A SUBSTITUTE FOR WOOD.

Planks Made of Cork Are to Be Utilized in Our New Warships.

Several months ago the Board of Inspection and Survey of the Navy Department was directed to make an investigation with a view to obtaining some practical substitute for wood in fitting naval vessels. The desire for the substitute was the fact that a lighter material was wanted if possible, one that would not take so much space of the vessel, and, more than anything else, a material that would not splinter. It was also desirable to have a non-combustible substance.

The board has made a report to the Secretary of the Navy and some of its recommendations have been adopted by him, and it is probable that several of the new ships will be fitted with the new material as a substitute for wood.

One of the best materials which has been found by the board is a wood substitute composed of waste cork, or any cork. This is subjected to 400 degrees of heat, and it is then pressed into blocks of any required size. It can be sawed into thin strips or handled very much as wood is handled. Cork has a gum which great heat melts and glues its particles together in a compact mass. After being pressed it sticks together as tightly as if it had grown that way. The cork boards may be made heavy or light. Some of the lighter kinds are used in the walls of refrigerators. It is a non-conductor, and can scarcely be made to burn. This material is used in the place of wood in German vessels. Commander Bradford, who made the search and examination of this particular substitute, found that the Germans were using it under a patent taken out by John Smith, of New York, and that companies in the United States had obtained rights for its manufacture here.

Wheat and Barley,

The Maryland Agricultural College has been making a test to determine which is the more profitable crop, wheat or barley. The barley was sown two bushels to the acre, and the wheat at the rate of a bushel and a half. Five hundred and sixty pounds of fertilizers were applied to both. Winter Fife was the variety of wheat used. The barley averaged 48 bushels per acre, and the wheat 28. The cost of raising the wheat was placed at 50 cents per bushel, and barley at 30 cents. The net returns based on the above, allowing the wheat to sell at 70 centf and the barley at 50 cents, were $3.98 per acre in favor of the barley. Spring barley did not yield much more than half as much as winter barley. The following table shows the yield in 1895 from twenty-two varieties of wheat tested :

NAME.	BUS. PER. ACRE.
Garfield	24.2
Valley	39.1
Beal	31.7
Fultz	37.6
Currell's Prolific	42.3
Winter Fife	31.8
Wisconsin Triumph	35.6
Finley	36.2
Nigger	33.8
Egyptian	29.6
Jones' Square Head	27.8
Tuscian Island	38.1
Poole	39.1
Rocky Mountain	38.1
Wyandott Red	38.8
Badger	38.2
Dietz	37.1
Extra Early Oakley	42.4
Lebanon	33.4
Ontario Wonder	39.7
Echigh	37.0
Ruby	41.0

Currell's Prolific has the best average yield of any of the varieties for the five years that variety tests have been made, 31.6 bushles to the acre; but the Fultz, which for so many years has proven such a valuable variety to the wheat growers of this and other States, still holds its place in the variety tests of having the best average yield for the four years it has been grown, 36.7 bushels to the acre.

The Difference.

"Slothers, the merchant, gets drunk and abuses his wife fearfully."

"The brute!"

"And Mahlstick, the artist, does the same thing."

"Ah, poor man! He's a victim of the artistic temperament."

A Desperate Effort.

Feather—What keeps your sister so long, Willie?

Willie— She's putting on the finest clothes she has.

Featherstone—What's that for?

Willie—She said she was going to land you tonight if it could be done.

A Sober Reflection.

"I can tell you, baron, that when my offer of marriage was rejected by the prima dona I was so miserable that I was on the point of throwing myself out of the window."

"What prevented you?"

"The height."

Persistent.

Mrs. Jones—Charles has an unconquerable spirit.

Mrs. Smith—Indeed?

Mrs. Jones—Yes. He was two hours unlocking the door early this morning.

Principal (to new apprentice)—Has the book-keeper told you what you have to do in the afternoon? Youth—Yes, sir; I was to waken him when I saw you coming.—Daheim.

First Girl.—Cholly isn't such a fool as he looks. Second Girl—No indeed. He couldn't be.—Washington Star.

PROF. HUXLEY'S EPITAPH.

