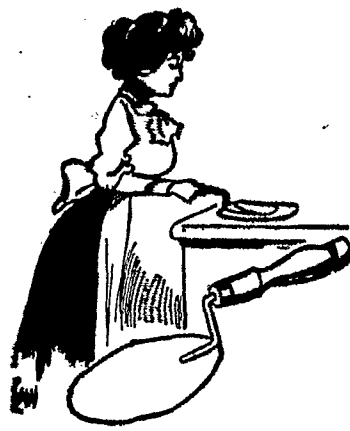


HINTS FOR THE BUSY HOUSEWIFE

Pancake Turner in the Shape of a Trowel.



There are evidences that the trowel was an implement devised by this...

Pineapple Shortcake. One cupful of butter, two of powdered sugar...

For filling and icing roll one cupful of granulated sugar and one-quarter of a cupful of pineapple juice...

Blanched Green Peas. Take two cups large green bell pepper, wash in acid, cutting a slit...

Banana Split. First have your bananas thoroughly chilled in the refrigerator for several hours...

Beef Stewed Like Chicken. Use beef that has been roasted or boiled. Like the recipe left over, chop up about two cupfuls...

Fancy Sandwiches. Cut white and brown bread in very thin slices and butter. Then cut cold sliced tongue and Gruyere cheese...

New Way to Hang a Skirt. Slip on the skirt you are making, then slip another skirt which hangs particularly well over the new one...

Cooking Vegetables. In cooking vegetables all those given underground should be cooked in acid water...

BEGGARS OF LONDON.

Many of Them Partial to the Hired Sickly Infant Schemer. There is no city in Europe, according to an American citizen who has returned from a business trip to England...

These beggars—bait, blind, maimed—come for the most part from the "beggars' colony," the most lawless district in all London. It is hidden in the haze of mean streets in the borough of Kensington and is called Nottinghamdale.

"These 'male pitchers,' as they call themselves, are men and women who hire starved looking children by the day to enlist the sympathy of the benevolent. There are 'old soldiers' and 'sailors' with long beards and ragged coats...

WALTON'S FAST.

The "Plunger" Did Even More Than the Doctor Suggested.

Race track lovers of some years ago all know "Plunger" Walton—Francis Theodore Walton, as he was christened. Everything that Walton did he did as thoroughly as he plunged on the races.

"Walton, you eat too much. That's what's the matter with you. Do as I say and you will cure your rheumatism. Don't let food tempt you so much. Just taper off your meals and don't eat except when you really feel like it."

A Coral Pipe. While a United States warship was off Barbados a few years ago a sailor who was amusing himself fishing for sharks brought up from the depths of the sea for a hundred years or more...

Hope. Hope is anticipation. It is an inherent feeling in mankind and a divine provision for the sustentation of life. Hope is a chord which strikes pleasant desires for the future.

Patience. There's no magic in a "rest" that I know of, but there's the making of music in it. And people are always missing that part of the life melody...

Doing It Right. "But, my dear, if I buy you this gown it will cost me \$20 in debt."

The White Woman's Burden. Of course men have a lot of small worries, but they don't have to carry a thimble skin and a little "starch" around with them wherever they go.

I've never any pity for conceited people, because they carry their coat suit about with them.—George Elliot.

MOLDED HIS DEATH TOLL.

Legend of "the Poor Sinner's Bell" That Was Cast in Breslau. The poor sinner's bell is a bell in the city of Breslau, in the province of Silesia, Prussia, and hangs in the tower of one of the city churches.

When the metal was melted the founder withdrew for a few moments leaving a boy to watch the furnace, and enjoining him not to meddle with the catch that held the molten metal.

The founder gave himself up to the authorities, was tried and condemned to death. On the day of his execution the bell was rung to call people to attend church and offer a prayer for the unhappy man's soul, and from that time obtained the name of "the poor sinner's bell."

SEEING A PURPLE COW.

Perfectly Natural Under Certain Conditions, Says an Artist.

H. Anthony Dyer, painter of water colors, was expatiating the matter to some possible buyers of his wares. "Suppose while you are in the country in summer," said he, "you chance upon a Holstein cow grazing on a hillside. Of course you know, are black and white. The pasture is green. Off at one side is a gray un-painted barn. Do you stagger with surprise when you notice that that cow is purple? Not a bit of it. If it were not purple you might reasonably conclude an occultist. That would be a sign that your eye needed attention."

"But you may never have tried to figure out why the cow is purple. Here is the answer. The complementary color of the green pasture is red. The sight of green always suggests red, although we don't realize it. Flooding the scene is the yellow sunshine. The yellow, the red and the green combine to tint the grazing neutral colored cow purple, and purple is undeniably as you must admit when next you encounter one under such circumstances. Nevertheless, therefore, may you sing with Gesselt Burgess: I never saw a purple cow I never hope to see one."

