



GIRL WITHOUT TALENTS.

She May Live a Life of Fulfillment by Making the Most of Her Every-Day Qualities.

"Many a modest, unselfish girl, who does not regard herself as remarkable either in mind, appearance or manner, asks: 'Where is there a place for a girl to-day who is not beautiful or talented, who cannot play or paint or sing, cannot permit herself to write an essay for a literary club, and has no ability for leadership?'"

HOW TO BOIL CLOTHES.

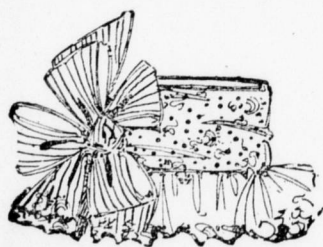
Much Harm Is Done by Leaving Them in the Boiler until They are Virtually Cooked.

The purpose of boiling clothes is to expand the fabrics by steam and thus to loosen the dirt and allow it to drop out; there is no good, but actual harm derived from "cooking" the clothes; they do not require "cooking," but cleansing, and when they are cleansed that is sufficient.

VERY LATEST STOCK.

It Consists of Wide Bands and Fluffy Trimmings, and Is Called the "Adelaide."

Fortunate indeed is she who possesses that physical virtue—a swanlike neck, for the prettiest neck collars and stocks are so tall and "fussy" that the short-necked sisterhood can only look at them with longing eyes and sigh.



THE NEW ADELAIDE COLLARETTE. redeeming feature, however, in the delicate frill which finishes the lower edge. Slightly low-cut bodices of a summer ago which could not possibly "pass" this season are enabled to do duty by the addition of the "Adelaide."

The True Political Pull.

Seeker—It means a great deal of hard pulling if a man gets a nomination for an office nowadays. Haddit—Wire or leg?—Puck.

SALT WATER BATHS.

They Give Tone to the Entire System and Keep the Skin Healthy, Soft and Clear.

For a hand bath (a bath given to the body by use of the hands only, or by sponge or cloth) place a handful of salt in a basin as ordinarily filled for washing. Allow the salt to dissolve, or hasten the action by stirring it with the hand.

COSTUME FOR NURSES.

Cool and Comfortable Model Which is Being Adopted by Hospitals and Sanitariums.

Trained nurses will hail with delight the comfortable new costume which is here illustrated. It is a close-fitting affair consisting of skirt and waist which are joined upon the same waistband.



COSTUME FOR A NURSE.

Worry Hinders Digestion. The cat has served to teach mankind an all-important lesson concerning the working of the stomach. The X rays directed upon a cat's stomach have demonstrated that any irritation or disagreeable nervous excitement arrests the progress of digestion.

When to Buy Mill Feed. At this time of year millers need all their spare store room to hold grain, and will sell bran and wheat middlings much cheaper than they can afford to do later in the season.

How to Make Orange Sponge. Into a saucpan place a pint of cold water, the thinly pared rind of one lemon, and three or four ounces of sugar. Stir until the sugar is dissolved and add one ounce of gelatine which has been soaked in cold water.

Bolero Corset Covers. Bolero corset covers are just as fashionable as bolero jackets. One of the daintiest of these is formed entirely of black Italian lace insertion and white cambric, as fine as the finest of handkerchiefs, set in alternate strips and drawn together with a light blue ribbon over the bust.

Delicious Rice Biscuits. These are delicious if properly made. Take equal parts of flour, sugar and ground rice, say a half pound of each, and half a teaspoonful of baking powder.

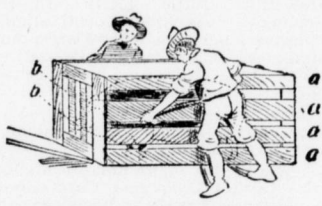
Curled Gingerbread Recipe. Beat seven ounces of butter to a cream, add eight ounces of brown sugar, eight ounces of flour, quarter of a nutmeg, and mix all with nine ounces of treacle. Drop a very little with a spoon on tins, and bake in a slow oven. They should be crisp.



AN EXCELLENT PLAN.

