough to pour heavily from the spoon and stir in quickly two tea-spoonfuls baking powder. Bake in greased gem pans.
Crab Salad—Boil the crabs for one half hour in salted water, to which has been added a little vinegar; when done take out the crabs and drain them. Let them cool, remove the shells and pick out all the meat; cut the meat into pieces and cover with French dressing. Cut up an equal quantity of crisp, tender celery, mix with the meat and let stand for an hour before serving. Mix with egg dressing and serve on lettuce leaves garnished with the crab claws, parsley and hard-boiled eggs.
Celery and Nut Salad—One bunch crisp celery cut into small pieces and mixed with one pound English walnuts, shelled and broken in pieces, then moistened with the cream dressing, and piled lightly on crisp lettuce, will be ample for ten.

SILK HANDKERCHIEFS.
 In washing silk handkerchiefs care should be taken to prevent their turning yellow. One should never be boiled, nor have any soap rubbed on it. Make a lather of finely shredded white soap and water, wash and squeeze the handkerchiefs in it, press out all the moisture possible, and dry quickly in the sun. Iron them while they are still damp, but not wet.
 White silk handkerchiefs used as neckties are sometimes cleaned very well with dried and powdered starch in which a little powdered blue has been mixed.
 The handkerchief is spread over a clean linen cloth; with a pad of clean white linen powder is rubbed over the silk, then dusted out.
 Iron with a moderately hot iron. Two folds of slightly dampened linen are laid over the silk on the right side, this brightens it considerably.—New York Press.

The advocates of pooling, by the rail-ways, argues the Pittsburg Dispatch, have tried to make it appear that the only way to escape rebates and favoritism was to stifle competition by means of pools, notwithstanding the fact that the most successful pools were those which united in enforcing discriminations. But the supporters of honest and impartial rates easily showed why the rebate is not "necessary to secure traffic which shippers would move otherwise."

BUTTER BEANS, SNAPS, SQUASHES, CORN AND TOMATOES TILL FROST

THERE IS NO EXCUSE FOR ANY FARMER NOT HAVING THEM—GET READY NOW TO HAVE THE BEST GARDEN OF YOUR LIFE TIME IN 1908—IT WILL MEAN MORE HEALTH, MORE HAPPINESS—WHAT TO PLANT

The home garden is too much neglected everywhere by farmers, and the Southern farmer is no exception. Except in the trucking sections of the coastal country one finds vegetables few on the tables of the farmers. We have no objection to the Black Eye peas and sweet potatoes, and even collards, but in a climate where one can have a plentiful supply of all sorts of vegetables there is no excuse for having only these and a few roasting ears from the corn fields.
 Then in going through the country in late summer we find the gardens that were planted in the spring grown up in weeds and the dead corn stalks standing even in the village gardens. There is no excuse for this, for we can by a little forethought keep up a constant supply of the best vegetables.

Asparagus For Example.—How few farmers have an asparagus bed! And yet there is no crop more easily grown. Make a piece of land very rich with manure worked in deeply and sow the seed in rows four feet apart and thin out to two feet apart, and the very next spring you can cut some to eat, and if you keep the bed well manured every fall it will increase in product year after year. Do not bother about transplanting roots, for you can get asparagus quicker from the seed.
And Why Not Have Snaps, Butter Beans and Roasting Ears Till Frost?—Sow now the first Valentine beans and as fast as a row is fairly up sow another, and so on till late August, and you will have snaps all summer till frost. Plant some Adams Early corn, and as soon as it shows plant some Mammoth Sugar corn or Stowell's Evergreen, and then save your own seed. Homegrown seed will always be best. Plant a succession of corn, too, till early August and have corn till frost. Plant Wood's Bush Lima beans, and keep the green pods well picked, for if they are allowed to ripen they will stop blooming, but they will keep better if well picked. The tall Dreyer's Lima bean is the best of the large Limas for the South, and is best grown by planting in rows and thinning to two feet apart and then using some chicken netting for them to run on and not bothering with poles.

