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TO LEARN FLORAL ART. GO TO JAPANESE, SAYS M'LISS

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Little Almond-Eyed Housewives of the Orient Attend School to Find Out How to Put a Flower in a Vase

TH'T it curious how one woman can take a bouquet of flowers and with say grace make a spring poem of them in a vase, while another woman spend an hour in her endeavor to get an artistic effect, pulling first one out and then another, putting them all in together and then taking them out te rearrange them one by one and never succeeding in her desire for a graceful BITS NESTION \$?

Instinctively the one woman knows exactly what height will be proportionate to her receptacle. She knows that mere quantity does not make for grace and artistry; that often a few field or garden posies cleverly placed are much more pleasing to the eye than whole masses of expensive ones which suggest only the hothouse.

How different is the Japanese attitude toward flowers from ours! Do you ow that in the blowery Kingdom there are schools centuries old whose curconsist only of the study of the art of flower arrangement? The masters of the schools reveal their most cherished secrets only at death to their favorite pupil, so fearful are they lest a rival school learn their methods. It takes years of study to know the real art of flower arrangement, and the Japanese woman would look at you as if you were not quite same if you inferred that the lovely effects abe gets with the season's blossoms in her charming baskets, hanging vases and flat bowls ought to come to her instinctively, without any instruction from the master.

To the clever flower artists of the Orient the blossoms that they use must secall nature and not the artificiality of the hothouse. The arrangement must suggest a living plant, not a cut one. With infinite skill they can bend the ast brittle stems into desired curves and angles, whereas fingers less deft and trained would snap them instantly.

One of the first principles that they follow is that the arrangement of wers indoors must suggest the season of the year. If it is March and windy, the Japanese housewife will have all of her posies arranged in such a manner that they give the impression of wind-tossed gardens and forests. In the spring flowers are loose and spreading, and since the freshets and rivers are full to overflowing, likewise the vessel must suggest this plenitude of water. They even put was on the rims of their vases so that the water can go above the rim and look as though it were actually spilling.

In summer shallow bowls with a wide-expanse of water showing are used and the flower arrangement is short and squat. Golden and yellow leaves suggestive of the harvest time are popular in autumn. The Japanese believe that their foliage at this time should suggest peace and serenity, and in some mysterious way they succeed in achieving this result. In winter the foliage is sparse and savers. These quaint people would consider it queer indeed to have a luxuriance of bloom in the house at a time when all outdoors seems dead. Their foliage is naked of leaf or blossom and stands clear cut in the vase.

An oven number of flowers is considered most unlucky-perhaps because It is difficult to fix them artistically. Three flowers are sufficient to give an artistic effect, though if you are a genius, a floral picture can be made with one. Five is popular. An interesting book that I have been poring over declares that the arrangement of a single blossom is called Heaven and that two of the other essentials to a more ambitious vase are a blossom called Man and another Earth. With Heaven, Earth and Man as a basis, the Japanese can express virtually every emotion and every season with their flowers. Perhaps it would pay us to learn from them. M'LISS. . . .

Letters to the Editor of the Woman's Page

Address all communications to M'Liss, care of the Evening Ledger. Write on one side of the paper only,

Dear M'Liss-I am in very great trouble over one of those "little things" that you wrote about. My husband is not speaking to me on account of it. I feel that I am in the wrong, but knowing my husband as I do, do not want to come out and say so. What would you advise? DISTRESSED.

A little love, a little kiss.

From Dorothea, of Moylan, comes harsh letter regarding hogs in general and ones in particular.

Dear M'Liss-In your EVENING LEDGER column, where appear so many thoughts, interesting and pertinent to our daily lives, can you not find room for a word relative to a certain type of humanity, whose baleful influence we all feel, more or less, but whose presence, I fear, has become somwhat tolerable to us through familiar associations?

I refer to what may be filly termed the "human hog." "a monster of so hideous a mien that to be hated needs but to be n, yet seen too oft, familiar with his face we first endure, then pity, then (almost) embrace."

I do not refer to those ordinary petty forms of selfishnass, which are all too familiar to us; but over and above these, ordinary selfishness raised to the nth power

KITCHEN CHEMISTRY Simple Tests Determine If You Get That for Which You Pay

Much handling makes eggs shiny

light.

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by the dozen.