Catching, Moving and Shipping Hogs, Sheep and Yearling Cattle Made Easy.

My plan of crating live stock, hogs, calves, sheep and yearlings is to have four pieces three by three inches and three feet long (or more for large stock), as corner pieces. Then four boards, a six inches wide and six feet or more long are nailed securely as side pieces. Double end boards are two feet ten inches long and nailed securely. At one end of crate, two boards, b, b, are



CRATING HOGS MADE EASY.

slid between the end boards and held in place by a bolt through top and bottom of each. From bottom up, side boards are nailed on three, four and five inches apart respectively.

To handle hogs, take three planks one foot wide, place one end in rear of wagon, other on ground, as shown at a. Two men take the crate at each end, follow up and drop over the hog and then walk the hog under the crate, up the plank on the wagon. In this way I have loaded alone hogs that weighed 400 pounds. Keep crate close to ground or the hog will poke her nose under and crawl out. If hogs are wild, feed them and while eating set crate over them. I lead hogs from pen to pasture in this way. — C. A. Phoenix, in Farm and Home.

STOCK ON THE FARM.

No Matter How Small the Premises It Will Pay the Owner to Keep Hogs or Sheep.

No farm so small but there are some wastes on it if the produce is sold direct from the farm. It is impossible to raise and sell grain and hay without losing some portion of it which might have been saved if live stock were kept.

The man with a large farm may be able to go on raising and selling grain and let the wastes go, but the small farmer cannot allow these losses. For the small farmer horses or cattle are out of the question as they require too large an area for pasturage, but with hogs or sheep the case is different.

The man who owns a small farm and keeps a small herd of hogs or a small flock of sheep is likely to become an enthusiast and if this is the case the stock kept will get much larger prices than common stock and the profits will be increased.

As a matter of fact the small farmer with a few animals is in a position to take the very best care of his animals whether they are to be used for market or are pure-breds which are to be sold for breeders and in either case the returns will be larger than they could be where larger flocks with less care are kept. — Farmers' Voice.

When to Buy Mill Feed.

At this time of year millers need all their spare store room to hold grain, and will sell bran and wheat middlings much cheaper than they can afford to do later in the season. There is often a saving of two or three dollars per ton, even though the price of grain does not advance if the mill feed needed for winter and spring use is purchased now.

Potash for Sugar Beets. In several foreign experiments with the culture of sugar beets noted by the department of agriculture it was found that whereas nitrogenous fertilizers increased the yield of beets per acre, they also decreased the sugar content and purity of the juice, but that the application of potash and phosphoric acid fertilizers improved the quality of the beets. The greatest increase in sugar was due to potash fertilizing. Beets grown from large seeds gave better yields and were richer in sugar than those grown from small seeds. It was concluded that 14 inches was a good depth for plowing.

Knowing a Bit Too Much.

Another difficulty with those who manage incubators is that they know too much. They know more than the man who made the machine, and do not always follow directions. Each one will have some whim, or make some fancied remarkable discovery by which he is to electrify the poultry world, and they do not realize that they know nothing at all until they spoil one or two hatches (for which they condemn the incubator); but after awhile better results follow and the operator is somewhat satisfied.

LOSSES FROM WEEDS.

They Always Cause a Shrinkage of the Crop Among Which They Are Allowed to Grow.

It would be difficult for most farmers to calculate how great is the loss from the prevalence of weeds in crops. In a season when dry weather prevails these losses are comparatively small, though even then the weeds take water from the soil which is not all returned when they are uprooted and buried in it.

It is often said that weeds are a preventive of good farming; that there would be much less cultivation of hoed crops if it were not that the growth of weeds made it necessary. Yet where the cultivator is kept going all through the season so often as to prevent any weed from reaching the surface, the weed killed as quickly as it sprouted has done the soil more good and less harm than it could do at any subsequent stage of its growth.

