

OLD BEDPOSTS.
One of the Many Ways in Which They May Be Utilized.

Many ingenious possessors of antique articles are nowadays casting about to discover ways of converting their property into objects of modern utility. They reason that simply because, by the passage of time and change of circumstances, the occupation of some bit of domestic furniture is gone there is no reason why such furniture should not embark on a successful career in some other line of business and that as long as the character of the article is not destroyed nor its artistic beauty injured no harm is done.

For instance, as we never sleep in the old fashioned mausoleums there is no reason why their posts should not do duty as ornamental lamp stands. The old carved four post bedstead is especially adaptable to other uses than its original one. It is surprising how many



COZY CORNER SCREEN.
These bedposts can be used and how effective their use may be. As a screen post and support for branches of electric lights the bedpost may be made both useful and ornamental. Again it may be converted into a pedestal, a lamp or plant stand. Perhaps one of the most original uses to which the bedpost has been put is that of forming a screen for a cozy corner, a good example of which is given in the illustration. This screen may be easily made with the help of a bedpost, a curtain and a pole, and is suitable for either a room or hall.—Brooklyn Eagle.

The Stylish Woman.
Style in woman does not depend upon exclusive clothes, but upon the knack of putting them on well. This we may demonstrate every day. There are some women who are the smartest creatures imaginable, although they may be wearing a plain white skirt and a simple walking skirt, while beside them will walk the veriest dodd in satin and chiffon. Plumed hats do not make a beauty make, nor high heeled shoes a belle. The consciousness that one's garments are well put on and in the proper position gives a feeling of security and relieves one of self-consciousness. If there is anything more satisfying than the feeling that one's skirt is just ready to come unplanned, or that one's belt is insecurely adjusted, one would like to know what it is. Dress yourself properly. It will not take so long as to pin yourself up, and make the difference upon your general appearance and your nerves.—Pittsburg Chronicle.

Useful Utensils.
Howard aiding the housewife the inventors have recently seemed to have turned their energies. Any number of new little devices have appeared in the shops, which are to be used to lighten the labors in the kitchen and in doing the housework. For baking there is an ingenious pan for preventing cakes and delicate sugary concoctions from burning; also a perfect steam cooker in which the housewife can put on beans, soups or viands that demand long cooking, and turn to other tasks, assured that the pot will not boil over or stop boiling or boil too fast, as is the case with ordinary boiling kettles.

When the bread making day comes around there is an automatic bread kneader and dough mixing device and also a handy contrivance for beating up the raw material of cakes and puddings.

Professions Not to Enter.
Teaching is at present one of the most overstocked of women's professions, but music is almost worse. Nursing is terribly severe work, and the competition for any well paid situation is tremendous. Appointments as secretaries are most difficult to get. Typewriting and shorthand are over-crowded with half educated girls, who make extremely low salaries, though there is still opening for well educated girls. Wood carving is not so good as a few years ago, and Christmas card designing has fallen on bad times, being in the hands of a few experts.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Eggs as Curried.
For curried eggs fry two thinly sliced onions in two tablespoons of butter until golden brown, add one teaspoonful of curry powder, cook another minute, then stir in one pint of milk. Cover and simmer for fifteen minutes, thicken with one scant tablespoonful of cornstarch dissolved in a little cold milk and cook for five minutes longer. Add salt and pepper, if needed, and six hard boiled eggs, cut into slices. Keep hot for ten minutes, and serve with or without boiled rice.

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The Offertory.

The offertory occasionally yields its humor. I can see no fun myself in dropping into the plate buttons or peppermint drops or gilded farthings. But these and other such like votive offerings occasionally come our way.

On one occasion a mild hint was given to a dirty looking vergier when a small coin was carefully wrapped up in a bit of paper inscribed, "For a bath for a prominent church official." On another occasion, when the officiating clergyman had been somewhat bungling through a difficult litany, a similar piece of paper was marked, "For a singing lesson for the curate."

After a somewhat rambling discourse from one of my colleagues, who shall of course be nameless, the church warden told me that a man at the bottom of the church, when he offered him the plate, took out a sixpence and looked at it ruefully and then cast it in with the remark, "Well, you shall have it, old fellow, but it's a deal more than that sermon was worth."—Cornhill Magazine.

A Singular Method of Treatment.

