

be if the boys did not fight for us both on the sea and in the trenches. If you have no address to send your papers and books to just address to "Lonely Sailors or Soldiers, care of White Hall, London, England." Please do not forget this. All of you think of the joy, and the many dreary hours it will help to pass away for those boys over there.

In this town we had a card party every week and a dance. We realized the sum of \$46.00 for the Red Cross. We are closing out on Tuesday next and then we shall hand the money to the Red Cross.

Well, dear Editor and readers, I think I have written enough for this time.

Again I ask all of you not to burn old books and papers, think of the boys at the other side. Help brighten their lives by sending books, etc. I will sign myself an old timer, "Kentish Hop."

My address is with the Editor should anyone care to write me.

Working for the Y.M.C.A.

Dear Editor:—We have taken your valuable paper for several years and we all enjoy the good wholesome reading in it. The young people of this district have put on a play this year for the military Y.M.C.A. at the front. They sent over a hundred dollars last year and expect to do better this year.

I am a country girl and I think most of the farm boys now should work on the farms and produce as much grain as they can when we have such a shortage of food. My address is with the Editor. I will sign myself, "Wild Flower."

Will "A Farmer's Wife" and "A Western Back" kindly send their name and address to the Editor so that any correspondence intended for them can be forwarded.

Hopes to Cross the Atlantic

Dear Editor:—I hope you will excuse the liberty I am taking in writing to you, but I see by your correspondence corner that you receive letters from readers outside Canada, so I felt I must write and tell you how much I enjoyed reading your paper. A friend in Canada sent me the whole of last year's numbers at Xmas and they were such interesting reading to me. I have always had a longing to visit Canada as so many of my friends and schoolmates have emigrated, but circumstances have always kept me at home till now, though I am still living in hopes of crossing the Atlantic some day. I like the letters of "Sky-Scraper." I don't think anyone in his position ought to be called a slacker. My father and my dear only brother are both in the army, and yet I can say that there are heaps of fellows in the towns that ought to be made to go long before the farm workers. I don't think your correspondents who say that all the eligible men ought to join up understand what it is to go short of food, or they would not be so ready to send the farmers off. There are heaps of things that men are employed on now that could easily be done without, but we cannot do without food. I don't think anyone in England can truly say that they have gone short of food but now we are on rations we can find a lot of difference and we can see what would soon happen if they did take all the farm hands. Out of twelve boy friends who went from this village to Canada, nine have come back in khaki, and one has "gone West." We are proud of our Canadians too, I can assure you. It will be a great day for us all when peace is declared as life is nothing like what it was before the war. All the young life is gone. It is nothing but work and sleep, but we must not grumble as

