

garments, furs, plumes, etc., when laid aside for the summer. To secure the cloth linings of carriages from moths, sponge them on both sides with a solution of corrosive sublimate or mercury in alcohol, made just strong enough not to leave a white mark on a black feather.

SALT AND MOTHS.—It is said, and by good authority, that after wiping up the floor, if salt is sprinkled over it while damp, moths will not try that harbor again. When making a carpet it is recommended that enough be allowed to fold under an inch or two, so that when it is put down, salt can be spread between the folds, and also sprinkle salt all around the sides and corners of the room before nailing the carpet. We have never tried this, but have several good authorities who endorse it, and promise that moths will not injure carpets if this advice is followed.

POLISHING PASTE FOR TINS, BRASSES AND COPPER.—This is composed of rotten stone, soft soap, and oil of turpentine; the stone must be powdered and sifted through a muslin or hair sieve; mix with it as much soft soap as will bring it to the stiffness of putty; to half a pound of this, add two ounces of oil of turpentine; it may be made into balls; it will soon become hard, and will keep any length of time. Method of using: The articles to be polished should be perfectly free from grease and dirt; moisten a little of the paste with water, smear it over the metal, rub briskly with a dry rag or leather, and it will soon bear a beautiful polish.

A good stove polish may be made of black lead mixed with the white of an egg. Put on with a brush, and polish with a dry hard brush.

To make an excellent furniture polish: Take turpentine, linseed oil and vinegar, in equal proportions; apply and rub with flannel.

A little soap put on the hinges or latch of a door will stop its creaking.

Salt will curdle milk, hence in preparing gravies, porridge, etc., the salt should not be added till the dish is prepared.

If your flat irons are rough or soiled, lay some salt on a flat surface and rub the face of the iron well over it.

Rub your griddle with fine salt before you grease it, and your cakes will not stick.

When clothes have acquired an unpleasant odor by being from the air, charcoal laid in the folds will soon remove it.

Powdered charcoal placed around roses and other flowers adds to their richness.

Camphor gum placed on shelves or in drawers will effectually drive away mice.