SYRUP OF FIGS FOR A CHILD'S BOWELS

It is cruel to force nauseating, harsh physic into a sick child.

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on — castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Adv.

Wise.

"Yes," exclaimed the young man with a deep drawn sigh. "I've finished my legal education at last!"

"And now," said the friend, "you'll go down and wait for clients."

"Not on your life, I won't!" replied the new attorney. "I've got a job promised me in a dry goods store."

A Necessity in Every Rural Home is a bottle of good liniment. Yager's Liniment is the best external remedy for man or beast. John Aberman, Clement Mills, Md., writes, "For 4 years I suffered with rheumatism, had to walk on crutches and the doctors said my case was chronic and incurable. I tried Yager's Liniment; it is the best Liniment to relieve pain I ever used, its action is so prompt and effective." Large 25-cent bottles at dealers. Gilbert Bros. & Co., Inc., Mfrs, Baltimore, Md.—Adv.

His Explanation.

"There will have to be new rules made here, or I shall give notice," said the hello girl in the telephone office to the chief clerk.

"Why, what's the trouble?"

"Well, some of the things said over the wires are not fit for me to hear."

"Oh, that's all right," was his flippant rejoinder. "You can't expect to work around electricity and not get shocked!"—Philadelphia Record.

GRANDMA USED SAGE TEA TO DARKEN HER GRAY HAIR

She Made Up a Mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur to Bring Back Color, Gloss, Thickness.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and gloss to the hair when faded, streaked or gray; also ends dandruff, itching scalp and stops falling hair. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome. Nowadays, by asking at any store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy," you will get a large bottle of the famous old recipe for about 50 cents.

Don't stay gray! Try it! No one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time, by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy.—Adv.

No Bargain Sale Stuff.

Little William was spending the afternoon with a neighbor, and during a stay several ladies from near by dropped in for a game of bridge.

"I saw Willie's mother just now as I passed the house," remarked one lady. Then turning to the little chap, she added: "I wonder if you know what a very pretty woman your mother is?"

"Oh, I take good care of that!" replied six-year-old William, complacently. "I picked her out myself."

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Layers.

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"Decker—The under dog, the middle dog and the man higher up.

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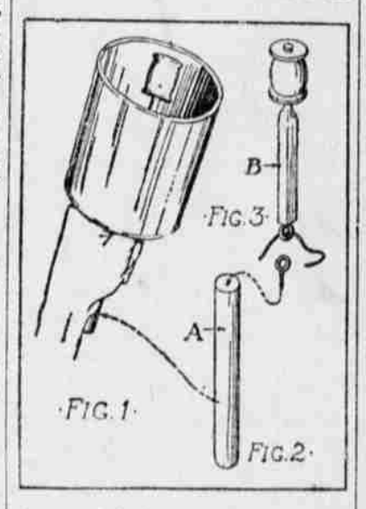
FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE

Toy Noise Producers and How to Make Them.

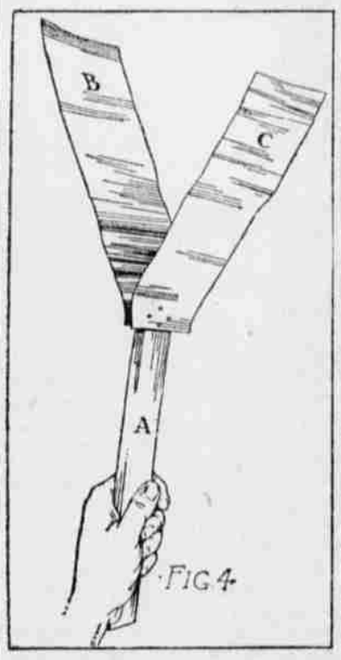
No one objects to a moderate amount of noise in welcome to the incoming new year, and I am sure that you will agree with me that the following are splendid noise producers. Each will require but a few minutes' time to make.