The Bug Bible. The bug Bible was printed in 1649 by the authority of Edward VI, and its fifth verse of the Ninety-first Psalm, which, as we know, runs: "Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night, nor for the arrow which flieth by day."

Francisco Leon de la Barra, who became provisional president of Mexico when Diaz resigned, has had a long and distinguished diplomatic career. He has not only represented the republic as ambassador at Washington, but he has been a delegate to the international peace congress at The Hague and to the Ibero-American congress in Madrid in 1892.

Daffodil Superstitions. Daffodils are not only poisonous and libelous, but most unlucky flowers, especially when single specimens are encountered. Herrick, who most often have gone through the experience without much harm happening, declares that—

When a daffodil I see Hanging down her head to me, Guess I may what I must be. First, I shall decline my head; Secondly, I shall be dead; Lastly, safely buried.

In Herrick's own Devon to this day if you place a single daffodil on the table of a farmhouse the farmer will jump up and exclaim, "Now we shall have no young ducks this year." The evil spell can be broken by increasing the single flower to a bunch.—St. James Gazette.

Quaker Nest of the Tontobans. The oddest of all birds' nests is the one built by the tontobans, a South African songster. It is built of cotton and always upon the tree producing the material. In constructing the domicile the female works inside and the male outside, where he builds a sentinel box for his own special use.

A Dodger. "Bibbles is a great man to try to dodge a responsibility on technicalities."

A Good Manager. The Wife—After all, Adolphus, this visit isn't going to be so expensive. With the half dozen dresses I simply had to get and your clothes cleaned and pressed, you'll manage splendidly.—Barbara's Sister.

He is our friend who loves more than studies us.—Channing.

SNAPSHOTS AT NOTABLE PEOPLE

Rhinelanders Waldo, Head of New York Police.



Photo by American Press Association.

Rhinelanders Waldo, new police commissioner of New York, is no novice in police affairs, having served the department as first deputy police commissioner under General Bingham that was in 1900, and a year later he resigned his commission when Mayor McClellan selected him to organize the police force for the Catskill aqueduct. His service in the United States army enabled him to perform that task in a highly creditable manner. His army experience dates from 1890, when he was appointed second lieutenant in the Seventh Infantry. He rose to be captain of Philippine scouts, resigning from the army in 1903.

When Mayor Gaynor became chief executive of New York city he made Mr. Waldo fire commissioner, and set about reorganizing the department. When it is remembered that the New York fire department has almost 4,500 uniformed officers and firemen, covers an enormous and congested territory, and is the biggest fighting force in the world, the magnitude of his task is apparent. That he accomplished his purpose is proved by his selection as head of the police.

Commissioner Waldo is a native New Yorker, thirty-four years old, and is heir to part of the great Rhineland estate. His private income is said to be \$18,000 per year, and everybody in his family is rich.



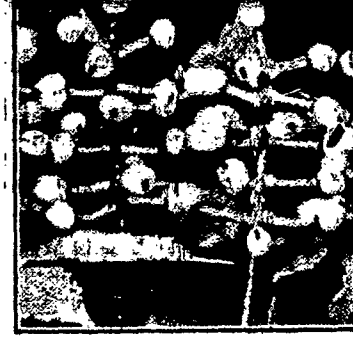
FRANCISCO LEON DE LA BARRA.

The important South American capitalist and became familiar with their conditions and peoples. He also sat in the Mexican congress from 1891 to 1896.

Senior de la Barra was born in June 1863, and after graduating at the college of the City of Mexico studied international law. Later he entered the foreign affairs office and soon became an expert in negotiating foreign treaties. Before his assignment to Washington in 1900 he represented Mexico both in Belgium and the Netherlands. His term at Washington was cut short by the revolution in Mexico, when President Diaz called him home to take the difficult ministry of foreign affairs.

For the Children

Dolls' Eyes That Grow in the Woods.



In the spring woods we seldom observe the short, fuzzy clusters of the white blueberry flowers, but in the autumn woods their fruit, oval, white, poisonous berries with a dark purple spot on the end are very noticeable. They bear a remarkable resemblance to dolls' eyes hence their common name.

Country children often use them for dolls' eyes by pushing them into proper places in the face of the "rag baby." If the baby is black the effect is startling. It is more than realistic, for it is suggestive of ludicrous horror on the part of the little "pickaninny." Please remember that you may handle these berries freely, but do not eat them. As already stated, they are poisonous.—St. Nicholas.

THE BEST TAILOR IN THIS TOWN

When tailor No. 2 saw this he made up his mind to go his neighbor one better. He thought and thought and finally hit on this advertisement, which he placed attractively in his show window.

