

HOME HELPS

To clarify tallow dissolve half a pound of alum in one pint of water; then put in a double boiler so that the tallow will not burn; boil it about three-quarters of an hour and skim. Add one-quarter pound of salt dissolved in one pint of water, boil and skim.

A simple milk and potato soup may be given a relish with celery salt.

To protect mattresses, take white bran or flour sacks, sew together, hem outside edge and ends, tack tape along. Spread over springs and tie. This cover can be removed when it needs laundering. Any old sheet can be used in the same way.

Dust a little flour over the cake to prevent the icing from running off, before putting on the icing sugar.

A pinch of carbonate of soda added to fruit that is to be stewed or made into a tart will take away much of the roughness and acidity, so that the fruit will not require so much sugar.

Screen doors should be taken off as soon as fly time is past. Some folks leave them hanging all winter, but they have to buy new doors in the spring.

During warm weather everybody keeps doors and windows open to admit plenty of fresh air, but when the first cool days come they are all likely to be closed. This should be done only partially, so the body may become accustomed to plenty of fresh air, and not become liable to that shivery, sensitive condition, intolerant of the slightest sensation of chill which is the result of living in a close atmosphere. Put on more clothes, but give the lungs pure air.

To remove disagreeable odors from the house, sprinkle freshly ground coffee on a shovel of hot coals, or burn a little sugar on the shovel. This is an old-fashioned deodorizer, still good.

Occasionally wipe the windows with clean paper, tissue paper is best, but newspaper may be used, and so keep the dust and dirt from accumulating and minimize the number of real window washings necessary. You will be surprised at the amount of dirt that the paper collects from the window panes; at the ease with which you can thus clean them, and the result—clean, shining windows.

When adding a hot mixture to eggs, pour only a little at a time into the egg mixture, fold in and repeat.

When making buttonholes upon thin goods, try putting a little photo paste upon the underside of the goods, this will give a firm surface for the stitches and the paste will not injure the goods.

When roasting fowl, always place the bird on its knees, instead of upon its back, then the juices will naturally fall, making the white meat, which is apt to be dry, juicy and delectable. Fifteen minutes before serving, turn the fowl upon its back to brown the breast.

In giving castor oil to the children, put six table-spoonful of orange juice in a glass, followed by the amount of oil to be given and the same amount of orange juice on top of the oil, and the taste will not be found so objectionable. If to this is added about one-quarter of a table-spoonful of bicarbonate of soda effervescence will take place, and if the child takes it at once, very little, if any, of the oil will be tasted.

To prevent screens from rusting, treat your screen doors to a dressing of kerosene, applied with a cloth. It cleans them, prevents rust, and—in a measure—is obnoxious to flies.

In serving birds, remember that the leg of a flying bird, and the wing of a swimming bird are the choicest portions.

Thin blouses will take starch much better if dried first and then dipped into boiled starch and dried again.

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THE AMUSEMENT TAX

(From the Amherst News.) How much longer are we in the towns and cities going to remain silent while the provincial government comes along and scoops in an amusement tax from every person who buys a theatre ticket, a rink ticket, a circus ticket or any kind of a ticket which is embraced in the legal definition of "amusement"? The provincial government in so acting is undoubtedly interfering with a legitimate source of civic revenue. It not only is depriving the towns of a source of revenue that is essentially the towns, but it is, in some cases at any rate, attempting to keep from the towns amounts necessary to pay civic expenses resultant from the presence of certain amusements. We would in this connection recall a local happening of the summer of 1919. A circus came to town and did street damage which necessitated the expenditure of a certain sum of money. The town had no redress from the circus. The provincial government had collected the amusement tax. The town had to repair the street and pay the bill. An attempt was made to harness the charge on the provincial government but all in vain.

The right of the towns to the amusement taxes, save that portion which is necessary to cover such things as censors fees, etc., needs not to be argued. What is necessary is that the towns and cities assert their rights.

A WORD TO THE WISE

(From the American Legion Weekly.) A colored preacher in Alabama had at one time served a short jail sentence and was fearful lest his congregation discover the fact, as in his later years he had been a model of rectitude.

