KINGDOM OF WOMAN.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS CONCERNING CROUPS AND COLDS

oup no Longer a Bugbear-Simple and Efficient Treatment-Cold Water Cloths for Croup-Hot Water Remedies for Colds -Read, Mark and Learn.

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Croup is a word which strikes terror to the heart of every mother. Whoever has heard the clanging cough, the choked breathing, and seen the flushed faces of the little sufferers will never forget the experience nor fail to recognize the symptoms.

For a long time croup was one of the bugbears of my existence. My children are all predisposed to it and the least relaxation of vigilance on my part meant a might of disturbed rest. A fire must be made and water heated, onions must be fried, and I usually sat up from one to three hours with the child's feet to the fire. I could look back and laugh at the remembrance, if it was not for the suffering of the child.

In the first place I have learned to not keep the children housed for closer. They are warmly dressed as soon as the first cool days come; then, unless it is damp or stormy, they are turned out to play every day. Thus they are accustomed to exposure, and do not readily take cold.

If one of them wakes with the croup I light the night lamp, fold a soft cloth so it will make four or six thickness around the neck, then dip is into the coldest water in the house. Unfasten the child's clothes, wring the cloth as dry as possible and place it around the child's heek, covering with a thick, dry cloth and a piece of oileloth. In five minutes from the time I heard the cough, I am back to bed with the little one tucked down between Ted and me, to avoid any possibility of its losing the pack. The child will seldom cough the second time.

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In using this treatment, several things are imperative. The water must be cold ice water is best, and the cloth w.un; dry. The child m ist be kept warm, for the pack soon grows steaming warm and a chill then means a fresh cold. In the morning when the pack is removed, rub the skin with a towel until it burns, or use a brisk application of salt and gold water, drying-thoroughly with a soft towel, and the cure is complete. Care must be taken for a few days, however, that the child takes no more cold. I have found this method to cure more rapidly than all the alum and sugar, hive syrup and fried onions I ever heard of. The most severe cases will yield at once.

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For a cold in either children or adults, the hot-water treatment is excellent. Just before going to bed immerse the feet in hot water and fill the teapot one-third full of very hot water. Close the lid and take the nozzle in your mouth. Inhale the steam and exhale through your nostrils. Continue until the head and throat have become loosened, dry the feet, then go quickly to bed and sweat away your cold. These are tried remedies in our family, never known to fail.—The Housekeeper.

How to Improve as Walkers.

"Women do not possess much grace in their daily walk, and style and individuality are all that redeem the walk of the modern girl from actual awkwardness," remarked an observant old gentleman to a Louisville Post writer, as he stood on Fourth street watching the procession of beauty that passed along that thoroughfare every afternoon. "There are exceptions, of course, who possess freedom of action and grace, but, as a rule, women stride, shuffle hobble or amble along in any way, regardless of how they look so long as they get there, and, though they may be possessed of beauty or wit, it is all spoiled by their angainly walk. Any woman can learn to walk if she would take pains and practice. She should throw her shoulders back and, holding the body firm above the hips, give the gliding motion to the lower limbs, and at the same time avoid taking too long steps, which gives a girl a certain manly appearance that is not attractive. If women would keep in mind these facts they would soon observe a great change for the better in their walking."

To set 'the color of calico so that it will not run in washing put a teaspoonful of sugar, of lead into a pailful of water and soak fifteen minutes before washing.

To Remove Ink spots.
To remove ink spots from woodwork scour well with sand and water and a little animonia, then rinse with soda and

"I have been tooking at some furnished houses," said a woman lately, "and I am surprised to find how much the use of single beds has increased, at least among New Yorkers. I was curious enough to inquire about the matter at a furniture store, and the dealer told me that in ordering-suits, particularly the high priced ones, the choice was often given of two single or one double bed stead," which would seem to indicate that the wealthy class that is oftenest abroad is bringing home this practice. It is beginning to be understood, however, by a growing number of persons that to sleep alone appreciably contributes to one's rest and health. The system undergoes electrical changes during the night's sleep, and where persons lodge together night after night under the same bedding these changes must mutually react with appreciable results.

The London Lancet called attention not long ago to the habit of dual sleeping, saying that there is nothing, that will so derange the nervous system of a person who is eliminative in nervous force as to lie all night in bed with another who is absorbent of nervous force. The latter will sleep soundly and rise refreshed, while the former will toss restlessly, and will awake in the morning weary, peevish and discouraged. No two persons, no matter who they are, ought habitually to sleep together. The one will thrive, the other lose. An aged person and a child should not be bedmates; great as is the pleasure to grandma to have her "little comfort" with her at night, it is one which the wise as well as the fond relative will forego for the child's sake.

A case recently came to the writer's knowledge of two sisters fifteen and seventeen years old. The younger was a splendid specimen of young womanhood, robust, active and merry, while the elder, though not ill in any definite way, was thin, tired out quickly and fretted over trifles like a nervous old woman. These conditions finally came to be accepted, and probably would have continued indefinitely if an English relative, a physician, ha

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How to Make Over an Old Basque.

If you have an old-fashioned, plain, cloth basque, it may be made into a thing of beauty and fashion by a little ingenuity. Cut off the ends below the waist, so that it may be worn with a belt. About two inches from the buttoning line on each side in front cut the cloth away from its lining, and insert a full vest of crepe of a contrasting color. Line the little jacket formed by the cloth, and let it fall loosely in the zouave form. Make big puffs of silk, the same shade as the cloth, to extend to the olbow, and have a tight cuff below. A folded belt of the silk, with a rosette, finishes the watst, and it is very dainty.

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