

"MAY-HAVES" AND "MUST-BES," OR COMFORT VERSUS LUXURIES

For the living room

tions and pertinent mots de famille gravitate as steel filings to a magnet is of the dead beat who "could do without a clean shirt, but was perishing for the want of a buzzom-pin." the want of a buzzom-pin."

The story recurred to me often wakeful nights.

Here is received the company, so here should be given the impression of comfort and cordiality. Dignity, too, should prevail in a hall. The "mission" lamp fits here. It is made of wrought iron,

IN THE STUDY

Here light is important—its quality and quantity. The student lamp meets these needs. One of brushed brass, with the new shades, is rich and comfortable. Green shades are best for this purpose. The new glass is particularly beautiful. The coloring is on the polished surface, white with a rough surface. There are endless varieties of design for the shades, though green should a ways predominate in the coloring.

THE HALL LAMP

IN THE STUDY

and with force in the Orient, where, money being scarce and time of little value, one sees exquisite embroidery, representing months of labor and expenditure of eyesight and nervous forces, wrought upon coarse cotton or flimsy silk webs coarse cotton or flimsy silk webs. It recurs more frequently and forcefully to me in my observation of American domestic life, the plen-ishing and management of our houses and our homes. A critical eye for general effects and just taste in the matter of harmony in color and form are prime factors in furnishing our young housewife's cottage or flat. Better than either and both of these is sound common sense that separates and keeps apart the Must-haves from the May-bes.

DO NOT DO IT

We know what they are—all of it were not reversible.

us—and, when judgment is sane and

Buy sheets and pillow cases in the

LIKE YE OLDEN TIME

There is no softer or more bewitching light than that of candles. On a dinner or tea table, where dim and dainty effects are desired, they are ideal. And in the candlesticks there is infinite variety of design. There are brushed brass (which is fashionable just now), cut glass, china, the Romanesque finish to brass—all in artistic varieties. There is open work in the brass, and colonial effects in design. The mission light is u.-en here, too. One odd pièce is slightly Egyptian in character. It is of dull brass, with a long siender stem about fourteen inches high and one-quarter inch thick.

wakeful nights.

As the keynote to an opus which has a dignity of its own—fix in your mind the resolution to be consistent throughout. Make your living eventhreaded. I have said that before, too, and more than once, but it is good enough to bear several repeti-

To illustrate: Do not have Oriental rugs or velvet carpets in your parlor and cheap, thin ingrains upstairs. Better matting for all the stairs. Better matting for all the rooms—if the floors are of plain deal—and lay down rugs of service-able filling in solid colors, that harmonize with furniture and wall papers. Buy the filling by the yard; cut it into the desired lengths and fringe out the ends. An excellent quality may be bought at one dollar a yard, and, being alike on both sides, it will last twice as long as if

STOCK anecdote in a household to which apt illustrations and pertinent mots de famille gravitate as filings to a magnet is of the beat who "could do without a shirt, but was perishing for each of a buzzom-pin."

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As the keynote to an opus which buying towels. Certainly you would rather have towels of different designs, but of excellent texture— even-threaded like your living—than a set woven in an artistic pattern and so highly dressed as to pass for something far better than this, which yet will show in all their uneven coarseness after the first washeven coarseness after the first wash-

sight of all men," writes the Apostle sides.

"Provide things honest in the table cloths," with a border on four

cardinal consideratio buying china.

For your windows washable hangings. Here, as things else, "to thyself be Muslin curtains, with fluteds, scrim, bordered with antiqu or Irish point, have a simpthat dis-

RECIPES

travagance in any guise—"CAN I GET ALONG COMFORTABLY AND CONSISTENTLY WITH-OUT IT?"

Marion Harland

Select with care and forethought

Graham Bread-No. 1.

Eggless Griddle Cakes. Les sour milk, adding one teaspoonful (level) of soda to a pint of sour milk. Stiruntil it foams; there is the sour milk of the interest of the sour milk of the interest of t

Deviled Tomatoes.

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(By request.)