One Sunday, rising to begin his sermon, his heart sank to see a former cellmate sitting in the front row.

Quick thinking was necessary. Fixing his eye on the unwelcome guest, the preacher announced solemnly:

"Ah takes mah text dis mo'nin' from de sixty-fo'th chaptah and fo' hundredth verse of the book of Job, which says:—'Dem as sees and knows me, and says nothin', dem will Ah see later.'"

AMENITIES OF THE BIG TOWN

Four immigrants at the Battery asked a taxi driver where they could get tickets to Iowa. He supplied them with subway tickets charging them \$6 each, and they did not learn they had been swindled until they were put off a train at 255th street.

Three Japanese last week hired an open-faced carriage and drove for two hours around Central Park. The driver charged them \$12.50, and they paid it.

New York is certainly a wonderful city to visit—so courteous to strangers.—New York World.

New flannels and small boys have been known to shrink from washing.

WHERE PROHIBITION PROHIBITS

In view of the insistent and persistent demand in Canada for total prohibition of the manufacture, importation and sale of intoxicants as beverages the testimony of the largest Protestant Church in the States, that prohibition there is already "a relative success and is on the way to complete success" is important. It confutes the contrary testimony of the liquor propaganda completely. It is the witness of 20,000 churches that it is well-enforced in nine-tenths of the whole area and sufficiently well-enforced in the remainder to be a great improvement on the previous system.

The details are significant—"an enormous decrease in consumption of liquor and in arrests, as well as in petty crimes, and a corresponding increase in purchase of homes, furniture, and other articles, for home-comfort and enjoyment. There has been a most gratifying decrease in poverty and financial stringency not withstanding the crisis of deflation just past.

Of course, as was to be counted on, the liquor propaganda is magnifying the extent of illicit distilling and selling of the "home-brew" products. But, the fact is that so much of the stuff thus made and sold is so crude as to be dangerous drinking that only the dope-fiends indulge and if they continue to, they'll soon drop out. Tried by a variety of valid tests public sentiment seems to be still solidly back of the prohibitory law, and to have faith in its enforcement.

THE WAY OF WEALTH

The business man was very glum.

His goods got dusty on the shelves.

His clerks found life quite wearisome.

With no one there but just themselves.

A friend came in. The merchant sighed.

"Business is rotten!" he complained.

And it was only just from pride.

That the poor man his tears restrained.

His friend looked at him in surprise.

And said: "Why don't you advertise?"

The business man took the advice.

He ordered in a half-page ad.

The ad came out, and in a trice

He saw that things were not so bad.

The people flocked into his store.

To buy the goods that he displayed.

And gay as he was glum before,

He said: "By George, my fortune's made!"

The moral is, as you surmise,

All business men should advertise.

Now that severe cold weather has come, the ice companies have plenty of ice to cut, and perhaps ice will be cheap next summer.

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NEWSPRINT DROPS QUARTER OF A CENT

Members who anticipated any striking reductions in newsprint prices for 1922 will be somewhat disappointed in the announcement that the price for sheet news for perhaps, the whole year of 1922 will be \$4.50 per cwt. in two ton lots. The price for the last quarter of 1921 was \$4.75. The reduction therefore is only a quarter of a cent per lb. The new price is surely nothing to talk about, and will hardly count in a year's business with the individual subscriber or advertiser. For roll news the new price is \$3.50 per cwt., but in carload lots.

The new price for 1922 will only mean the reduction of two cents per subscriber per year for newsprint for a seven column, eight-page weekly, and one and three-quarter cents per subscriber per year for newsprint for a six-column eight-page weekly. Set against this is the increase in postal rates to all subscribers outside the free zone. There will be a slight reduction in the freight rates after January 1st. It is, however, but 10 per cent. of the pre-war advance.—Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association.

The astronomer who has discovered that the earth is moving north at the rate of a foot a year, hasn't yet thought of any way to stop it.



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W. E. MACLELLAN, Acting District Superintendent, Office of District Superintendent, Postal Service, Halifax, Jan. 17th, 1922.

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