

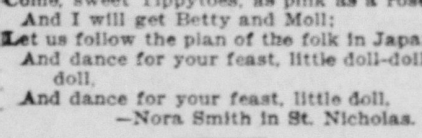
ABOUT THE LOON.

A Bird That is Very Stupid, Yet Clever in Its Way. A party of sportsmen one day killed a great bird that seemed to be a very expert swimmer and diver.

"What a handsome bird!" the boy exclaimed as he examined the loon. "But a very stupid one," his father replied.

"The Feast of the Doll. In flow'ry Japan, the home of the fan, The land of the parasol, Each month has its feast, from 'greatest to least."

"The T Puzzle. Here is a simple little puzzle which is guaranteed to mystify nineteen persons out of twenty. First of all, cut a



HOW TO CUT THE LETTER.

Better T out of a piece of stout paper or thin cardboard. Then cut into four pieces, as shown by the dotted lines.

A Trick to Try. Place your two open hands together in front of you and put a penny between the two third fingers.

The Laughing Hyena. Although the hysterical laughter of the laughing hyena is not, as was once supposed, the outcome of a deliberate attempt to decoy unwary travelers to their doom, this strange animal is, nevertheless, one of the most cunning of dumb animals.

Game For Rainy Days. Here is a little game for rainy days: Select a very long word, the longer the better; give each of the players a large piece of paper with the selected word written at the top and let each write out as many words as he can spell from the long word.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Nothing is so nice for polishing mirrors, windows, furniture and cut glass as cheesecloth, which is even better after being washed.

Japanese waste paper baskets are exceedingly pretty. They are fashioned from Japanese veneer, bound with leather and tied with bows of ribbon.

Two yards and a half is the best width for a tablecloth for general use, as it covers well a table four feet wide, and three yards is a convenient length for the ordinary table.

Varnished or oiled woodwork in pantries or back halls may be kept clean by wiping with a flannel cloth wrung out of hot water and then rubbed smooth with a dry cloth.

A most useful thing is the little brush that comes for the purpose of brushing out the fringed edges of towels and napkins, which is said to beat the coarse comb in doing business.

Window wedges are worth much and cost little. No bedroom window should be without its wedge, for by means of it rattling may be prevented on stormy nights, and the occupant of the room may sleep undisturbed.

The Anthony Sisters.

The two sisters, Susan B. Anthony and Mary S., have lived for almost forty years in Rochester, N. Y., in a home hallowed by the death of many members of the family, and among its sacred associations they expect to spend their remaining days.

Croup and Kerosene.

"I have saved my eldest boy twice by the use of kerosene," says a mother. "The first time it was out on a ranch in Kansas. He had a fearful attack of membranous croup. His father was racing over the prairie for a doctor, who could not get in time."

Laundering.

No matter how accomplished a housekeeper you are, dear woman, you can never get done learning something about laundering. It is a subject as inexhaustible as the mooted question of Hamlet's madness.

Renovating Velvet.

Any one who possesses a flatiron and a piece of clean muslin or long cloth has only to heat the flatiron fairly hot, moisten the cloth and spread it over the iron, laying on its side on the table, to have a capital little apparatus for renovating velvet.

The Toothbrush.

If a new toothbrush is soaked for ten minutes or more in cold water and then thoroughly dried before using the bristles are much less likely to come out. All brushes which are wet daily should be dried as far as possible in the air and sun.

AN AID TO MOTHER.

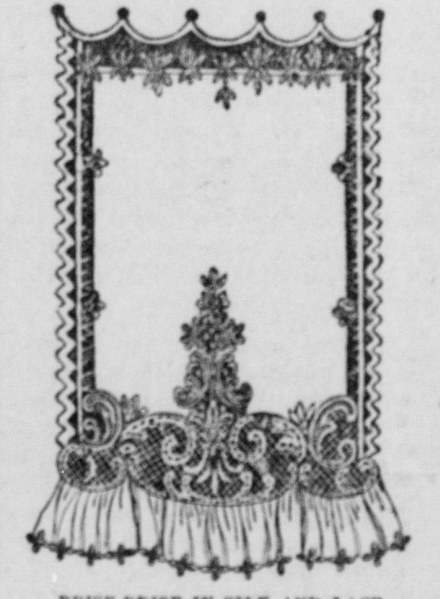
Ways in Which the Daughter of the Home May Be a Help.

There are many ways besides usurping the role of housekeeper in which the daughter of the home may relieve her busy mother and imprint her personality upon the family life. One way is to study the matter of arranging furniture in the rooms.

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Dressy Sash Curtain.

Nothing gives such a cachet to a house as its window blinds and curtains, and they are, or should be, a detail to which every careful housewife gives her personal and constant attention.



Among these the brise-brise ranks as one of the first favorites whether, as in the example illustrated, made of silk and rennaissance lace or of net, lawn or linen.

For Emergencies.

If a housekeeper lives at a remote distance from the market and stores it would be well for her to equip herself with an emergency closet. Again and again she is surprised by the sudden appearance of a relative or friend who has come to "stay for tea."

Use, Don't Waste, Time.

