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so little expense.

Renovating

Chiffon, when only slightly soiled,
may be cleaned by brushing carefully
with powdered starch and borax.
Spread the chiffon on some clean,
flat surface and rub the mixture over
it well, with a soft brush or cloth.
Shake free of this as soon as the
powder shows soil, and after going
over it several times, cover the chif-
fon with the powder and let lie out
of the dust for a few days, then
shake out the powder, and brush,
and the chiffon should be clean, or
at least much improved. The dry
process of cleaning is the most satis-
factory, as in wetting, it is so easily
pulled out of shape.

When goods which are part cotton
and part wool become spotted or
stained, it is doubtful if the stain
can be removed without injury to
the color.

To clean kid slippers, put one-half
ounce of hartshorn into a saucer, dip
a bit of clean flannel into it and
rub the moistened flannel on a piece
of white soap; then rub the slipper
with this, using only until it becomes
soiled, then taking a fresh piece.
This is usually satisfactory.

To restore color to kid shoes, mix
a small quantity of black ink with
the white of an egg and apply to
the leather. For patent leather
brush with a little blacking, filling
any cracks, then rub over with
French polish, or common furniture
polish, laying the polish on with the
finger, and finishing with a soft dry
rag. A mixture of sweet oil and
turpentine will answer to keep pat-
ent leather in good condition.

For cleaning straw hats, unless
sunburned badly, this process will
answer: Brush free from every bit
of dust; take five cents worth of
oxalic acid powder dissolved in half
a pint of water, and with an ordinary
toothbrush scrub the hat with the
preparation, and when it is clean,
rinse free from the preparation and
dry in the sun. If the hat is too
badly stained, give it a coating of
shoe polish.

A good way to darn a large hole
in knit goods is to sew to the under
side of the garment, a piece of mos-
quito netting and darn through the
netting, as you would any darning,
lengthwise and crosswise, and the
darning will be smooth and strong.

An Improved Kitchen Cabinet

In these days, when old fashioned,
out-of-date furniture is of no value
for selling, one can make a good
imitation of a kitchen cabinet of an
old, flat-topped bureau, or dresser.
See that it is in good shape, firmly
fitted together in all its joinings.
Scour off all the varnish and paint,
and sand paper it well, until smooth.
Take out the drawers, and put
shelves in their place, with doors
for closing, instead of the drawer

fronts. Then get a good box of
planed lumber the length of the top
of the bureau, and nearly as wide,
which will make it deep enough for
shelves lengthwise; two shelves, or
three may be put into this box, and
the box fastened on the top of the
bureau. Paint the inside of the box
white, and give a coating of gloss
paint for the last. Paint the tops
and edges of the shelves also with
the white. It is better to have doors
to this box, but a curtain, hung on
brass rods will answer, and curtains
instead of doors may cover the front
of the bureau. In the lower com-
partment may be stored all sorts of
supplies in the bulkier materials,
while the upper part may be used for
the smaller quantities, measuring
cups, spoons, and other things the
cook must have always within reach.
The outside of the top and the
bureau may be painted, grained, or
stained and varnished. Many bits
of furniture which would otherwise
go onto the kindling pile, can be
made to serve excellent purposes for
the kitchen, laundry or summer
kitchen, if one only sets about it.
A saw, plane, hammer, a few nails,
or screws, together with the glue
pot and the paint can, will save many
dimes.

For a club meeting, where the
rule is for simple refreshments, it
is only necessary that the food
should consist of sandwiches, nicely
prepared, little fancy cakes, wafers,
bonbons; a salad may be served with
bouillon or coffee. Chocolate, tea,
served with sugar and cream, or
lemonade or orangeade, are in good
form. The refreshments should be
daintily served.

Witch Yeast

The following recipe for making
one's "own start" of yeast is reliable,
and will make delicious bread: Four
medium sized potatoes boiled and
mashed and mixed with one table-
spoonful of flour, one tablespoonful
of salt and one-half cupful of sugar.
Pour the potato water over the mix-
ture and stir. When cool add a cake
of yeast foam or compressed yeast,
or one-third cupful of home-made
yeast. Set aside a pint for a "start,"
and keep in a glass jar in a cool
place. Add water to the remainder
of the yeast in proportion of a pint
for each loaf of bread to be made;
when the yeast is foamy, add suffi-
cient flour to make a stiff batter,
beating thoroughly. When light,
mix stiff, let rise, knead, let rise
again, make into loaves or rolls, lay
in well greased pans, let rise to twice
the original bulk, and bake from
three-quarters of an hour to one
hour. Whole wheat or graham flour
bread may be made by this recipe,
using the coarser flour instead of the
white, and adding one tablespoonful
of sugar to each loaf.—Clara North
Riley.

In making the coarser flour breads
the dough must not be made as stiff
as for white flour, or the loaf will
be "sawdusty."

Whole Wheat Breakfast Cakes

One pint of whole wheat flour (or
graham flour sifted), one table-
spoonful of baking powder, tea-
spoonful of table salt, tablespoonful
of lard, and one egg. This recipe
will make twelve biscuits or "gems."
Sift flour, baking powder and salt
together, warm the lard in the gem
pans to grease them, or in the bis-
cuit pan. With a spoon stir the
water and lightly beaten egg into
the flour, add the warmed lard, and
when well blended, dip with a wet
spoon and lay by spoonfuls into the
gem pans, and bake as other gems.
When dipping the soft dough, wet
the spoon every time it is used, and
the "gem" will be smoother and drop
more readily from the spoon. These
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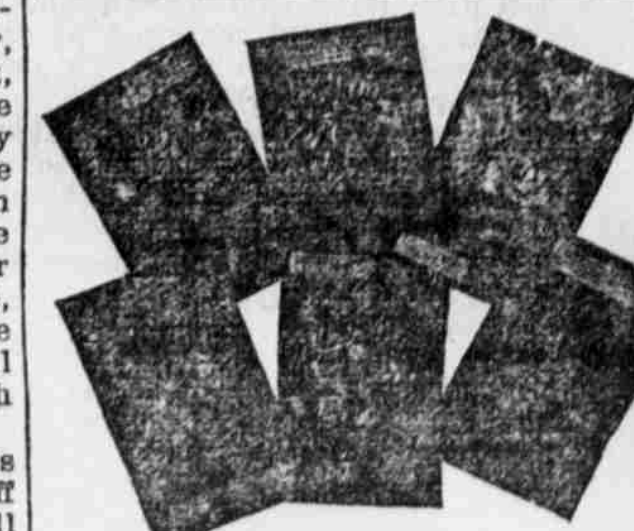
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