Prof. Huxley, the great man of science who died a few months ago, was what is known as an agnostic upon religious questions. This term means "I don't know" and so the Professor was neither a believer or unbeliever in revealed religion. The following lines upon his tomb aptly apply to him and his school:

"And if there be no meeting past the grave,
If all is darkness, silence, yet 'tis rest.
Be not afraid ye waiting hearts that weep,
For God still giveth his beloved sleep,
And if an endless sleep he wills so best."

It is more than strange that a man of Prof. Huxley's capacities, after weighing the universe, measuring the heavens and exploring the secrets of nature to a greater extent, perhaps, than any man who preceded him, should come down to his grave doubting whence he came and whither he goeth. He must have known and felt the power that created from nothing the vast worlds of space set them in their orbits and started them on their never ending journey, could fathom the heart and mind of man who was also created but little lower than the angels. As a great writer has put it:

Belief in the soul's immortality follows necessarily from a belief in an all wise God. God, who created nothing without a purpose, has given us a desire to know, and a longing to be happy. Man's intellect is not confined to the narrow limits of the body. It reaches down to the unexplored depths of the sea; it wings its flight to the heavenly orbs; it enters into the most subtile substances, penetrates the matter that composes them and separates their elements; it dissects its own thoughts: while the carnal body can at best but serve as an unwieldly pivot, upon which this time defying principle depends. Yet when analysis and calculation have exhausted their powers, the intellect of man still finds itself banked by unsolvable problems. Can it be that this intellect, so superior to the body of man, will perish forever, with its capacity for knowing still unsatisfied?

Why this insatiable desire for happiness? Is it in vain? Yet ask anyone of the millions who now live; was there ever a time in your life when the cup of bliss was filled, was there ever a moment when you had all you desired and feared not its loss? Not one could answer, yes, for death would say with a hollow, mocking laugh; thou fool, I come. Ask the miser who loves his wealth; have you enough? His answer, accentuated by his thin, meager form, will be; more, still more. Ask the ambitious man, who loves self; are you satisfied? His answer will be: higher, still higher. Ask the sensual man; did you find happiness in the gratification of your appetites? He will answer: "vanity and vanities, and all is vanity." Ask the affectionate father or husband as he stands at the grave of his beloved, he will answer; we shall meet again.

God has given us a desire for perfect felicity, which he intends to be one day fully gratified, and if this felicity cannot be found, as we have seen, in the present life, it must be reserved for the time to come. And as no intelligent being can be contented with any happiness that is finite in duration, we must conclude that it will be eternal, and that consequently the soul is immortal. Life that is not to be crowned with immortality is not worth living. If a life of happiness," says Cicero, "is destined to end, it cannot be called a happy life."

An Inquisitive Burglar.

New York Times: Abnormal inquisitiveness and not cupidity seems to be the actuating motive of a burglar now operating in Orange, N. J. The evidence is that he often enters houses, often at great trouble and risk, carefully inspects the lower floors, and departs without any plunder.

The residence of Mrs. H. Whittingham was entered last week. A hole was bored in the rail over the kitchen window and a piece of glass was taken out. The catch was thrown back and the house entered. There were evidences that the kitchen, parlor, dining-room and reception room were inspected, but nothing is missing.

The residence of W. S. Andrews was entered. A window screne was cut out. Burnt matches were found in all the rooms on the first floor, but nothing is missing. The house of Mrs. Laura Lindsley, on valley road, near Joyce street, was entered by forcing a window and, although burnt matches were found on the floors and there were evidences that different articles had been disturbed, not a thing was missing, except a lot of matches.

Several houses in this city have been entered, but their owners report no losses.

THE vineless sweet-potato which has been referred to in the local papers of late, can be seen growing on the farm of John M. C. Willen, near Seaford, Del. They are enormous yielders producing three and four hundred bushels to the acre, the tubers ranging all the way from 2 to 4 pounds, and of a sweet delectable flavor. The vines grow upright like white potatoes, rendering cultivation easier. It is apparent that agriculture is keeping pace with science, in making new discoveries.

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		A. M.
7.05	WORTON	11.50
7.10	LYNCH'S	11.45
7.15	HEPBRON	11.40
7.28	KENNEDYVILLE	11.27
7.41	BLACK'S	11.14
7.54	LAMBSON'S	11.01
8.08	MASSEYS	10.47
8.22	DELANEY'S	10.32
8.30	BINGHAM'S	10.25
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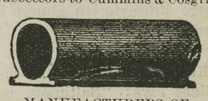
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