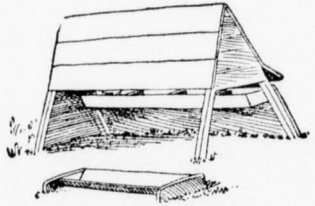
It is the peculiarity of most weeds that most of their growth is taken directly from the soil, and that both it and the moisture to make the plant food soluble are needed by growing crops. Each day's growth of a weed among hoed crops lessens the yield. If the weed is left until late, its roots will be so intermingled with those of valuable crops that one cannot be destroyed without uprooting the other.

CHEAP COLONY HOUSE.

Roosting Place Protected from Wind and Rain Is All Fowls Need in the Early Fall.

Fowls do well colonized out in small flocks in summer and early fall. They need little more shelter than a roosting place that is protected from storms and showers.

The cut shows an A-shelter boarded with matched lumber to the ground on one side and end with nests and roosts inside. Put the tight side and end toward the direction of storms. Fowls



AN "A" SHELTER.

can thus be colonized in many flocks on pasture and other rough land, obviating the necessity of building many yards, and of furnishing all the feed. Fowls on free range will get half their living themselves. The plan reduces the number of permanent chicken houses required, since the flock is usually much larger in summer and fall than in winter after the market chickens and the old hens have been culled out. — Farm and Home.

Remedy for the Hornly.

The hornly is becoming troublesome in some sections, and the Kansas experiment station reports that they have found the following mixture to effectually prevent them from troubling the agricultural college herd: Two quarts fish oil, one pint crude carbolic acid, ten ounces of oil of tar, one ounce oil of pennyroyal, one quart kerosene. All except the kerosene can be obtained at any good drug store, and the cost is but 55 cents a gallon. Put it on with brush, cloth, or in fine spray from atomizer, about once in two or three days. The cost is from one-half to one cent a head each day, and these flies and all others will carefully avoid it.

Owes No Man Anything.

Sheep are unlike all other stock, if decently managed. A good sheep can never die in debt to a man. If it dies when weaned it has consumed nothing. If it dies the first winter the wool will pay for its keep up to that period. If it lived to be shorn once, it brings its owner in debt to it, and if the ordinary course of wool production and breeding goes on, that indebtedness increases with great rapidity as long as the sheep lives. If the horse or steer dies at three or four years old or the cow before breeding, the loss is almost a total one. — Free Press, Ontario, Canada.

Cabbages are gross feeders. They require a rich soil and thorough cultivation if the best results are obtained.

Be careful about potato vines which have been sprayed with paris green, that the stock cannot eat them.

English Secret Service Money.

The term "secret service money" is usually applied to a fund placed at the disposal of ministers to be expended at their discretion, in promoting or protecting the interests of the country. These moneys consist of a sum of £35,000 annually included in the estimates, in respect of which ministers are only required to make a declaration that the moneys spent have been expended in "accordance with the intentions of parliament."

Not So Bad.

"How did the family come out in the matter of settling the estate?" was asked of one of the brothers. "Might have been worse, but we finally succeeded in effecting a compromise with our lawyer by which he agreed to let us have half." — Detroit Free Press.

What He Had.

Question—What have you got? Answer—I've got liver, calf's brains, pig's feet. "I don't want a description of your physical peculiarities. What you have got to eat is what I want to know." — Boston Traveler.

Can't Succeed.

Some men are so deficient in the elements of success that they would never set the world on fire even if the world were insured in their favor. — Detroit Journal.

"Oh, that I should have married a funny man," she wailed. "What is the matter, lovely, dear?" asked her most intimate friend. "He came home and told me he had a sure way to keep jelly from getting moldy at the top, and when I asked him how, he said turn it upside down." — Boston Traveler.

Fact in Physiology.—"They say a man who turns pale when he gets mad is the most dangerous," that is so. A man who is scared nearly out of his boots will put up an awful fight." — Indianapolis Journal.

Knew His Capacity.—"Poor Bilkins is dead. He drank 14 gallons of straight whiskey, 14 high balls and a half a keg of beer right before last." "Is that so?" "What was the cause of his death?" — Chicago Times-Herald.

She—"I'm sure I've cast my bread on the water many a time, and I don't see any results." He—"No; I guess your bread would sink, dear." — Yonkers Statesman.

