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CARING FOR CUT GLASS.

How to Handle Delicate Ware So It Will Retain Beauty.

It is seldom that the girl who sells the cut glass in the big department stores can tell you precisely what to do in order to preserve these beautiful and expensive articles, but one young lady, who owns several costly pieces and who is overenthusiastic concerning them, says that with the proper care they are a joy forever and a delight to behold.

As a warning she says that it requires considerably more care and attention than does silverware, as cut glass will not stand as much handling while being polished. This brittle article is actually the most fragile in the world of the housewife. It seems to await its chance to shatter, and therefore if the following rules are adhered to breakage will be reduced to the smallest percentage:

Keep it in a china closet that has a rail or support that will avert its slipping.

Make sure that the shelf is strong to hold the weight if the pieces are large.

Never rinse under running water. Prepare water for washing in a wooden pan or dish tub and fold a towel on the bottom so that the pieces can rest on its cushiony layers.

Make the water tepid, add ammonia and have just a good white soap, a camel's hair brush (sold for this purpose) and a lintless cloth.

Rinse with water of the same temperature and dry with a soft towel, polishing afterward with tissue paper that comes for this purpose, or you can use a new clean cambric.

Do not put grease of any kind in these pieces, not even butter, as grease makes them cloudy, and you can never polish them as brightly after so using.

Brushing should always be done with the softest brushes procurable. Stiff brushes scratch unmercifully. But a brush must be used to clean the crevices, so it cannot be dispensed with.

Never use tacks or buckshot to clean the inside of bottles, jugs and pitchers, but the ground shell of an egg, salt and lemon or a little white vinegar.

A piece of raw potato soaked in a carafe or any of the deeper pieces will help to make brightening a light task and cleaning still easier.

HOW TO MAKE A FLYTRAP.

Simple Apparatus Has Been Found Effective in Denver.

It is a simple thing to destroy flies by the millions with a homemade fly-trap similar in construction to those in use in Denver. These traps were made by the convicts in the Colorado penitentiary.

The apparatus is simply a box, the size of a starch box or larger, of which the sides are removed, leaving the bottom and two ends, and replaced with mosquito wire. A large tin funnel, about ten or twelve inches across at the top, is inserted into the bottom of the fly-trap in an inverted position. The box is supported so as to be about three inches from the ground. Under the funnel is placed a saucer of vinegar, and some brown sugar is scattered around. After entering the sugar flies go up into the funnel, the inside opening of which is near the top of the box. When the box is half full of dead flies it can be emptied by removing the funnel or by making a trap-door at one end.

How to Preserve Mauve Color.
I was delighted to find by experiment that to prevent my lavender and mauve gowns or ribbons from fading it was only necessary to put the soiled articles in cold water with common baking soda added to the proportion of one tablespoonful of soda to half a gallon of water. Let soak half an hour, then wash carefully in slightly warm soapsuds, using light soap; rinse well and dry in the shade. For other colors table salt of same proportion is most effectual to prevent fading. However, one teaspoonful muriatic acid to a gallon of water is the best thing to use for light blue fabrics, and your daintiest blue frocks are thus kept looking like new after many launderings.—Harper's Bazar.

How to Wash Pongee.
Never use hot water in washing pongee. Instead use a suds made from lukewarm water with pure white soap. Never rub it on the board, but in the hands, as the board draws the threads. Rinse in several waters of the same temperature, hang out in the air until it is dry, then iron. Do not sprinkle or dampen it. Any moisture, even of a damp cloth, will spoil all the good results of the careful washing. If treated in this way it will look like new.—Housekeeper.

How to Hang a Skirt.
Slip on the skirt you are making, then slip on another skirt which hangs. Stand on a chair and have some one put common pins in the new skirt at bottom of the old skirt, and when you have pins all round the bottom turn up for hem at row of pins, and you will find your skirt will hang perfectly even, without waste of time or labor.

How to Wash Egg Cups.
If the breakfast egg cups are put into cold water while waiting for the regular dish washing they will rinse out quite easily, but hot water has the effect of cooking the egg to the side of the china and makes them very hard to wash.

The Motto on the Clock.
The old Temple clock in London bears a curious inscription, the origin of which is ascribed to a chance remark.

Some 200 years or so ago a master workman was employed to repair and put in a new face upon the clock. When his work was nearly done he asked the benchers for an appropriate motto to carve upon the base. They promised to think of one. Week after week he came for their decision, but was put off. One day he found them at dinner in common.

"What motto shall I put on the clock, your lordship?" he asked of a learned judge.

"Oh, go about your business!" his honor cried angrily.

"And very suitable for a lazy, dawdling gang!" the clockmaker is said to have muttered as he retreated. It is certain that he carried "Go about your business" on the base.

The lawyers decided that no better warning could be given them at any hour of the day, and there the inscription still remains.—Harper's Weekly.

The Exceptional Young Man.

