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NEVER boil vegetables with soup stock, for if you do it will certainly become sour in a short time.

BOIL your cream for coffee, and see if the coffee will not taste better, as well as keep hot longer.

PIN-CUSHION covers made of cheese cloth embroidered and trimmed with lace, wash well and keep their looks.

SOME one says that leaves of parsley, eaten with a little vinegar, will destroy the odour of breath tainted by onions.

TEA should always be made in an earthenware pot, and after it is drawn may be poured into a china or silver pot.

CARPET CLEANING.—To take dust from the carpet when sweeping, tear paper in small bits, wet it and scatter on the carpet before you begin.

VARNISH the soles of your shoes, and it will render them impervious to dampness, and will also make them last longer. This is a good plan.

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