

rosemary, and, last but not least, lavender, that sweetest of all herbs.

#### ATTENTION REQUIRED

This garden though small, demands a certain amount of attention.

The mother at whose request the herbs were planted, however, gives but little thought to their care until they are in bud and almost ready to blossom. Then she has a busy day before her. Taking a pair of scissors and a large tray, she repairs to the garden, and spends most of the morning cutting the herbs and laying them in separate piles on the tray. This done, she takes them into the house where they are bunched, tied by the stems, and hung up to dry.

The lavender is treated in quite a different manner from the other herbs. This is laid, while fresh, with the heads of the blossoms all evenly together and tied firmly just below the flowers. The stems are next turned back over the blossoms so as to completely cover them and tied again, forming a small, green ball and leaving the stem ready for a handle. By way of decoration, a small bow of lavender satin ribbon is sometimes tied around the stem ends.

#### IN FLORENTINE FASHION

The lavender, when bunched in this way, assumes a very chaste form of one of the balls over which stockings are sometimes slipped to facilitate darning.

This is the shape in which the Florentines tie their lavender and it is a very advantageous method, for while the sprigs thus bunched retain their fragrance almost indefinitely, the covering formed by the stems prevents the dried blossoms falling and scattering about.

These little clubs of lavender are placed in the drawers of linen closets, where they impart a delicate aromatic fragrance to the house linen.

#### TIED IN PAPER BAGS

The other herbs, when thoroughly dried, are slipped head first into paper bags, the open ends of which are twisted tight around the stems and tied.

There are many of these bags and on each one is made a note stating its contents, and for whom it is intended. First, there are those for home use, but there are plenty more. Here is one for the little woman who took home a root of sage, hoping it might grow in her city yard. Another is marked for a young friend who, having lived until recently in the country, complains that her city grocer can supply her with no herbs except packed ones, which smell, though they had come out of a mummy case.

So "Mother's Garden," though so very small, is a source of pleasure to her friends as well as to herself and all the members of her household.

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## Asked and Answered

Readers are asked to send any questions they desire to this column. The editor will aim to reply as quickly and as fully as space will permit. Address: Household Editor, Canadian Dairyman and Farming World, Peterboro, Ont.

How can two chessmen board themselves in these times of peace?—Inquirer, Ont.

It would be considerably more satisfactory, and almost as cheap, to secure rooms and board at some private house in the vicinity of factory. Good board should be obtained for about \$3 a week. In a frame factory it might be possible to fit up a room that would serve as a bedroom or living room for a single maker. Getting his own meals, etc., however, would be most unsatisfactory, and is a plan that we would not recommend. For married makers it is advisable to erect a small cottage adjacent to the factory. Single men would do better to secure board with a neighboring family.—G. H. C.

Kindly advise how to take mildew stains out of linen, caused by water leaking through a jardiniere!—A Quebec Housekeeper.

Javelle water will be found to be effective. If necessary, use it undiluted but preferably add water.

What is the best time to plant out hyacinths that have blossomed once in the house?—Jesse Burns, York County, Ont.

Plant them in autumn about the end of Sept., or during October.

What will kill or destroy ants in their hill; what will keep them out of a house, cupboards, etc.; they seek all boxes containing clay, or newly made garden beds in which to build. How can they be kept

away from these as they are injurious to plants?—A Constant Reader, Walkerton, Ont.

For a reply to your question, read the article on page 11, in our May 27th issue. We might state further that there is nothing better for getting rid of ants than bisulphide of carbon. Pour a quantity into each of the openings of the disks or hill, closing them up by stepping on each as it is treated. The fumes will penetrate the chambers in every direction, and if a sufficient amount has been used, will kill not only the adults, but all larvae as well. A single application is usually all that is necessary; but in a very large colony it may sometimes happen that the farther chambers are not reached by the fumes, and that the nest reappears near by—rarely in the old spot. When that occurs a second treatment is tolerably certain to be effective.

It has been recommended that, to get the best results, holes be poked with a stick into certain parts of the hill, but I have not found this of any great advantage. It has also been recommended that, after pouring a considerable quantity—say three or four ounces—into the main opening of the nest, the vapor be exploded by means of a match held at the end of a stick. Whoever attempts this, however, must remember that the vapor of the bisulphide is exceedingly inflammable, and must make certain that he is far enough from the opening of the nest to prevent being caught by the flash.

A good remedy for ants in a house is to mix sugar and borax and place it in the cupboards or on the shelves, where the ants are most numerous.

If there is any person to whom you feel dislike, that is the person of whom you ought never to speak:

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The jacket made with seams to the shoulders is fashionable and becoming. It makes fitting a simple matter and consequently is much to be desired. This one can be finished either with or without the collar. The seams are concealed by the trimming and the neck can be finished either with the collar or with trimming.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 4½ yds. 27, 2½ yds. 44 or 2½ yds. 44 in. wide with 5 yds. of braid.

The pattern is in sizes for a 34, 36, 4 and 42 in. bust measure and will be mailed for 10 cents.

### MISSIE'S PRINCESS DRESS 5344

Princess dresses are as well known for young girls as for their mothers and the dress with sleeves cut in one with the gown is one of the latest. Almost all reasonable materials are appropriate for the dress while the chemise and cuffs can be of any contrasting material.

The dress is made with a foundation, lining over which the blouse and sleeves are arranged. The front panel of the skirt extends up onto the waist in true princess style.

The quantity of material required for the 16 yr size, is 9½ yds. 21 or 24, 9½ yds. 27 or 4½ yds. 44 in. wide, 5 yds. of banding, 1 yd. 11 or 14 in. wide for chemise and cuffs, sateen for width used.

The pattern is cut in sizes for girls of 14 and 16 yrs and will be mailed for 10 cents.

### BLOUSE OR SHIRT WAIST 5362

Plain shirt waists are always needed. This waist is made with tucked fronts and plain back and is finished with a box plait. The sleeves are moderately full.

Quantity of material required for medium size (4 yrs) is 2½ yds. 21 or 24, 3½ yds. 22 or 2½ yds. 44 in. wide. The pattern is in sizes for 24, 36, 38, 40, 42, and 44 in. bust, and will be mailed for 10 cents.

### TUCKED FRENCH DRESS 5362

The long waisted or French dress is very generally becoming to little children. The little dress is simple and can be made either with or without body lining.

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