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Page of Interest to Women

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dale on Saturday last, when their daughter, Miss Edna, was united in marriage to William Earle Haskell of Biddeford, Maine. The ceremony was performed in the drawing-room, which was prettily decorated with spring flowers. The bride looked charming in white duchesse satin and carried a bouquet of bride's roses. The groom's gift to the bride was a substantial check, and to the pianist a bar pin set with pearls. After a wedding luncheon the young couple left for Hamilton and other eastern points, the bride traveling in a navy suit, with hat to match.

Mrs. E. B. Smith, who has spent the last two weeks in Hamilton and Toronto, has returned home.

Miss Margaret Gemmill has returned from a visit with friends in Belmont.

Rev. Dr. Jordan of Kingston is the guest of Thompson Smith, Dufferin avenue.

Mrs. F. J. Greenaway, who was a delegate at the I.O.D.E. annual meeting in Toronto, has gone on to Montreal to visit her sister, Mrs. Parker.

Mrs. H. A. Boomer and Mrs. R. M. Graham will be two of the delegates to attend the annual meeting of the National Council of Women, to be held in Brantford on July 11.

Home Canning Methods

Now that the growing of vegetables is pretty well under way, and, indeed, some of them, such as rhubarb, asparagus, etc., are now at their maturity, it is well for the housewife to think of how she is going to preserve them for winter use.

There are five principal methods of home canning. These are:

1. Single Period Cold-Pack Method.
2. Fractional or Intermittent Sterilization Method.
3. Open Kettle or Hot-Pack Method.
4. Cold Water Method.
5. Vacuum Seal Method.

Of these methods the one recommended for home use is the single period cold-pack method. It is much the best because of its simplicity and effectiveness, and in this paper detailed instructions will be given for its use. The outlines of the various methods are as follows:

1. Single Period Cold-Pack Method: The prepared vegetables or fruits are blanched in boiling water or live steam, then quickly cold-dipped and packed once into hot jars and sterilized in boiling water or by steam pressure. The jars are then sealed with the lid and stored. Full details of this method will be given later.

Naive House Furnishings

Certain types of furniture may be classed among the naive rather than the decorative. There is something so refreshingly naive about them that even the most fastidious decorator is loath to deny them momentary favor.

Such parlors are frowned upon as extraneous contrivances, yet the cheery sort of decoration that has its inception in these "naive" rooms is gradually insinuating itself into other parts of the house. Bay windows, for example, are being dressed as separate units, though closely related to the surroundings. Gradations of light are given important consideration. The darkest furniture is placed in the darkest part of the room, the pieces growing lighter and lighter toward the light. Old ivory grounds and light, bright tints show in the faded upholstery. The room is kept at night by an abundance of artificial light placed windowward.

All this has little to do with the actual home needs, but is indicative of the same unrest that from season to season prompts a change in style of clothing. It may be unreasonable, but is none the less welcome.

Sometimes this change of old things and new in one is full of amusing discrepancies. It is as though one hand while swinging an incense burner to tradition, the other is reaching for a terra cotta fountain figure of a water nymph.

In the corner near the window is a charming little lacquered desk. It looks to be as much for ornament as for use. A pink-enamelled vase is seen in the corner of the desk. The desk is left open and on the left-hand side is a piece of Chinese embroidery. A jade cup stands on a filling of shot. A long quilt feathered pen. Behind the desk is a lacquered stool. A fat little black satin embroidered cushion tied to it with heavy cords and a large oval lampshade of painted paper. Two long tassels hang from the lighting part.

On the walls are several pictures. These are floral pieces on dark grounds and are framed in simple dull-gold molding. The remainder of the room is furnished in the familiar Anne style. The carpet is of gold chenille.

Though the striving after something "quite different" frequently results in freakishness, often, on the other hand, it brings about pleasantly altered conditions. Beauty is by no means guaranteed by novelty, yet novelty and freshness have a charm that is convincing. Offer us something good and appropriate; it is even though it may be a bit frivolous we rejoice in its gayness among our more solid belongings. It is like some new bright and not too wearisome deep acquaintance. We love the allurements of things inviting, but untried.

New color combinations and contrasts purposely contrived to astonish at first glance need not incur displeasure because they have never been dared before. Try a new scheme. Think it out yourself. Make up your mind beforehand not to be distracted from it. Let it be in colors that you really love and then it will be jubilantly expressive of yourself.

