BABIES' ROBES

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Frerything Hand Made and Simple, Though of Finest Quality-These Layettes Include Enough Clothing for First Six Months.

cost fortunes nowadays. Some of this year, and as for \$5,000 wardrobes, they are no longer considerd an estravagance by wealthy young mothers who want to dress their first infants in the sheerest and finat of materials.

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These expensive first dresses, skirts, and bands are made from really exquisite pieces of dainty linens, French batiste and fiannels that have | much to the discretion of each launa gloss like satin, they are so fine. The lace and trimming on each garment is made by hand and of the most perfect workmanship, while the hand embroidery is almost perfect in finish. Not a stitch of machine work is put on these tiny clothes, and vent shrinkage, stretch each garthough they are decorated with the ment often while it is drying. Not most delicate patterns of Valen- once or twice, but one dosen times, ciennes lace all are simply made, for pulling out sleeves and body and infants whose mothers' believe in skirt to their full width-and lethaving exclusive styles are wearing ting the length take care of Itself. no ruffles, and few yokes in their little dresses.

in the \$8,000 layette cost less than \$50 and one of them is worth \$300. There is an even dozen of everything that a baby wears, from slik and delicate woollen boots to real lace caps. In these expensive infantile wardrobes all the designs both in the style of the garments and the decoration are original and exclusive. the illustration is adapted to be One of these, made for the baby of a placed upon a stove for heating irons well known young couple in the or for other purposes where a heatsmart set, had embroidered forget- retaining device could be used. It mé-nots on every piece except the handkerchiefs. Hand embroidered monograms, surrounded by the Em- the tops being provided with opening pire wreath are worked on each garment and on the sheets and pillow being formed with a supporting rim cases cases for the infant's basinette. or flange. From this construction it.

These expensive layettes include everything that a baby will need for when closed and placed upon the the first six months of its life, little stove forms a heat-retaining means toilet articles and even gold safety pins. If the youngster is a boy it has two miniature military brushes in gold, sliver or ivory, but if it is a little girl a small hand brush with finest camel's hair bristles and a hand carved comb of ivory. The powder and soap boxes are of white ivory with hand painted forget-me-nots on the tops and sides.

Avoid Hot Water, Squeene Instead of Wringing, Dry Ontekly, Says a prime authority upon household economics: "Plannels and bousehold hostery should be washed in topic, soft water-never hot and

never cold." "Having once tried this method of Millionaire bables' first wardrobes | washing woollen goods, you will nevor be satisfied with any other," them have layettes worth \$8,000 writes a grandmother who boasts that she is "not too old to learn."

In my own laundry, flannels have been washed in lukewarm water, squeezed, and not wrung out, shaken free of wet, dried quickly and ironed on the wrong side while damp. To be frank, I have not found this method invariably satisfactory. The phrase "lukewarm water" leaves dross. What would be peveral degrees above tepid to the mistress, feels cold to the toll-hardened hands of the maid.

Hot water skrinks fiannels. Hot irons carry on the evil work. To pre-When apparently dry, air fiannels all night before laying them away in Not one of the twelve little robes drawers or putting them upon human bodies. They retain moisture long, and impart it readily. Soak oth-

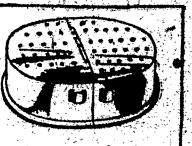
For Retaining Heat.

er colored fabrics in cold salt-and-

water for an hour before washing

them,

The heating contrivance shown in consists of two similar semi-cylindrical sections hinged in the center, or perforations, and the lower edge will be observed that the device



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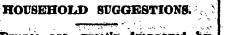
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adding a little cider to the water in which they are cooked.

A few drops of coal oil added to the water with which windows are to be washed will save time and labor.

In turning steak do not use a fork. as the holes which it makes in the meet cause the blood to sun out.

Do not add vinegar to any starchy vegetable, like potato, sweet potato, macaroni, rice, chestnuts or the cereals.

A clever housekeeper has discovered that potatoes may be baked just inside the furnace door in half the time required to bake them in the oven. But if the fire is very hot they need careful watching.

Teacups even when carefully kept sometimes have dark states at the bottom, caused by the action of tannin in the tea. Sait, slightly moistened. will remove these, but in the case of very fine china sometimes meratches a little.

Fine Hands of Lacemakers,

Speaking of Buckinghamshire lace recently has brought to hand this inberesting item, that the influence of Incomaking and its traditions are notioesble in the quist villages of Winslow and Nash, for there perfect cleanliness reigns.

The hand of the Winslow cottage woman, would it is said, be the delight of the manfourist. Artistic diseernment, too, is shown by the pride in bobbins that a lover who is now a grandfather carved for his lass so many years ago. These bobbins cannot be bought, nor can the curious old furniture that is seen in the humble village homes.