Onions and Beets.—Sow seed of Tai's Queen onion very thickly to make sets for planting in the fall to give you green onions from February on. Sow the seed in narrow rows very thickly. A piece of bed six by ten feet will hold a pound of seed, for the little drills may be almost filled with the seed, the object being to get sets no larger than a small marble. Sow Early Eclipse beets and scatter a few radish seed along the rows to mark them and to come out before the beets need thinning. The Blood turnip beets are sown at same time for later use. The half long beets can be sown in July after some early crop is off. These will be fine all winter if the soil is thrown to the rows late in fall.

Try Some Egg Plant, Parsnips and Salsify.—Plant White Spine cucumbers in well manured hills for table use now, and later in July plant more for pickles. Egg plants are too little grown in the South. It is too late to sow the seed, but you can get plants cheaply from the seedsmen and set them in May when the ground is warm, and then keep the potato bugs picked off them and you will have a dish that any one will appreciate. Sow parsnips and salsify in July. These make their best growth after the weather gets cool and will grow all winter. They are sown in the spring in the North, but in the South they are apt to get woody and run to seed in late summer if sown early. Salsify is commonly called oyster plant, and the boiled roots mashed up and made into fritters are very much like oysters. Then the salsify and parsnips give vegetables in win-

ter and make a variety with the Black Eye peas and hominy.
Watermelons and Cantaloupes, of Course.—Every farmer should have some cantaloupes and watermelons, but these are better in a patch to themselves. Any old sandy hill will make watermelons if the hills are well manured, and the drier the land the more juicy the melons, strange to say. Cantaloupes need stronger ground and well manured hills or rows. The Jones and the McIver are the best watermelons for home use and the Koli Gem for shipping. For cantaloupes, plant Rocky Fords and Hackensack.

Okra, Parsley and Pepper.—Then for gumbo soup, plant a few okra seed. The White Velvet is the best. The green soft pods can be cut and dried and kept for making soup in winter. Every housekeeper likes to have some parsley for dressing dishes. Sow a row or two of the Green Double Curled sort. Mint comes in handy, even in prohibition places, for making mint sauce for lamb in spring. A few roots set in a damp, out of the way place will keep you a supply. Then the good woman of the house wants mango pickles in the fall. Sow a few seed of Ruby King pepper in bed and transplant to rows three feet apart later. If you like hot pepper sauce, sow some seed of Tabasco pepper. These will grow six feet high and give a great crop of little pods, and they will make vinegar hot enough for a toper.

Of course you sowed some garden peas in February, but if not, you can still sow some Premium Gem peas, and can again sow some in late August for fall use.
Be Sure to Have Tomatoes and Squash All Summer.—Tomatoes every one wants. For very early ones you had better buy the plants unless you have some glass and a hotbed or frame. But in the South it is necessary to sow a late crop as the early ones are apt to play out in the heat the last of June. Sow the seed in May and transplant after some early crop. Then in the late fall when the vines are full of green fruit and frost threatens, gather the tomatoes and wrap each in paper and pack in boxes and put in a cool place just where they will not freeze, and bring out a few at a time into a warm room where they will soon color up. I have had tomatoes to slice in this way till January. Summer squashes you will have, of course. The White Patty Pan is best.

Radish and Sage.—In September sow some Chinese Rose-Colored Winter Radish seed, and as the weather gets cold mix the rows with coarse manure and you can pull nice radishes all winter, for I have done it winter after winter in Raleigh. Then you will want some sage at hog-killing time for sausages. Sow some seed in a bed and transplant after some early crop a foot apart and you can cut it green to the ground in the fall, and have enough for the neighborhood when dried in the shade. Then if any one wants the plants, sell them and sow seed again next spring, for the young plants are better than the old bushes.
Make Your Garden Work All Year Round.—In short, have a garden and keep it at work all the year round. Then if you will get a few hotbed sashes and make a frame for them you can have fresh headed lettuce to eat all winter, parsley and radishes and French carrots. A garden kept at work all the time and abundantly supplied with manure and fertilizers, and by having a good large garden you can supply the home market with nice vegetables and at least pay all the cost of what your family eats. The garden kept at work and kept clean will not breed cut-worms, for they breed in the weeds and trash left in the common gardens in the country.—W. F. Massey, in The Progressive Farmer.

