

## To Cultivate Cucumbers.

A correspondent of Moore's Rural New Yorker gives the following mode of cultivating cucumbers. He says:

Take a tight barrel with one head, and make some eight or ten holes at the bulge of the barrel, with a small bit—say  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an inch—and sink the barrel in the ground level with the surface of the ground; then fill the barrel with stones up as high as the holes and put on about four inches of straw; then fill up the balance with good, rich loam, and fill the barrel up with water; and plant plenty of seed so that you can thin them out to six or eight stalks. In case of drought put a jar of water in the barrel about once a week. I raised off three barrels, planted this way, over four barrels of pickles; and if they are well watered, through bearing season, they will bear well until the frost kills the vines.

One needs a scaffold to let the vines run out; say, take four poles, ten feet long, and set them about four feet apart with one end on the ground, and raise the other some five feet high with pieces of lath or brush laid across, and I will insure that you will have no crooked cucumbers.

Boys.—Boys, when they are boys, are queer enough. How many ridiculous notions they have, and what singular desires which in a life change and shape themselves into characteristics! Who knows when he would not have changed his birthright for a rocking horse, and his new suit of clothes for a monkey? Who forgets the sweet faced girl older than himself, against whose golden hair he leaned and wept his griefs away? Who recollects that when he thought to be a circus rider was greater than to be president; and how jealously he watched the little fellows who wore spangled jackets and turned somersets, and prayed to become like them? If memory preserve not these episces, or something similar, the boy is lost in the man. Happy visions! they come but once, and go quickly, leaving us ever to sigh for what never can be again.

INFALLIBLE REMEDIES.—We have no faith in quick medicines, but think it always best when sick to apply to a regular physician. There are, however, some simple remedies for certain disorders, we can recommend as infallible:

For sea sickness, stay at home. For fear of the sheriff, pay your debts. To be happy, be honest. To please all mind your own business. To make money, advertise.

To have a good conscience, keep the commandments.

To do right, take your county newspaper.

To sleep well, be industrious.

To have your memory blessed, pay the printer.

AS DULL AS A HOE.—Why should the hoe be made the whipping post for so many blunt-edged scythes, axes, knives and other tools? As dull as a hoe? Many a farmer works the year through with a hoe whose edge is thicker than an old fashioned copper, when a few minutes turning of the grindstone would put it in good working order. A sharp hoe saves time and strength, and does one's work better than a dull one. No farmer will now ordinarily longer than a day without grinding his scythe; why not always keep an edge also upon the hoe?

A man can be instructed by everything around him. The fly that buzzes by his ear—the pebble at his foot—the drop of rain and the snowflake will teach useful and important lessons to the student of Nature. There is not an insect or a grain, that might not employ him for hours. Nature is a large book; what we consider trifles are useful leaves in the great volume. Happy is he who reads them attentively.

A few days since a Canadian gentleman, who is an ardent annexationist, on receiving the news of the surrender of Lee's army, "Now, then, Canada will be annexed to the United States, and she'll be in the new glories of the 're-generated' republic." A negro rebel officer standing by replied: "Go slow, my friend; it's very easy to get into the union, but it's hard to get out."

"Will my darling Edwin grant his An gelding a beam?"

"Is there anything on earth her Edwin would not do for his pet? Name the boon, oh, dearest, name it?"

"Then, live, as we dine by ourselves to-morrow, let us, eh! let us have roast pork, with plenty of sage and onions!"

—A newspaper in noticing the presentation of a silver cup to a contemporary says: "He needs no cup. He can drink from any vessel that contains liquor; whether the neck of a bottle, the mouth of a demijohn, the spile of the keg, or the bung-hole of a barrel."

—A young doctor, on being asked to contribute towards enclosing and ornamenting a cemetery, very coolly replied that in filling it he thought he should do his part.

The old lady who mended her husband's trowsers with a patch of grass is now smoothing her hair with the comb of a rooster.

UNCOMFORTABLE.—To be seated at the table, opposite a pretty girl, with a plate of hot soup, on a hot day, a troublesome moustache, and no handkerchief!

—Daniel says he thinks that boarders who are obliged to eat sausages three times a day during dog-days, are justified in growling at their fare.

—The most direct method of determining horse power stand behind and tickle his hind legs with a little switch.

—The New York ladies are dyeing at a fearful rate. Red hair is the object.

—The worst look out—wed-lock! Oh! you naughty bachelor!

—A purse without money is like the comb without honey.

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