

## Persimmon Beer—An Old Recipe.

The Jefferson, with his friendly respects to Mrs. DuVal, returns her his thanks for her present of yesterday. He thinks that the last time he had the pleasure of seeing her, he promised to procure from Virginia a receipt for making Persimmon beer, call Col Lathwell's receipt for making it, which has been deemed there, for 50 years past, the best method they have ever known. He has the honour of inclosing it to her.

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To make Persimmon Beer.—Gather the Persimmons perfectly ripe and free from any roughness, work them into large loaves with brand enough to make them consistent, bake them so thoroughly that the cake may be brown and dry throughout, but not burnt—they are then fit for use—but if you keep them any time it will be necessary to dry them frequently in an oven moderately warm. Of these loaves broken into coarse powder, take eight bushels, pour on them 40 gallons of cold water, and after two or three days draw it off—cool it as other beer, and hop it. This makes a very strong beer. By putting 30 gallons of water to the same powder and letting it stand two or three days longer, you may make a very fine small beer.”—*Marboro' Gazette*.

ROMANCE EXTRAORDINARY.—Two individuals, calling themselves Jack and Charlie, were recently imprisoned at Chambersburg, Pa., for swearing. Charlie was soon discovered to be a woman, hailing from Somerset and named Matilda Rushenberger. She says that she ran away from Somerset, seven years ago, with Dan Rice's circus. She donned male attire from the time she started, and has been wearing it ever since. Her occupation in the circus was equestrianism and vaulting, and no doubt she figured among Rice's "stars" as the "celebrated equestrian Signor Somebody, from Francopi's in Paris and Astley's in London." She says she is not the only female in male attire travelling with circuses in this country.