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## THE CLOTHES BRUSH.

Do Not Use It Indoors if You Can Possibly Avoid It.

The brushing of dusty clothes in the living rooms of the household is opposed to cleanly sentiment, apart altogether from the evil to health, which, as the bacteriology of dust distinctly indicates, might easily be caused by the process. The imagination does not require to be stretched very far to realize that the clothes brush might be easily responsible for the dissemination of disease. Dust is rarely if ever free from micro-organisms, and among them pathogenic entities have been recognized. Dust is, in fact, an enemy to the human race, a vehicle of disease, and should everywhere and on every occasion, however trifling, be prevented as far as means can be employed to that end.

The clothes brush is a vigorous dust-producing agent, and since its application is indispensable it should be used in a manner as far as possible consistent with hygienic requirements. Clothes, of course, must be brushed, just as carpets must be beaten, but both processes create a nuisance which is different not in kind, but only in degree. Just, therefore, as there are grounds reserved for the beating of carpets remote, as they should be, from human habitation, so also ought there to be in a household conducted on hygienic lines a special room relegated to the brushing of clothes.

The daily clothes have a large capacity and a singular affinity for dust, which may contain the seeds of a common cold or a sore throat or even of blood poisoning and tetanus. So that the suggestion that the clothes brush should be handled in a less indiscriminate way than is usually the case can hardly be regarded as chimerical. If dust has been proved to be pathogenic the scattering of it broadcast by means of the clothes brush must be a violation of hygienic principles.—Lancet.

## OLD TIME SEA COOKS

THEIR DUTIES AND PERQUISITES IN THE BRITISH NAVY.

Many Sources of Revenue For the Sees of the Gallies—There Were Other Things They Had to Do Besides Preparing the Meals.

Sea cooks were and are very necessary persons in the internal economy of the ship of war, but there were rogues among them as among all classes of men, says the London Globe. There were sea cooks who rose by the aid of influence and knavery to very lucrative positions. Lord Nottingham, when lord high admiral, gave a patent to his own cook to appoint all the cooks in the navy.

Stewards, purveyors, cooks and bakers are classed together by one writer as the chief beneficiaries under the system of peculation and perquisites which at one time made the navy so happy a hunting ground for the rascals of the country. But they were not all permitted to ply their trade with impunity, and one sea cook got seven years' hard labor for Sir John Fielding for a long series of frauds. And in sentencing the man the judge expressed his regret that he could not order him to be hanged at the hospital gates.

Pea soup was generally the best ration the men had and was certainly the most liked. Potatoes were always served in the skins, sometimes two to each man, and a good natured cook was frequently prevailed upon to cook cakes and duffs that the men had made themselves, demanding for his services either a pot of grog or a portion of the dish he cooked.

Sometimes, however, he could only be bribed by money, and in that way increased his pay of 35 shillings a month, in addition to which he was nearly always in receipt of a pension of 11s. 8d. per month. Besides these sources of revenue he also made a good deal of money from the sale of "slush," the fat scraped from the ship's coppers after each meal had been served, and half of which was his perquisite. The other half belonged to the ship for greasing the bottom and running tackle.

The ship's cook was, moreover, honored with a guard of two marines, who stood sentry over the door of the galley during the preparation of meals to prevent unwarranted raids upon the provisions by ship's thieves; he did not wear a uniform nor was he expected to keep watch, being allowed to sleep in comfort and comparative privacy throughout the night on the lower gun deck. But, on the other hand, he had some duties not connected with food, among them the preparation when the ship was in port of a hot poker for firing salutes.

And it was an established custom of the navy that the pennant was not properly paid off until the pennant was struck by the cook. This operation he was expected to perform as the last officer of the ship, and until he had done it no officer could consider himself discharged or at liberty to leave the port. This rule held good though every seaman had left the ship, and sometimes the cook himself, in a fit of absentmindedness, went off to be routed out again before the pennant could be struck for his homes. There will be seamen alive today who have heard the phrase, "Every man to his station, and the cook to the foreboat," and the landsman who has read Marryat will always connect the man of the galley with the famous phrase, "Son of a sea cook."

In addition to the ship's cook, of course, there were, as now, the mess cooks, men who were appointed by the seamen themselves to be presidents of the messes for the week, and who had to receive the provisions for the mess from the purser at the daily issuing of victuals and who had to hand these on to the ship's cook in good time. As compensation for his trouble the mess cook drew a cook's, or double, portion of grog, and he deserved it, for his duties were arduous and his critics severe.