By VIRGINIA E. KIFT

Are the eggs for which rou pay 45 cents.] better than those which cost 397 Test them to see. Second test. Hold egg before a candle or gas jet behind which is a dark backpround.

Around the yolk of an egg is a thin tissue, which holds the yolk together; when decomposition occurs the yolk breaks this membrane and becomes mixed Those direct from the farm are doll. If an egg is stale, some of the water of its composition has evaporated through with the white. By holding the egg be-fore a strong light the yolk can easily be he norms shell, air has entered and the teen as a large dark spot. If bad, the yolk has broken its mem-brane and this dark spot cannot be no-

To test, put in a deep pan of water. First. If bad, it will float. Second. If stale, it will be light enough o slant away from the bottom of the pan ticed. There is also a tissue around the white

of an egg which, in heating the whites stiff, must be broken into infinitesima Third. If fresh, its weight causes it to pieces before the egg will become light This test will make you wish eggs could be bought by the pound instead of

and fluffy. A few grains of salt dropped into the white before beating will at each turn of the beater help to cut this membrane. Because the egg shell is porous and readily absorbs impurities from a dirty shell or the air, eggs should always be washed before being put away. The whites then "beat up" much scener than if the salt had not been added.

SEEN IN THE SHOPS



SEASONABLE FOOTGEAR

THE Easter suit is absolutely spoiled if one's footgear isn't equally distinctive. There are so many smart styles in shoes on the market that the variety from which to choose is virtually unlimited. The model on the left shows the ever-popular Colonial pump. It may be had in washable kid. This costs more than the average boot, but repays the expenditure in service Colors include white, ivory with ivory buckskin quarters, and pearl gray kid with pearl gray buck quarters. Per-

forations and a rather high tongue form the only trimming. Price, \$9. The Colonial in the centre may be had in black patent leather, champagne or gun-metal kid at \$7, and in pearl gray buckwich at \$7.50. The large buckle gives dis-tinction and the model is sufficiently dressy to wear with afternoon frocks or silk suits. The pumps at the right are also designed for dressy wear, for they come in wanted colors-champagne, bronze and plain or patent leather. Hand perforations serve as trimming. The simplicity of line is distinctive enough. Price, \$7,

The name of the shop where these articles may be purchased will be supplied by the Editor of the Woman's Page. EVENING LEDGER, 608 Chestnut street. The request must be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope and must mention the date on which the article appeared.

Marion Harland's Corner

as soon as I received your letter inclosing Mrs. R. S.'s address I corresponded with her with regard to the 13-month-old boy she wished to give up for adoption. When golden one to those fortunate enough to obtain admission. To those outside the pale the thought of the enjoyment of others more fortunate has been pleasant, until by chance, peeking through the chinks in the wall, to see if a crumb might fall to us from the "Master's Table." we have recognized at each succeeding feast some of the same faces, and thus have be-come aware with some more and each be-I received a favorable reply I went for the boy and brought him home with me. It was five weeks ago, and I have been waiting until everything should be satisfactorily arranged before informing you of our action. We love the baby dearly, and he seems happy with us. He certain-ly is a lovely baby, and we will always feel grateful to the Corner for what it has for us. little boy will be placed in a good h 'A. A. B.'

fication, while others stood without, value endeavoring to gain one admission. Is it too much to hope that some time delightful duty we



Substitutes for Meat

Spring is the time for tonics, purify ing the blood and toning up the system generally. Nothing is better to accom-plish this end than a simple diet of green regetables, especially healthful ones like vegetables, especially healthful ones like lettuce, spinach and salads of all descripflong

A return to a simple diet, to the exclusion of meats, heavy sauces, highly sp entrees and desserts and the like, is visable for at least one meal a day. Any foctor will tell you that meat once a day a enough for any bealthy individual, at least for any one who isn't anemic.

There are so many appelizing and nutritious victuals that one can eat at luncheon that it seems foolish to waste money on anything else. Take, for in-stance r- lad, combination sailed of pper, tomatoes and cu-ench or Russian dross-

ing, plain hard-boiled egg salad with a slice of eggplant on the side or the good old Southern luncheon of spinach and

hoecakes. The latter, by the way, are not well known in this part of the country. Use scalded comment, putting over it enough boiling water to make a stiff much. The unount must be apportioned according to the size of the family or the number of cakes required. Sait the mush well. Now simply brown the cakes in bacon fat. They are delicious when split in halves like English muffins and buttered.