Fine, firm tomatoes but a quart; three hard-boiled ergs, the boile only; three tablespoonfuls of melted but only; three tablespoonfuls of vinegar; two rawes to blespoonfuls of vinegar; two rawes to blespoonfuls of vinegar; two rawes to blespoonful of salt; one teasonful of powdered sugar; one saltspoonful of salt; one teasonful of made mustard; a good pinch of cayenne of made mustard; a good pinch of cayenne of made mustard; a good pinch of rawes and the boiled yolks; rub in the butter and seasoning. Beat light, add the vinegar, and heat almost to a boil. Stir in the beaten erg until the mixture begins to thicken. Set into hot water while you cut the tomatom the property half an inch thick. Broil over a nearly half an inch thick.

Beef and Potato Pie.

Some minced cold roast beef; one young conton, minced; one-half cup of gravy; some mashed potato; one tablespoonful of the property of potato; one tablespoonful of cream to get potato; one tablespoonful of cream to get potato; one beaten egg for each cupful of potato. Mash the potato while hot, beating very light, with the butter and cream, lastly the call the potato will be properly light, with the butter and cream, lastly the child part of the attention cannot be paid to this part of the attention cannot be paid to this part of the attention cannot be paid to the part of the attention cannot be paid to the part of the attention cannot be paid to the part of the attention cannot be paid to the part of the attention cannot be paid to the part of the attention cannot be paid to the part of the large. Smooth this over and bake to a light brown. Beef and Potato Pie.

Slices of stale bread, from which the crust has been pared; one quart of milk; two tablespoonfuls of butter; whites of three eggs, beaten stiff; salt, and two tablespoon-ruls of best flour or cornstarch; boiling water.

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T 18 better to have the water closet separate from the bath room, with its own independent entrance. But in that case, if it have no window opening to outside fresh air, it will demand far more watchful care to keep it pure, no matter how perfect the plumbing or how abundant the water flushing may be. Those places always testify unequivocally to any neglisence upon the part of persons whose duty it is to see that they receive underlating care. When in full sight, in a brilliantly fighted room, any neglect. When in full sight, in a brilliantly fighted room, any neglect is soon evident. It is a good plan, when hey are in dark or dimly lighted closets, to have an extra and portable seat always Kept upon the one that is stationary, to protect the latter. The portable seat can be taken to the light, scoured in the dpen air, and given a sun bath, which is always the best of all purifiers.

On no account permit any one to set a heavy pall, or any weighty thing, in bath room wash basins. They are easily cracked, next they leak, and replacing them is expensive. Eternal vigilance is the price of enjoying nice modern conveniences.

Select with care and forethought what you know you will require in the regular work of the culinary department, and give seductive patented ideas the go-by. If—as a practical cook—you have never felt the need of them, it would be a waste of your slender stock of cash to indulge curiosity or fancy by the purchase. A made want is seldom a real want. Before dwelling upon such temptations, apply the homely touchstone—the king cure-all of Extravagance in any guise—"CAN I MATTERS OF GOOD FOREL

The bath room is a suitable place for keeping a hamper for soiled clothes. But damp towels should be dried before they are consigned to it, and the hamper should never reveal its contents, neither should any solled articles be left upon the cover.

It would be a good plan if all bath rooms, not strictly private, could have printed rules framed and hung up in plain sight of all bathers, giving a few very simple admonitions upon what is "good form" in a lavatory of any sort. The fact is that in what might be termed the minor morals a great many people seem to be deficient of all training. Nowhere is this more glaringly evident than in bath rooms used by several persons.

While, as a rule, individuals carry their own towels and soap to a bath room, yet sometimes one may be compelled to use a cake of soap that is there for emergencies. Whover des

room, yet sometimes one may be compelled to use a cake of soap that is there for emergencies. Whoever does make personal use of it should at least wipe it dry before laying it back in the soap-holder, for it is very disagreeable to take hold of soap that has been left wet. This may, to some, seem, averasticious, but a young woman lost a trip to Europe just because she was careless in that particular. The friend who was asked why she did not take her as a companion when she wanted company on a tour abroad answered. Of cannot take her; she always leaves the soap wet.

