

NEWS OF THE BUSY HOME BUILDERS

WINDOW AND DOOR COVERINGS

Important Item in the Artistic Furnishing of a Home.

BATH FIXTURES IN ONE PIECE

New Method of Manufacture Does Away with Objections Formerly Found in Porcelain Equipment for Lavatories.

The selection of the proper coverings for windows and the proper furnishings for portieres and open doorways in the house is an important branch of home furnishing.

The latest style in this line advocates only light curtains. It used to be the thing to have heavy hangings at the windows and the thicker they were and the deeper their pleats and drappings the richer they were supposed to look.

For portieres silks or heavy madras are made in apartment houses, while in dwellings of more liberal dimensions the householders may use to advantage brocades, velours or monk's cloths.

Following the passion for mission style furniture has come furniture which any man can put together in his own home.

It is not of that style which was formerly advocated by Bill Nye, who gave minute instructions in his household department "how to make a chair out of tomato cans."

The eight-story warehouse of the Willow Springs Brewing company has just been wired by the American Electric company.

There is an enormous demand in Omaha for porcelain bath room fixtures at present, said a representative of the Johnson-Rowe-Daly Plumbing company.

One of these bowls as now made has the slab, bowl, overflow, apron, back and ends all in one piece. There is nothing about it that can get out of order or leak.

At Twentieth and Burt streets a large flat is being erected and the builder is proceeding upon the principal, novel among builders but old and tried among wise housewives, namely that a job of work can be done just as well without making a lot of "mess and litter" as by doing so.

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Concerning Dwelling Place Needs

By Marion Harris Bell.

Do I really want it? Can I do without it? These are two questions which a very rich man advised all persons to ask themselves when they think of going into a store.

A person who seems to think only of saving and has no idea of the many little extra comforts of life is one to be pitied; but any one of limited means who spends every cent he earns simply to appear to be as grand as other people is a person to be pitied.

A desire to be always in the fashion and to be as grand as every one else is the ruin of thousands, both rich and poor.

Buy what you want, and buy it of the best if you can, is good advice for the furnisher of a house.

Those who are starting in life and beginning housekeeping will do well to be steady and thrifty.

Everything should be kept in its place, and it would be well in most houses if there were not so many things for this one place.

In kitchens and sculleries and living rooms there are generally twice as many things as are necessary.

And in addition to this space there is the matter of dust and disease. In times of illness everything that can be removed is taken out of the room.

New articles do not remain always new, nor clean things always clean.

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The work. It is a saving of time and labor to clean well, because things remain clean much longer than when they are done in a slovenly, careless way.

In order to ensure the no part of the housecleaning is overlooked every housekeeper should have set times for doing her extra work.

The amount of cleaning that a house requires day by day must be regulated by the extent to which it is used.

In cleaning a kitchen the range should receive the first attention.

It should also be remembered that if rust and other marks are removed at once much hard rubbing will be avoided.

All cooking utensils should be cleaned after being used, before they are put away.

Before beginning to scrub a floor it should be well swept and the following things be at hand:

When this is done, remove the dirty water from the floor with the flannel, making the boards as clean as you can.

It is very desirable that, in scrubbing a floor, one should begin at the window end and move backward to the door of the room.

Before sweeping a carpet sprinkle on it some well washed tea leaves; or, if these are not at hand, any leaves from the garden, washed and left damp, do almost equally well.

Having gone over the room with the broom, take the hand brush and well brush the dust from the edges and corners into the dust pan.

As cleaning is such a necessary part of the routine of every well conducted house, a due amount of time should be devoted to it, and it should be done in proper order and not in a haphazard sort of way.

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COSTS TO LAUGH IN COURT

Man Giggles at Thought of Mother-in-Law in His House and is Fined.

When S. A. Myers, 395 Dodge street, thought of living in the same house with his mother-in-law, as he stood before the justice magistrate he giggled and received a stiff fine, just as Judge Bryce Crawford was about to dismiss the case against the alleged humorist.

Myers appeared in police court charged with drunkenness and abusing his wife. He told a straightforward story which impressed the police judge, and as he looked at the man before him he remarked: "Circumstances sometimes alter cases in this court, Di."

Then Myers made the mistake of his life. "My mother-in-law and sister-in-law live with us," he said.

But he could not control his mirth. He snickered in his sleeve and then in his handkerchief. "My mother-in-law lives with us, my mother-in-law," he repeated.

Judge Crawford looked up slowly as Myers struggled to control his mirth. He simply could not stand it. The idea of being charged with abusing his wife with his sister-in-law and his mother-in-law living in the same house, touched the prisoner's funny bone and he was all "foolishness."

Magistrate Crawford and the court officials did not appreciate the humor of the situation as Myers did and the prisoner drew a fine.

CONNECTING LINK FOR HILL

Such is What Moffat Admits His New Line West of Denver to Be

It is announced from Denver and verified by Mr. Moffat that the new line which he is building west from Denver is to form a connecting link in the Hill systems, connecting the Burlington at Denver with the Clark line at Salt Lake.

When this is done, remove the dirty water from the floor with the flannel, making the boards as clean as you can. Then, with the drying cloth, well rub the spot, washing and scrubbing the rubber as often as may be required.

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CHEMISTRY BUREAU IN CITY

New Department to Be Established in Federal Building.

WILL BRING A LARGE FORCE

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson Asks Treasury to Allow Him Room in Omaha for Permanent Staff.

Indications point to the probability that another important federal department headquarters is to be added to the federal building force of Omaha, which will bring a large number of officials and clerks here as permanent residents.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has addressed a letter to the secretary of the treasury asking for quarters in the federal building at Omaha for the use of a branch laboratory of the Bureau of Chemistry.

It is possible that a considerable clerical force will be employed. Secretary Wilson intimates that it is desirable to have the laboratory located near the offices of the appraisers.

Custodian Barrows in reply to the request on him for rooms has answered his department that only one suite of rooms are now available in the big building under his charge, those being the suite on the second and floor formerly occupied by the railway mail service.

It is possible that further inquiry will be made for quarters in South Omaha, as the laboratory people would naturally have a large amount of business coming before them from the various packing houses.

COUPLE MORE INDICTMENTS

Bills Returned Against John Williams and Arthur Norcott, Grand Island and Broken Bow.

In addition to the indictments returned by the federal grand jury Friday and not heretofore announced, are indictments against John Williams of Grand Island for mailing an obscene letter, and against Arthur Norcott for breaking into and robbing the postoffice at Broken Bow in August last, obtaining as a result of his robbery \$45 in postal funds.

No true bills were found in the cases of W. F. Barada, T. A. Felix, Albert Lamson and Charles Ellis, who were charged with selling liquor without procuring the government license. The dismissal of the case against Ellis was caused by the fact that he is now under sentence of three years in the Nebraska penitentiary for holding up a drug store in South Omaha.

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