Salt Helps

Cocoa or chocolate for a party, or for any large affair, is greatly improved if pinch of salt is added. This should not added to the individual cup, however,

for the taste is too evident. Many hotelkeepers use suit in coffee. It should be added before the cream, or it will curdle the cream

Asparagus au Gratin

Now is the season for fresh asparagus new way to serve this tasty vegetable always welcome. One smart restauthe tips of the asparagus in fairly small pieces, pour an au gratin dressing of an cheese and cream sauce over it and brown in the oven. Serve immedi

To Gabriel-in the Spring Gabe! Oh. Gab'l! Whar you at? Aw, let dat dawg alone Run in de house en git yo' hat. Now while you' mammy's gone "Plant dat gyarden?" did she say. I'll do no sech a thing. Whut! dis here nigger throw away De fust fine day er spring'

No, chile; you knows whar we's a-gwine. You run en dig de bait, Whilst 1 fix dis here hook en line;

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SLIGHTEST EVIDENCE OF SQUINT IN CHILD CALLS FOR ACTION

By WILLIAM BRADY, M. D.

THERE are still many people who main-tain that a child will cuterow various society-which made us sure he would tain that a child will outgrow various give satisfaction.

Still Lots of Smoke

If a child in a schoolroom comes down with scarlet fever, and the health officer burns a number of formaldehyde candles in the acheolroom the next night, does that to away with the danger to other children

In the schoolroom? Answer—Certainly not. If any other children have been infected (through con-tact with the disease of the first child), the fumigation cannot after the fact. In plain words, such fumigation is a waste of time, money and, perhaps opportunity. The first child should be isolated, and the schoolroom closed for a week, to allow any messible secondary cause to be n the schoolroom? possible secondary cases to be 202 recognized.

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lightest evidence of squint or cross-eye should be headed and the child placed under the supervision of a good oculist whom the family doctor recommends. Con-servation of vision is one of the first duties of conscientious parents. No vicious notion of "outgrowing" squint should be entertained for a moment.

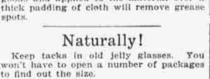
goes to school.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The Youngest Doctor Did It

I wrote you some time ago, you may emember. I had tried seven different dectors without obtaining any relief from a severe pain in the back and lameness. I had also taken a lot of so-called "kidney" medicine. You advised me to stick to my doctor-who happened to be the youngest man in our community. He came the second time, put a plaster jacket (adhesive plaster) on me (two of them), and that was the end of my trouble. Hereafter I'll have the young doctors for mine. Answer-A doctor may be young at 80, and an old fogy at 29—it all depends upon his mental calibre and his training. It just happened that the youngest doctor Grease Again

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WE HAVE a darling little boy in our house, thanks to your Corner, Just

I sincerely hope the other

The lively interest felt by the Corner in the transaction so pleasant, described in the letter of the adopting no her makes the publication of the story justifiable

All communication addressed to Marien Hariand should enclose a shumped, self-addressed envelope and a clupuing of the article in which you are interested Per-sons wishing to aid in the charitable work of the H. H. C. should write Marien Hariand, in care of this paper, for ad-dresses of those they would like to help, and, having received them, communicate direct with those parties.

to school. We have not been in the State long and we feel quite lonely at times. I like to correspond with other mothers and my girls would like to correspond with other girls. Perhaps they could be a help and comfort to one another. This is

help and comfort to one another. This is my first request of the H. H. C. We are among strangers and feel the need of cheer very much. My husband is atflicted and not able to work as he once did. shall thank you ever so much if you will give this room in your Corner.

"MRS. L. E. A." We would enlist the good will of

Dat gyardenin' kin wait ! -J. B. Reeves, in Southern Woman's Magazine.

His field of endeavor is as broad as his His field of endeavor is as broad as his effect is baneful. We all know him to a degree, at least. To start with, there is the "family hog." almost as sure to be met with as the "family belle," and often they are one and the same.

Absorbing everything within their power and, like a sponge, giving back nothing unless squeezed, they suck the life blood of those nearest and dearest with cool

Then there is the society hog, whose chief interest in social events is to see how many times he can go undetected to the refreshment room And, of course, we know how numerous are the "profes-sional and business hogs."

