

of snow-white flowers, which covers it in August and September, gives out the most delightful perfume. Its foliage, too, is beautiful. It certainly deserves the most extravagant praise.

The honeysuckles, especially the almost evergreen Halleana, are all fine vines; the old, native Trumpet creeper, the ivies, the woodbines, the "matrimony vine" of our mothers' gardens, and many others which the catalogues will tell you about, are all ready to serve you and beautify your homes, and right now is the time to order them.

#### "A Stitch in Time."

Do not make the mistake of putting the winter garments away unmended. You will have need for them some early fall day, while the season's duties are pressing, and you lose more than you gain by laying them away out of fix.

All wearing apparel should be laundered and carefully patched and darned. Do not make the mistake of starching any article you put aside, either for the clothes box or the rag-bag. Garments that can no longer be used in their present form should be ripped apart, laundered or sponged and pressed, and laid away among the "to-be-made-overs," or else the best parts of them cut out for patches and the remnants put in the rag-bag. All the odds and ends of materials should be sorted over, folded or rolled into bundles, and put in their proper places.

If one has time for such things, very pretty rugs can be made of the thick pieces, while—every woman loves her patch-work quilt. Many odds and ends can be converted into "carpet-filling," and sent to the weaver to be made into very serviceable rugs; with the use of dyes, these rugs can be made very sightly.

See that every garment has its full complement of buttons well sewed on before putting it away. If you do the knitting for your family, see that the worn-out feet are neatly ripped—not cut—off the leg, and the legs put away to be re-footed. I know a very busy woman who does the knitting for quite a family, and her children never suffer from cold feet. She always knits while she reads. She thinks she could not spare time for the reading otherwise.

When putting away clothing, satur-

### NEVER TOO LATE

#### To Try A Good Thing.

I am fifty-two years old and for forty years of that time I have been a chronic catarrh sufferer, says Mr. James Gieshing, of Allegheny City, with every change of weather my head and throat would be stuffed up with catarrhal mucus.

I could not breathe naturally through the nostrils for months together and much of the time I suffered from catarrh of the stomach. Finally my hearing began to fail and I realized something must be done.

I tried inhalers and sprays and salves which gave me temporary relief and my physician advised me to spray or douche with Peroxide of Hydrogen. But the catarrh would speedily return in a few days and I became thoroughly discouraged.

I had always been prejudiced against patent medicine, but as everything else had failed I felt justified in at least making a trial.

Our good old family physician, Dr. Ramsdell, laughed at me a little, but said if I was determined to try patent medicines, he would advise me to begin with Stuart's Catarrh Tablets because he knew what they contained and he had heard of several remarkable cures resulting from their use, and furthermore that they were perfectly safe containing no cocaine or opiates.

The next day I bought a fifty cent box at a drug store, carried it in my pocket, and four or five times a day I would take a tablet; in less than a week I felt a marked improvement which continued, until at this time I am entirely free from any traces of catarrh.

My head is clear, my throat free from irritation, my hearing is as good as it ever was and I feel that I cannot say enough in praise of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets.

These tablets contain extract of Eucalyptus bark, blood root and other valuable antiseptics combined in pleasant tablet form, and it is safe to say that Stuart's Catarrh Tablets are far superior in convenience, safety and effectiveness to the antiquated treatment by inhalers, sprays and douches.

They are sold by druggists everywhere in the United States and Canada.

ate small bits of cotton with turpentine, and put with it in the boxes or drawers; or bits of lump camphor; or camphor-gum and whole cloves in small cheesecloth bags; these are all said to be "good for moths."

It is sometimes greater economy to give away the old garment to some needy person than to attempt to "do" it over; it is often nearly as great an expense to provide the new linings, trimmings, "piecings" and other needs as to buy a new garment of slightly inferior goods which will outwear the made-over garment, and look twice as well.

#### The Sewing Room.

If possible, in every home there should be one room set apart for the work of sewing. It need not be a large room, but should have plenty of light from large windows, preferably northern exposure, with artificial lighting apparatus well placed for possible use of an evening. The floor would be best stained and varnished, as it could thus be easily brushed up, and all dust be kept off by frequent wipings, but there should be rugs to save the feet from tiring. There should be hooks on the walls for the hanging of garments, several shelves for boxes containing buttons and other findings, pigeon-holes for patterns, rolls of cloth, and the like; a lap-board, a low, armless rocker, a chair for the machine, a footstool, a dress-form, a long table, a long looking-glass, a good, well kept machine, with good, sharp scissors, plenty of good hand needles and several pin-cushions.

The table, shelves, pigeon-holes, rugs, and some other conveniences might be home-made, but the glass, sewing machine, and the lighting apparatus should be, each, excellent of its kind. Especially should there be good light.

#### Query Box.

Mrs. L. O.—Will answer by mail, as requested.

