

Humors of the Week.

An Irishman who was drinking the health of a bishop, gave this toast—"May your Reverence live to eat the old hen that crows over your grave."

HUMAN NATURE.—"I'm sorry, Mr. Wilson, to see this splendid field of potatoes so seriously diseased," said a sympathizing inspector. "Ah, well, it's a great pity!" replied the farmer; "but there is one comfort—Jack Thompson's is not a bit better!"

"How is your wife to-day?" said a friend of ours to a French gentleman. "O, much ze same," said he. "She is no better, an' I am 'fraid ver' little worse. If she is gon to die, I wish she would do soon; I feel so unhappy; my mind is so much unsettle. Wen she die I shall not be so much dissatisfied."

Rather a foppish fellow, being at a meeting, made some proposals which were objected to by a farmer. Highly enraged, "Sir," said he to the farmer, "do you know that I have been at two universities, and at two colleges in each university?" "Well, sir," said the farmer, "what of that? I had a calf that sucked two cows, and the observation I made was, the more he sucked the greater calf he grew!"

If you have a scolding wife, old age may bring you the blessing of deafness.

We give the following anecdote of a school-boy as illustrative of the honesty of youth. The little fellow had a dirty face, and his teacher told him to go and wash it. He went out and staid for a few minutes, and then came back, with the lower half of his countenance tolerably clean, and the upper half wet and dirty. "Johnny," said the teacher, "why did you not wash your face?" "I did wash it," said Johnny, "why did you not wipe it then, all over?" "I did wipe it as high as my shirt-tail would reach!" was Johnny's conclusive reply.

Advice to Girls.

I have always sed, giva woman choice of three men for a husband, and the chance is, she will manage to lose all three of them.

Everybody luvv tew drive four-hand better than they do a single boss. If you have got three beaux, thank the Lord for his goodness, and freeze fast in one of them to onset.

The more you look for perfection the more blonishes you will come across, and the more suckers you get into your net the more you will hanker for, and the more danger there is of the nets bursting and letting all the fish out.

I can't tell you which one of three fellows you had better snare; but my advice is, to take the one which you find yourself the most anxious to please, and to keep on doin' so alter you are one flesh, and if you ain't a happy pair, your husband is simply a mean cuss.—JOHN BILLINGS.

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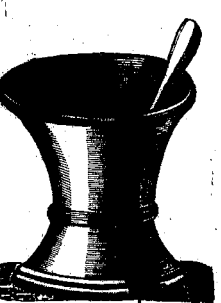
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Winter Care of the Orchard. In the closing up of the work, and the hurried preparation for winter, many of our farmers overlook the care needed by the fruit, is gathered, and the necessary work can be done until in this climate winter is the resting portion of the year or the dormant season, but the life of the tree depends on proper winter protection. Our trees are commonly young; rapid growth, and in cases, early bearing, has impaired vitality; many of the varieties are best only half hardy, and their constitution and habits of growth are best adapted to our climate, and through peculiarities of the season, the growth, wanting in the any vigor to enable them to be harmed through their excessive changes to which they may be subjected. When wood has been thoroughly pined, many of the most hardy will endure steady and extreme but where the season's growth mature, or the variety is not even a moderate degree of process injurious. But the danger to which our orchards are exposed, comes from sudden and low temperatures. Let the mild mid-winter be followed by early cold, and serious injury will be the result. When circulation when the chemical processes of the tree are arrested, a sudden change of degree of cold which would be less under other conditions, is to destroy the vitality of the tree.

We cannot regulate the weather, neither is it the season is closed, the hardness, the maturity of the fruit, but by screening the trunk from the direct rays of the sun, to preserve a dormant thus avoid the danger of these extremes; by mulching the roots from the heat and cold and thereby against injury. To shield the end and drive it into the tree on the west side. Where the two boards are together and leaned up against the used. For a mulch take bagasse from the sorghum is better yet course a mulch will help to retain this give additional protection to the body of the tree, serve as a harbor for the orchards are very large labor and material required to make this method. We are aware that many trees will think that work, and will not pay not willing to take the trees, let them not they are barren or trees are more exposed others, and where time least should be protected. All young trees against the swaying by being fastened to a rod of earth packed a foot or earth three feet, smoothed over, is a sure protection signs of mice, and attention against the season.

In localities where one must be taken their destructive habits, and perhaps way of doing this is to use a mixture of lime and water, and wash the trees with it. LUTHER TUCKER & SON, Publishers, Albany, N. Y.