We do not always realize what a privilege it is to be able to work—just to have the strength and vitality to take up our tasks day after day. — Boston Watchman.

The man who tries to say smart things makes more breaks than other people. — Atchison Globe.

It's a good memory that sometimes admits of "discreet forgetfulness." — Chicago Daily.

Cap. Mental rust.—Ram's Horn. Does a light-headed, lantern-jawed cyclist need any other lamp? — L. A. W. Bulletin.

Time and tide wait for no man, but they just have to slow up a little for the woman who is trying to get her hat on straight. — L. A. W. Bulletin.

Mrs. Crimmonbeak—"Has Mr. Crimmonbeak got home for dinner yet, Bridget?" Bridget—"No, mum." "I thought I heard him downstairs." "Sure that was the dog you heard growlin', mum." — Yonkers Statesman.

Like Days of Yore.—Grandma—"What time did Mr. Lippincott leave last night, Gracie?" Gracie—"Why, grandma, he started home at—" Grandma (mildly)—"Never mind when he started; I asked you when he left." — Brooklyn Life.

Not Sure of the Name.—"I have an awful pain in my back," said an old lady to her doctor in Topeka. "Probably you have rheumatism," responded the doctor. "Mebbe it is, doctor, but Sister Mary thinks I've got the lumberger." — Kansas City Journal.

Mrs. Newed—"Oh, Jack! The cook was in such an ugly mood to-day, I thought it best to call in a policeman." Newed (astounded)—"What! To arrest her?" Mrs. Newed—"Oh, no—to pacify her." — Brooklyn Life.

Visitor—"Do they treat you well here?" Prisoner—"Yes, indeed. The only thing I have to complain of is their lack of confidence in me. They refuse to give me a latchkey." — Sonags-Nisse.

A Ready Retort.—The Vulture—"It's hardly polite to read your paper at table, Mr. Hallroom." The Victim—"I know, Mes. Skinnem, but it takes my mind off what I'm eating." — What-to-Eat.

"There's poetry in everything," observed the poet. "You're right," replied the editor. "For instance, there's a stove full of it!" — Atlanta Constitution.

Advertisement for Ayer's Pills, featuring an illustration of a person and text describing its benefits for various ailments like sick headache and constipation.

Advertisement for BUCKINGHAM'S DYE, promising to restore color to faded fabrics.

Advertisement for RHEUMATISM CURE, claiming to be a permanent cure using TABLETS-LITHOS.

Advertisement for \$60.00 PER MONTH, offering a limited number of trustworth positions.

Advertisement for Lane's Family Medicine, describing its benefits for various ailments like cholera and dysentery.

Advertisement for Family Pride, a product for maintaining household cleanliness.

Advertisement for The Nickel Plate Road, highlighting its train services and dining cars.

Advertisement for Feminine Exhortation, a publication for women's interests.

Advertisement for To Cure a Cold in One Day, featuring a laxative and bromo tablets.

Advertisement for Sort of "Short Deck," a product for dynamite.

Advertisement for Hall's Catarrh Cure, a treatment for eye and nasal conditions.

Advertisement for The car conductor's motto, a humorous quote about punctuality.

Advertisement for I can recommend Piso's Cure, a remedy for consumption.

Advertisement for Samson was a professional strong man, a humorous anecdote about a man who broke down a house.

Large advertisement for PE-RU-NA, featuring an illustration of a woman and text describing its benefits for women's health and catarrh.

Advertisement for W. L. DOUGLAS \$3 & \$3.50 SHOES UNION MADE, highlighting the quality and durability of the footwear.

Advertisement for W. L. DOUGLAS SHOE CO., featuring a portrait of the founder and details about the company's products.

Advertisement for READERS OF THIS PAPER, encouraging readers to buy anything advertised in the paper.

Advertisement for CARTER'S INK, describing its quality and uses for various writing purposes.

Advertisement for FITS Permanently Cured, offering a cure for various ailments.

Advertisement for RHEUMATISM CURE, featuring a large graphic and text about the effectiveness of the treatment.