Mrs. F. L.—To remove wax from your floor, wash it with plenty of turpentine, wipe up with soft old rags and burn the rags as soon as done with them. Do not have a fire in the room when scrubbing with the turpentine.

J. E. C.—In putting down matting or strips of carpet, if you have not the metal binding, cut strips of table oil-cloth an inch wide and bind with that, lapping the cloth on either side equally. Tack closely.

Young Mother.—The subject deserves a longer discussion than can be given it in the Query Box. In order to help you, I should know more about the baby, his special requirements, needs, and your ability to care for it. Every child is an individual, and has individual needs, and I could give you only general rules. Have you not some motherly, elderly friend, to whom you might apply for instructions?

Mother's Girl.—For washing small articles of silk, woolen, or woolen and cotton mixed, on which you do not wish to use soap, grate two large Irish potatoes into one pint of water, squeeze well in this, then rub through a flour sieve into one gallon of water, and let settle. Only soft, clear water should be used. Pour off the water from the sediments, and wash your articles in this, rinse thoroughly, and when almost dry, press.

Teresa.—To mend your broken dishes, try this: Stir into a solution of gum arabic enough plaster of paris to make it the thickness of thick cream; apply this with a brush to the perfectly clean edges of the dishes and join tightly until perfectly dry. For coarser articles, good white lead, such as painters use, brushed on the edges, the fracture tightly joined and left to dry—which will take some

time—is thoroughly reliable.

Alicia.—To preserve your highly polished table from scratches and heat marks, use asbestos mats. You can buy the asbestos in sheets of your hardware merchant, and cut them in sizes to suit; make pretty slip covers for them, of linen or other wash material, using embroidery, or stitching around the edges, leaving one side open (pillow-slip-wise) into which to slip two pieces of the asbestos, and on these set your hot dishes. The covers may be laundered when soiled.

Mrs. L. H.—When granite wear gets a hole in it, do not throw it away. Take a copper rivet, such as is used to mend harness, put the rivet through the hole, place the washer on the end of it, put the article to be mended on a hard surface, and hammer the rivet until perfectly tight. It will not leak when used. With care you can use it to cook in.

Farmer's Wife.—To decide where your fleas come from, we must know if your husband raises hogs. To drive them away from the house, try this: Take equal parts of oil (not essence) of pennyroyal and oil of cedar, mix, and drop about, a drop or so at a time, over your floors and on the underwear of yourself and children. Put a little on the cat's throat, rubbing it well into its fur; put a few drops on cotton and lay about your bedding. The oil is like any other grease, and will leave a spot on anything it touches. Fleas were reported as being very abundant in the cities as well as the country last season.

Gasoline will exterminate bed-vermin without leaving any stain on your bedding. Thoroughly go over everything as early in the season as possible, before the eggs are laid, then a few weeks later, go over them again, and, if you have been thorough, you will have no further trouble until some one brings you another supply. Be continually on the alert, for the first "tramp bug" that turns up, and make it your business to at once turn him up. There is little excuse for any one keeping such things. In August, if you suspect their presence, give the house another dosing with gasoline. But be very sure, whenever you use gasoline, to have all outside doors and windows open, and absolutely no fire within reach of its vapor—positively none in the room. It is highly inflammable.

#### A Kitchen Talk.

Any task that is badly or reluctantly done is sure to be irksome and disagreeable; but all things that are irksome or disagreeable need not be badly done. It is the mental attitude that makes or mars. If a woman only knew how much of her success as a cook, or of the health of her family, depended upon the manner in which her "kitchen things" are done, or the condition in which they were left, she would hesitate to intrust their doing to the crude, careless methods of the ordinary hired help, and, I am positive, would take especial pains when doing them, herself.

When you go into your kitchen, satisfy yourself, first, that everything is clean—not merely washed, but that no sign of any former cooking is evident to eye or touch. After using any vessel or utensil, do not "stack" things—do not set them to soak; clean up as you go; have handy a pan of hot water, and as fast as you empty, or finish using your things, wash and put them where they belong; wash out every angle and corner, with good hot water in which a little borax has been thrown. Do not use cool or cold water, but reheat by setting the pan on the range; it is seldom necessary to use soap if your water is hot enough. Wash and thoroughly dry all mixing and measuring vessels as soon as done with, and restore to

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proper place; it simplifies matters greatly to have everything clean and in its place when needed.

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When one sits down to the table, every cooking dish or vessel should be in its place, and if washed as soon as emptied, it is surprising how easily the worst of them "comes clean." With plenty of hot water, soft clean dish rags and drying towels, dish-washing should not be such a bug-bear as it is to many women. When you go to work at it do not give way to rebellion against the "drudgery," for every work in this world has some drudgery attached to its doing, but make up your mind to do this work well, out of respect to yourself; do it, because it has been given you to do—perhaps as a discipline by which to prepare you for some higher duty, the doing of which you would not be prepared to undertake if you do this preparatory work ill. Remember, it is the "faithful in little things" that is to give you rulership over the greater.

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