THE BEST TAILOR IN THE WORLD

Tailor No. 3 all the while was keeping very quiet. He was too busy to pay much attention to the first sign, but when the second went up he winked his eye and laughed in his sleeve, and very likely in several other sleeves, for he was the cleverest tailor of the lot, and he knew it. Others knew it, too, when a few days later his sign went up. It read:

THE BEST TAILOR IN THE STREET

Bathing in Sweden. The weekly bath at some of the private schools in Sweden is a very funny affair. Running hot and cold water is unknown, and that the pupils may all bathe at the same time and help each other round, shallow tubs full of water are placed on the floor in a circle.

Each boy is given a pair of cloth mittens and a piece of soap and told to get into a tub. The tubs are closed together. When the boys have been in soak a few minutes each one is told to sit on the back of the boy in front of him and give him a good scrubbing.

Nothing could be more ludicrous than the sight of two or more dozen boys vigorously belaboring each other's back with their wash rags. Occasionally one will take this opportunity of paying off an old score and will dig his neighbor's back with a vengeance. As a rule, all look forward to the bath hour with pleasure, and the greatest hilarity prevails amid the splashing of soap and water.

Conundrums.

Why is a very amusing man like a bad shot? Because he keeps the game alive.

Which is a woman's favorite word? The last one.

When people are quarrelling out of doors what should they do? Co-in-side go inside.

If I were in the sun and you were out of it what would the sun become? Sin.

Who is the oldest lunatic on record? Time out of mind.

FOR THE CHILDREN

Billy and His Billygoat.

The leader of this game must have an accomplice, who goes out of the room while the word to be guessed is being decided on. The two most previously arrange that the leader, who holds the magic wand, shall keep up a continual stream of conversation while flourishing the wand before his blindfolded companion. The accomplice must notice the first letter in every sentence his companion utters. These are the consonants of the words, while the vowels are represented by tapping the wand on the floor—once for "a," twice for "e," three times for "i," four for "o" and five times for "u." Say the word chosen is "cherry." The leader pretends to make calligraphic signs around the head of his accomplice and asks, "Can you see me?" After a pause and when the accomplice has assured the company that he cannot see the leader proceeds: "How deeply I have dipped into magic lore none but myself can say," then taps twice to represent "c." "Rub the back of your head, brother. It will clear your intellect." Then, after a pause, he may add, "Rubbing is good for weak intellects." Another pause. "Your intellect, of course, is not weak, but rubbing may help you to guess the word, eh?"

Then the accomplice, who has spelled out the word "cherry," must reply: "Yes, brother, you are right. I have rubbed out the word 'cherry.'" Care must be taken to select sentences that will give the required letters in their proper order. It takes quick wits to keep this in mind and yet make plausible and amusing speeches.

Game of Many Hands.

This game is of two. Place a paper and pencil to each one's hands and tell him to write the answers to your questions. Each answer has the word "hand" prefixed:

- 1. What hand is used by the officer of the law? 2. A hand used to summon? 3. A shopping companion? 4. A hand to scatter around? 5. A reference? 6. A helper? 7. All we can hold? 8. An athletic feat? 9. Chirography? 10. A race? 11. A useful hand? 12. That which produces admiration? Answers.—1. Hand-cuffs. 2. Hand-bell. 3. Hand-bag. 4. Hand-bill. 5. Hand-book. 6. Hand-maiden. 7. Handful. 8. Hand-spring. 9. Hand-writing. 10. Hand-icap. 11. Hand-kerchief. 12. Hand-some.

A Silvery Stream.

That is what the poets say—silvery stream. You would never think that there might really be such a thing. Ruth Nugent did not think so, or rather, she had never thought anything about it one way or the other, when she went to the faucet in her home in Bloomfield, N. J., to get a drink of water. She turned on the water and with the stream there came a ten cent piece tinkling into the glass. Ruth called her mother and turned on the water again to show how it had happened, and two more dimes appeared. Later in the day four more fell from the faucet, and Ruth, who is only eleven years old, is inclined to believe that the fairies could tell something about the queer happening if they chose.

Whistle For It.

If a person wants something which we are not particularly anxious to give him, we tell him that he may whistle for it. We may not care whether he whistles or not. It would make no difference to us whether he did or not, but we tell him to whistle all the same. This is the origin of the expression. In early English days ale or beer was served in what were known as whistling tankards. These had four handles, all of which contained whistles. When the tankard became empty the holder blew the whistle for more drink. In other words, he had to whistle for it.

Long Ago.

In colonial days our school buildings were small and uncomfortable. Benches were without backs, and the desks were only shelves in most cases. Oftentimes there was only the bare earth for a floor. The hours of study were long and the play hours few and short. One's heart is moved to pity to read of the poor little backwoods children, driven to school soon after sunrise and driven out toward dusk after hours of mental and physical discomfort.

Afford.

Afford is composed of two Latin words meaning to go to the market place. If a man had money to spend he was able to go to market. If he did not have the money he could not go and so, of course, could not afford it.

Strange Forgive.

They have funny forgive in Russia. When the girls are frozen over in that parts cannot run their sleds chairs on runners are used, and men on skates pull them over the ice.