— What — Housewives Are Glad to Know

Attractive Fall Suit

The dress illustrated may be mad of fine navy blue French serge wit white broadcloth collar and cuffs or o

brown serge with biscuit color broad cloth collar and cuffs. The overbodice is embroidered front and back. Side panels of skirt are bound with braid There is a long braid sash.

STAIN REMOVERS.

A few stains and methods of removing same - Chocolate - borax and cold water Coffee - boiling water Grass - alcohol or ammonia and water. Grease or oil - cold water and soap or lard Fruit boiling water Ink - salts of lemon, javelle water or ink eradicator Medicine - alcohol Mildew javelle water Paint - turpentine. Wax - absorbent paper and warm iron Iron rust - lemon juice and salt or javelle water

Home Cookery

Fried Salt Pork With Cream Gravy.

Slice fat salt pork not too thick and put in cold water if it is to freshen overnight. In hot water an hour's time will freshen sufficiently. Dip the slices in flour which has been well peppered, fry and turn till both sides are crisped a golden brown. For the gravy pour off the excess fat, usually about half, and add skimmilk To each cupful of milk used add a tablespoonful of flour rubbed smooth with cold milk for thickening. When boiled thoroughly taste for seasoning The old Yankee way was to serve this with potatoes cooked with their jackets on —Country Gentleman

Pear Honey.

Four quarts of pears, four cupfuls of granulated sugar, four cupfuls of water, half a cupful of lemon juice. After washing, pare and grate the pears into the water so they will not discolor. Put them into a preserving kettle over the fire, bring to a boil and add the sugar. Boil for from fifteen to twenty minutes and add the lemon juice. The pear honey must be clear and the thickness of strained honey.

Creamed Eggs.

Chop five or six hard boiled eggs, not too fine Put over the fire in a suitable dish one cupful of milk, one tablespoonful of butter, salt and pepper When this comes to a boil stir into it a tablespoonful of flour wet with cold milk. When the dressing becomes thick and smooth stir in the chopped eggs. Serve on toast

Beef Loaf.

Two pounds of round steak chopped fine, one egg, one cupful rolled crackers, one-half cupful of milk, one slice of salt pork, chopped, salt, pepper and sage. Mix well and bake one hour.

Vegetable Canning

Corn. Country Gentleman preferred. Cut corn off cobs and to nine cupfuls of corn add a cupful of salt and a cupful of water. Let come to a boil, put in jars and seal Soak corn in cold water for an hour before using

Beans. Select tender corn or pole beans and pack in quart jars. On the top of each jar put in a teaspoonful of salt, then fill with cold water to tops of jars and run knife around edge to release air bubbles Seal and place jars in boiler of cold water and let boil three hours Remove from fire and let jars cool in water Then wrap in paper before putting away

Tomatoes Select large ripe tomatoes, scald and pare and put in quart jars. On the top of each jar put a teaspoonful of salt and fill with cold water Let boil twenty minutes from the time they start to boil

Beets Small beets are better than large ones for canning Boil them until tender, cool and pare, then pack in jars Make a strop of one cupful of vinegar a pint of water and a stick of cinnamon, a pinch of salt and pepper and one half cupful of sugar Let boil ten minutes Pour over the beets in jars and seal

Poor Health Often Due to Improper Way of Living

"Only one in twenty persons" says the North Carolina state board of health, "enjoys whole health, the rest live on in a state of semi health, not sick enough to go to bed nor well enough to engage in their work with zest and enjoyment Those who half live from the standpoint of health half live from many other viewpoints For instance a man who lives only half well is only half efficient He is capable of using only half of his mental and physical powers and therefore he is only half a people too

People live in a state of semi health mainly for two reasons First because they don't know the pleasure of good health, neither do they appreciate its value in life They have got into the habit of enjoying poor health and really [illegible] in a state of semi health on account of their indifferent modes of living They usually overindulge at the dinner table leave off physical exercise lose sleep and get insufficient rest Fresh air and sunshine In other words they don't order the affairs of the day toward an efficient and healthful life Good health must be ordered at every meal and cultivated in every daily habit in order to be enjoyed and mean most to life."