The bell rattle shown in Fig. 1 is made with a tin can, a common thread spool, two short sticks and two screw-eyes. The tin can forms the bell portion of the rattle, and a short piece of broomhandle, or other stick whittled round, fastens to it for a handle. This handle stick (A, Fig. 2) is secured to the bottom of the can by piercing a hole through the tin and screwing a screw-eye from the inside of the can down into the end of the stick. Figure 3 shows how the



tongue of the bell rattle is prepared. The length of the tongue should be equal to the inside depth of the can. Cut a stick of this length and whittle down one end to fit the hole in the thread spool you have obtained; then screw a screw-eye into the other end (Fig. 3). Fasten the tongue in place with a piece of string, passing the string through the screw-eyes in tongue B and handle A, and tying them loosely with firm knots. This completes the rattle.

The odd-shaped rattle shown in Fig. 4 requires a short stick for handle A, and two tin cans out of which to make the wings, pieces B and C. The bottoms of the cans must be re-



moved, and the sides opened out. Tack the pieces to opposite sides of the stick handle.

By holding the handle in the position shown in Fig. 4, and shaking from side to side, the tin wings will flap back and forth and make a splendid crackling, crashing noise.

If you have never tried pulling upon a string rubbed with resin, you cannot appreciate what a loud shrieking sound is produced in this manner.

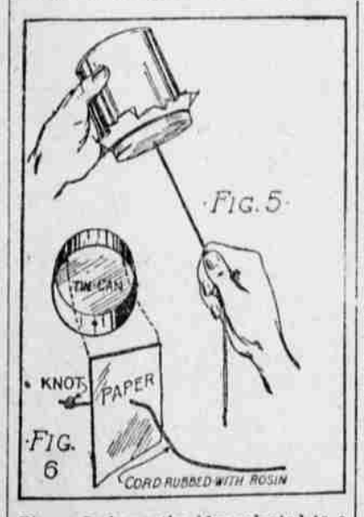


Figure 5 shows the idea adapted to a toy that is quickly put together. Get an empty tin can, a piece of heavy wrapping paper, a piece of stout wrapping twine, and a piece of rosin. Double the wrapping paper, pierce a hole through its center, stick the end of the cord through it and tie a large knot on it (Fig. 6). Then tie the paper over the open end of the can, as shown in Fig. 6, and trim off the projecting edges. To operate, pull firmly on the string, at the same time allowing it to slide through your hand.

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The Days of the New Year.

O God, give me the strength through this new year
To take each day just as it comes to me:
To grasp the good of every passing hour
And never question what the next will be.
Help me to see that all the homely cares,
When fully met and simply done, bring peace;
Let me not seek for joy outside myself,
For that which springs within will never cease.

Waiting for the New Year

A New Year's Prayer

By DAVID CORY

God grant that I the new year through
May strive with heart and soul to do
Those things which are most good and true.

God grant that I each morning start
My duties with a cheerful heart,
And cheerfully perform my part.

To wear a smile all through the day,
To banish thoughts unkind away;
And when my bedtime comes, to pray.

To say my prayers with folded hands
As night comes softly o'er the lands,
To Him, who always understands.

And when the bells on New Year's dawn
Proclaim the bright New Year is born,
And I awake on New Year's morn,

I pray Him whisper, low and sweet,
To help me guide my wayward feet,
Lest I forget my prayer to meet.

HAPPY NEW YEAR CUSTOMS

Celebrations of the Mummers in Olden Days in England—Tending to Revive Visiting.

On Friday, January 1, the mummers will mum—that's their way of ushering in the New Year. How many of them know the beginning of the custom—or the ending! It began innocently enough, but by the seventh century it amounted to "diabolical paganism," outrageous, blasphemous. Ruffians robbed and even murdered under the pretense of merrymaking. Not all was frightful, however. In Rome slaves were waited upon by their masters and the poor reaped veritable harvests, which was but natural, since it all came from the saturnalia of the Eternal City.

