

The Deathwatch.

In 1863 I had two chums of the name of Seth and Cleo Doige, who lived down in the forks of Coon, about four miles below us. The boys were hauling wood to town, and they told me that the woods down in the forks were alive with squirrels, and that if I would go back with them that evening they would get their father to let them have the next day off, and we would have lots of fun. I went home and got my No. 14 muzzle loader, plenty of ammunition and my dog, and went home with them. Father Dodge had built a new frame house, but it was not large enough to accommodate the family and any strangers, so Cleo and I slept out in the old log house. I shall never forget the scare we got that night. As boys will, we lay there a long time discussing the various propositions that suggest themselves to two boy chums who haven't seen each other for some time. Along toward midnight we thought we discovered the presence of somebody under our bed. To make it more certain, we distinctly heard the ticking of his watch. We became uneasy, for the ticking of that watch was regular and incessant. At last Cleo quietly slipped out of bed, went over to the new house and called his father, who came and investigated. Much to our chagrin the old gentleman soon discovered that the cause of our dread and forebodings was only a deathwatch at work in an old log by the side of the bed.—Forest and Stream.

Don't Trust It.

Because the weather is mild and the air balmy we cannot count on being rid of rheumatism or neuralgia. The very sudden changes of temperature or exposure to draughts are both likely to increase rather than diminish both complaints. For this reason it is wise at this season to be well prepared for sudden attacks, and to have ready what is known as the best remedy for all visitations of aches or pains. All well regulated households ought to have a box or corner for a bottle of St. Jacobs Oil. There are other reasons also why this Master-cure should be kept at hand; rheumatism and neuralgia are chronic, acute or inflammatory, but to whatever degree of suffering they may come, the old reliable cure is the best for treatment and the surest to give permanent relief.

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HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

Brightening a Carpet. When a carpet comes to be laid fresh, the colors are apt to look somewhat dingy and certainly not so bright as was expected. To remedy this use a pailful of warm water containing two or three tablespoonfuls of household ammonia and soft flannel and two soft cloths for rubbing the carpet dry after it has been washed with the first flannel and water. This treatment will, when the carpet is quite dry, be found to give a most effectual renovation. But it must be remembered that certain greases will not bear ammonia; in such cases clear warm water will freshen and help the carpet very much.—New York Sun.

Preparing Chocolate.

In preparing chocolate a paste should first be made. The proportion in making chocolate is one square of chocolate to one tablespoonful of hot water. This is stirred smooth in the double boiler, using dish, or whatever utensil is used for making it, and then the milk or milk and water added. The proportion of half water to the chocolate makes it more digestible. Allow one cup or one-half pint of liquid to the square of chocolate. The water is first added to the paste and well cooked. There is not the oiliness to the chocolate, and it is much more delicate if the milk is not cooked after being poured in, but merely allowed to become thoroughly hot. No sun is used on the chocolate when the paste is first made. The paste is convenient. It can be made and kept on hand, packed in a small china vessel, for two or three days, and used when desired. The chocolate should be well beaten with an egg beater, the dish being placed on the back of the range if convenient, before serving. To give additional nourishment the white of the yolk of an egg, well beaten, can be stirred into the chocolate.—New York Times.

The Choice of Floor Coverings.

For housewives of moderate means with one servant, living in a small house or apartments, rooms can be kept clean with less labor if the floors or margins of them are stained and the centre covered with a rug, which can be lifted every few weeks and taken to the yard or roof and shaken and thoroughly brushed. A good Smyrna rug will stand hard wear for ten years—longer than the best carpet will present a respectable appearance.

For bedrooms whether for city or country, it has long been conceded that matting is the best, cheapest and most sanitary artistic substitute. Good matting will give satisfaction for three years if turned once during that time and wiped once a month with a cloth wrung out of warm water containing a little soda.

It is more than possible, however, that matting, which has so long held the field, will be superseded by a comparatively new material called "floor fibre." It is as flexible as the best Chinese matting, is neat and unobtrusive in design, comes in many soft colors, and can be sewed together and bound like carpet. It forms one of the best backgrounds for rugs, and, it is said, will be largely used for dados as well as for oilings. For hammock, floor and piazza cushions it is cool, durable and unmarred from any point of view.—New York Journal.

Stewed Cherries—Wash half a pound of pitted cherries; let them soak all night; covering them with cold water; in the morning put on to cook, and when nearly tender add one teaspoonful of granulated sugar; let simmer until the juice is rich; serve cold.

Rice Omelet—One teaspoonful of boiled rice, a pinch of salt, three eggs beaten separately and then together, and four tablespoonfuls of milk; have your skillet hot with melted butter; pour the omelet in, as soon as it browns fold and serve at once on a hot platter.

Rye Breakfast Cake—One coffee-cupful rye flour, one cupful wheat flour, two teaspoonfuls baking powder, half-teaspoonful of salt, half a cupful molasses, one cupful of sweet milk. Sift flour and yeast powder twice, then add the salt, milk and molasses; beat light and put in a greased pan; bake in a hot oven thirty minutes.