It Sure Was a Fall Hat

HOMEMADE SOAP

This soap is made of pork rinds and scraps of fat meat First remove all lean meat then soak the scraps in cold water to remove all color, whether sugar cured or smoked. Use ten pounds of the above to two boxes lye. Put one and one half or two gallons water in kettle sift lye, boil till dissolved, put in the grease and boil slowly for an hour or two or until all grease is eaten, stirring often When no rinds or chunks of meat come up on stick put water in slowly, stirring all the time till it becomes like honey, keeping up fire a little while. When ready to leave, before taking the stick out, put in a half pound of borax, stirring till well mixed. Let cool till morning. Cut out and dry.

LANDING A DANGLER

By SADIE OLCOTT

"Bess, how long are you going to keep Ben Husted dangling about you? I think it is a girl's duty either to accept a suitor or send him away"

"Aunt Martha, it's not I who am keeping Ben dangling, it's Ben who is keeping me dangling"

"In that case I haven't any sympathy for you A girl who can't bring a man to the point deserves to remain an old maid"

"What can I do?"

"What can you do? There are hundreds of things you can do The only thing you can't do and win is to let Ben presume that any time he makes up his mind he wants you he can get you. There are many reasons why a young man assumes that he doesn't wish to marry and very few that induce him to take a wife He's not likely to look to the loneliness of old age without wife or child He's having a good time in his own way spending all his money on himself and it looks to him like halving his blessings and doubling his cares to wed

"What course would you propose to me Aunt Martha"

"Man is a selfish creature and you must attack him through his selfishness First create a desire to possess you then let him understand that he is liable to lose you Give him certain privileges but not too many Don't sit on one end of the sofa while he sits on the other Remember always that he is the fly you the spider"

"Never mind that How shall I bring him to the point"

"By means of a rival"

"But I know no one that I can use for that purpose"

"I do"

"Whom?"

"Myself"

The girl laughed

"What is hidden is more terrifying than what is revealed If you used a man openly quite likely Ben would be smart enough to see that he was a [illegible] I'll be that imaginary rough who is pleading with you to change his misery into happiness When you see Ben again appear to have something on your mind If he offers to caress you put him away but gently as though you were in doubt as to whether you wish his caresses or not Keep this up till he has gone and if he expects a parting kiss don't respond

"Then what?"

"Leave that to me."

Bess that same evening played the part her aunt had laid down for her and sent her lover away puzzled He did not call again for a week and Bess was perturbed But her aunt braced her up and when the dangler came again told her to go to her room Aunt Martha went down to receive the caller and announced that her niece was put indisposed and must give up the pleasure of seeing Mr Husted this evening He manifested a alarm at the cause of the indisposition whereupon Aunt Martha said that the girl was in a state of mental turmoil upon an important question that had arisen and required an early

[illegible] asked the [illegible] long hard at a letter the good [illegible] had the superscription on which Mr Husted recognized as Bess handwriting Aunt Martha looked down at the letter of which she was apparently unconscious looked confused and stammered something about the missive not being a final answer As yet her niece had not reached a decision

"Has any old friend turned up recently?" asked Ben

"Old friend" exclaimed Aunt Martha "What put that into your head?" The question was asked in a tone and manner to indicate that the guess had hit the mark Then the lady began to talk about the weather, and Mr. Husted made irrelevant replies.

"Can I see Bess for just a few moments" he asked presently, breaking away from the weather

"I don't think so, replied Aunt Martha "but I will see The truth is she's going away tomorrow and is very busy packing"

Leaving Mr. Husted pacing the floor, Aunt Martha pretended to go up to her niece's room Instead she went to her own room where she remained ten minutes they were very long minutes to the waiting lover then went down to him and told him that her niece had disrobed for the night and was ever so sorry that she would be unable to see him again till her return which was uncertain

"Would you mind carrying a message to her?" asked the perturbed Ben

"I'll take it to her with pleasure"

Ben took an old letter from his pocket, tore off a blank piece and wrote on it

"What does this mean? Can it be that you have gone back on your promise?"

Folding it he handed it to Aunt Martha, who took it to her niece and told her to write on it

"What promise?"

