

The Housekeeper's Corner.

The bright spring days are an inspiration to the energetic housekeeper. Nature is cleaning up and putting on a new attire; she would do the same. Plans for improving this, and freshening that, for adding a touch here, and another there, flit through her brain until she longs to attack the housecleaning at once. But it is too early yet. The weather is not to be trusted. The warm sunshine of today may give place to something very like a blizzard tomorrow. Then, too, "something to wear" must be provided first, so her plans are put aside for the time and she turns her attention to the clothing. Probably most of you have done the same and have looked over what you have on hand, determining what will do as it is, what may be fixed over, and what must be bought new. Dress skirts, otherwise good, sometimes look shabby and unwearable simply because they are frayed around the bottom and lack stiffening. Such can be made, with a little work, to look as well as new. Rip off the facing, carefully clean and press the skirt. Then open the seams for several inches, taking care not to stretch the cloth out of shape, and fit new interlining smoothly to the lining, stitching it at the upper edge. Spread the skirt on a table over a lap board and draw the goods down over the lining snugly, basting closely, width by width. Trim the edges evenly, re-sew the seams, cut on new facing, and your skirt will look like new. In case a skirt needs lengthening, take off the facing, open the seams, remove old interlining, clean and press the skirt as before. Then piece out the lining to the required length, taking care to save the grain of the goods in the pieces run the same as in the main part of the lining to which it is to be sewed. It is better to lap the pieces on and stitch at both edges than to sew in ordinary seams. The new interlining should extend above the piecing, and both it and the lining should be cut the proper length and shape before the seams of the skirt are re-sewed. Never mind about the length of the outside, only see to it that it is pulled down smoothly as far as it will come, and is basted firmly to the lining, especially at its lower edge, so that it will not sag over the trimming at the bottom when finished. After seams are sewed, spread the skirt out and fit a bias piece, either of the same goods or something which will answer as a trimming, to the bottom. This piece should be cut wide enough to cover all the exposed lining, and should be stretched just a little at the lower edge of the skirt so that the upper edge will lie smooth. Bind the skirt at the bottom in the usual way and sew a piping of the goods over a row of braid around the upper edge of the bias piece. This makes a neat finish.

Shirt waists are as popular as ever. Those shown this spring differ from last year's somewhat, most of them

having the blouse front. Many have ruffles an inch wide down each side of the band in which are the button-holes for fastening. Bodies of different goods from the skirt, but harmonizing in color, are much worn. Linen collars are worn on all save the most dressy. Sleeves have but a slight puff at the bottom and this is usually cut as a part of the sleeve. The epaulette effect is not in vogue this year. Lace at the wrists make a nice finish.

Easter hats show flowers used in abundance as trimming, also light, gauzy silks shirred on wire and twisted and rolled into fancy forms, sometimes shopped into flowers or leaves. More regard is paid to harmony in coloring than last year, and the trimming is arranged broadly and not so high.

DOROTHY.

Good bread is half the battle for the cook, and the housekeeper who can place upon her table something tempting in the way of bread, with good butter, need not worry about her side dishes and desserts. Plain breadmaking is a subject that requires a whole chapter in itself, but we give below some good receipts for rolls, etc., which afford an acceptable change in the bill of fare:

Parker House Rolls.—Sift into your mixing bowl one quart of flour; in the center make a well, heaping the flour as high as possible; into this pour a half cup of yeast mixed with half a pint of warm milk, one tablespoonful of sugar, butter half the size of an egg, and a little salt; this is to be prepared in the morning; at noon mix and knead; let rise until an hour before you want to bake, when it should be moulded and put into bake pans; they should be baked in a moderate oven half to three-quarters of an hour, according to size of rolls.

Apple Bread.—Work a tablespoonful of butter into a pound of light bread dough; divide it into two pieces and roll each one about a fourth of an inch thick; spread the surface lightly with butter and lay the dough on round or oblong pans; peel and core some nice cooking apples, then cut them into quarters, eighths or sixteenths, according to the size; arrange these sections closely over the cakes and sprinkle the surface with ground cinnamon mixed with plenty of sugar; set it to rise, and when the dough puffs up between the apples, bake until the latter are done; heat a knife and cut the cake into small oblong pieces; serve warm with coffee if desired.

