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Be kind. The whole creation groans in anguish sore; Lay not a finger-weight of sorrow more Upon the suffering heart of man or beast; Bind up the broken-hearted, help the least, A mission for our love we all may find; Be kind.

Woman's Responsibility.

Nor did Elaine only guard the shield of Launcelot there in her tower room. Down on the paths of the forest she went, you remember, to find him when he was wounded, and it was her gentle hands that tended him and nursed him back to life. To-day as in the olden times, men are wounded and hurt, and their strength laid low in combat with the world, combat with self, combat with evil, and to-day, as of old, it is women who must comfort them and heal them of their wounds. Elaine knew the gentle art of healing, and Iseult had a knowledge of herbs and simples which could bring relief when all else failed. If we are to be worthy of love and worthy of being loved, we must serve men not in one, but in many ways—for a woman's destiny is not alone to inspire, but also to serve and to console. Customs may come and go.

The knight's bones are dust, And his good sword rust; But the great deeds of love remain the same as they were in the olden time and as they will be in the time to come. Always, men will fight better for the honor of us, live more nobly for the goodness of us, be comforted by the wisdom and gentleness of us, be inspired by the purity of us and rewarded by the love of us. And always, according as our ideals are high or low, will their own be exalted or base. Here lies the greatest responsibility and privilege of our girlhood. You may shun it or ignore it if you like, but there it is.—Annie Bryan McCall.

Mending Hints.

To mend fragile glass, dissolve a small quantity of gum arabic in clear wine and use as a mullage. It makes an invisible glue, very satisfactory, which will not dissolve in water.

An excellent paste for mending a broken lamp socket is to use a spoonful of raw egg with twice the amount of water thickened with plaster of paris. Blend the ingredients and do the work quickly, as plaster of paris becomes solid quickly. Pour the mixture into the metallic cup, place the tip of the glass lamp in it and press the bowl into perfect position. Remove what mixture oozes from the socket. Set the lamp aside for the plaster to harden. This will mend the lightest or heaviest lamp and is to be depended upon.

To mend a small crack in the stove beat an egg, mix shoe polish and soft ashes with it. Work the paste smooth with an old knife. Fill the crack and smooth it over with the knife. It makes a cement seemingly as hard as iron which will polish like the stove. It is often used to fill crevices around the stovepipe.

To mend loose handles on knives, take one part sealing wax and two parts of resin. Melt together. Dip the tip of the knife into the mixture and hastily place it in the socket. When hard the joint will be as firm as when new.

A Neat Dusting Set.

With the craze for everything sanitary comes the hygienic brushes to be used in the household. We now have the dustless duster, and now these new brushes may be added to the list of safe and useful working implements.

More attractive, however, are the charming little dusting sets in which the pretty housewife may look charming while at work. The set comprises mob cap, sleeve protectors and apron.

The whole is made of three men's handkerchiefs, white, with a fancy border in color.

One handkerchief is gathered up for the cap, by stitching around it in a large circle, which almost touches the sides and leaves the four points and drawing the thread up until the cap takes shape, and a most bewitching shape it is.

The apron is made of another handkerchief, held diagonally and gathered in at the waist toward the top, the extra point above being used as a bib.

The other handkerchief is used for the cuffs and for a pocket on the apron.

"Are dumb animals immortal?" asked a young theologian of one of the oldest and most renowned professors in a prominent theological seminary in New England, who replied: "Are dumb animals immortal? Young man, I don't know; but if you have one of God's dumb creatures dependent upon you for food and care, I advise you so to treat it in this world that you will not be ashamed to look it in the face if you chance to meet it in the next."—Sarah Nelson Carter, in "For Pity's Sake."

Whipped cream, unflavored and unweetened, is the best sauce to serve with a Bavarian. A coffee Bavarian is one of the best desserts if prepared according to the following recipe: Have ready a pint of rich milk, three rounded tablespoonsful of the best pulverized coffee, the yolks of three eggs, a cupful of granulated sugar, an ounce of granulated gelatine or dodo, its place having been usurped by one which combines the most becoming features of the bicorne and the Napoleon, and is trimmed with lace. Furthermore, now that the Louis XVI. hat has come into popular favor it is discarded by the extremists. A large hat with a flat crown and broad, lightly waved brim is now accepted. It is reminiscent of the one worn many years ago by Ellen Terry when she impersonated Olivia at the Lyceum. In fact, the fashions which prevailed in the days when Goldsmith wrote his immortal "Vicar of Wakefield" are being revived.