"HALF-BAKED" PEOPLE

A cursory glance at a bath room its veals the degree of refinement, of those who habitually use it. If, however, who habitually use it. If, however, very unfair to judge without knowing if all, or only one or two guilty of leaving untidy conditions, are guilty of leaving untidy conditions, as a lady, who was on her way to take a bath, armed with a brush, sapolic and a cloth for cleaning the tub before she could use it, announced to all before she could use it, announced to a Christian is one who leaves a bathtub clean after taking a bath." Only those who have gone through the same experience can sympathize with that long-reference can who had learned to her sometimes one who had learned to her sometimes one of the control of the

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A GOLDEN RULE Half-baked is a synopyn we underbred or untrained. There is no reason why the half-baked class should remain doughy. Those who have not had the advantage of good examples and training at home can remedy the consequent lack of propriety, if they desire to de so. It is only a question of ambition to improve in every way, they desire to de so. It is only a question of ambition to improve in every way, they desire to de so, which is selfishness, and indolence, which is correlated to the other two, are the only barriers to self-knyrdvesment.

ment.

It is well to remember that what seem like trifles to the sinners are not trifles to those who suffer from them. More-ever, we have high authority for saying that trifles light as air make up the sum of earthly existence. No one has ever improved upon the Golden Rule. Its practice would make a heaven of every home. Our sorely tried friend was right. "A Christian leaves the fathtub glean"—obeys the Golden Rule.

IN CONFERENCE WITH THE HOUSEMOTRS

UR Exchange proves its right to the title this week by leading off our counsels with an admirable letter from a prospective bride. It is long, but so well put together that to omit a sentence would be to spoil the symmetry of what is at once entertaining and helpful. That firm is fortunate that has secured the services of such a stenographer. Happy—thrice happy—the man who will have our correspondent and active well-wisher as a partner for life.

A Bit of Bride Counsel

tween out reversible.

Is and, when judgment is sane and cool, just how to rate them. "Musthaves" represent comforts. "Maybee" stand for luxury. Some who read this have been brought up to reckon them as identical. The fable of the princess who slept ill because of "lumps in her bed," three peas having been secreted under fourteen feather beds, is not without parallels in Republican America.

The proverbial beggar on horseback, riding a-gallop as soon as he finds himself in the saddle, has a thousand reproductions where our pampered princess has one. The working girl who changed her coarse underclothes once a week in the hottest weather, and lived upon toast and "tea prepared in her halb derroom, that she might sport white fox furs and tailor-made "suits" in avenue and park one day in the week, and be the elate owner of one new ball-dress per annum, will carry the like policy into her married life.

I have quoted wise Leslie Goldthwaite's "Something quust be crowded out" until I fear me that my well-beloved and, up to now, patient readers must be tired of it. The truism holds good and emphatically in the case of our house-phatically in the case of our house-phatica

She tells me that linens, if laid away in blue tissue paper, will keep for years without the set of these dreadful yellow exacts. It is a set of these dreadful yellow exacts and the set of the set o

"B. B." Troubles

Seeing many inquiries in your corner for the best way to rid a house of bedbugs. I wish to let others know of something I have found very effective, as well as safe. Use formaldehyde, as for fumigating—one part formaldehyde to three parts water. Wring tightly for twelve hours, and I think bugs will not trouble you again. Any druggist will tell you how much formaldehyde to near for the size of your room.

will tell you how much formaldehyde to me for the size of your room.

A lively contest was raised in this Corner several years ago over the potency of formaldehyde in destroying such active organisms as "B. B.'s" and house files. It was asserted then by a scientific writer that these very live specimens of the inferior creation held their own successfully in an atmosphere impregnated with the famous disinfectant, and several housewives bore witness to this as a lamentable fact.

I am the satisfied possessor of a formaldehyde lamp, simple and conveniently small, which has so effectually dispelled evil odors and clinging mustiness in various parts of the household as to earn the reputation of a health-saver. A young friend who had gone to housekeeping in a well-appointed city flat was horrified to find it pre-empted by the common plague of flat-dwellers. Hearing that formaldehyde would kill vermin, she borrowed my lamp and used it vigorously in every room. In syeck's time she informed me, with all

most tearful rapture not one of the rovers was left the slain." In a month's time the slain." In a month's time the slain. In a month's time the slain. In a month's time the slain. In a month slain slain

"C. B. H." ing

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