

SIMPLE MILK TEST.

How to Determine in a Few Minutes Quality of the Fluid.

The following process for the detection of added water or of skim milk in ordinary milk is more accurate than the simple use of a lactodensimeter without the creamometer check. The whole test can be made in five minutes.

The result does not show whether the adulteration consisted in the addition of water or in the subtraction of cream, but as a rule this matters little to the consumer. What he wants to know is whether or not he got what he paid for.

The suspected milk is stirred with a spoon in order to disseminate into the whole liquid the cream which may have come to the surface. Then one volume of milk is poured into fifty volumes of water—one fluid ounce to two and one-half pints.

A candle is lighted in a dark room. The experimenter takes an ordinary drinking glass with a flat and even bottom and holds it immediately above the candle at a distance of about one foot from it, so as to be able to see the flame of the candle through the bottom of the glass. He then pours slowly the diluted milk into the glass.

The flame becomes less and less bright as the level of the liquid rises into the glass. The flame is soon reduced to a dull white spot. A little more liquid slowly added so as to avoid pouring an excess and the flame becomes absolutely invisible. All that remains to be done is to measure the height of the liquid in the glass, this being most conveniently ascertained by dipping into it a strip of pasteboard and then measuring the wet part. It should measure not over an inch if the milk is pure.

With good quality milk diluted and tested as stated the depth will be about seven-eighths of an inch before the flame is lost to view. A mixture of one volume of milk and half a volume of water should show a depth at one and one-half inches. A depth of two inches indicates either partially skimmed milk or a mixture of one volume of good milk with one of water.—Scientific American.

WASHING OF AUTOMOBILES.

How to Preserve Original Beautiful Luster on the Cars.

How to retain the original beautiful luster of his automobile is a question that interests every motorist, for the owner of a car is usually very finicky about its appearance.

Some automobilists complain that the use of soap has resulted in the streaking and marring of the painted surface of their cars. Edward C. Eburn of Philadelphia, who has made a study of the subject of keeping automobiles in a perennial condition of newness, says that the paint on an automobile can be preserved indefinitely if the soap is dissolved and applied in a semi-liquid form instead of in its raw state.

In large garage and automobile concerns, where the washing of cars is an important part of each day's work, much unnecessary expense is incurred through a mistaken idea of the means required to get the lather to a proper consistency. Employees of these establishments as well as owners who wash their own cars act on the assumption that it is necessary to use a large piece of soap on a sponge to get the desired lather.

Mr. Eburn suggests that a better and decidedly more economical method is to dissolve twenty pounds of soap in twenty-five gallons of water and to use this solution with water as occasion demands. He figures that a saving of 25 per cent will result in the soap bills of these garages and automobile companies.

How to Patch Wall Paper.

It is not easy to put a new patch on wall paper so that it hardly shows, but if you have an untidy place that needs repairing try the following way: Cut a piece of paper rather larger than you require and if the paper on the wall is faded lay the patch in a sunny place for a day or two. Then brush it over with paste, lay it over the torn place and tear a strip off the patch at each edge, pulling it away from the outside so as to leave a thin edge of the colored part on top. When smoothly pasted down the joint will scarcely show. If the paper is torn before the paste is applied the thin edge gets too sodden and the paste is apt to ooze out and leave a dirty mark all round the patch.

How to Weigh an Automobile.

To obtain the exact weight of an automobile and the weight carried on each pair of wheels it is necessary to use a platform scale—that is, any scale that has a platform sufficiently wide to take the entire length of the machine—then proceed in this manner: First weigh the whole car. Next weigh the back of the car. To do this the middle of the car should be over the edge of the platform. The front of the car should be weighed in the same manner. If this has been carefully done the last two weights when added together should give within twenty pounds of the entire weight of the car.

How to Freshen Up Old Linen.

When table linen becomes worn and shows an open mesh it may be made more presentable if the pieces are ironed while wet. Some recommend using a little weak starch, but good linen has a certain firm texture which, when ironed as above mentioned, restores much of its original beauty and firm texture. While the pieces must be exceedingly damp every article should be ironed until perfectly dry. Use a No. 9 iron for the purpose. It is large, retains the heat and presses quickly.

CHANGED THE RECORD.

The Court Blundered and the Old Man Went Free.

"There used to be an old fellow of sixty," said a Denver judge, "who got arrested about twice a week for conviviality. He was always baled before Magistrate Blank, and as the magistrate was about sixty, too, a queer kind of comradeship, almost friendship, arose between the two men.

