

HOUSE AND HOUSEHOLD

HOW TO TREAT RATS.

The best way to get rid of rats and mice, writes a chemist, is not to poison them, but to make them thoroughly tired of the locality and so induce them to leave. They are generally too smart to eat poison, even when it is provided for their benefit in the most seductive fashion, but they are not particular about tartar emetic. When a little of this is mixed with any favorite food they will eat as greedily as though the physic was not there, but in two or three hours there will be the most discouraged lot of rats about the place that anybody ever saw. The tartar will not kill them; it only makes them deathly sick.

THE THIRSTY INFANTS.

Thirst in the infant is nearly always mistaken for hunger. Give your crying child a little cool, (preferably boiled) water, using cup or spoon, or try tiny pieces of ice tied in a scrap of lawn, and see if it does not prove the very thing needed. Six or seven times every day the babies should be offered drink; it regulates the bowels, cleanses the mouth and stomach, and prevents in a measure overfeeding.

TO PURIFY WATER.

Two thumbtacks of powdered alum will clarify a bucketful of turbid water and make it fit for drinking purposes. One part of chalk and two of alum will quickly purify stagnant water.

HATS AND BONNETS FOR SUMMER.

In millinery, black hats for the moment dominate the mode. Some attractive black chip hats are trimmed with a fine imitation of old point lace variously arranged on brim and crown. Yellow flowers, also petunia-color blooms, are effective additions to such hats. Flowers which have no counterparts in nature are seen among new artificial blossoms, and conspicuously noticeable are roses which present the many novel tones of reddish purple observable in the cinnaria species. They show a wider range of shades in this fashionable color, and nearly every woman, be her complexion what it may, can find a becoming tint in that range especially when combined or intermixed with lace. Tuscan hats, after a period of banishment, are once more acceptable. They are frequently trimmed with color to match, but is very trying. It is better to employ chestnut-brown, dahlia or black, which colors tone down the vivid yellow in the straw. Large picture hats of Leghorn will be worn with the black satin gowns and full shoulder capes now popular.

HAVE PLENTY OF TOWELS.

Have plenty of towels. Comfort and cleanliness depend upon it. You can better go without some of your household decorations than to "get along" with a scant supply of towels.

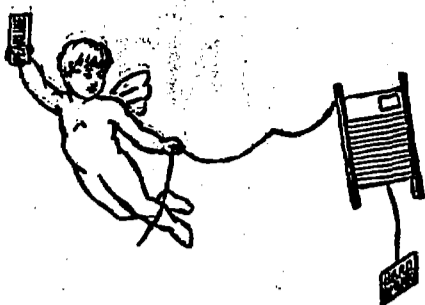
Have them of good size. They are more satisfactory and wear longer than the curtailed sort. Shall the towel be fringed? That is a matter of taste. Some one said the other day that plain hems with two or more rows of hemstitching above the hem would soon lead in "linen good forms." We hope so—for the towel in ordinary use anyhow.

Shall our towels be damask or huckaback? That is also a matter of taste. And it is a matter of complexion. Huckaback and Turkish are desirable for bath use. But for the face use the damask. With that you may rub the skin without producing a battered-up feeling that is certainly not advisable for the complexion. It is well to persistently rub the face, but it is never improved by scouring.

Get the "new" out of your towels before putting them to use. It is indeed treating a guest ill to offer him a towel with the "store" starch upon it. Let the family take the "new" off your "company" linen. This may be hard on the household, but the wiping guest will love you more than if you permitted him to assist at the job.

Iron your towels on both sides. They are more agreeable to use when smoothly laundered, and when so polished give a tinge of thoroughness to your house-keeping.

CAUSE AND EFFECT.—Visitor: What is that unearthly noise up stairs? Fond Mother: That is my daughter. She has joined one of the local amateur dramatic clubs, and has just been given a part of three lines in the next performance; she rehearses it like that for three hours every day.



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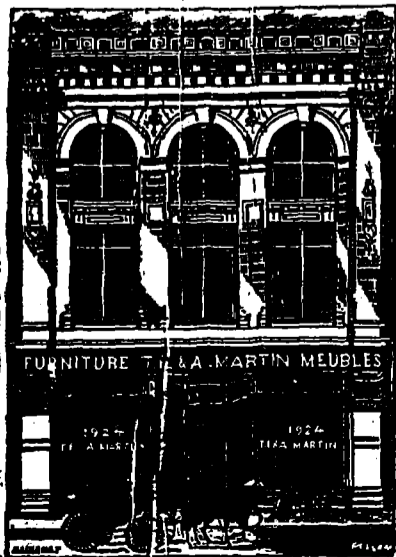
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MONTREAL, December, 1891.—I was suffering, for more than a year, from an obstinate cough, an abundant expectoration of a very bad appearance, night sweats, pain in the chest, debility and a progressive wasting, which caused me to dread consumption. I took several remedies unavailingly. I am now perfectly well, to the great surprise of my friends, and have been cured by Dr. Lavolette's Syrup of Turpentine. I took 5 bottles of 50 cts. each. I can recommend this precious syrup to those who are coughing and think themselves in consumption. W. DASTOUS, No. 90 St. Antoine Street.

Montreal, December, 1890.—I have, on several occasions, used various preparations of Turpentine and have always found them very efficacious in affections of the throat and bronchial tubes. I have lately administered to several of my children Dr. Lavolette's Syrup of Turpentine and have found its effects remarkably prompt, especially in cases of croupal cough. Mrs. Recorder E.A.T. de Montigny.

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