Candied Pineapple Strips.

"Candied pineapple strips are delicious and are easily prepared," says Sally Sanders in Woman's Home Companion for April. "The fruit is first peeled, then cut in strips two inches long, half an inch wide and about a quarter of an inch thick. Measure the fruit and add half the quantity of granulated sugar, and let it stand until the sugar is dissolved, which may be nearly twenty-four hours. Drain off the juice and boil it five minutes, then add the fruit and cook for three or four minutes; drain the pineapple and spread on a platter to dry. The process may be hastened by putting the platter in the top of a radiator. The fruit should be turned once and then rolled in fine granulated sugar. The process is a much more lengthy one than that required for the fruit peel, but a few pieces put in each box makes a delicious addition."

Things Worth Knowing.

Gelatine, milk and onions are truly scavengers of the air, never leave them uncovered; they attract all germs.

If your hands become blistered or calloused from ironing, wear an old kid glove, cut the palm out of the left glove and sew it on the right.

Always keep in the house a bottle of Carron oil for burns. You may get it already mixed at any drug-gist's. It is made by mixing equal parts of linseed oil and lime water, put on the part burned and cover with absorbent cotton to exclude the air.

To keep taffeta silk from cutting, soften by ironing with a hot iron before making up.

If flour is stirred into gravy with a fork instead of a spoon, it is not as apt to lump.

Stains on brown boots may be removed by rubbing with methylated spirits.

In cleaning tinware try dry flour applied with a newspaper. This is often successful when scouring does not clean it.

A raw egg swallowed whole will detach a fish bone in the throat.

After washing a sweater, dry it on a coat hanger, it will keep its shape better.

Beating cocoa with an egg beater just before taking from the stove is an improvement, adding a few drops of vanilla will make it still better.

When steaming pudding of any kind in individual molds, use jelly tumblers with tight tin covers. You can tell when the puddings are done without removing the cover.

If you should be unfortunate enough to have your house plants slightly frosted, dip at once into a pail of cold water. If too large for a pail, place in sink and shower well.

Garments that are folded because of lack of hanging space, or for packing, may be made to forego their partiality for creases if whole newspapers are placed on them, the paper and cloth being folded at the same time. Papers laid between the folds have the same effect.

Refreshing Form of Desert After a Hearty Dinner.

A Bavarian cream, one of the most delightful of the unfrozen desserts, is particularly suited to follow a hearty dinner in cold weather, as it is light and refreshing without being unpleasantly chilly. Almost any recipe for ice cream is available for this dish, if enough gelatine to stiffen it be added. The Bavarian creams that call for beaten whites of eggs, instead of cream, properly belong to the class of desserts known as 'sponge puddings.'

Often a Bavarian cream is made elaborate by being served within a circle of cake, jelly, or ice cream. For instance, a strawberry Bavarian is sometimes moulded in a layer over a base of vanilla ice cream, or in a ring mould around it. To enrich the former, make it out of preserved fruit.

A celebrated French chef recommends serving Bavarian in the dish in which it was moulded. By this method, he says, it becomes more delicate and needs less gelatine than if it had to be turned out. It can be moulded either in a crystal or silver dish, which should come to the table on a platter surrounded by ice.

For a fancy Bavarian, spread a mould with layers of variously flavored and colored creams, or line a mould with chocolate Bavarian and

fill it with vanilla and strawberry in equal quantities. To insure an easy removal of the Bavarian it is necessary to rub the mould with the white of an egg before pouring in the mixture. Sweet almond oil is sometimes used for this purpose, while many French cooks use sugar which has been cooked to the caramel stage. While the jelly is congealing cover it with a sheet of white paper.