The reply was "To be my wife"

"You see, my dear," said Aunt Martha, "how easy it is to win a man—if he can be won at all, and I believe any man can be won if you go about it in the right way"

This ended the campaign, for there were no more notes Ben answered the last one in person, and, of course, the rest of it doesn't come into the story.

NATURE'S ICY GRAVEYARD.

Fossil Marvels Strew the Dreary Wastes of Arctic Siberia.

Little does the traveler think as he drives over the dreary wastes of snow and sees no living thing save the arctic fox, the raven and the snowy owl that the ground below him is packed full of the remains of enormous animals that have perished in some mysterious manner. Such nevertheless is the extraordinary fact, states "Siberia and the Polar Sea"

The whole of northern Siberia, from the Ural mountains to Bering strait, is one vast graveyard The bones, teeth and skulls are those of elephants rhinoceroses, buffaloes and musk oxen They occur everywhere They are found on the banks of the rivers, in the plains, on rising ground and in frozen cliffs. On the shores of the Arctic ocean there are sloping banks of ice These are split and furrowed in all directions with deep chasms, and as the traveler looks down into their dark depths from above he sees that the lower portions of these icy chasms are filled with fossils

In other places on the northern coast of Siberia fronting the Arctic ocean the low cliffs that rise above the beach are formed of earth and clay are full of the bones of elephants and rhinoceroses In the brief summer, which hardly lasts for six weeks portions of these earth cliffs thaw and fall on the beach below Then it is that the traveler who walks along the shores witnesses an astonishing spectacle Not only does he observe icebergs stranded on the beach but he also sees the tusks and bones of elephants the mammoths living on the shore

If he leaves the Arctic ocean behind and journeys inland the same sights constantly meet his astonished gaze He comes, it may be to a plain where for perhaps half a mile the whole ground seems to be formed of masses of tusks, teeth and the bones of elephants and rhinoceroses welded together in one confused mass in the frozen soil These mighty beasts must have been destroyed in herds but how they perished no one knows Still more amazing is the fact that the islands in the Arctic ocean north of Siberia are equally full of the tusks and bones and on the shores of those islands in the polar sea the tusks of elephants can be seen sticking up in the frozen sand

Stranger still actually the very bodies of these great elephants, with flesh and hair perfect are seen standing upright in the frozen cliffs. When the cliffs thaw the bodies of these great elephants fall to the ground and are so perfect after being entombed for thousands of years that the wolves eat the flesh

There are many who maintain that a great future is before Siberia, owing to its vast mineral wealth and its corn producing power This applies to the southern districts but has nothing to do with the regions of awful desolation to which we have referred.

Baseball and the Marines.

America is reputedly the best bomb and grenade throwers in the world and are capable of waging wonderful trench warfare in case of hostilities, say United States marine corps officers The average American youth early learns to throw a baseball with speed and accuracy and it is because of that we, as a nation are especially fitted to wage the modern war of the trenches Baseball is encouraged at all our stations and the skill displayed by marines—even untrained recruits—in the bomb and grenade throwing practice is really remarkable said a marine corps officer.

Ancient Preservation of the Dead.

Herodotus gives a good description of the manner in which the early Ethiopians preserved their dead

Having thoroughly dried the corpse, they plastered it over with a paste made of gypsum and then painted the face and exposed parts so as to make them look as natural as possible Dead bodies served in this manner remained intact for hundreds of years.—London Globe

Aptly Described.

"I have been courting her for two years," said the disconsolate one, "and I am certain that she will refuse me when I propose"

"Ah, that is interesting," said the amateur photographer—"a sort of undeveloped negative"—Pittsburgh Press.

Defined

"Freddie," said the teacher, "can you tell me the meaning of the word 'dessert?'"

"Sure I can," replied Freddie "Dessert is the stuff you get a little bit of for eating a whole lot of things you don't like."—St Louis Post-Dispatch

As the Years Go By.

The letterhead of a certain lawyer bears a legend that savors of sound philosophy It runs, "I am anxious for business, but have passed the experimental age and am now demanding cash for my services"—Case and Comment

Emotional Acting.