The exceptional young man, says Orison Sweet Marden in Success Magazine, is the one who looks upon his employer's interests as he would his own, who regards his vocation as an opportunity to make a man of himself, an opportunity to show his employer the stuff he is made of, and who is always preparing himself to fill the position above him.

The exceptional young man is the one who never says, "I was not paid to do that." "I don't get salary enough to work after hours or to take so much pains." He never leaves things half done, but does everything to a finish.

The exceptional young man is the one who studies his employer's business, who reads his literature, who is on the watch for every improvement which others in the same line have adopted and which his employer has not, who is always improving himself during his spare time for larger things.

Labrador's Short Summer.

How brief is the summer on the highlands of Labrador! says Hesketh Pritchard in the Wide World. Snow does not melt till July, then with a rush midsummer comes. Grasses and leaves grow almost visibly, the wild cotton soon flings out its little white pennons, millions of berries ripen on the ground, the loon cries, the ptarmigan calls, and you may even see a butterfly balancing in the warm wind. But then also wakens the countless army of hunchbacks, lean and gray mosquitoes, piping bilthely for blood.

So summer reigns. Then suddenly one day at the end of August, after the sun has sunk behind the barren crags through a balmy warmth of evening, one may wake up to find everything transfigured and the first snow of another season already falling.

Found Out His Man.

A southerner who was visiting St. Louis wandered into the dining room of the hotel and, seeing a negro servant who had all the importance of an army officer standing near the door, asked him who the "head nigger" was around there. The negro stretched himself to his full height and pompously replied that "there ain't no niggers in St. Louis, sah. We is all gem-men of color."

"Well," said the southerner, drawing a \$100 bill from his pocket and fingering it, "I expect to be at this hotel for some time and want to make sure that I will be taken care of."

"Oh, sah," said the negro, whose eyes were popping from his head, "did you want to know who the head 'nigger walter' is? That's me."—Allentown Call.

Where Bluebeard Lived.

Most of our readers have heard of Bluebeard, the enterprising gentleman who made a hobby of marriage and had a way of his own for getting rid of superfluous wives. Probably very few people, however, know that the story has any sort of basis in fact. Yet on the banks of the world famous Bosphorus near Constantinople there is situated a picturesque old medieval fortress known as "Bluebeard's castle" and which is said to have been the abode of a terrible old pasha, whose playful little ways gave rise to the story.—Wide World Magazine.

First Calculating Machine.

The first calculating machine was invented and constructed by Blaise Pascal, a Frenchman, in 1642, in which year he was but nineteen years of age. It was made by him with the aid of one workman and was presented to the chancellor of France. During the revolution it was found in a junk shop at Bordeaux and at present is the property of M. Bougonin of that city. All of the four simple mathematical operations can be made with it.

Flow of Solid Metals.

Metals flow into each other just as gases and liquids mix, though more slowly. If a cube of lead is placed on one of gold, the surfaces of contact being kept smooth and clean, and left for a month a small quantity of gold will be found to have penetrated the lead.

Not Playing the Game.

Mrs. Fitz Suburbia—The next door person must be a very suspicious character. Hubby—Why so? Mrs. F. S.—She employs a maid who is deaf and dumb, the mean cat—New York Journal.

Fire and sword are but slow engines of destruction in comparison with the babbler.—Steele.

"Stars of Africa."

When King George was crowned he wore two jewels of rare value called the "Stars of Africa." They are enormous diamonds. One weighs 516½ carats and will shine forth in the scepter once used by Charles II, who was king of England from 1660 to 1685. The other weighs 309 3-16 carats and has replaced the sapphire that was set in the crown of Charles IV (1820-30) just below the ruby of the Black Prince. These "stars" are the largest portions of the famous Cullinan diamond.

The smaller "stars" from the same stone will glitter in Queen Mary's crown, right in the front of which will blaze the celebrated Kohinoor diamond, which was presented to Queen Victoria in 1849.

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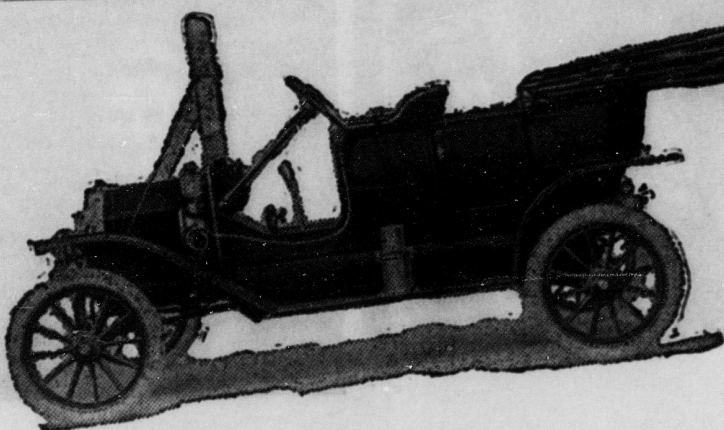
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