German Coffee Cake.—Make a sponge with a pint of warm milk, a cup of white sugar, two eggs and a quarter of a cake of compressed yeast dissolved in a little tepid milk, or use its equivalent in any good yeast; when light, work in flour to smooth dough, rub a little lard over the surface, then cover and let it rise until double the original size, after which work a quarter of a pound of butter thoroughly into the risen mass; do not use too much flour for handling, it tends to make the cake hard; let it stand until again light, then turn upon the moulding board; cut off a portion of the dough; pull and roll lightly to fit the

baking tin, making it about one-half thick; brush the surface with beaten egg and dust with powdered sugar and cinnamon mixed together; let rise till very light and bake in a hot oven; serve cold.

Table linen should never be starched at all; if ironed while quite damp and pressed until dry it takes a certain stiffness which is more lasting, and does not crease, as does the starched linen. Starch also injures the fabric.

A woolen cloth is better than a brush to polish the kitchen stove.

All women cannot have musical voices, but any woman can cultivate a kind voice, and a kind voice is always a sweet one. It allays irritation and soothes one down sometimes quite as effectively as the touch of a soft, cool hand. Ellen Burritt said once: "Watch it day by day as a pearl of great price for it will be worth more to you in days to come than the best pearl hid in the sea. A kind voice is to the heart what light is to the eye."

Dry salt is said to prevent the hair from falling out. Put it on at night and in the morning shake and brush it out, repeating the operation two or three times a week. It is a simple remedy, can do no harm and is worth trying if you are losing your hair.

According to an exchange a little girl has given a new version of the creation. "Dad," she said, "He made Adam, and He put him in a big garden, and Adam he was so, so lonesome; 'n' then He putted him to sleep, He did; 'n' then He took out his brains and made a woman of the brains; 'n' then Adam he wasn't lonesome no more."

Thank God every morning that you have something to do that day, which must be done whether you use it or not. Being forced to work and to do your best will breed in you a hundred virtues which the idle never know.—Charles Kingsley.

Schaeffer Takes the Lead.
ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 7.—Jacob Schaeffer and "Napoleon" Frank Ives began a 600-point 15-ball line game of billiards at the Grand billiard hall last night. The Wizard won easily by a score of 300 to 165 for Ives.

Spanish Cruisers at Porto Rico.
NEW YORK, April 7.—A dispatch from San Juan de Porto Rico announces the arrival there of the Spanish cruisers Vizcaya and Almirante Oquendo, which left Havana last Friday.

Spanish Troops Go to the Canaries.
MADRID, April 7.—Two companies of artillery and two battalions of chasseurs sailed for the Canaries yesterday.

King Otto Again Violently Insane.
MUNICH, April 7.—Insane King Otto of Bavaria has suddenly become worse, and is thought to be dying.

SPANISH MINISTER TALKS.

Still Hopeful of Peace Between the United States and Spain.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The Spanish minister, Senor Polo y Bernabe, was seen at the Spanish legation to-day and consented to talk on the present condition of affairs.

"I am still hopeful of peace," said he. "That may seem optimistic at a moment when such passions are aroused, such naval and military operations are going on, and when the current of public sentiment seems to be that war is inevitable. I can not say that I base my view that peace will prevail upon any direct or official information. On the contrary, it is my individual judgment, based solely upon the conviction that in these enlightened days two self-respecting nations, made up of men and women of high aspirations and noble instincts, cannot and will not resort to that last and brutal expediency of war. It would be too wanton, too criminal, too offensive to all the dictates of civilization and Christianity for such an awful consequence to be brought about."

The minister then discussed at length the Spanish side of the case, and declared that if Spain was left alone the war could soon be ended.

SIX VESSELS SENT.

To Bring General Lee and Other Americans Home.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The United States government has dispatched a fleet of six vessels to Havana to transport Consul General Lee and all the United States consular officials, together with all Americans now in Havana and vicinity who desire to leave the island of Cuba. In addition to these vessels, Consul General Lee is authorized to charter as many other merchant vessels now lying in Havana harbor as he may deem necessary for the safe transport of American citizens.

Missouri Town Elections.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 7.—Town and cities in Eastern Missouri held elections yesterday, but up to a late hour only a few of these had been heard from. Almost without exception the returns showed partial or total victories for the Democrats. Kirksville, Knodnoster, Bowling Green, Poplar Bluff, New Florence, Warrenton and Wright City are the places in which the Democrats were successful. Lebanon re-elected a Republican mayor, and that party carried most of the other offices. Local issues prevailed. Additional returns showed Democratic success in the following places: Milan, Salem, Marshall, Golden City, Sedalia and Carrollton.

