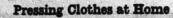
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Pressing clothes requires time, patience and some knowledge and skill. When tailors are making garments they always press them on the wrong side; but when the garments are finished, the fabric and the shape determine whether you shall press them on the right or the wrong side. The first precaution in home pressing The first precaution in home pressing is to see that your ironing board or table is well and smoothly padded, preferably with a wool fabric, and that it has an outside covering of fine and even texture that will not leave its imprint on the

garment. Wool garments usually require wet pressing on the right side. Wring out a heavy cloth that you have wet thoroughly in warm water, place it on the garment, and press it with a hot iron very lightly. Do not press the cloth dry, as that may cause the garment to show the mark of the iron or may leave it shiny. The garment itself should be damp after you have finished the pressing, and should be hung carefully where it can dry without wrinkles. Always use the iron lightly; pushing or shoving it heavily stretches and cockles the material.

The shine that comes from wear and from careless pressing often can be removed, or at least materially lessened. One of the methods is the wet pressing described above; the other is the semiwet, with a dry cloth placed between the

"Perfectly fearful," was the candid and unblushing reply; "he waukened us a" Two or three generations ago a similar incident was said to have occurred at Govan, under the ministration of the well-known Mr. Thom, who in the minist of his sermon stopped and called an "Bailie Brown, we mauna some as he

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of his sermon stopped and called on "Bailie Brown, ye mauna snore sae has for ye'll wauken the provost." 'Another story of a different order fai the same book is told of a young dan man who had not been long placed in charge when rumors began to same charge when rumors began to circul about his orthodoxy. Some of his friend about his orthodoxy. Some of his friend hearing these reports, set themselves inquire into the grounds for them. Be they could only elicit vague hints an suggestions. At last they came upon a old woman who declared roundly that a minister was "no soun"." "Not sound What makes you think that?" "We then," she answered, "I maun tell I wass seein' him wi' my ain een, stand at his window on the Lord's Day dandh his bairn."

A New Religion

"Yes, I agree with you. We need new religion. The old doctrines of 'and and lost,' of 'heaven and hell,' of 'atom ment' and 'forgiveness,' and all that played out. The people of to-day dema a really "nodern theology and religion." The two men who were discussing to need of a new religion appeared to be we educated and unitivated. When

garment and the wet cloth. Steam educated and cultivated. When always helps to remove the shine. An parted, one of them said, with a h

Well Done

By Edwin L. Sabin

Sleep, happy people of field and wood-Bush and creeper and herb and tree-The Master judges thy off'ring good And sends His steward to care for thee. Doff thy festival garb of gold-Plum and saffron and glowing red-Winter hastens adown the wold To tuck thee warm in thy waiting bed. Sweet thy dreams as the winds rush by And vainly pluck at thy coverlet, And streams are fettered, and chill the sky, And town and country are frost beset; Dreams full thronged with the breeze's tale, The bee's bassoon and the ring-dove's call; With vista of meadow and hill and vale From bursting spring to the brimming fall. Sleep, happy people, where all is still Save the crow's hoarse caw and the squirrel's bark;

The sun swings low o'er the leafless hill And short grows the moment from dawn to dark. Sleep, 'tis the Master who bids thee rest And holds thee fast in His loving ken, Till the doors fly open at His behest And April summons to work again.

additional help is a brisk brushing of the steamed garment with a stiff brush, followed by a second wet or semi-wet

"There's nothing like progress. drop a word to our minister. He ne to read up and get some modern idea

Because silk scorches so easily, the Twenty-four hours later one of the safest plan is to press it very carefully on men knocked at the door of his pastor the wrong side with an iron that is study in the city church to which he slightly warm, light in weight, and prefbelonged. The look on his face was no erably with no moisture. A hot iron one of easy-going complacency, but a look of fear and terror and almost of despair. The moment the minister admitte him he cried out, "O Mr. Parker! M boy is in disgrace! He writes me he contemplating suicide! He went on drunken spree after one of the footbal games, and he's been suspended from his university. I need your help. I didn't know where else to go. To think that my boy-The minister knew just what to say a what to do. He emphasized the great doctrine of forgiveness and redemption and when the father went away he carried with him on his way to his son a song of hope for the disgraced boy. On his return he was able to tell the minister that his boy, by the grace of God, was beginning a new life. "After all," said Mr. Parker, in reply, "there's nothing like the power of the ode" gospel. It endures through the centuries." gospel. It endures through the centuries. "Yes," replied the father. "It is good on a certain Sunday the preacher after service walked through the kirkyard with can save the lost." It is one thing to discuss in a fashionable club the need of a new religion; it is an other to create a religion as useful as the old gospel when your own son is a sinner.

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causes it to crack and split. Many lightweight cotton fabrics can be pressed without moisture of any kind; others require dampening. Linen requires dampening or wet pressing. If the garment is of a light color, test it with the iron in some inconspicuous spot to make sure that the pressing will not cause it to fade. Often the color will return as the fabric cools and is exposed to the light.

pressing.

Sleeping in Church

Whatever one may think of the reproof which a certain vicar has administered to hatless women in church, one has real sympathy with the minister who has to deal with those of his flock who fall asleep during his discourse. In Geikie's "Scottish Reminiscences" there are one or two amusing examples of this.

One story runs that in a country church one of the neighboring farmers, and took occasion to remark to him, "Wasn't it dreadful to hear the Laird of Todholes snoring so loud through the sermon?"

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