The trouble is, though, after planning it all, you will probably allow yourself to be diverted from your choice because the color that you truly want doesn't come in goods of a convenient width, or perhaps you find on the counter a special sale of material in another shade. The tone you admit is a little off, but you yield to the tyranny of economy. You take it home and live with it, and this symbol of the second choice casts its tinge of disappointment into your life.



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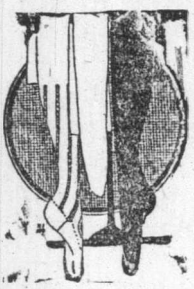
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It surely was not by chance that we came to be designated Military District No. 1. For we are No. 1 almost everywhere you find lists of Red Cross or C. W. C. A. work. Here we are, right at the top of the page in the last Red Cross report of the shipping for the three months, January, February and March. London and district shipped 908 cases of Red Cross supplies overseas during that time, and the next place in the order of merit is Winnipeg, which, with the whole province of Manitoba, drew from, shipped 574 cases.

We are No. 1 again in the C. W. C. A. shipping list for the same period. We sent 430 cases of comforts to the fighting men in the trenches, and the next place comes so far behind that they do not seem to be in the running at all. So we have set the pace for Canada in war work. And to keep our proud position we must work and work and give and give, and never relax, so long as the war lasts. Military District No. 1 must remain No. 1 to the end. And if the women in the city of London and the surrounding district just keep up their splendid speed we shall not slip back. It is hard to continue the winter pace in the summer. But through regular meetings must some-thing be given up, especially in the busy country districts, when the farmer's wife has such full hands, still, each society can go on doing a little just by each member taking home some summer work. Carry away a shirt or a Robert Coombes, S. G. Barrister, E. P. suit of pyjamas or a few sheets to be Bonaparte, Walter Kane, J. M. Link-

hemmed, and of course, don't go without a bundle of wool to be knit, and just at the end of the summer what a relief to your society will have to send to Hyman Hall.

For we must ask, whether the weather is hot or cold.

Keep Sending Money.

It is expected in a few days that the new regulation regarding the feeding of prisoners of war in Germany will be printed in this column. A new system has been found necessary, and reason being the greatly increased cost of food. When the rules are published they will be given here to all who are adopters. In the meantime the important thing is to keep on sending money, the meantime and every other time, till the poor fellows are set free.

The following men have acknowledged parcels: Ptes. J. P. Villeneuve, Philip Labbe, B. C. St. Germain, C. B. Maughan, J. Woodcock, S. C. Whiting, H. Campbell, H. S. McNeil, W. O. Donald, H. E. Fletcher, R. Greenhouse, H. Olney, H. Putt, J. Murray, J. W. Fincock, S. Porter, Lance-Corp. D. Laverder, Ptes. H. Tallman, J. W. Vinton, C. Williams, H. G. Deal, J. W. E. Hulme, J. G. Reeves, C. Gregory, Corp. T. Bromley, Ptes. R. S. Whitehouse, Fred More, C. Rayn, Sapper Charles Bedford, Ptes. H. Springett, S. G. Weber, F. Warner, Corp. V. Couche, Pte. W. Balcomb, Sapper J. Clelland, Ptes. S. C. Smith, Arthur Barber, Lance-Corp. H. Doye, Sergt. E. Harding, Ptes. H. Putt, Lever, A. Lacey, J. C. McNeil, Bugler Charles Bedford, Corp. E. Cummins, Signaller J. S. Martin, Pte. S. Leblanc, T. Larkin, W. Grimwood, Bugler H. Wrigley, Ptes. J. A. Bateson, (2), P. Peterson, A. H. Jones, K. Panomer, P. Robinson, Corp. G. Frame, Ptes. W. A. Bruce, Sapper E. Stephens, College Barracks Training Depot, St. Johns, Quebec.

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4. Application could be sent to any of the well-known film companies.

Who Knows This?

Dear Miss Grey—"Could you or any of your correspondents tell me how to grow the husk tomato, otherwise known as the strawberry tomato or winter cherry. We have tried several years to grow them, but can never get them to germinate. If any of the pagettes have plants for sale, would be very much pleased to purchase two or three dozen, to be left anywhere in London. Have left my address with Miss Grey."