Pieino Biscuits—Dissolve a half cake of compressed yeast in one cupful of warm cream, add two cupfuls of warmed flour and beat very thoroughly. Put in a warm place until well risen, then add sufficient flour to make a very soft dough; divide into portions; roll each portion to about one-half inch thickness. Spread one sheet of dough with chopped figs or raisins, cover with the other; cut into biscuits of fancy shapes; allow them to rise until very light, then bake.

Maple Sugar Drops—Maple sugar drops are made by melting a pound of maple sugar with a cup of water and boiling the water until it is a creamy ball. Let it cool when the syrup reaches the stage and when you can bear your finger in it begin stirring it. When it is about the consistency of lard, knead it on a marble board or a platter until it is an even, smooth fondant. Let it dry by letting the bowl in a pan of boiling water, and drop it by the spoonful on buttered tins.

Raised Biscuits—Half a pint of tepid water, half a pint of milk (lukewarm), one teaspoonful of sugar, half a teaspoonful of salt, one tablespoonful of melted butter, one-quarter of a yeast cake dissolved in two-thirds of a cupful of tepid water, three pints of flour; sift the flour, add salt, sugar and yeast. Then gradually beat in the water and milk. It will make a stiff batter, and should be beaten ten minutes hard; let rise over night; in the morning roll out and cut with biscuit cutter; let rise one hour in the pans and bake.

NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN.

Back Shields.

For those who have sorrowfully discovered that warm days mean all too frequently the ruination of the back of their bodies it will be a bit of pleasing information to hear of "back shields" that completely absorb the perspiration, but are not all evident.—St. Louis Star.

The Queen of Greece.

According to a correspondent of the Tribune, Queen Olga of Greece, who is a most systematically energetic woman, employs a great portion of her time in works of practical philanthropy, devoting an hour or two every day to the great Evangelismos Hospital in Athens, which she created and manages in person. What is even more remarkable, perhaps, is the fact that the Queen acknowledges in writing, in her own hand, each contribution for the hospital, however insignificant. Almost every other charitable institution in the Hellenic kingdom owes its origin to her. If philanthropy be a "fad" in royal circles, it is certainly a most excellent form of amusement. But in the case of Queen Olga, who taxes not only her purse, but also her personality in works of charity, the motive for effort is apparently the deeper one of sincere love for God and for humanity.—New York Observer.

A Woman Scientist.

Miss Jennie A. Estes had the honor of being the only woman who took an active part in the recent fourth annual exhibition of the New York Academy of Sciences in New York City. Miss Estes came to the exhibition out of pure love of the cause, to assist Professor Dwight in the exhibition of a wonderful machine invented by himself, called the pitonome. It is used for cutting very thin rock sections for examination under the microscope. They can be cut as thin as the 1-100 part of an inch, and are then mounted between two plates of glass.

Miss Estes was Professor Dwight's pupil at Vassar College, and did, he says, particularly good work, much of which was sent to the Chicago Exposition. One of the labels which he had on his exhibits read "The two finest specimens here were prepared by Miss Jennie A. Estes, of Brooklyn."

Don't Wear Noisy Things.

Good taste and judgment in the selection of bicycle clothes are rare, although there is no sound reason why they should be. With a little thought it is hardly possible to select garments of the wrong material and cut. A woman looks well on the wheel provided she is careful to dress in quiet clothes with clothes that fit her. Quiet clothes are essential, and the leggings should come somewhere near matching the cloth. The hat should be a plain Alpine or Derby, or golf without ornamentation, so that there is nothing conspicuous about it. With these things and a fair control of the bicycle any woman will look well while enjoying this most invigorating exercise.

Choose a color that will not show the dust—some shade of brown, yellow or gray. The shoes should be tan, for black shoes, after three minutes on a country road, must look as scuffed and disreputable as any shoe can look, no matter what may be their quality. Paris kid will look as bad as the cheapest calfskin after that first preliminary spin into the country. Women on bicycles, of course, never wear jewelry. A watch can be set into the handle bar of the machine, and, therefore, the watch in the pocket, if it is there, need never be brought forth. Pins should be worn inside the jacket, so that they will not get dusty. You cannot help wearing your chain pin, perhaps, but remember that it is not good form to show it on the road.—New York Press.

Secret of Tying Bows.

There is a certain shop in Twenty-third street, where the most fascinating bows are tied for the asking—"Japanese" bows for the waistband, bows for the hat, "Bernhardt" bows for the neck, etc. One has only to purchase the ribbon and explain what is wanted, and presto! the white fingers of the pretty saleswoman flash in and out of the loops of ribbon and the bow is made! "You will buy another waist ribbon if you will go more slowly and let me see how you do it," said a customer, whereupon the obliging clerk smilingly cut off another length. "It is no secret," she said, "and we only do it to oblige our customers. See, this is the principle!" She tied first an ordinary double bowknot, quite small and rather loosely; then, taking up an extra quantity of ribbon, she passed it in and out through the tie in the center on the under side, making two additional loops, then taking the two original loops, she pulled the knot fast and tight and small in the center. "See, now you have your loops and two ends," she said. "Would you like six?" and loosening the knot, a little she again passed the ribbon in and out, forming a couple more; then, giving the two original loops a jerk, she completed the bow. "You can have as many loops as you like," she explained, "and the rest

AGRICULTURAL TOPICS.