For these village folk have been bred to see the beauty of form and to note its growth in the lovely weavings of the bobbins. The making of I kies or backheads are prone to creep lace brings its own esthetic educa- in almost unawares.

Chinese Bugs.

sestaries. They are unique and unmusal in design the trailis or fretwork being a common background, the material consisting of wool or slik. The rug districts are Peking, Tientein, Ninchseil and Semarkand, the latter being, perhaps the best They are of a fine, loose texture, almost like silk with their rich, heavy map. Silk rugs have been woven in Persia, Turkey, India and China.

Bgg Shells for Cleaning.

Egg shells should be saved and used for cleaning bottles and crusts. Store them in a box, and when you want to use them crush the shells very finely, partly fill the bottles with them, pour hot soupsuds over them, and then shake the bottles well. Rines them out in clean water, and they will be bright and clean.

To Develop the Chest. -

A young girl's chest will naturally grow full and strong if she will remember to draw long, deep breaths that inflate it and draw in the abdomen. Particularly when she is out walking in the clear, cool air should the remember to breathe deeply.



particularly useful in heating from A kettle or other cooking utensil can also be placed upon the top, the

froms and the kettle being heated at the same time. To permit the ready opening or closing of either of the sections cleats are attached to each section and operated by means of an implement similar to a poker. In this way there is no danger of burning the hands. It will be evident that such a device would retain a vast amount of heat:

To Keep the Face Olean.

The woman who wishes to keep her complexion soft and smooth will wash her face with a cleansing cream before retiring. Rub, in with the tips of the fingers. Rub the face with elecading

cream, which should be removed at once with a soft towel.

Washing the face with cleansing cream. There are few forcheads, even among the youngest women, who do not show some slight trace of wrinkles, Dust will invariably collect in these little lodging places, no matter how shallow they may be. Good creazas, properly applied, will remove every trace of dirt-traces so fine indeed that the eye ordinarily does not perceive them.

What is true of the forehead is equally true of the corners of the eye, mouth or nostrils, where wrin-

After the entire face has been cov-

ered with cleansing cream allow it to. remain on fer about two minutes be-Rugs have been made in China for | fore removing. This is accomplished with a soft towal or place of gause. If used during the day a good face powder may be applied after the eream. At night, before retiring, no powder should be used after the COLDE.

Use Barthemmere.

Housewives, take counsel from your English and French sisters! Do your coosing with earthen mixers and in earthenware dishes and keep your staple cooking materials in earthenware fars. They can be kept spotlessly clean, and ingradiants are much more palatship blanded when sooked in their thick walls, the cooking process continuing after a dish is removed from the fire. Creckery, not being able to withstand the direct blass, can never be of unlim-Ited service in the littches, but it is decreed by foreign housewives who have used it for years to be far the most satisfactory kind of utenall in every other way. --- Pittsburg Dismatch.

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VOYAGES IN SMALL VESSELS

Daring Seamen Who Have Ventured Long Gruines in Cathoats.

Upward of a hundred man have yentured on long cruises in boats from twelve to forty feet in length. Captain Joshua Blocum is perhaps the best known of these voyagers.

The feat which he has accomplishe od is certainly the most daring which has been brought to a successful finish. With a forty-foot yawl called the Spray, Captain Slocum started from Boston in April, 1902, to circum navigate the world. He arrived at Gibraltar a month later and set sail for Pernambuco, on the coast of South America. From there he set sail for Rio de Janeiro to Buenos Ayres, through the straits of Magellan to the Island of Junn Fernandes, made inmous by Defor's Robinson Crusos. The Spray then headed for the Samoan islands, making the 6,000 miles after a run of sixty two days. See. ney, in New South Water, was the next stop; then down to Tasmania, returning up the coast to Queensland and through the Torres Stralis into the Indian Ocean and Mauritius. He

of 46,000 miles.

were minds as far back as 1878. As drews had hard luck from the start for he was capsised five times and was at last taken on board a passing vessel more dead than slive. Law ler, however, reached the Ideard store a more or less exciting trip. Later Andrews proposed another trip, and the two started from Boston, An drews succeeded in reaching the coast of Portugal after a trying voyage of thirty one days, but Lawler was never seen or heard of again.

The voyages of Andrew and

for are still remembered, mouse they

First Patent in China.

The Chinese government, scoord ing to German papers, has granted its first patent. It is for an electric lamp, the inventor of which is an in habitant of Nanking, the old couplia of the Chinese empire, who calls all temp the "bright moonlight," and as serts that it is far superior to Sereige Child Insurance In Content

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