

DAILY MAGAZINE PAGE FOR EVERYBODY APRIL FLOWERS

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APRIL SHOWERS bring May flowers' is the rhyming burden of the ancient consolation. But here are seven April FLOWERS that the showers drive indoors sometimes, instead of bringing out...

WINIFRED BLACK WRITES ABOUT Drawing Our Own Images

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Winifred Black

We were all in the room together the other evening, just at twilight—the great, big, friendly room, with the walls of the deep, glowing yellow and the window, broad and high, that looks out on the sea...

She took a seat right in the middle of the great window and she talked and she talked. And she talked—about nothing—faster and faster, and louder and louder.

When she was gone we began to talk about real things. But I suppose the woman of no importance went home and told her husband how she saved the day for the hostess by her 'lively' conversation.

Poor little thing! She's kindly, too, in her way, and would do anything for the world for any one of us if she could.

How well we draw our own characters in the things we see! I know a man of genius who has the gift of adaptation so strongly developed that he makes every man he meets believe that he has found a kindred soul.

By what the genius did with each man's heart and brain, I knew the man for what he was.

Now, if the little nobody in particular had only done that the other day, what exciting tales she could have told all her little friends all the rest of her little life.

Care in Feeding The Young Chicks

A mistake, that even a great many experienced poultrymen make, is the feeding of the chicks too soon. When the chick leaves the shell it comes into the world with a sufficient supply of nourishment in the form of egg yolk...

Household Helps Home Tests for Pure Foods By ISOBEL BRANDS

ONE of the most popular booths in a pure food show conducted in a small town was that in which various products bought locally were tested to determine their freedom from adulterants of any kind.

To find out whether artificial coloring is used in candy, all that is necessary is to boil the candy until it is dissolved.

bread crumbs; fifth, finely cracked mixed grains. If too early to get the chicks out onto the grass at once, green food should be supplied in the form of young lettuce, sprouted grains or any other tender succulent food that is acceptable.

The old gardener says to look out for frost in spring and autumn, when the sunshine is very hot and the shade very cold and the shadows very deep.

Gooseberries seem to be growing in popularity. The demand for the fruit is increasing.

Today's Fashion



Little Girl's Smart Frock of Blue Linen, White Embroidered.

THIS attractive frock of blue linen for the girl of 8 or 11 is cut in one piece with an inverted box pleat at each side of the front.

An American inventor has patented a life-saving suit for aeronauts involving a cushioned cap and back and front pads for the body communicating so that they can be blown up by a tube extending to the mouth of the aviator.

Artificially colored, and dangerous in proportion. Another simple test that will help the housewife is the test for oleomargarine sold as butter.

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Stories of the Operas

Puccini's "MADAME BUTTERFLY." Condensed by ADRIEN TOURNIER.

"MADAME BUTTERFLY" is one of the most touching tragedies of opera. It is the story of a broken faith set to strains of such haunting beauty that they have won a well deserved place in the heart of every lover of music.

A picturesque Japanese villa, embowered with wisteria and cherry blossoms overlooking the harbor of Nagasaki, has been purchased by the marriage broker, Goro, for Lieut. Pinkerton, U. S. N.

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Three years have elapsed. Within the little house on the hill Madame Butterfly awaits the return of her husband. He was recalled to America after a brief but happy wooden voyage. She has been unwavering in her faith in him, but Suzuki, her maid, doubts that he will come again.

The battleship on which Pinkerton serves has been ordered to Japan. The lieutenant has written Sharpless a letter saying that he will bring an American wife with him, and asks his friend to break the news to Madame Butterfly.

The consul calls upon Butterfly and tries to read to her the contents of the letter, but she is so overjoyed at hearing from him that she pays no heed to the sorrowful news it contains.

Goro, the marriage broker, again comes to arrange a match between her and a Japanese nobleman, but she refuses to listen to him. He insists that the necessary arrangements and has secured the lovely Cho-Cho-San for Pinkerton, assuring him that the marriage will only be binding so long as he consents to live with his wife, and that afterwards she will be free to marry again.

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The Amateur Gardener

ONE of our best decorative plants is the ficus, better known as rubber plant. Because of its rather stiff and sturdy habit of growth and the size of its thick, leathery foliage, it lacks the grace which characterizes the fern and the house plant.

Probably a large share of its popularity among those who grow it is due to its ease of culture and its freedom from the ill to which most other plants used for a similar purpose are heir.

RECIPES FOR THE CARD INDEX COOK BOOK

Tripe and Onions. INGREDIENTS: 8 ounces tripe, 1 tablespoon flour, 2 ounces onion, 1/2 pint milk, Pepper and salt. METHOD: Wash the tripe in hot water and cut into neat pieces. Put it in a saucepan with the milk and the finely chopped onions, simmer until tender, about 45 minutes and then take out the tripe. Moisten the flour with a little cold milk and add as thickening gradually to the milk and onions. Boil up, stirring all the time. Season and put back the tripe to reheat. Serve in a hot dish.