

inclined to be dry and scaly, bathe nightly in milk that is just on the point of turning. Let it dry on the face. Half a cupful will be amply sufficient for the purpose.

Soft rain-water to wash in will in a short time improve the poorest complexion. Even the hair will grow brighter in its tints if exposed occasionally to the wind and the rain.

Some children cannot stand bathing oftener than once a week. Where this is the case, sponge the body with ammonia water, after which rub all over with olive oil or almond oil; cocoa butter is also strengthening; and the child receives nourishment in this way. This same treatment applies to invalids, who may also receive strength by being rubbed with a preparation of cod liver oil when the stomach is too weak to retain it.

For beating cakes and making sauces every cook should be supplied with wooden spoons.

Tough meat or chicken can be made tender and good by putting a dessert or large teaspoonful of cider vinegar in the pot in which it is cooking or in the gravy with which it is basted when roasting in the oven.

Tea leaves placed on carpets before sweeping or wet paper torn in small pieces and thrown over the carpets will prevent the dust from flying around and settling on the furniture, and will also cleanse the carpet.

Mildew on linen can be removed by rubbing first with soap then with lemon juice and salt on both sides, then place in the sun for an hour.

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somewhat like the old-time "Consequences," is a very interesting and amusing game. The players sit in a circle, each one being provided with a pencil and paper. The company is then bidden to write the name of some book which has been recently published. Each paper is then folded over and passed to the player on the left, who, without seeing the title of the book, writes the name of some living author. The papers are then folded again and passed to the left, and each one writes the opinion of the press, signing it with the name of some newspaper or magazine. This in turn is folded down and passed on and another review added, and so continued until each player has expressed an opinion or written a "review" on each book, and each one has again the paper with which he started. The papers are then unfolded and read aloud, each in turn, and you can imagine that some very amusing reviews will be the result.

Here is some fun for the boys and girls: Get a crowd together, appoint an umpire to decide on pronunciation, with a good dictionary as a final resort, and offer a prize for the one who can pronounce all the words in the following without a mistake. Perhaps you can catch father, mother, or teacher on some of them, too:

"A sacrilegious son of Belial who has suffered from bronchitis, having exhausted his finances, in order to make good the deficit resolved to ally himself to a comely, lenient, and docile young lady of the Malay or Caucasian race. He accordingly purchased a callope and coral necklace of a chameleon hue, and in securing a suite of rooms at a principal hotel he engaged the head waiter as his coadjutor.

"He then despatched a letter of the most exceptional calligraphy extant, inviting the young lady to a matinee. She revolted at the idea, refused to consider herself sacrificable to his desires, and sent a polite note of refusal, on receiving which he procured a carbine and a bowie knife, said that he would not now forge fetters hymeneal with the queen, went to an isolated spot, severed his jugular vein, and discharged the contents of the carbine into his abdomen. The debris was removed by the coroner."

Until one has tried it he would not believe how many words in the above he will mispronounce. Try it once, and see.

At this time of the year, when everyone is busy selecting seeds and plants for the year's planting it is a good time to vary the monotony by letting each member of the family select a flower or plant from the catalogue and see how many and how funny telegrams he can make by using the letters as they come in the name of the flower, letting each letter begin some word and all to make a telegram, as, for example, take the word lily: Let Ida leave Yokahama. This shows how they may be made. The players may sign their own names or one formed by using the last letters in the name of the flower. This is a great deal of fun. Try it some stormy day or in the evening.

**Roped In**

General Frederick D. Grant was praising the intelligence of a certain colonel.

"He it is," he said, "of whom they tell the church-parade story.

"His men were drawn up for church parade one Sunday morning, but the church was undergoing repairs, and could not accomodate all.

"Sergeant major," said the colonel, "tell all the men who don't want to go to church to fall out on the reverse flank."

"About 60 per cent of the men quickly and gladly fell out.

"Now, sergeant major," said the colonel, "dismiss the men who didn't fall out, and march the others in to church. They need it most."

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