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For maple moussé follow the rule for coffee Bavarian, omitting the granulated sugar and the powered coffee. Use in place of the latter one and a half cupfuls of crushed maple sugar.

A very delicate ginger cream calls for no custard foundation. Have ready one pint of cream, a scant three-quarters of a cupful of sugar, about half a package of gelatine, or enough to stiffen; syrup from a jar of preserved ginger to suit the taste, and two or three tablespoonsful of sliced preserve. Soak the gelatine in soft, then mix it with the sugar and add it to a little of the cream, which should be boiling hot. When melted add the sugar and beat all together; then slowly fold it through the cream, which should have been beaten to a stiff froth. Add the syrup and slices of ginger. Put the mixture in a mold and immediately set it on ice.—Tribune.

Hints For the Housewife.

Hot sunshine will remove scorch. Hot tartaric acid will take ink stains out of white cloth.

A package or envelope sealed with white of egg cannot be steamed open.

Even delicate glass may be safely washed in very hot water if slipped in edgewise.

Sour milk will remove ink stains. Change the milk often until the stain disappears. Afterwards bleach in the sun.

Soda should be rubbed on cream spots of linen before it is washed, to remove the heavy grease stain.

Scrim decorated with cross stitch embroidery, which is being used again, makes serviceable cushion covers.

After stains have been removed with gasoline no dark ring will remain around the spot if it is held over steam.

A teaspoonful of brown sugar added to a pint of paste will help to securely fasten labels on tin, wooden or glass preserve jars.

Starch should be mixed with soapy water, for thus the linen will have a more glossy appearance and be less likely to stick to the iron.

To clean bronzes wash with pulverized whiting or powdered saffron until the surface is smoothed. Then rub with paste of plumbago and saffron; then heat the articles before a slow wood fire. Large statues that cannot be removed may be washed with a weak solution of alkali and soap water.—E.

Freaks of Fashion.

Some women are wearing on the little finger of their left hand diamond marquise rings, from which are suspended diminutive tassels of diamonds and pearls. As it is now permissible for gloves to be carried instead of worn with evening dress, a golden opportunity is afforded for the display of beautiful rings. The possessors of old rings are ransacking their jewel cases for these costly objects, and having them reset in accordance with the exigencies of fashion, a barbaric effect being introduced. From ten to fifteen rings are often worn on one hand.

The debut of the exquisitely embroidered tailored suits of fine lawn or cambric (the word "tailored" certainly does not seem out of place in connection with these fabrics) must be chronicled. These

creations have directly appealed to the susceptibilities of the well-dressed woman. They are in white or pastel shades, when the accessories are of a contrasting shade. The bag or porte-monnaie occupies a very prominent position, and must harmonize with the waistband and shoes. With these lawn frocks the softest subtle waistbands are assured, trimmed with embroidery.

The fashion for having lace dyed to match the gown is now carried to such an extreme that possessors of priceless old Venice and rose point are having these valuable heirlooms dyed, and do not apparently mind having them mutilated with the scissors. It is to be hoped that these vandals will soon cease in their work of destruction, and employ the lovely modern laces which are equally effective.

It is only a few weeks ago that black shoes with red heels were regarded as a novelty. To-day the contrasting heel has become a fetish with the well-dressed woman, which necessitates a different pair of shoes for each dress. It is de rigueur for the golesh to be of an ebony hue, the uppers harmonizing with the costume, and the heels with the accessories including the all-important bag.

No woman to-day considers herself bien-mise when visiting unless she wears a mantle or coat, which must be of a contrasting shade to her dress. A purple Tosca net cloak is permissible with a rose Pompadour dress, and with one of Biériot blue smoke grey.

The tricorne hat is as dead as the dodo, its place having been usurped by one which combines the most becoming features of the bicorne and the Napoleon, and is trimmed with lace. Furthermore, now that the Louis XVI. hat has come into popular favor it is discarded by the extremists. A large hat with a flat crown and broad, lightly waved brim is now accepted. It is reminiscent of the one worn many years ago by Ellen Terry when she impersonated Olivia at the Lyceum. In fact, the fashions which prevailed in the days when Goldsmith wrote his immortal "Vicar of Wakefield" are being revived.