If he spoiled the duff he was tried by a jury of the mess, and this jury was gathered by hoisting a mess swab or beating a tin dish between decks forward. He was condemned to most painful punishments if found guilty. He was also the carver for the mess, and in order to prevent favoritism a blindfolded member of the mess was required to call out the name of the person who was to receive the portion as it was placed on the plate. Small or large, that portion was given to the man named, and probably no more satisfactory method of dealing with the question could have been found.

Appropriate.  
"You in the hotel business?" snorted Dumley's friend. "Why, you were never intended for a hotel man."  
"Maybe not," replied Dumley, "but I'm in for it now. I notice all the swell hotels have a motto, and I thought you might suggest—"  
"Better make yours, 'Mistakes will happen.'"

His Hats and Her Hats.  
She—Did you ever stop to figure out how many hats in a year you could buy with the money you throw away on cigars? He—Sure I have, dear. I could buy about fifty for myself, but only about three for you!

Hardly.  
"Why do girls wear engagement rings?"  
"On the same principle that a person ties a string around his finger—so they won't forget they're engaged."—Answers.

Blot out vain pomp; check impulse; keep reason under its own control.—Marcus Aurelius.

## THE YOUNG FOLKS

### BLACKNESS

"Chevreul's Black," Which is Blacker Than Black Velvet.

A simple experiment is one on blackness. You know that no paint or any other substance in the world is perfectly black, but there is a way to make a figure appear so that it will look blacker even than black velvet.

Paint the inside of a pasteboard box black or cover it with dead black cloth. In the lid of the box make a hole, being careful not to make it larger than one-tenth of the surface of the lid. If now you hold the box so that the light will not strike the hole directly and look through the hole into the box the hole will appear intensely black.



Make the hole in the form of a design or an imp or a brownie, and even if you paint the lid black, when you look through the hole you will see the figure darker than the dark background.

The black produced by this method is called "Chevreul's black," after the Frenchman who invented it.

### BIRD CITIES.

Many Places That Have Feathered Inhabitants Only.

All along the coast of the Atlantic ocean are little cities inhabited by birds alone. Gardiners Island, at the extremity of Long Island, is the place where the fish hawk comes during their breeding time, and owing to the friendly attitude of the family on the island the coveys have become very tame, and build their nests upon the ground instead of in the high trees.

In the Indian river, Florida, is a small island called Pelican Island. It received its name through being one of the favorite settlements for the pelicans during their nesting season.

Away up in the mouth of the St. Lawrence river is the famous Bird rock, "the greatest bird totem pole home in the world," as one naturalist expresses it. This rock rises abruptly from the water, and in its formidable cliffs thousands of northern sea birds dwell—the snowy feathered gannets. On the crest of this rock rises a lighthouse, whose keeper is on the best of terms with his countless feathered neighbors.

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Apparent and Presumptive.

There is a good deal of misapprehension as to the difference in the meaning of the two terms *apparent* and *presumptive*, as used in royal families. The *apparent* must succeed to the throne or the dignity, whatever it may be, if he survive the present holder, while the *presumptive*, although he is the heir at the moment, may have his right to the succession nullified by the birth of another heir. In England, for instance, the Prince of Wales is always the heir apparent to the throne. Should there not be a prince of Wales—that is, should the reigning monarch not have any sons—the nearest heir in the legitimate succession becomes the heir presumptive.

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143	1.00 p.m.	Local (daily except Sunday) from Ottawa, Perth, Carleton Place, and West.
77	2.15 p.m.	Express (daily except Sunday) from Pembroke, Ottawa, Montreal, Boston, etc.
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Seeleys	10.20	9.02
Forthton	10.38	9.18
Elbe	10.59	9.38
Athens	11.08	9.45
Soperton	11.18	9.55
Lyndhurst	11.20	9.57
Delta	11.28	10.05
Elgin	11.47	10.24
Forfar	11.55	10.32
Crosby	12.08 p.m.	10.45
Newboro	12.12	10.48
Westport (arrive)	12.30	10.54

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No. 11 Express	8.15 p.m.	8.00 a.m.
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No. 13 Express		6.00 p.m.

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