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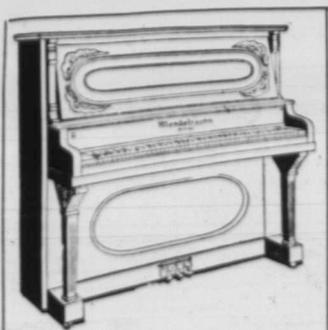
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To remove paint from window-panes, rub briskly for a few minutes with baking-soda, then wash in clear water. This will remove paint if it has been on the window for years.

To butter bread-crumbs for the top of scalloped dishes, melt the butter required and stir the bread or cracker crumbs into it adding salt and pepper to taste. The butter is more evenly divided than by the old method of putting little "dabs" of butter on the bread-crumbs and it takes less time.

One of the most difficult things about sewing on hooks and eyes is to do it so the thread does not show on the right side of the garment. If the hem where the fastenings go is narrow, slip a piece of whalebone into it, sew on the hooks and eyes and then take the whalebone out. If the hem is wider than the whalebone, cut a heavy piece of cardboard the proper width and slip that in. This is a very simple way and saves one a great deal of time in sewing.

FICKLE MAN

(By ROBERT BURNS)

Let not woman e'er complain
Of inconstancy in love;
Let not woman e'er complain
Fickle man is apt to rove;
Look abroad through Nature's range,
Nature's mighty law is change;
Ladies, would it not be strange
Man should then a monster prove?

Mark the winds, and mark the skies;
Ocean's ebb and ocean's flow;
Sun and moon but set to rise,
Round and round the seasons go.
Why then ask of silly man
To oppose great Nature's plan?
We'll be constant while we can—
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The coatless man puts a careless arm
Round the waist of the hatless girl,
While over the dustless, mudless roads
In a horseless wagon they whirl.
Like a leadless bullet from hammerless gun
By smokeless powder driven,
They fly to taste the speechless joys
By endless union given.
The only luncheon his coinless purse
Affords to them the means
Is a tasteless meal of boneless cod,
With a dish of stringless beans.
He smokes his old tobaccoless pipe,
And laughs a mirthless laugh
When papa tries to coax her back
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