A peculiar case of poisoning by a physician was that of Dr. Stephen Eotvos in Hungary many years ago. Eotvos undertook to hasten the death of patients whose cases he considered hopeless by putting them out of their misery, as he termed it, with fatal drugs. He encountered no opposition to his peculiar methods of benevolence while he practiced them on people of no particular standing, but when the doctor hastened the death of a well known land proprietor named Szlavy, who was slowly dying of cancer, the relatives of the dead man presented a violent protest and demanded the prosecution of Eotvos.

The physician declared on trial he was actuated by humane motives and had merely eased the journey of his victims to the inevitable goal. This defense was not accepted by the court. Eotvos was acquitted of malice, but found guilty of homicide without malice and sentenced to a long term of imprisonment.

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You'd maybe take and wear it on your breast.

"I'd wish I could be living near, to love you day an' night.
To let no trouble touch you or annoy;
I'd wish I could be dyin' here to rise a spirit light.
If them above 'ud let me win you joy.
Achray!
If them above 'ud let me win you joy.
An' now I wish no wishes, nor ever fall a tear,
Nor take a thought beyond the way I'm led.
I mind the day that's over-by, an' bless the day that's here,
There be to come a day when we'll be dead.
Achray!
A longer, lighter day when we'll be dead."
—Molra O'Neill.

THE MAPLE LEAF.

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The leaf is distinguished from that of the soft or red maple by its rounded and comparatively shallow sinuses, smooth or sparingly toothed edges, says a writer in The Globe. Three or five lobes have three or four sharp points. The flowers are unfolded with the leaves, while the red maple is shedding its sterile flowers before the leaves appear. The sugar maple does not sow its seeds till the fall, and they lay dormant all winter, while the red maple seedlings take root before the frost suspends their vitality.

The silver maple has the most beautiful leaf of all the members of the family. Its deep sinuses and delicately attenuated lobes make a most artistic outline, and the pale under-surface flashes a pleasing change of color when the branches are swayed by the wind. Like the red maple, it flowers before the leaves, and the seed falls and germinates before the close of the summer.

The spike maple and moose maple are smaller members of the family, with slightly more pretentious flowers. The box elder is classed as a maple by virtue of the form of its twin seeds, but its leaves suggest the ash sufficiently to give it one of its many names. The male and female flowers are on separate trees, a condition occasionally appearing in other members of the family. It may be regarded here as an importation.

The sycamore maple is a European immigrant. Its leaves have a thick, vegetable appearance, and the characteristic form of five-pointed lobes is smoothly regular. Another European importation, the Norway maple, has a leaf strongly resembling the accepted Canadian emblem. The patriotic spirit of the Dominion is mingled with a natural regard for this most beautiful of forest trees, a regard that naturally leads to a closer acquaintance and more intimate knowledge.

The Deadly Death-Cup Mushroom.

As the season is approaching for gathering mushrooms I would like to sound a note of warning. The deadly death cup toadstool grows in many places in Canada and as it recently caused the death of one man at Toronto Junction, and nearly killed me, perhaps a description of it may not be out of place. It has a smooth, satiny top, which may be either white, spotted, or tinted yellow; it also has white gills and a white stem. As a whole, it looks much like a large meadow mushroom and for this reason is doubly dangerous. It also sometimes strays from its proper wood haunts, to lawns and meadow edges. Remember the fatal cup at the root, and the white gills; remember, that a single fragment is generally enough to kill a man, and beware of it, as there is no rank taste or odor to give warning, and the poison does not begin to work until eight or nine hours after it has been eaten, when it is generally impossible to do anything to overcome it. It causes death by paralyzing the heart. I had to take strychnine as an antidote, and it was a long time before I was fully recovered. There is also a notion that a toadstool may be distinguished from a mushroom by peeling it, but this is erroneous. The death cap can be peeled, and the edible puff ball can not. Hoping that this may be a warning to mushroom hunters.—Norman Willmott.

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An Impossibility.

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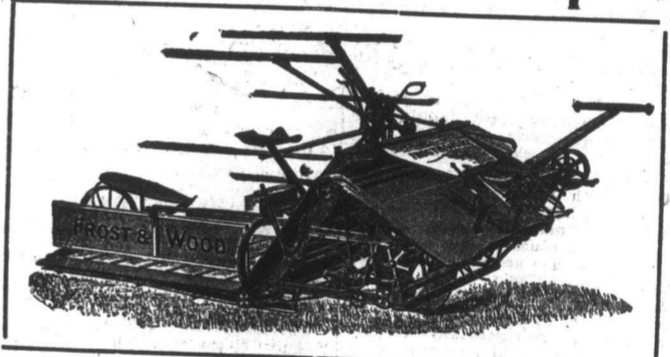
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