"In the late autumn the toper was called away from Denver. He did not return till Christmas time. The convivial Christmas spirit in the crisp Denver air was, of course, too much for him, and the day after his return he was baled before the usual magistrate on the usual charge.

"The magistrate in the green festooned courtroom felt kindly and forgiving. 'Well, George,' he said to the prisoner, 'you are here again at last, eh?'

"'Yes, your honor,' said old George humbly.

"'You've been away some time, haven't you?'

"'Yes, your honor; nigh on to three months.'

"'And how many times, George, did you get drunk during that period?'

"'I don't like to say, your honor,' old George faltered, 'before all these here people.'

"'Well,' said the magistrate, 'take paper and pencil and write it down.'

"So George wrote, and the paper was passed up to the magistrate, who looked at it and said:

"'Ah, well, it's the Christmas season, and since you were away three months, George, and got drunk only sixteen times I'll let you off.'

"'Thank you, Judge,' said old George as he left the dock. 'You looked at the paper upside down, though.'

Hard Work.

The idle man does not know what it is to rest. Hard work tends not only to give us rest for the body, but, what is even more important, peace to the mind.—Sir John Lubbock.

Mercy and Fresh Eggs.

At a small post in Egypt Sir Gilbert Parker, the novelist, and an English officer lived practically on eggs and tinned meat, and, as there was nothing else to be had, the eggs were a very important item of the dietary. Day after day the eggs, like those of the oft quoted curate, were "very good in parts," but one morning they were frankly bad. The officer, who had the power of life and death in those parts, determined that the eggs should be fresh in future, so the egg merchant was brought before him.

Cause of the List.

When Theodore Roosevelt was president he told this story on William H. Taft, who was then secretary of war:

"When I started for Panama on the same warship that Taft had traveled on I noticed a slight list to starboard. I called the captain in and asked him how it happened that we were not running on an even keel. He was somewhat embarrassed, but I told him to 'out with it,' and he came back with this: 'Well, Mr. President, the secretary of war sailed with us not long ago, and he slept on the port side. And—and—well, sir, we haven't had a chance yet to shift ballast.'

The Irishman's Request.

In the days when flogging was in vogue as a punishment in the British navy a Scotchman and an Irishman on the arrival of their ship in harbor obtained leave to go ashore for a couple of days, and they overstayed the period of leave granted them. When they did put in an appearance they were ordered fifty lashes each. On the day of the punishment a parade was ordered to witness the infliction of the flogging.

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Took the Boy's View.

A well known London comedian was staring at a music hall in a large town when he heard from a friend that the son of the landlady where he had taken rooms was going round the town stating that the star was rotten and not worth going to see.

The comedian went home and called the landlady and said: "Madam, you would not like me to leave your rooms and in the next town I want to tell my friends that were likely to visit you that your rooms were bad. Well, your little boy has made a statement that I am no use as a star, and I should like you to take him to task for it. Please don't hit him, but speak to him sternly and severely."

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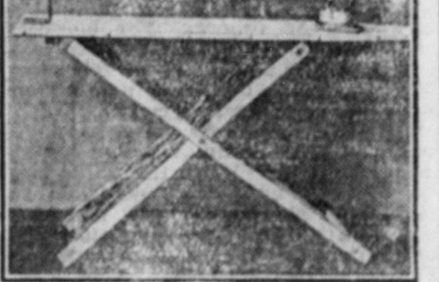
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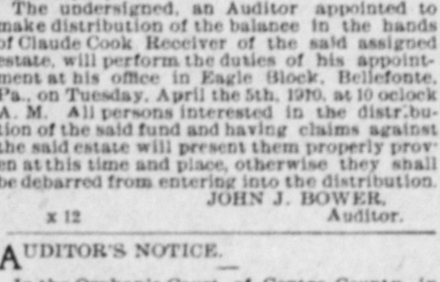
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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Letters of administration on the estate of Thomas Miller, late of Centre township, Centre County, Pa., deceased; having been granted to the undersigned all persons knowing themselves indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims against the same to present them duly proven for settlement. D. PAUL POITNEY, Adm'r.

Bellefonte, Pa. x 18.

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE.

Estate of Thomas F. Brungart, late of Miles township, Centre County, Pa., deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the above estate have been issued to the undersigned. All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to