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What is Worn in London

London, April 11, 1910.

After the long run of favor which has been enjoyed by plain materials, this year the pendulum has swung in the opposite direction, and patterns of all kinds, from spots, checks and stripes, to all sorts of elaborate floral and Oriental designs, in which are included the most popular Paisley patterns, adorn all the charming materials which have been prepared for a "comet" summer. After the bad summers with which we have been afflicted for the last three years it is high time we renewed an intimate acquaintance with the sun, even without the promised presence of a comet to stir up things and make celestial and terrestrial matters lively. There are any number of diaphanous materials of all kinds on view in the shops, and certainly if the sun does not encourage us to show them off in his friendly beams, he will stand convicted of grievous bad taste, for never have the summer stuffs been lovelier. Nothing could be prettier than the floral delaines; they are so delightfully fresh looking and youthful with the graceful floral designs scattered over the surface. I always think delaine is one of the most attractive materials for summer morning wear, cool, fresh, dainty, and having the immense advantage over linen that it does not crumple. And not only is it charming for morning frocks for town or country wear, but it is even more desirable for breakfast gowns and matinees. I do not think Englishwomen as a rule realize the use of breakfast-gowns sufficiently.

Nothing knocks about an outdoor frock so much as to wear it indoors amid all the occupations of a housemistress in the morning; the visit to the kitchen, the inspection of the larder, the arranging and re-arranging of the flowers in drawing-room and dining-room, the writing of notes, etc., the thousand-and-one things which must be seen to in the early hours of the day if the domestic machine is to run smoothly. The comfort of being in a breakfast gown for all these occupations is unquestionable; and when the domestic business of the day is accomplished, the change into the dress one will wear for the rest of the day till tea-time or dinner, brings with it a delightful feeling of freshness, which is a good beginning for one's outdoor duties and possible trials. But it must not be supposed for an instant that I am recommending that a woman should "street" about her household inspection and duties in some untidy dressing-gown which has seen better days.

The matinee or breakfast-gown should be one of the daintiest creations in the wardrobe, exquisitely fresh in a way that seems to suggest that the wearer is just out of a perfumed bath, dainty in design and material in the summer nothing is prettier for a breakfast-gown than pale blue or rose or mauve batiste with broderie Anglaise and Valenciennes lace

and plenty of ribbons; but though we are already almost in the middle of April, it is yet too early for such diaphanous materials, and it beats to fall back on the lovely printed delaines and voiles, or crêpons, of which the shops offer us so bewildering a choice.

The matinee I would suggest is made of delaine over the white ground. The shape is simplicity itself, as is best for a gown of the kind; it is a semi-fitting Princess with a Watteau pleat at the back, and the fronts slightly draped across the figure and set in tiny pleats to the border of plain rose-colored washing silk, which outlines the matinee all round. The erly fastening is one big embroidered silk button, which holds the robe at one side. There is an under-vest of tucked lawn and embroidery without a collar-band, leaving a pleasant freedom to the throat during what may be termed the "working-hours" of the morning; and there are short under-sleeves of similar lawn and embroidery to finish the elbow-steeves of delaine, which are turned back with a cuff of the rose washing silk. Nothing could be simpler than this matinee, which could easily be made at home at an infinitesimal cost; and thus garbed the mistress of an establishment can preside at the family breakfast-table, giving a delightful impression of freshness and sweetness, and then can see to her household duties without thinking of possible damage to an expensive tailor-made costume from spotting by water or singeing by fire; both events being more than possible when one is arranging flowers or visiting a kitchen. Matinees, however, are not things to be considered singly; there should be three or four at least in a woman's wardrobe, for no one wants to put on the same gown every morning, and also there should be enough to ensure the most scrupulous cleanliness. The smallest sign of grime or stain should send the matinee off to be "dry-cleaned" immediately; for the unpardonable sin in a woman is to appear at the breakfast-table in anything but the freshest and neatest of gowns, no matter what design it may be. The necessity of these frequent visits to the dry-cleaner's is one reason for the simplicity which should always distinguish the breakfast-gown.