St. Johns, Que., May 26.
Dear Miss Grey—"Having been reading your paper and seeing where you want the names of lonely soldier boys who want some one to write to them; I belong to the Canadian Expeditionary Force, and came from near London. Will sign myself 'TOO-TOO-TOO'." Sapper E. Stephens, College Barracks Training Depot, St. Johns, Quebec.

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JIMMY COON STORIES

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JIMMY COON TAKES A LESSON IN FLYING.

Jimmy Coon and the family of Mr. B. Ballington Bat, Second, became very chummy in time, and Jimmy asked one of the Bat boys to teach him how to fly. This Bat boy's name was B. Ballington Bat, Third. Jimmy called him B. B. B. Third, or Base Ball Bat, for fun. But most of the boys called him Batty for short.

Now Batty was a jolly good fellow, and all the little Wood Folk liked him. And one moonlight night Jimmy Coon saw Batty flying over the tree-tops, kicking up his heels and having lots of fun, as he was hunting June-bugs. Why, Batty just stuffed himself with those lovely June-bugs! And Jimmy couldn't catch one! And Jimmy was just famishing for June-bugs for his supper. You see, June-bugs are nicer

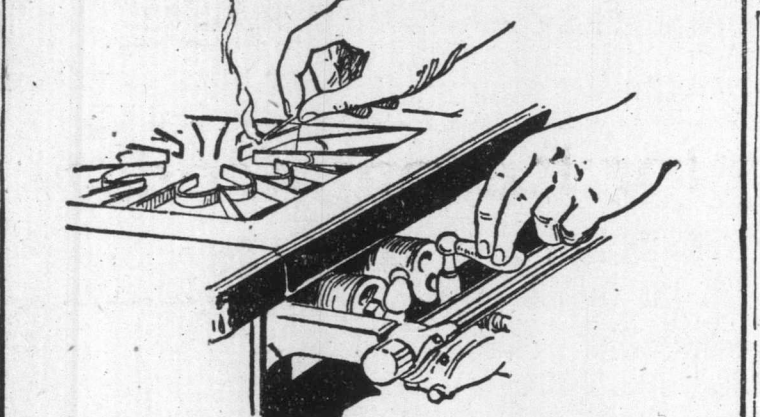
than gum-drops in the opinion of Jimmy Coon; and Jimmy said to himself: "Oh, if I only had wings like Batty, I could catch barrels of nice June-bugs!"

And just then Batty, in sliding for his base, skinned over the head of Jimmy Coon, and his wings brushed the top of Jimmy's head, and Jimmy called out: "Say, Batty, teach me how to fly like that!"

"All right, old man," laughed Batty. "I'll gladly teach you this trick." And Batty lighted on a big rock close to Jimmy Coon. Now lots of the Wood Folk were out hunting, and they gathered around to see Jimmy Coon learn to fly. It was lots of fun for them to see fat Jimmy Coon take lessons in aviation or flying.

And Batty got close to Jimmy, and said: "Now, Jimmy, flying is the easiest thing in all the world. Why I only had a few lessons from my father and mother, and I could soar over the tree-tops and beat any June-bug or Mosquito that ever drew the breath of life!"

And Jimmy coaxed: "Oh, Batty, do teach me how to fly tonight!" And Batty got very close to Jimmy, and showed him how to fly, saying: "Now, Jimmy, you see that I'm not a bird. I have no feathers, like Jim Crow. I'm just like you. You see, I have a fat coat almost like yours. But I just stretch out my skin between all my legs, and then I just fan the air with all my skin stretched out—just like this! And Batty stretched out his four legs, and the skin stretched out, and Batty sailed around like a peaceful swallow."



And just then Batty, in sliding for his base, skinned over the head of Jimmy Coon.

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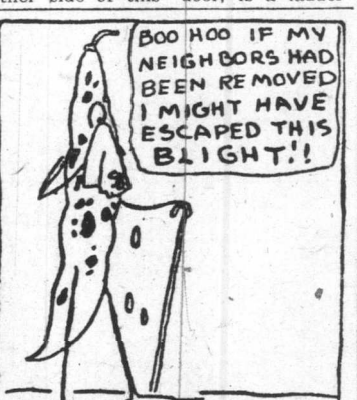
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