Lions For the Pope.
 Emperor Menelik's present to the Pope of two fine African lion cubs, male and female, has arrived safely at Rome. The lions started from Addis Abeba in Abyssinia on New Year's Day.
 Shortly after they reached the desert region on their way to Alexandria a lioness took up the trail behind the caravan. She followed it for more than a week, making repeated efforts at night to get through the lines of the soldiers to the captive animals, whose presence she was evidently aware of. She only dropped the pursuit when the caravan got out of the desert and into the comparatively thickly inhabited regions on the outskirts of Egypt.—New York Sfg.

Here and There.
 A man should try to do his best only when he is doing the right thing.
 Before subscribing to the statement that it is better to have the good will of a dog than the ill will, find out about the dog.
 The man insisted upon a receipt. The merchant said: "I've had so much trouble collecting this bill, I would never undertake it again."

In Desperate Mood.
 "Why didn't you remember that it was Satan who tempted you into that scheme of graft?"
 "Because it wasn't," answered the man who was being investigated. "Sometimes I wish it had been an expert like Satan instead of the bungling amateurs who got me into all this publicity."—Washington Star.
Workmen's Homes.
 The city government of Milan has voted to appropriate \$1,150,000 for the construction of further series of houses especially built for workmen and their families, and the municipal loan office (the city pawn department) will give \$100,000 out of its profits toward the same purpose.
Fallen By the Wayside.
 He who considers only the letter of an instrument goes but skin deep into the meaning.
 The success of the man who succeeds is usually due to the failure of others.
 There is nothing that makes the ordinary man feel better and be meaner than to give an order and have it obsequiously obeyed.

NO ONE CAN ALWAYS AVOID

Catching Cold on the Street Car



Many people persist in riding on the street cars, insufficiently protected by clothing. They start out perhaps in the heat of the day and do not feel the need of wraps. The rapid moving of the car cools the body unduly. When they board the car perhaps they do not decrease. During the Spring months, no one should think of riding on the car without being provided with a wrap. A cold caught in the Spring is liable to last through the entire Summer. Great caution should be observed at this season against exposure to cold. During the first few pleasant days of Spring, the liability of catching cold is great. No wonder so many people acquire muscular rheumatism and catarrhal diseases during this season.
 However, in spite of the greatest precautions, colds will be caught. At the appearance of the first symptom, Peruna should be taken according to directions on the bottle, and continued until every symptom disappears. Do not put it off. Do not waste time by taking other remedies. Begin at once to take Peruna and continue it until you are positive that the cold has entirely disappeared. This may save you a long and perhaps serious illness later on.

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 Mr. James Morrison, 63 East 16th St., Paterson, N. J., writes:
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The Frame.
 He sent to her his photograph;
 'Twas in a frame of gold,
 With butterflies and ivy leaves
 And stary lilies scrolled.
 He went without cigars a week
 And lunched on apple pie
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MACHINE-GROUND PAINT.
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His Misfortune.
 "I was a celebrated pianist and a great success with the public," confided the sad-eyed man to his companion, "but I had a misfortune which threw me out of favor with my audiences and cut off my revenue as a performer!" "What was your misfortune?" asked his friend. "My hair fell out!"—From the April Bohemian.
C. F. King's Experience in Newspaper Making.
 Charleston News and Courier.
 Mr. C. F. King, of Boston, who made considerable stir in the speculative world a few months ago, is in trouble just at present. His creditors are after him, although it is not by any means certain that they will catch him. About a year ago he established a newspaper in Boston called The Daily Tribune. According to The Hartford Times, this experiment cost him something like \$300,000 in the space of ten months, and finally died, we are told, "for the same reason that Murat Halsted stopped singing in the choir, by general request."
 "The logic of King's excursion into journalism," says our Connecticut contemporary, "shows the supreme folly of starting and trying to maintain a superfluous paper. Than an unprofitable paper no better agency for the consumption of capital was ever devised."

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