Bright Eyes

Bright Lyes If your eves aren't bright, it isn't mature's fault. She meant every one to have sparkling eyes, but strain, late bours and a torpid liver will interfere with this. The best way to keep the eyes brilliant and healthy looking is to bathe when they feel strained, and to keep the may from glaring light for a while. A doctor says that the light always should come over your left shoulder when you read. Never use artificial stimulants or sys-baautifiers. You don't know what is in them, and they are frequently harmful.

Home-Grown Mint

your family fond of spring lamb with sauce? And is it sometimes hard to at the mint? Why not raise it yourself? If you need for your gardening experi-ment is a glass of clear water and a little unlight. Put the mint in the water and llow it to stand on the windowsill, where t will get plenty of sun and fresh air.

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For Home Makers

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rare occasions, will be sufficiently inter-ested and intelligent to devise something to prevent it?

But I wonder how many realize to what extent the educational and emotional hogs

prevail or how voracious they can be, or

men who are hungering without. Recently we have had offered to a lim-ited number of people a great musical

feast, the Mahler Symphony, repeated sev-eral times. Through great talent and much labor the opportunity has been a golden one to those fortunate enough to

come aware with sorrow and contempt that here too has been a goodly sprinking of "human hogs." who by some fortunate circumstance have obtained repeated ad-missions, to be used for their own grati-

how great a menace they are to society' Like the physical gournand, they glut themselves at the tables where choice mor-sels are spread, unmindful of their fellow-

Let us hope so. Then hogging it will be less in evidence. DOROTHEA. ----

Dear M'Liss-I am very much interrefers to a Mrs. K. H. who is crocheting refers to a Mrs. K. H. who is crocheting a rag rug from mill ends of chambray. I would like so much to have her full name and address, as I would like to know how to make a rug like this. Would it be possible for you to give me such informa-tion? tion? MRS. H. T. I trust Mrs. K. H., whose address I have not, will see this and respond. In the meantime, I shall send you the name of a little book that will tell you all about the MRS H T

interesting art of rag rug-making.

Clever, Eh What?

A "stunt" used by one woman to lessen the trials of ironing day is worth rethe trials of ironing day is worth re-counting. She gets a regular bird-enge spring and hangs it on the ceiling or wall over the ironing board. When she goes to use her electric iron she loops the cord of the iron through the hook at the end of the spring. When she makes a long stroke, like on sheets and skirts, the spring "givea," otherwise it retains its normal position, keeping the cord from getting in the way. STREET, Percy and Eimer. CORNERITE." Canary bird keepers among our readers will please answer the first query of this

Kitchen Kink

correspondent. I have not kept caged birds for 40 years. Percy is an old English surname dating back to 1408. I cannot trace it to its derivation. Elmer is a contraction of Ethelmer, signifying "noble greatness." Transparent glass dishes are very new. They serve as a suggestion for the June bride's kitchen shower. Prices are reason-able, and the glass is thick enough to stand ordinary usage.

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wrought in vain. Selling Through an Exchange

Look in the directory for the address and get from the exchange a copy of regu-lations, etc. This will tell you how to enter yourself as a "depositor" and the terms upon which work is received and sold by the management. This form must

he gone through with by every would-be contributor to the exchange. It is really simple, and you have our wishes for your

Query for Bird Owners "Kindly let me know through the Cor-ner how long it would take for canary bird eggs to batch? Also the meaning of

Lonely at Times

"We have five girls, four of whom go

mondent. I have not kept caged

"Cornerly" duty. Good Fun Stunts

Chafing dish parties are fun. Pair "I am a little girl 11 years of age. I your guests and let each man and girl draw a card, on which the recipe for makyour guests and let each man and girl ing sandwiches, satads, coffee, creamed should like to get my work into the wom-en's exchange. As i do not know any of the directors I should be grateful if you will tell me how to go about it. K. B." crab, lobster, chicken entree, or whatever you are going to have, is written. Pro-vide large aprons for the men and dainty round ones for the girls. Have every-thing out on a table, and make your thing out on a table, and make your guests each assume part of the responsi bility for the success of the dinner.

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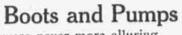
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