Masonite Ticket Elected.

PORT SCOTT, Kan., April 7.—At the city election in Uniontown, Kan., yesterday, the people chose between a men's and a women's ticket. The latter was headed by Mrs. Mary Kowantz and every candidate except those for marshal and street cleaner were women. Mrs. E. C. Julian ran for police judge, and her husband ran for city attorney on the opposite ticket. Mrs. Carrie Ritter ran for clerk, Mrs. E. R. Steel for city attorney, Mrs. Mollie Huff for treasurer and Mesdames Christina Schubert, Josephine White and M. E. Halm for the council. The men's ticket was non-partisan and was elected.

Texas Election Tragedy.

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, April 7.—Two men were killed and one lynched in an election riot yesterday. Carlos Juillen shot Jailer Sam Cobb, who attempted his arrest, wounding him fatally, and then killed Felipe Cobb. A young brother of Juillen blew out Sam Cobb's brains. Carlos was fatally wounded, but this did not prevent a mob getting hold of him and killing him. The boy escaped.

Chicago Election.

CHICAGO, April 7.—In the aldermanic elections in this city the reform element won, electing twenty-five out of thirty-five candidates. The returns for town officers show that the Democrats were successful in electing the town tickets in the three great divisions of the city, North, South and West.

Jefferson City Democratic.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 7.—The municipal election here was for four aldermen only, and a proposition to issue \$10,000 of bonds for street improvements. The Democrats elected three of four. The bond proposition failed.

Fusion Wins in Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 7.—The municipal election resulted in a landslide for the Democratic-Populist ticket, which elected the entire city ticket by a plurality of about 4,000.

Sedalia Democrats Win.

SEDALIA, Mo., April 7.—The election for city officers in this city resulted in almost a complete victory for the Democratic party.

St. Joseph Goes Democratic.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 7.—The city election for mayor, aldermen and other offices was held yesterday. It was a Democratic victory.

Isparheche Equipped.

MUSKOGEE, Ind. Ter., April 7.—Judge Springer to-day granted a temporary injunction against Chief Isparheche, of the Creek nation, and H. C. Reed and James Karab, officers of Muskogee district, in said nation, restraining them from in any manner interfering with the pastures in said district, which are controlled by W. F. Crabtree, a cattleman of this place.

NEW YORK, April 7.—It is admitted by officials that the cost of the ten vessels purchased Monday will be about \$6,000,000.

Do You Want to Sell Your Farm,
your ranch, raw land, mill, factory, town or city property, to some one visiting the Trans-Mississippi Exposition? If so, send to the Homeseekers Land Co., Omaha, for a blank description; fill it out and return and it will be placed in their land catalogue, which will be ready for distribution when the Exposition opens. This Company will find you a buyer.

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STILL AT CAPE VERDE.
Spain's Flotilla Has Not Resumed Its Journey to America.
NEW YORK, April 6.—A dispatch to the New York World from St. Vincente, Cape Verde Islands, says: "The Spanish torpedo flotilla, under command of Commodore Villamil, is still here. Three of the torpedo vessels arrived in one day, three others later, and then the transport came. No more are expected. They are now in good order."
"There are seven vessels in all—three torpedo boats, three torpedo boat destroyers and a merchant ship converted into an auxiliary cruiser, the Ciudad de Cadiz."

Fort Scott Republicans Win.
FORT SCOTT, Kan., April 7.—The entire Republican city ticket was elected in this city, except, perhaps, one councilman.

Tales of Travelers.
Chinese Hostess—And what did you think of that country called America?
Chinese Traveler—The half has not been told. They are more barbarous than even the wisest priests of Buddha had supposed. The American husbands compel their wives to wear a deadly harness of steel and whalebone, the fiendish contrivance being laced so tight that the poor victims can scarcely breathe. In the course of years the vitals are pressed so closely together that the sufferer dies in great agony.
Hostess—But what is this for?
Traveler—So the brutal husband can go off and get a younger wife, of course.

A Little Overdone.
Struggling Pastor—Where are my slippers?
Wife—The last pair you had were so worn out that I had to throw them away.
"Haven't I any more?"
"No, the people are not been sending slippers for several years."
"Humph! These comic papers ought to be suppressed!"—New York Weekly.