Peas for Poor Soils.

The roller is indispensable for preparing onion ground either for seed or sets. That with a shallow cultivation to the depth of two inches will make a better seed bed than will deeper tillage. If the soil is made friable deep down the onion may grow large, but it will likely be thick necked and grow a crop of scullions.—Boston Cultivator.

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There is no better way to fertilize poor land than to sow it with peas, using phosphate of lime to furnish the mineral fertility that this crop requires to perfect the seed. It is not nitrogen which the pea crop needs more than what the pea roots supply by disintegrating air in the soil and liberating its nitrogen. But to form the grain both lime and phosphate are required. With these supplied the soil will grow richer every year.

Extensive Pruning.

F. J. Kinny, the Worcester gardener and fruit grower, does not believe in much pruning for trees. At a recent horticultural meeting he cited the instance of a neighbor who had a fine orchard but who had his trees trimmed, with the result that his crop of apples has since materially deteriorated both in quality and quantity. He thought it was an admitted fact that you could remove a very large limb from a tree without injuring the growth of the whole tree. The best orchards he knew of were those that had been trimmed the least, but which were well fertilized.—Farm News.

Some Royal Blood.

There is a man living in Florida who can rightfully boast of royal blood coursing through his veins. A. J. Murat, of Apalachicola, Fla., is the aristocrat, and he has some very high family connections. He is a great-grandson of Marshal Murat, Napoleon's famous general, who afterward became King of Naples. He is the great-great-nephew of four kings—Napoleon, Louis of Holland, Joseph, King of Spain, and Jerome of Westphalia. He is a third cousin of Louis Napoleon and great-great-grandson of Napoleon's mother, who died in 1836, the year he was born. Mr. Murat is a man of about sixty years of age, and one of the quietest, most unassuming men imaginable.—Atlanta Constitution.

The Best Poultry House Floor.

The subject of floors for poultry houses has been discussed more than almost any other point about poultry buildings. The best authorities are now nearly agreed that earth is the best floor that can be made if it is properly prepared. The reason for this is that earth is in the first place a good disinfectant and deodorizer, and for this reason adapted to this purpose, and in the second place, such a floor can be renewed at only the cost of the labor used in replacing it. The best floor is made of hard packed clay, covered with two inches of loose garden mould.

The land on which the poultry house stands should be drained in such a manner as to carry off surplus moisture readily and prevent flooding by the hardest rains. This can be best accomplished by filling in until the floor of the poultry house is six inches higher than the surrounding surface. The filling should be clay, if it can be got, and in any event it should be slightly damped and pounded down firmly and allowed to dry before being put to use. Then cover with two inches of garden soil or dust as dry as is convenient. As soon as there is any foul odor about the house this coat of loose soil should be removed and a new one put in. In the summer months this must be done about twice a month, but in the winter a longer time may elapse, provided the soil is raked over and the droppings mixed in it once a week. The soil that is taken out is one of the best fertilizers about the farm, and may be used on garden crops with great benefit.

The objection to a board floor is that it becomes saturated with the droppings, and not only offensive, but dangerous as a breeder of disease. A board floor is a good breeding place for vermin, while one of earth acts as a preventive in a great measure, the dust arising from the floor acting as an insecticide.—Farmer's Voice.

Fashion Notes.

Yellow is one of the most popular shades for summer gowns in thin materials. Greens are out in new tints, and the violet shades are bewildering in their beauty. A favorite is tortoise shell with gold decorations. This also is likely to remain in favor.

The bright girl is collecting ebony with as much zest as she collected silver a few years ago.

"Nearsilk" is the name of a new pretty silky fabric manufactured to take place of a genuine silk dress-lining.

Buttons in elegant metals and stone figure wherever they can be used, especially on street creations in wraps or jackets.

The gannet cuff trims many sleeves that are made of heavy materials, while those of thinner fabrics usually have lace at the wrist.

High-shaded boleros of dark velvet trimmed in jeweled effects are not only new, but stylish and universally becoming.

The latest extravagance in brush and comb sets and other toilet-appurtenances is ebony. It is sometimes carved, sometimes charmingly decorated and banded with silver. Some sets made to order have the crest or monogram in this metal.

Ivory toilet affairs still hold their own, of course, but only the pure ivory is tolerated. And the pure article comes at prices which render even a brush and comb out of the power of the ordinary mortal. The girl lucky enough to get a collection of these together need not fear that her pieces will grow common or out of vogue.

At the Top.

"I wonder," said the pail, blonder one, "if she really is as high in society as she claims." "I know she is," said the brunette, with the wealth of raven locks. "She is the only woman in town who dares to have reporters received by the butler."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Perhaps.

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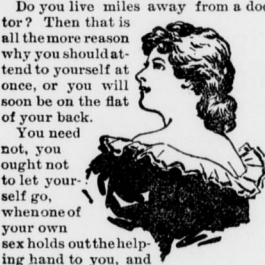
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