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other given, until the pores of the leather are filled and the surface shines, it will make the soles waterproof, and cause them to last three times as long.

**Waterproof Blacking**—Tallow, one pound; bees wax, one-fourth pound; castor oil, or neat's foot oil, half a pint; lamp-black, half an ounce. Mix by heating and stirring well. Neat's-foot oil, with a little tallow and bees wax, to make into a paste, colored with lamp-black, applied while quite warm, will make the shoes waterproof. Any of these pastes should be soaked into the leather by applying them before the fire and rubbing them well in. Tallow, two parts, and rosin one part, melted and blended together over the fire, and applied hot until the leather will soak no more, is recommended. The footwear should be rather loose, admitting of wearing cork soles inside, which will keep the feet warm. Oil or grease alone will rot the stitching between soles and uppers, but if rosin is used with it, the rosin will prevent the oil becoming rancid.

### Health Notes

Now is the season for a "cold in the head," and if you are so unfortunate as to have contracted one, get the druggist to mix a small quantity of menthol into five cents worth of white vaseline; apply a bit into each nostril, one at a time; close the mouth and the free nostril lightly; breathe deeply until the effect is felt through the head and throat, and repeat in a few minutes through the other nostril. Relief will be rapid.

We are assured that the belief that sugar ruins the teeth of children is utterly groundless. The strongest teeth are found in the mouths of negroes brought up on sugar plantations, who, from their earliest years upward consume more sugar than any other class of people in the world. Sweets are a necessity to some people, as well as children, and good, pure, home-made candy may be eaten freely by the children at mealtime.

There are thousands of people who are suffering from indigestion caused by eating fruit, but who persist in the practice because so much is written in its favor, and they do not know how to discriminate. Many people can eat cooked fruits in some form who can not eat the raw fruit, while with others, it is just the opposite. There is a very large contingent who are arriving at the conclusion that fruit as a part of breakfast is undesirable, while many others are convinced that fruit eaten at bedtime is very injurious to the digestion.

For the prevention of colds, the feet should be kept warm, and though little is said of them, the hands also play a part in the taking of cold. The extremities should be kept warm. If the soles of the stockings become damp through perspiration, which they frequently do, they should be changed and dried. Breathing through the nose with the mouth closed is essential when in the cold, as the air has a chance to get warm before it reaches the lungs. Colds may be taken while in bed, if ample covering is not at hand, and an open window at night is hardly advisable where one is very susceptible to attacks of the air passages.

### After the Baby's Bath

Many babies do not know what it means to have their skin dried thoroughly. If the bath water is warm, the clothes soft and dry, the mother understands her business, there should be no trouble. Hand-drying is recommended by many mothers as the most satisfactory. It requires brisk but gentle rubbing to avoid chill; half dry the body, then, with

your warm hand, rub and smooth and gently slap the tender little body, always giving the bath in a warm corner out of any draft, and the baby will coo instead of cry. This drying leaves the skin soft, warm and rosy, and induces sleep as soon as the child is laid down. The mother should have a bathing apron, made of a double flannel, the top one is to be thrown over the nurses shoulder while the baby is resting on the lower one, being thoroughly lathered with a pure soap, ready for the water, into which he is then dipped very gently and slowly, then carefully washed, lifted out of the water and wrapped snugly in the top apron which will absorb the water and prevent chill. The work should be done quickly and gently.

### Some Good Soaps

When using toilet soaps, throw the scraps and ends into a can until a quantity has accumulated; cut the pieces up quite fine and cover with cold water, set on the stove and simmer (do not boil) until all is dissolved; then stir in corn meal to thicken; add one tablespoonful of pure glycerine, and level teaspoonful of powdered borax; stir until well mixed. Then wet a small baking-powder can and pour in the soap; let stand until cold, then turn out and cut into small cakes, or wrap in oiled paper. An excellent soap for shampooing is made in the same way, leaving out the meal, and, if the hair inclines to be dry, use the glycerine, omitting the borax; for oily hair, use the borax only. Without the meal, this soap will not get hard. Do not rub soap on the hair, but dissolve the

soap in water before shampooing. It is almost impossible to wash soap out of the hair if rubbed on from the cake.

### The Fireless Cooker

While it is conceded by all who have proven its value, that the fireless cooker is almost invaluable for the warm months, or where one can not from any cause attend to cookery over the range, it is a debatable question with some, where one has to have heat for the rooms, or where other household matters demand a continuous fire, whether in winter it is of general value to the housewife. Much is said on both sides.

### A PROGRESSIVE PARTY

Baraboo (Wis.) Democrat: Prompted, no doubt, by the recent statement of President-elect Wilson that "the time has come when men must stand up and be counted," the Milwaukee Journal is getting expressions from democrats on the future policy of the democratic party in this state. It is too early to draw conclusions, but our guess is that when the canvass is completed, the progressive democrats—those who believe in the kind of democracy advocated by Bryan, Wilson and others in the same class—will be in the majority.

### JOHNNIE GOES UP HEAD

"Johnnie," asked his teacher, "can you give us a sentence using the word 'income' in it?" Johnnie hesitated a moment, then: "Yes'um," he replied. "The boy opened the door and in come a cat." —Woman's Home Companion.

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