"You acted Juliet as if you were really suffering"

"I was I played the part in a pair of very tight shoes."—Philadelphia Bulletin

Depends.

"Is bolting a refining process, pa?"

"That depends, my son, whether it is done in flour mills or at the table"—Baltimore American.

There's nothing half so good as laughing. Never sigh when you can sing.—W. Mackworth Praed.

The Minstrel

By F A. MITCHEL

There was a kingdom belonging to the eastern Roman empire the sovereign of which was at a certain period a young girl named Eudoxia She was twenty years old and very beautiful. For many generations the royal family had intermarried among each other This had resulted in keeping up certain hereditary diseases among them, and they had been very much thinned by death

When the queen was urged by her nobles to marry that there might be an heir to the throne the heralds were instructed to hunt up some person of royal blood whom she might wed It was found that there was no man living whom her majesty might marry who was not tainted with some hereditary disease But a man Harmodius was discovered who had descended from another branch of the royal family, who was young and wealthy It was represented to the queen that if she did not marry this person she could not marry at all Furthermore if she did not have an heir Harmodius would be the only person who would have any claim whatever to the throne

Now it happened that not long before this marriage question came up Eudoxia had been sitting in the royal gardens one summer day when from beyond the walls came sounds of music A man was singing and accompanied by a lute The princess listened and when the song was ended she sent an attendant to command the singer to come to her He did so and his face and figure proved to be as charming as his voice The queen kept him singing for awhile, then dismissed him with a gift which he refused

Eudoxia [illegible] as usual, though in her heart she admired the man the more for it She had intended to command him to sing again to sing for her but [illegible] should not take pay [illegible] beneath her royal dignity [illegible] the service Nevertheless she could not forget either him or his music Finding herself pining for him she resolved to drive him out of her mind Not succeeding in doing so she resolved to have him introduced into the palace surreptitiously, for should it be known that she was accepting a favor from a subject it would [illegible] scandal

She sent some of her attendants whom she could trust to the musician with instructions to tell him the circumstances which [illegible] the queen to send for him secretly and admonish him to keep the secret This allayed a feeling [illegible] that her majesty had [illegible] him to sing before her [illegible] went to the palace [illegible] him attended [illegible] of honor who was [illegible]

When [illegible] to Eudoxia that there was [illegible] Harmodius she could [illegible] she had become madly in love with the musician She put her marriage off as long as possible in the [illegible] of marrying Harmodius, and when she could do so no longer directed [illegible] to bring her his portrait [illegible] obeyed them, and they set out to do the royal instructions They returned much disconcerted Harmodius declined to furnish his portrait

Eudoxia was not disappointed at this for she was every day becoming more and more infatuated with the handsome singer who by royal command came frequently to the palace in secret to sing for her royal mistress However the cabinet insisted that the queen should marry, and since Harmodius was the only man she could marry she [illegible] Harmodius She resisted their demands until they threatened that if she did not yield they would [illegible] a revolution and put Harmodius on the throne

One day when the minstrel came to sing for the queen she told him that it was the last time she could listen to him She confessed her love for him but added that she was obliged to marry or lose her sovereignty The minstrel begged that he might sing one farewell song to her He was permitted to do so and sang, expressing his love so pathetically that the queen broke down, and told him that she would give up her kingdom for him He told her that his love for her would not permit him to accept the sacrifice and they parted

The queen now informed her ministers that she would wed Harmodius or any one they chose Preparations were made for the wedding while the queen went in secret She was solicited to receive Harmodius before the ceremony but declined When the marriage came off she would not look at him After they had been pronounced a man and wife she heard her husband said

"My queen"

Eudoxia started The voice was that of the minstrel She looked up, and there beside her was the man who had won her heart and for whom she had offered to give up her kingdom

Harmodius had learned before anyone else that he was the only man the queen could marry and being possessed of a winning voice had sung to her from beyond the wall of the royal garden and found her heart an easy prey

The two ruled as King Harmodius and Queen Eudoxia till the Turks overran that part of Europe in which their kingdom lay

The story of King Harmodius and Queen Eudoxia was long told as an illustration of the power of music, especially over a woman's heart.

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