In England the mummers performed plays, spoke dialogues and impersonated famous people, especially kings and warriors. Songs were sung both by the mummers and their entertainers. Here is one:

To shorten winter's sadness
See where the folks with gladness
Disguised all are a-coming
Right wantonly a-mumming.

In those days they loved, too, to masquerade as animals, bears and unicorns being especially favored disguises. Scott's couplet summed it up:

Who lists may in their mumming see
Traces of ancient minstrelsy.

At last this mumming came to be a menace as well as a nuisance, and the chaste Henry VIII made it a misdemeanor to wear a mask.

It was George Washington who made the day what it once was in this country. Said he: "Never forget the cheerful and cordial observance of New Year's day." The celebration grew and grew, until a generation or so ago, the scenes enacted at some receptions were simply disgraceful, society having progressed some since it was good form to imbibe until the imbiber quietly slid under the table.

Of late years there has been a tendency to revive visiting on the first day of the year. But it is all very informal, and every hostess knows each and every one of her guests, which was not always the case when it was the fashion to have as many as possible and any man counted one. An amusing story is told of one hostess who, in a lull, left the line and went over to the punch bowl in the back parlor, saying to a man she didn't know: "What is your name? I don't think I know you." He told her. She didn't remember it, so she asked him with whom he had come. He said he had come by himself, whereupon she ordered him out. Imagine her chagrin the next day upon receiving from this man a letter she had written to a relative in a neighboring city asking that he visit there whenever he should be in the city. Also to be reminded by him that he had sent his letter of introduction and received cards, which he also inclosed in the holiday rush she had simply forgotten the new name.

THE NEW YEAR'S EVE FATES

How Curious Maidens Can Find Out What Is in Store for Them—An Italian Custom.

Every maiden wonders what the future has in store for her, and this is what she must do on New Year's day to learn her fate:

Turn the pillow at midnight, the 31st of December, and you will dream of the man you are to marry. Or let her take her hymn book to her bedroom, blow out the lamp, open the book and mark a hymn (in the dark), put it under the pillow and sleep on it. Next morning when she reads the hymn she will find its text will indicate the event of the year.

On New Year's eve the Italian maiden places in one corner of her bedroom a thimble, in another water, in a third ashes and in a fourth a ring. Upon waking in the morning, if she sees the ring first she will be married that year; if she sees the water first the year will be unlucky; if the thimble, fortune will smile on her; if the ashes, she will die.

On New Year's eve, if a maiden wishes to know her fate during the coming year, she must go into the open air with a psalm book in one hand and a piece of silver in her mouth. She must allow the book to fall open, and if it opens at the death psalm she will die; if it opens at the bridal psalm she will marry, and whatever else it opens to will indicate her fate.

On New Year's eve, while the clock is striking twelve, repeat three times:

Good St. Anne, good St. Anne,
Send me a man as fast as you can—
And you will be engaged in a year.

WAY TO RID OF THEM.

Mrs. Crawford—Wake up, dear! I'm sure there's a burglar downstairs.

Crawford—I hope there is. Perhaps he'll take those useless Christmas presents your friends sent you.

FOUND THINGS HAD CHANGED

Auto Made It Impossible for De Wet to Repeat Famous Deeds on the Veldt.

Christian De Wet was the most picturesque, resourceful and elusive figure on the Boer side of the South African war a dozen years ago. The efforts of the British forces to "round him up" were futile for many months. He and his followers were always turning up in the most unexpected ways and places. His maneuvers, his stratagems, were deemed real additions to the "art of war" in the cavalry branch, or rather in the handling of "mounted infantry," to be technically correct.

Hence when General De Wet went into insurrection against the Union of South Africa and on the side of England's foes there was general expectation of a gamesome time. Whatever the effect, if any, on the final outcome of the war of his operations, it was expected that De Wet would supply the material for a lot of "stories," as amusing to neutral readers as they were exasperating to his military opponents. But the event proved that De Wet had not reckoned with the new factor that has come into war since he ranged the veldt a dozen years ago.