For very slight figures I have seen some charming models, both in delaine and linen, with the fullest all gathered to the figure by lines of fine gauging which formed quite a deep corset all round; but, as may be imagined, this was not calculated to make the wearer look slighter, and should be avoided by those who cannot claim to be sylph-like. On the whole, I prefer the model I have described, for these slightly frilled fronts, crossing over to the left, and carelessly held by a single button, are becoming to nearly all women, as the long simple lines make for height and grace. All kinds of lovely matinees can be made this year of the Paisley-patterned materials, for which a furious vogue has set in, and no wonder, for they are amazingly effective and becoming. Some in tones of dull red and brown on a deep butter-colored ground are exceedingly attractive, and, of course, would not show dust or other marks at all so easily as those on a white ground, such as the floral delaine in the sketch; and there are also beautiful Paisley effects in different shades of blue or violet on grey voile, which are fascinating beyond description. Certainly, never were breakfast-gowns and morning frocks so easy to combine and create as they are this year, thanks to the wonderful genius of the manufacturers of all these lovely inexpensive summer materials, wherein beauty of design and coloring reach a pitch never dreamt of before.

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ONE GLEAM OF JOY. Johnny had two presents at the same time—one a diary, which he kept very carefully, and the other a peashooting popgun, which he fired indiscriminately on all occasions.

One day his mother found the following terse record in his diary: "Mondy cold and sloppy, Tuesdy cold and sloppy, Wensdy cold and sloppy, shot gramma."

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COURTESY AND CELERITY. Mayor Lyons, of Mobile, said in a recent interview: "No; I cannot pronounce judgment on this occasion yet. Do you take me for Judge Taliaferro?"

"Judge Taliaferro?" the mayor exclaimed court back before the war, in a little courthouse of Citronelle. It was a cloudy spring afternoon, and a very difficult and puzzling case was on. The lawyers wrangled, quoted from great law books and broke into grand flights of eloquence while Judge Taliaferro listened solemnly or gazed out of the window at the approaching storm.

"It grew darker. The judge snatched a sheet of paper, scribbled a line or two upon it, and, placing it beneath a paper-weight, took up his hat.

"Colonel," he said briskly to the lawyer who had the floor, "excuse me for interrupting you, but I want to know, you should go right on with your argument, for it's a darned good one. But it's suah going to rain this evening, Colonel, an' I just natcherly got to set out my sweet potatoes the great boughs overhead.

Colonel and Major, you follow him up; an' when you two gentlemen get through you'll find my decision under this henh weight."

"And the judge disappeared through the door before the lawyers had time to exchange one astonished glance."—Detroit Free Press.

DON'T SAVE THE HAM FOR THE WAKE. A man on his death-bed was questioned by his inconsolable prospective widow. "Poor Mike," said she, "is there anything that wud make yo' comfortable? Anythin' ye ask for I'll get for ye."

"Plaise, Bridget," he responded, "I think I'd like a wee taste of the ham I smell a-bollin' in the kitchen."

"Arrah, go on," responded Bridget. "Divil a bit of that ham you'll get. 'Tis for the wake."

We fear it is thus with many of the good things of life. They are saved up for the wake.

SEXTON, VERGER OR SACRISTAN. Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the government food expert, was talking of a "new" sort of food preservative. "They are all the same thing made under different names," he said. It reminded him of the old caretaker of an Episcopal church, of whom he once heard.

This old fellow, as he sat on a tomb in the churchyard, dismissed as trivial the question of his proper title. "The good old creed keeps the same for all," he said, "though they may change the words they use. Look at me, here. I used to be a janitor. Then we had a parson who called me the sexton. Doctor Thirly gave me the name of virgin. And the young man we've got now says I'm the sacristess."

It is easier to prevent than it is to cure. Inflammation of the lungs is the consequence of neglected colds, and once it finds a lodgment in the system, it is difficult to deal with. Treatment with Bickel's Anti-Consumption Syrup will eradicate the cold and prevent inflammation from setting in. It costs little and is as satisfactory as it is surprising in its results.

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