The busy woman who has discovered how to use time may reckon on success. The bustling, rushing woman very often impresses other people with the idea that she is a great worker, but as a matter of fact she generally achieves but little.

The Modern Girl.

Girls no longer round their shoulders and narrow their chests over their embroidery frames or faint from fright when a mouse scuttles across the floor or a spider drops from the ceiling.

Coffee Stains.

Coffee stains are quite difficult to remove, and sulphur seems to do the work most efficaciously. Moisten the spots and hold them over a bit of smoldering sulphur in an iron dish.

THE PUZZLER

No. 150.—Shakespearean Jumble. Find nine plays in the jumble. For, that, well, measure, ends, all's, much, like, ado, about, it, as, you, measure, nothing, well, Hamlet, lost, the, tale, winter's, night, labor's, twelfth, tempest, the, love's.

No. 157.—A Sylvan Stroll. I sauntered through the woods, gun in hand and eyes on the alert for game. Soon I saw an animal the very sound of whose name shows that it is well beloved. Yet I raised my rifle and fired. I hit wide of the mark, however, and the creature bounded away unharmed.

No. 158.—Numerical Enigma. My 1-2-3, a sound from a bird, is often in the barnyard heard; My 1-2-3-4-5-6 Quite readily a cask could fix; My 6-7-8-9 is madness, rage, And 7-8-9 should make one sage.

No. 159.—Anagrams. [A bouquet to my lady.] Fair lady, illy though I plead My cause, with doubt so sore affright, My pen had even voiced its need If such a suit as mine it brought.

No. 160.—Double Acrostic. My primal letters spell the first name and my finals spell the last name of a famous inventor.

No. 161.—Word Square. 1. To protract. 2. An evergreen tree. 3. Places of entertainment for travelers. 4. A collection of boxes.

No. 162.—Easy Picture Puzzle.



A kind of confectionery.

No. 163.—Hidden Games. What game lies hidden from the eye When, shopping, poncee coats you buy? When college boys begin to sing Of "fana, rita, boga, bing?"

No. 164.—Plants Pruned. Trim at the top and leave a fluid. Trim at the top and leave to loiter. Trim at the top and leave an animal.

Quite So. Calling terms—telephone rates. Even the honest blacksmith may be a forger.

The man who pays cash gets no credit for it. What envious people mostly envy in you is the envy which you create. Ambition should be called the yeast of life and every child taught how to use the correct amount to obtain the desired effect.

Key to the Puzzler. No. 148.—Diamond: 1. D. 2. Let. 3. Laths. 4. Detroit. 5. Thorn. 6. Sin. 7. T.

No. 149.—Illustrated Proverb: The sun breaks through the darkest cloud. No. 150.—Novel Transpositions: 1. Sweet, wants. 2. Timid, idiot. 3. Plato, pilot. 4. Owner, tower. 5. Races, areas. 6. Poise, poems. 7. Types, yeast. 8. Adage, glide. 9. A-lter, clear. 10. Slice, close. 11. Stone, stern. 12. Dense, speed.

Advertisement for 'Force' cereal, featuring an illustration of a child and a dog. Text: Jim Dumps a little girl possessed Whom loss of appetite distressed. 'I des tant eat!' the child would scream.

An Animal Story For Little Folks Johnny and the Spider

"What are you going to do?" asked the spider as Johnny crept up toward his web. "I'm going to kill you," answered Johnny.

"What do you do for me?" asked Johnny in surprise. "When you were asleep last night a great, big black beetle flew into your

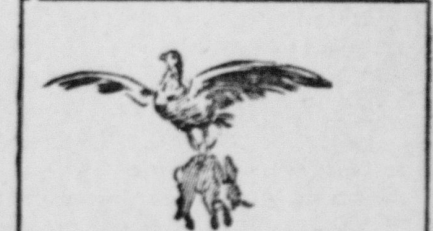


"WHAT DO YOU DO FOR ME?" ASKED JOHNNY. room and perched on the foot of your bed. He had horrid green eyes and long claws all covered with sharp spikes, and his jaws were filled with teeth as sharp as needles. He said he was going to bite a piece off the end of your nose. I killed him and ate him.

"No, no!" exclaimed Johnny. "You dear old spider! I wouldn't harm you for all the world. You must stay here with me always, and I shall always be your friend, as you have been mine." So they shook hands and were happy all the rest of their days.—Chicago Tribune.

An Animal Story For Little Folks The Disappointed Dog

A dog saw a rabbit sitting in the middle of a field munching away upon a carrot top. "I'll just catch that rabbit," said the dog, and away he went after it at full speed.



"I WANT THIS RABBIT FOR MY DINNER, great race! The dog went so fast that he was gradually gaining on the fleeing hare. "I'll have you in a minute," said the dog.

"No, you won't," answered the rabbit. "Why?" called the dog. "Because there is another somebody that wants me more than you do," answered the rabbit.

And, sure enough, at that very moment a great big hawk swooped down from the skies and dug his talons into the back of the rabbit. Then the hawk spread his wings again and mounted to the skies. "I want this rabbit for my dinner," said the hawk as he winked at the dog. And the dog felt just about as cheap as anybody ever did to see his prey get away from him in that way.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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