

IN WOMAN'S WORLD.

HOUSEHOLD NOTES.

AN American woman recently delivered a lecture under the auspices of the Domestic Science Department of the Brooklyn Institute, during the course of which she gave some valuable hints regarding household economy generally.

For Washing fluids—1. Dissolve one pound of washing soda in two quarts of water; add four quarts of clear lime water; stir, and when all sediments are settled, pour off the clear liquid.

2. Kerosene—Fill boiler three-fourths full of water; add one bar of shaved soap and three or four teaspoonfuls of kerosene.

3. Javelle Water—Dissolve four pounds of washing soda in four quarts of soft water; boil for ten minutes, take from the fire, add one pound of chloride of lime.

Choice Soap for Toilet or Fine Washing—Two pounds of pure beef tallow, one pound of sal soda, one-half pound of salt, one ounce of gum camphor, one ounce of borax, one-half pint of glycerine, four quarts water.

RECIPES.

EGG IN THE NEST—Toast same number slices of bread as persons. Take same number eggs out of shell, keeping yolks whole.

CORN SOUP—To one can corn, finely chopped, add two cups cold water; boil twenty minutes and rub through a sieve.

PARENT BALLS—Roll in salted water till very tender, wash and season with butter, pepper and salt, add a little flour and two well-beaten eggs; form into small balls and fry in hot lard.

Not many people know that a bunch of celery in the hands of a good housekeeper is one of the few things about which there is absolutely no waste.

An ingenious machine for making sandwiches is used by many of the ocean steamships. It cuts and butters sixty slices of bread a minute.

For delicious chocolate pie, line two piepans with a rich, short crust, says "The Woman's Home Companion."

Washing Delicate Goods. Flannels—Soak in cold borax water; if very soiled, make a slight lather; soak up and down and rinse well.

Corsets—Remove steels in front and sides; put corsets on board and scrub with tepid lather of castile soap.

NOTES AND REFLECTIONS.

WHATEVER objections there may be to sounding the praises of the Cockney 'baker, butcher or candlestick maker,' when those worthy members of society are so well able to 'blow their own trumpets,' it must be admitted that one of their number 'holds the cake' in the most liberal sense of the term, that he is the record cake maker of creation.

The circumference at the base was 12 feet 4 inches, and it was 5 feet 3 inches in height. The quantity of ingredients used in its manufacture and the amount of sugar, etc., needed to give it its coat of icing would constitute a good competition for our readers.

A lady of an arithmetical turn of mind has endeavored to calculate how many currants have been used in the cake. She states that there are, on the average, about 200 currants to the ounce, and at this rate some 2,736,000 would be required to make up the 720 pounds used.

Some people have been transformed, as by the magician's wand, from the character of disagreeable members of society to that of charming and agreeable companions by the operation of changed circumstances.

For instance, when I hear a young girl discussing her approaching debut as if it were an all-important matter, with all the arrogance of her youth, inexperience and homespokenness, I say to myself: 'My dear, you will be chastened by the time your winter is over.'

Another case I have in my mind is that of a woman whom I once ranked among my intimates, but when fortune and the world's favor were both bestowed upon her she lost the simplicity and friendliness that had rendered her charming, and became snobbish and distant.

For the first time in the history of a semi-swell Third street family, says the Louisville Dispatch, it was to have the luxury of a private telephone.

Young Woman's Age Mixed with Her Telephone Number.

The welcome ring came at a time when she was the only member of the family at home. She rushed to the telephone and gave the answering 'Hello!'

'Hello!' came back cheerfully. 'You're 31.'

'What!' exclaimed the girl, hardly able to believe her ears.

'You're 31,' repeated the voice. 'I'm not; and don't you dare insult me. Why, I'm just a little over—'

WHIMS OF FASHION.

THE interest in the fashions goes on with unceasing enthusiasm. There are fashion authorities innumerable whose chief business is to feed the appetites of the multitudes who crave for variety in dress.

Quite novel in the spring dress fabrics are those which are embroidered or crossed with lace insertion, and a new fancy in silk of light colors is patterned with velvet-fringed stripes of some contrasting color, combined with the same shade as the silk.

