

line, or one of the bay-rum hair tonics. Wash the hair well once every two weeks (or once a month, if the hair is very dry), using tepid soft water, made into a lather with tar soap, and rinsing well through two waters. If you prefer, you may use an egg shampoo. Mix the yolk of an egg with a pint of water, and rub in some tar soap. Shampoo the head and hair well with this, then rinse well as before with tepid soft water.

Often the condition of the hair depends upon the state of the health. In this case, of course, the health must be built up before improvement can be expected.

CHOCOLATE DROP CAKES—REPORTERS AND LIBRARIANS.

Dear Junia,—We have had so much from Ingle Nook that I would like to "Help-on-a-bit."

I have a recipe for butter tarts which was given me by a friend last fall. I have never tried it, but she thought it was fine.

For One Dozen Tarts.—One cup of currants, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of brown sugar, 1 heaping tablespoon butter, 1 teaspoon of vanilla. Boil until it thickens.

Here is one for chocolate drop cakes, which I have tried and know to be fine: One cup of brown sugar, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of melted butter, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of sour milk, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup nuts, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup raisins, 1 cake of melted chocolate, 1 egg, flour enough to make a stiff dough. Drop from a spoon on a well-greased pan, and bake in a quick oven. These are fine, and will keep a long time.

Now, Junia, I should like to ask you a few questions.

Can you tell me what qualifications are needed by a newspaper reporter?

Are there any other positions in connection with a newspaper that a woman can fill?

What are the qualifications needed by a librarian, and is the pay good?

Can anyone tell me what makes the leaves of the calla lily bend over?

Thanking you in advance, I am
Wellington Co., Ont. REBECCA.

The qualifications for a newspaper reporter are a good education, a quickly-working mind, a strong body, and a "nose" for gathering news. Women also fill the positions of editors and proof-readers, mail-sheet keepers, and typewriters, in newspaper offices.

A librarian also needs to have a good education, but she needs also to be quick of movement, obliging, and attractive in manner. The best libraries are now demanding "trained" librarians. The training course is, I understand, of two years' duration. Not many of the librarians in Canada receive, as yet, very high salaries. I have heard that in the United States, \$80 per month is not an uncommon rate.

Dear Junia,—Will you please tell me what are the enclosed species of bug?

The bug, I found on a print blouse, in a bright, sunny bedroom. The grubs were found in a box containing cotton clothing. Are they destructive, and what will I do to destroy them? I found one like the small grub last fall, and we put it in a glass with a piece of silk. It ate a few holes, and when we looked at it, it was dead.

A COUNTRY MAIDEN.

Frontenac Co., Ont.

The insects sent by "Country Maiden" are as follows: The small, blackish, oval beetle, about one-sixth of an inch long, and with reddish markings on the back, is the adult of a buffalo carpet beetle. The grubs are the larvae of the black-carpet beetle, a species very closely allied to the buffalo carpet beetle, and of similar habits, but not so common or destructive. There have probably been some buffalo carpet-beetle larvae—small, dark, hairy grubs,—feeding on woollens or furs in the house, and the adult has transformed from one of these. When the blossoms appear in the open, these adults may be found feeding on them. They then endeavor to get into houses or other sheltered places to lay eggs. The larvae are certainly very destructive to woollen goods and furs, especially where these are left undisturbed for some time. They do most destruction in the heat of the summer and early autumn.

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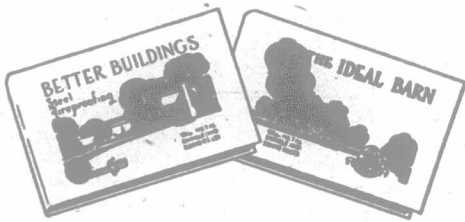
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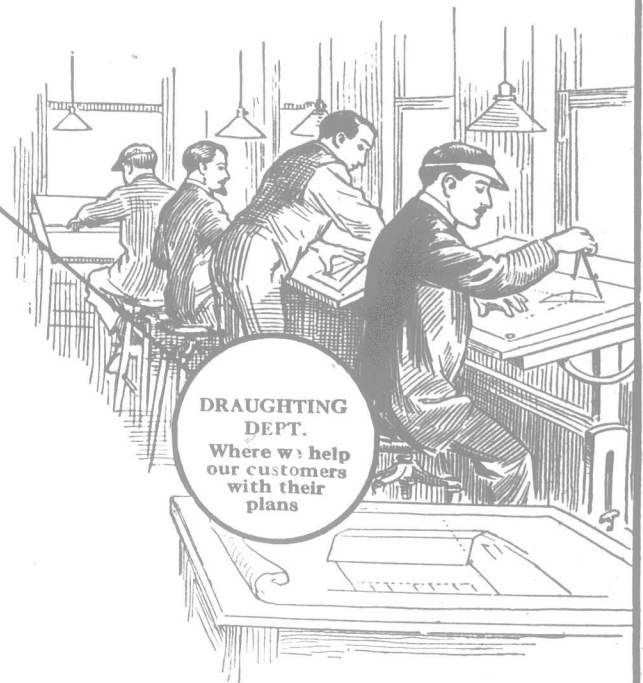
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