He and his followers rode and raided with all his old skill and invention. The difference was that they never had a chance to rest. They had horses in plenty, they knew the country like the backs of their hands, but no matter how fast or skillfully they rode they could never really get away from their foes. Though their horses wearied and died, behind them the motor cars of their foes, the horses of steel that fed on gasoline, kept remorselessly chugging on.

The Herald has before suggested this should be termed "The Automobile War." The running down of De Wet, the unequaled horseman of the veldt, emphasizes the merit of the suggestion.—Chicago Herald.

DEADLY POISON FLY PAPERS

List of Accidents Covering Only a Few Days Should Show the Danger in Their Use.

Considering the safe up-to-date methods of destroying that pest, the domestic fly, it is remarkable that people will persist in using the poison fly papers. The basic toxic principle of all these papers is arsenic, one of the deadliest and most insidious of poisons. The danger to children is great, and the danger to adults is by no means inconsiderable. The danger in general is proved by various items in our exchanges. We present herewith a partial list of accidents from poisonous fly papers which speaks for itself. The list covers only the period between July 1, 1914, to August 24, inclusive, and cover 35 cases of poisoning, five fatal and 30 non-fatal or uncertain. The list by states: Illinois, 4; Indiana, 6; Iowa, 5; Kentucky, 2; Minnesota, 4; Nebraska, 2; New York, 2; North Carolina, 2; Ohio, 3; Pennsylvania, 5; total, 35.

Husband Is Poor Companion.

The fact that one party to a marriage is a poor entertainer and companion is no ground for a divorce, according to the holding in Brown versus Brown, 146 Northwestern Reporter, 271. Plaintiff and defendant were married at Kalamazoo, and lived together about eleven years, when the plaintiff left the defendant and applied for a divorce on the grounds of non-support and extreme cruelty. At the time of the marriage, and all the time thereafter, the defendant was a watchman at a railroad crossing, making $35 a month, working very long hours and every day in the week. Plaintiff was an industrious and ambitious woman, working out without the desire or knowledge of her husband. They both contributed to the family expenses. Defendant's salary would not allow a very elaborate existence. Plaintiff complains that defendant after coming home from work would not be entertaining, would never talk to her, or take her out to places of amusement, but instead he would sit around the house, read the paper and go to bed. The supreme court of Michigan held that the plaintiff failed to show such conduct on the part of the defendant as would justify granting a divorce.—West's Cases.

Sea Water a Disinfectant.

Sea water electrically treated has been found to be of great value as a disinfecting means and is now used regularly in a number of English cities for cleaning swimming pools, schoolrooms, hospitals and similar places. It is very effective and quite cheap. Where the salt water is not obtainable an artificial sea water is made at a very slight addition to the cost. Public swimming pools are maintained in a sweet condition by the addition at the first filling of about thirty gallons of the treated water to a pool of about eighty-five thousand gallons, and then an addition of the treated water is made every few days.

At the Telephone.

A convenient telephone index is made to slip over the mouthpiece—or rather under it, for the mouthpiece must be unscrewed to put the index on. It is circular in form, and the little index flaps, of green leather lettered in gold, radiate from the center. They push in and out, behind and in front of each other, to expose the little wedge-shaped sections on which the numbers are written. There is one division headed "Emergencies," on which the police and fire numbers, the doctor's number and any frequently called numbers may be written.

Yellowstone Park.

The Yellowstone park has an area of 2,142,720 acres. The park is in Montana, Wyoming and Idaho, and was established in 1872. The only park on earth that can compare with the Yellowstone in size is the one in New British Columbia, Jasper park, recently taken over by the authorities of the new northwestern territory, which covers 3,200,000 acres—about the size of the state of Connecticut.

Appropriate Dish.

"Don't be long in getting lunch."

