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KITCHEN SHOWER.

Household Articles Masquerading in Many Amusing Disguises.

A kitchen shower may be lifted out of the commonplace and be made interesting, even artistic and certainly amusing by dressing up each article given until it looks like something else.

The costuming needed for such masquerading is plenty of crape paper, bolts of cheap baby ribbon and a paper of pins.

A clotheshorse, two or three ply, could be hung on each side with brown paper to resemble a screen of hard wood. Even more amusing would be a decorated screen with caricatures drawn or pasted to the flat paper surface.

The rolling pin may be rolled with blue or pink paper, tied on the handles with fluffy bows and have a veil neatly fastened round it to represent a veil roll.

Clothesline can be rolled round and round and woven into place with brown ribbon until it looks like one of the woven mats used for front steps.

Decorate buckets and wooden pails with paper, frills and paper flowers until they resemble gay trash baskets.

Get a half dozen flat wire egg beaters, tie the handles of two together with light wire and make a wire hook to resemble a coat hanger. Wind the entire framework with strips of crape paper and tie on a huge tissue paper bow. Give a set of three of the hangers.

Fashion a jardiniere made from the lid of a wooden box, in which put, point down, a fence of paring knives with the handles up. Weave in strips of crape paper in several colors and leave only the tips of the handles showing as a border. Fill the center with a potted plant.

Egg beaters and potato mashers make amusing dolls, with heads made from potatoes, apples or painted rags and a body made, so the utensil will stand, from rolls of cardboard. Dress in tissue paper hat and gown.

Clothespins may be turned into amusing dolls with crape paper, using marshmallows for heads, each decorated with features in black ink. To present these dolls erect fill a long baking dish with moss or sand and stick the pins into it. Drape the pan with double frills of neutral tinted paper, so as not to detract from the gaiety of the dolls.

It adds to the fun if the hostess gives prizes for the best disguise, the most artistic and the most grotesque; also prizes for those of her guests who get greatest and the second greatest list of utensils before the masquerade is revealed.

"Futurist" Hats Latest in Paris.

One of the striking features of spring millinery, says a Paris rumor, will be "futurist" hats. The futurist painters have succeeded in covering themselves with ridicule, but Parisian milliners believe that better luck is in store for futurist hats.

These will be of no particular shape or form, but some of the promised color combinations are almost too daring to believe. For instance, with a hat made of picot straw, leghorn or horsehair will be seen bright blue, cerise, indigo and emerald combined with Spanish yellow. One creation shows red,



INDIAN PRINCESS MODEL.

violet, green and yellow. Among the favorite shades will be bishop's purple, bright yellow and letter box red.

Fruit and flowers will come back to favor as trimmings, and the apple in all shades of green, red and yellow will be held in special honor. A chic spring model is a black hat with two apples, one green and the other yellow. Plums, cherries and peaches will also be used by milliners.

Ribbons, which were banned in women's hats last year at the same time as flowers, will come into their own again for decorative purposes.

The smart spring turban in the cut rises to a peak at the front or shoots

out into a propeller at the back. This hat of the former type is in the Indian princess style, with a high question mark trimming placed directly in the front of the hat.

For the Fireside.

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Town Topics.

That French lawyer is mistaken. Americans do not put their feet on the table after dinner, not even in Chicago.—Boston Globe.

A "tenants' union" has been formed in New York, but we await with no little amusement to see what happens when it runs afoul of the typical New York janitor.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

A physician thinks Pittsburgh's smoke is responsible for the prevalence of pneumonia in that city. Perhaps, but it cannot be made to account for many of the other ills to which Pittsburgh is heir.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Flippant Flings.

A Brooklyn man is arrested on the charge of stealing an airship, which sounds like a crime of the highest order.—Wall Street Journal.

A minister in the east has his sermons printed and sent to each sick member of his flock. That at least should insure against any feigned illness.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

H. G. Wells in his latest novel uses the word "anyonesoever." A writer of reputation can afford to ring changes on the English language in anyoldwaysoever.—Lowell Courier-Citizen.

Automobile Runs.

Germany has scarcely more than half as many motor vehicles as the state of New York.

Self starting apparatus for automobiles was invented many years ago, but was not regarded as practical. The public automobiles of Antwerp, Belgium, must be fitted with mud guards for the protection of pedestrians.

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The Cost of Living.

Another reason for the high cost of living is that dinner used to begin with prayers instead of cocktails.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The woman's leagues that are cutting down food prices have now started on apples. This is a sort of compensation owed the public, as the combination of woman and an apple was the original cause of all high prices.—Baltimore American.

Political Quips.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson may make excellent cake, but curiosity is now focused on the way her husband carves the pie.—St. Louis Republic.

Now that congress has abolished the "Mr." before names in calling the roll, perhaps it will not mind if the rest of the nation omits the puffing "Honorable" before the "Mr."—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Train and Track.

Railway trains propelled by gas have been running for some time in Germany.

Switzerland is building a new railroad 13.5 per cent of the line of which will be through tunnels and 0 per cent over bridges.

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