Wanted Soap.
Mother—Mercy! what dirty hands!
Little Boy—I think if you had twenty-five boxes of Sellem's soap in the house, wouldn't be so economical about getting it?
"Twenty-five boxes? A box of soap is worth about \$10."
"Yes'm, Sellem & Co. advertise that any boy that sells twenty-five boxes will get a bicycle free."

Spotting All the Fun.
Little Boy—Teacher says they are tryin' to fix balloons so they will go anywhere that people want, and come down wherever they like.
Father—Yes; and they will probably succeed.
Little Boy—Huh! A fellow might as well wheel a wheelbarrow as go up in a balloon like that. No fun at all.

Always Came True.
Little Dick—Does wishing with a wish-bone ever come true?
Little Dot—I wished ten different times, and it came true every time.
"Did it?"
"Yes. I always got the short end of the bone, and everybody said I wouldn't get what I wished for, and I never did."

Needed Some Stimulus.
Manager—I shall shortly produce a new play called "The Gold Bug," and I want you to take the part of the hero.
Actor—Who is he?
Manager—He is the Gold Bug—a millionaire.
Actor—Very well. Pay me my back salary just before the curtain rises and I'll sweep the town.

A Mysterious Boy.
Little Dick—I heard your mother tell my mother that you studied every night till ever so late.
Little Johnnie—Yep; I'm tryin' to get my eyes sore, so I won't have to study at all.

A Convenient Time-Place.
Little Nell (visiting in the country)—Auntie said we must go in when the sun went down, and it's gone now.
Little Johnnie—Let's climb up to the top of that hill. It won't go down here for a good while.

Stage Kisses.
Little Dot—What kind of a kiss is a stage kiss?
Little Dick—in close observation—It's a kiss that doesn't rub the powder off.

Hard to Find.
Little Daughter—I missed in my geography lesson again. Teacher asked me where the United States is.
Mother—Couldn't you answer that?
Little Daughter—N'n'm. It was on the map, but in such big letters I couldn't see zem.

Hearts Already Melting.
Jinks—No use laying in any more coal. We are going to have an early spring.
Mrs. Jinks—Have you noticed any signs?
Jinks—Yes; I saw a society belle politely bowing to a dry-goods clerk that she flirted with last summer.

Plenty of Gilding.
Physician—The truth can no longer be hidden, madame. I am obliged to tell you that your little son is—er—weak-minded. That is—well, it must be said—he is an idiot.
Mrs. Higlopp—How fortunate it is that we are rich. No one will ever notice it!

Law-Abiding Citizens Preferred.
First Footpad—W'y didn't you rob that fellow that just passed?
Second Footpad—He don't look like a law-abiding citizen.
"What difference does that make?"
"I'm afraid he carries a gun."

How English Is Spreading.
Friend—So you think English will become the universal language?
Philosopher—Unquestionably. There are already in it 230,000 words, mostly from other languages, and it won't take long to add the rest.

Hard On Fathers.
Winks—What's the matter, old boy? You look as if you didn't get sleep enough. Got a new baby?
Jinks—No. But a daughter old enough to have callers.

Vulgar Display.

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ROSENBAUM—So hellup me! How Goldstein worships der almighty tollar! Shoost look at dot sofa!

ARTISTS' STUDIOS.

A comparison of the studios of famous artists makes an interesting study. Hans Makart, the great Viennese painter, not content with the quarters provided by the emperor, built himself a studio 72 feet long and 32 wide and fitted it up with all the magnificence and brilliance he could devise.

In the studio of a well-known English humorous artist the most striking feature is a series of cabinets filled with photographs of persons and costumes, all carefully labeled for instant reference. Another humorous artist works surrounded by fine Gothic armor and choice examples of old oak carving.

Gabriel Max, the post-painter of Munich, worked in a studio of small size, uncarpeted, with bare walls and littered with unfinished canvases and empty frames—the very opposite of the ideal sanctum for the post painter. At one time he had in it all sorts of curiosities, living and dead—monkeys, tortoises, snakes and skeletons. When he married his wife banished these specimens.

Bouguereau, one of the most famous of living French painters, has in his studio nothing of the unconventional and luxury of the successful artist. There is nothing in his workshop but the materials for work. A few casts and busts stand on the floor, some unframed studies are on the walls, while here and there is an easel bearing some uncompleted work. He himself, with his neat and quiet dress, suggests a business man rather than an artist.