"All right. Here's some short cake."—Baltimore American.

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He Felt for Them.

"I hate to see two girls kiss each other."

"Envy, eh?"

"Not at all—pity."—St. Louis Times.

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Pessimistic Papa.

"Pa," said Johnny, who is a persistent knowledge-seeker, "what is a law-giver?"

"There isn't any such thing, Johnny," replied the old gentleman, who had been involved in considerable litigation in his time.

"But this book says that somebody was a great law-giver," persisted the youngster.

"Then it's a mistake," rejoined his father. "Law is never given. It's retailed in mighty small quantities at mighty high figures."

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Couldn't Beat Her.

Ellanora had been the negro maid at Mrs. Hopson's for several years, and left to get married, says the Delineator. She moved to another city and nothing had been seen of her for a couple of years, when one day she called on her former mistress.

"And so you have a little son, Ellanora?" said Mrs. Hopson.

"Yes'um," smiled the woman. "A nice little boy."

"And what did you name him?" queried Mrs. Hopson.

"Well, we calls him Eggnogg," replied the colored woman.

"Eggnogg!" said the other. "That's a funny name for a boy."

"Well, yo' see, missus," explained Ellanora, "det cullud woman what lived nex' doah to me named her twins Tom and Jerry, an' I didn't want to be outdone by her."

To Mend Pipes.

When the pipes are rusted in spots and unsafe to use, by applying strips of wet asbestos paper on hot pipes the paper will adhere closely and so seal the pipes. This has been found a great economy, as the furnace pipes last a year longer without repairing them than they other wise would.

If the kitchen range contains an ugly crack, you may fill it with a cement made by beating one egg, to which add sifted ashes and stove polish until thick enough to spread. Work the paste smooth over the top. This will harden almost like iron and will take a polish that will render the break unnoticeable.

TAKE SALTS TO FLUSH KIDNEYS IF BACK HURTS

Says Too Much Meat Forms Uric Acid Which Clogs the Kidneys and Irritates the Bladder.

Most folks forget that the kidneys, like the bowels, get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver, acid stomach, sleeplessness and all sorts of bladder disorders.

You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean, and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the kidney region, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is harmless to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity. It also neutralizes the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is harmless; inexpensive; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everybody should take now and then to keep their kidneys clean, thus avoiding serious complications.

A well-known local druggist says he sells lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in overcoming kidney trouble while it is only trouble.—Adv.

History.

"My dear, you ought to pass up frivolous things and take an interest in deep subjects. Take history, for instance. Here is an interesting item. Gessler, the tyrant, put up a hat for the Swiss to salute." The lady was a trifle interested. "How was it trimmed?" she inquired.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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Wanted More Definite Orders.

Comment on the perfect marksmanship now displayed in the navy was made in the form of an anecdote by Sergeant Jones of the United States Marine Recruiting corps.

The captain called up a gunner and, pointing out a battleship several miles away, said:

"You see that ship?"

"Aye, aye, sir," said the gunner.

"You see the officer on deck?"

"Aye, aye, sir."

"Well, you hit him in the eye with a 16-inch shell."

"Aye, aye, sir. Which eye, sir?" asked the gunner.

Her Portrait.

The painstaking artist, anxious to please, remarked to a prospective customer:

"I can paint you a portrait of your wife which will be a speaking likeness."

"H'm—couldn't you do it in what they call still life?"—Lippincott's Magazine.

Literal Travel.

"Did you take the fast express out of New York?"

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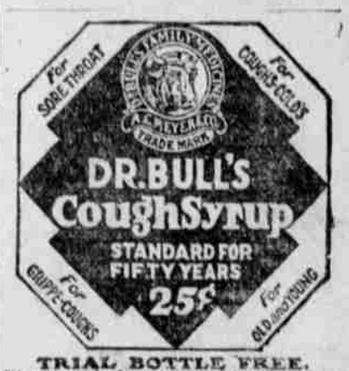

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