

Modern Lifeboats.

There are many kinds of lifeboats and many other devices for effecting communication by lines between a wreck and the shore.

A "self-righting" lifeboat is largely used in the English service, and in our own to a limited extent by way of experiment.

The First Iron Bridge.

The first iron bridge ever erected in the world, and which is in constant use at the present time, spans a little river to the County of Salop, on the railroad leading from Shrewsbury to Worcester, England.

An Island Missing.

The American ship Daniel Barnes, Captain O. E. Arpe, arrived yesterday from Calais, France, after a voyage of ninety-one days.

It is estimated that of the 224,000,000 pounds of butter annually imported into Great Britain...

Grass and Clover Seed.

The largest grower of Grass and Clover Seed in the world is Salzer, La Crosse, Wis. Over 400 varieties, with lowest prices.

RECIPIES.

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Rev. O. H. Power

Symptoms of Cancer. Appeared on my lip. Disagreeable eruptions came on my neck. After taking 4 bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla...

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures

It is like a new being. Rev. O. H. Power, 211 North Hancock Street, Chicago, Illinois.

HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

CLEANING GLOVES.

Gloves that are but slightly soiled may be easily cleaned by the exercise of a little patience and care.

HOW TO MEND CROCKERY.

A valued correspondent says: Before being allowed to get dirty or greasy use all the broken pieces in their places.

LINEOLEUM IN THE KITCHEN.

An authority on such matters recommends a thin quality of lineoleum to be used as a dado for the walls in a kitchen.

GARNISHES AND SAUCES.

Apple sauce is for roast goose and roast pork. Barberries, fresh or preserved, go with game.

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NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN.

England has female bank clerks.

New York has a female lion-trainer. A new fancy in plates is the Empire. The Bank of England has decided to appoint women as clerks.

WASTE OF GOOD FODDER.

An enormous quantity of corn fodder is grown each year, but not one-third of its feeding value is procured. Hundreds of thousands of acres of stalks are allowed to stand in the fields until December or January until the grain is hulled, and then the stalks are turned in the field to get what they can.

NOTES ON WHEAT.

From field experiments carried on at the Agricultural Experiment Station, Purdue University, Indiana, reported in Bulletin 15, extending over ten years, it appears that none of the varieties of wheat tried have any tendency to deteriorate or "run out," provided proper care is exercised.

THE \$10,000 BEQUEST OF MISS EMMA TURNER TO THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

The \$10,000 bequest of Miss Emma Turner to the British Museum for the purpose of enabling it to conduct archaeological researches is to be utilized in exploring the site of Amathus in Cyprus.

THE PARIS PREFECT OF POLICE HAS WARNED WOMEN CYCLISTS THAT THE NEW RATIONAL CYCLING COSTUME WHICH THEY HAVE DONNED INFRINGES THE LAW AGAINST WOMEN WEARING MEN'S CLOTHES.

The Housewife Union, of Berlin, established for the improvement of domestic service, gives prizes to women who have remained in the service of the same family for terms of five, ten, twenty and thirty years.

THE FIRST AND ONLY DOCTRESS OF LAW IN FRANCE IS Mlle. JEANNE CHAMIN.

Mlle. Jeanne Chamin, the first and only doctress of law in France, is a woman of fine complexion and of queenly bearing. She has returned from her regular visit to London, and her house in Boston is the centre of the cultured and refined of the Hub.

SOME ADVICE TO DRIVERS.

A driver gave his horse six quarts of oats about two hours earlier than he was usually fed. The harness was being put on while the horse was feeding. The driver managed to get his breakfast in the meantime.

REQUIREMENTS FOR A HORSE STABLE.

A horse stable should have thorough drainage first, then a solid, non-absorbent floor; next, the stalls should be roomy, and the feeding troughs should be made so that food cannot be wasted.

REMARKABLE LITTLE MAGNET.

A magnet which the great Sir Isaac Newton wore as a set in his finger ring is said to have been capable of raising 746 grains, or about 250 times its own weight of three grains, and to have been much admired in consequence of its phenomenal power.

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THE MICROSCOPE.

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FARM AND GARDEN.

CARROT GRUB.

An English gardener reports that he effectually destroyed the carrot grub, after it had become so abundant as to cause the tops of carrots to wilt, by watering them with a liquid made by putting a bushel of lime and a bushel of soot into 100 gallons of water.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

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