The old fashion of using two materials, one for the underskirt and the other for

with these narrow folds. They point down in the front and are set on several inches apart.

Other more fanciful ways of trimming dressy gowns are with bands of ribbon studded with sequins, put on in Vandyke groups, frills of inch wide satin ribbon, with one row of colored velvet baby ribbon on the edge, and ruffles of white Valenciennes lace.

A rather unusual combination comes in an imported gown of blue cloth, with a bodice made of alternate rows of pink and white satin ribbon.

A new and rather extraordinary skirt model has been a tunic back and front of a different material from the underskirt.

NOTES.

The latest novelty in feather boas has six ends, three on each side, and fastens at the neck with a jeweled ornament, which in general is set with rhinestones.

ed over colored flings, and, as the color must be rather pronounced to give any effect, we shall probably see taffeta in use again. However, taffeta is not advisable as a lining to the extremely clinging, sheath style of skirt, and for this model satin is preferred.

All sorts of ruffling for trimming summer gowns and evening dresses can be bought in the shops all ready for use.

The new spring coats are very jaunty and varied enough in style to suit every figure. They are close fitting in the back with loose box fronts or open with revers turning back, which are of satin covered closely with braid in straight rows.

The sweetest parasols are made of white. Some of the handsomest have duchesse lace covers in new designs with panels, set on over a black chiffon foundation with black insertion let in.

Recently, St. Nicholas' Church, at Evanston, Illinois, was totally consumed by fire; but the self-possession of the four Sisters in charge of the parochial school prevented a panic among the 100 children who were in the building when the fire was discovered which destroyed it.

Brave Sisters Prevent a Panic.

One Heroic Nun Carried Unconscious From a Burning Building.

Just before the midday recess of the school Sister Justin saw smoke coming from the furnace-room. She told Sisters Corona, Martha and Crescentia, and they all went to the rear, where they saw that the overheated furnace had set fire to the woodwork surrounding it.

Father Bierman had entered the basement and followed the Sisters back into the furnace room, and while he went to give the alarm they returned to the school-rooms. They went to each of the three departments and told the children to prepare to go home.

In a few moments the room had been cleared of the pupils, but not before they began to surmise the cause of the dimming. Many of them left their wraps in the closets; but there was no rush, and all reached the streets without excitement.

The doctor may be a good old man, but even so, medical examinations and the "local application" treatment are abhorrent to every modest woman. They are embarrassing—often useless. They should not be submitted to until every chance has been tried.

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VELVET TOQUE, CAVALIER STYLE.

the overdress or polonaise, is revived again in Paris. Satin in two distinct colors, such as pink or blue with gray, is employed in one gown, and cloth polonaises are worn with silk skirts.

It is a conservative estimate to say that two-thirds of the feminine world wears a bow under its chin. A dashing little French bow, made in two loops—no ends appearing—of taffeta, or chiffon, or tulle that is accordion plaited, is especially stylish.

Bretelles are one of the features of the new gowns, and they are plain, scalloped, cut out in squares, plaited or gathered, as you like. They follow in regular order the stopping shoulder, which must be cultivated now, since they assist in producing the desired effect.

Something very pretty for summer dresses is the boxed dress patterns of white applique lawn. This is predestined to take the place entirely of the once

and made of white glace silk mounted in cerise silk. The effect is very striking.

Little variations in the modes of dress trimming are already apparent, and it is evident that rows of machine stitching, especially on serge and light weight cloth gowns, are to be the thing.

well loved brown batiste and the white embroidered lawn. The applique is edged all about with a fine line of black needlework, and a white organic, flowered over with pale lavender and deep purple iris blossoms, set in a delicate black framework, is a delectable sight to beauty-loving eyes.



A PRETTY HAT TRIMMED WITH FEATHERS.

for trimming wool gowns. Tucks in all widths and ways of distribution are quite as popular as ever, and gowns are simply tucked all over around the bodice, sleeves, and skirt, or up and down in groups from the neck to the hem.

Gray will be extremely fashionable this season, especially in the thin, semi-transparent materials of which we shall see so many. The thin stuffs are mounted