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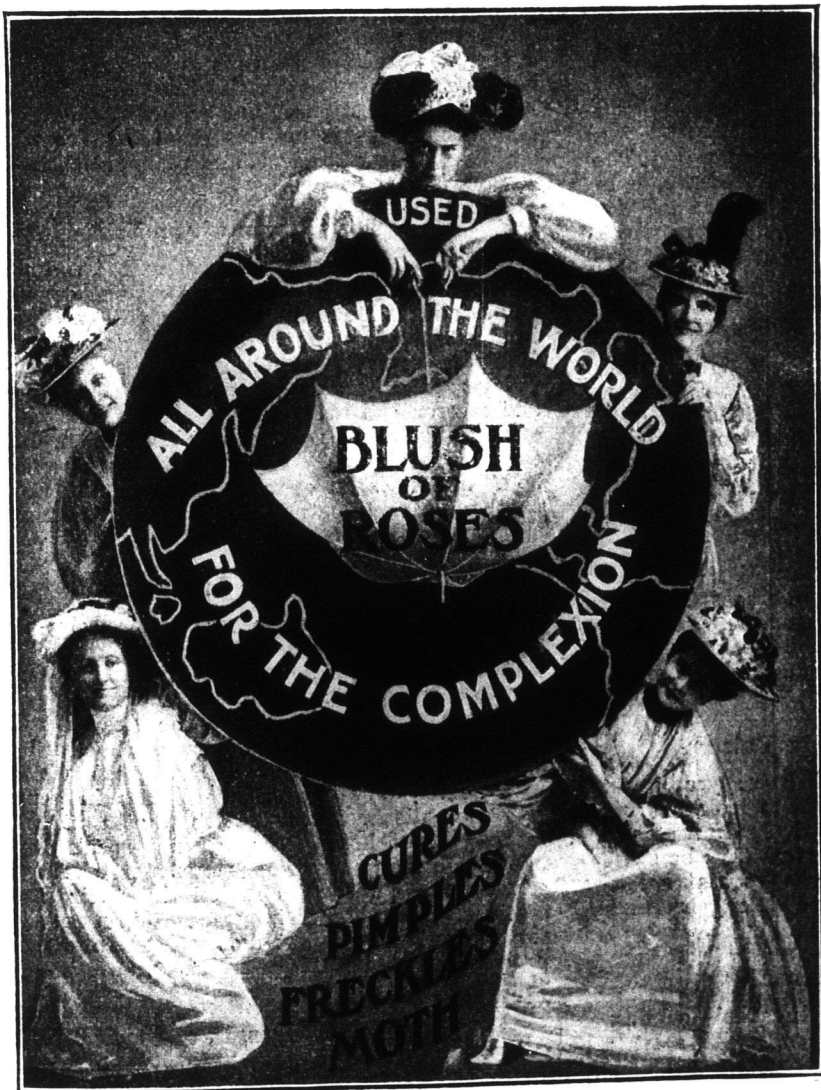
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long as the lads get home safe though fourteen from our little village never will. I think some of us English girls will want to come to another country, if our boy never come back home, to learn to forget. I have to do my own gardening and lots of outdoor work while our men folk are away, but I don't mind that as I lived at a farm house all my life till war broke out, and we must keep the "home fires burning." Hoping I have not taken up too much of your time and wishing your paper every success, I remain. Yours truly, "A Soldier's Daughter."

How to Preserve Eggs

And along with the sour milk and sour cream comes the season for cheaper eggs. If you have never preserved or "put down" your own, you surely must do it this year; it's so simple, and they are so satisfactory! Put away while at their cheapest as many eggs as you will require during the late fall and winter, or if it is not convenient to secure the full amount at one time, get fresh ones as you can. The best thing in which to pack them is a stone crock, but if you have none large enough, and do not wish to buy one, a galvanized tub or pail will answer nicely. The eggs should not be more than three or four days old. They should not be washed as the coating which comes from the hen should be on them, but they must be wiped clean. Those which cannot be wiped clean should not be used for this purpose. Pack them (preferably small end down, although this is not of vital importance) and pour over them enough of the following solution to well cover: Have ready water, which has been boiled and then cooled. To ten parts of water add one part of liquid glass (silicate of soda). Stir well then pour over the eggs and keep them well covered. It will require about half a gallon of the liquid glass to fifty dozen eggs, and half a gallon will cost about forty or fifty cents. Add fresh eggs from time to time as you secure them, adding enough liquid to well cover. Remove from the jar only as many eggs at a time as you are apt to use in a day or so. Wash before breaking them. They can be poached, scrambled or used

in any other way. When winter comes and the price of eggs climbs to sixty-five and seventy cents a dozen you will feel mighty comfortable using your inexpensive eggs, and many small things needed for the household can be bought with the extra money you will get from the sale of your winter eggs.

The English Language

We'll begin with a box, and the plural is boxes, But the plural of ox should be oxen, not oxes. Then one fowl is goose, but two are called geese, Yet the plural of moose should never be meese; You may find a lone mouse, or a whole nest of mice, But the plural of house is houses, not hices; If the plural of man as always called men, Why shouldn't the plural of pan be called pen? The cow in the plural may be cows or kine, But a vow if repeated is never called vine, And if I speak of a foot and you show me your feet, And I give you a boot, would a pair be called beet? If the singular's this and the plural is these, Should the plural of kiss be nicknamed keese? Then one may be that and three would be those, Yet hat in the plural would never be hose, And the plural of cat is cats, not cose. We speak of a brother, and also of brethren But though we say mother, we never say methren; Then masculine pronouns are he, his and him, But imagine the feminine she, shis and shim. So the English, I think, you all will agree, Is the most wonderful language you ever did see.

What Happened to the Circus

A—"Did you hear about the circus being unable to perform?"
B—"No. Why?"
A—"The cook left the coffee-pot outside and the elephant swallowed the grounds."