

MEMORY LANE.

I know a lane, where the brier rose... Leans o'er the old stone wall; And the scented leaves from an apple tree... Like tinted sea shells fall.

A LITTLE BACHELOR GIRL

By Ernest De Berris-Hausner.

It was an ideal retreat, the coziest little cottage, with a lawn that was the material reproduction of one of the many rustic little nooks Lettie Mansfield had often pictured in her mind.

Encouraged by his good natured countenance, Earl accosted him. "Pardon me for troubling you," he said, "I was just looking at this cottage of yours. I know the proper person to apply to is the agent in charge, but perhaps—"

"Coffee; bring me some strong coffee," demanded the captain. "I must keep awake." On Friday morning the captain's breakfast was served on the bridge—his fifth in succession.



COUNTESS CASSINI SHOPPING.

The daughter of the Russian Ambassador, the Countess Cassini, is an indefatigable shopper and is well known in all the stores in Washington. She delights in matching silks, selecting trimmings and looking for bargains—a feminine pastime most fashionable women leave to their dressmakers.

pinks, yellows, and even in reds. They are scalloped, hemstitched and laced-edge in fast colors. All sorts of floral fancies are carried out in these mouchoirs, but the preference is for small flowers like forget-me-nots, daisies, and wild roses.

PRINCESS OF WALES EXAMPLE.

The Princess of Wales has done a gracious thing by ordering dress goods from Bradford manufacturers, thereby setting the fashion for Bradford fabrics, for in England that is all that is necessary; all women will buy what the royal lady does.

FASHION NOTES.

Blouses of Tuscan and fishnet in white and ecru shades, are exceedingly popular. They are worn over self color or contrasting linings.

THE MODERN TEA TABLE.

Nothing is more conducive to cozy chats, pleasant friendship and agreeable hours than the modern tea table—a necessity in the smart home, and Parisian women vie with each other in their efforts to have the prettiest tables.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE.

That wonderful woman, Miss Florence Nightingale, recently celebrated her eighty-fourth birthday, and her world-wide admirers will be glad to hear that the veteran philanthropist is still able to take the most active interest in the works of charity.

BRUSHING THE TEETH.

This is a very important point in the training of children. See that they brush their teeth at least eight times a day, and if you add a good tooth wash to the water you will guard against decay.

A VARIED PROGRAM.

A luncheon at which the club color of lavender was used was the annual social gathering of one of the oldest and best known of women's clubs. Low baskets of lavender flowers ornamented the tables and the candles were lavender set in silver candelabra and candlesticks.

QUANT COLLAR OF VELVET.

A quaint fashion has been observed at recent evening functions, that of wearing a collar of colored velvet or satin trimmed with lace and jewels with a low cut gown.

COLORING HANKERCHIEFS.

Colored hankkerchiefs and white ones with colored borders are the correct thing for use with shirt-waist suits. These come in softest mulls and linens, in pale lavenders, blues,

HOW TO WHITEN PIANO KEYS.

To whiten piano keys, wash them with a strong solution of nitric acid to an ounce of soft water. Use a piece of soft cheese cloth to wash the keys, being careful not to let the solution run down between them.

THE CHAFING DISH CABINET.

The chafing dish now has a cabinet all to itself. It is a pretty little straight legged affair, in three stories. Part of the lower story is occupied by a cabinet, with a tile inserted in the door by way of decoration.

HOW TO WASH CHAMOIS.

Not every housewife knows how to wash chamois leather so as to make it as soft and good as new. First prepare a weak solution of ordinary washing soda and water, wet the leather with this, and rub into it plenty of white curd soap.

KNOCKERS FOR BEDROOM DOORS.

No late comer to breakfast will be able to make excuse that "they did not hear themselves called" in the future, and housemaids' knockers will escape a sore trial at the hands of unwilling risers, for door knockers are now fastened to up to date bedroom doors, says the London Daily Mail.

USES OF SOUR MILK AND CREAM.

Cake, biscuits, cornbread and many things of a similar nature are more tender and moist if made of sour cream or milk and soda than of sweet milk and baking powder (or its equivalent—a mixture of soda and cream of tartar). The mistake that many cooks make is to add too much soda. Just enough should be added to counteract the acidity of the milk, the soured milk the more soda necessary.

RECIPES.

- Brunswick Toast.—For Brunswick toast use small bits of bread—white, graham or brown bread will answer, or a mixture of all. Butter rather thickly all the little pieces, place in an earthen pan with bits of butter among the bread. Salt a little and cover with milk. Let boil, then serve hot. A nice way to use small pieces of bread.
- Frozen Ardeley Salad.—This salad is said to be new and delicious. It is made the way, according to Harper's Bazar: Mix well four cream cheeses with a glass of red currant Bar-le-Duc. Press into small moulds, pack in empty ice cream bricks, and bury in ice and salt for four hours. Turn out on lettuce hearts and cover with French dressing.