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We bought a lambswool brush for our hardwood floors and had used it several times when we discovered that the wool was literally alive with vermin. The directions for use which came with it read that hot water would injure the wool; but we used very warm water and soaked the brush for several hours in it, then picked it over carefully with a short piece of coarse-toothed comb, until every trace of lye was destroyed and removed. The soaking was repeated twice afterward at intervals of a week, and we had no further trouble. The brush came from one of the best We bought a lambswool brush for week, and we had no further trouble. The brush came from one of the best department stores in the country, and there is probably no way to be sure the wool does not become infested when the brush is made or while it awaits sale. So, every housewife who wishes to prevent the spread of insects in her house should examine such brushes carefully because the statement of the sale examine such brushes carefully before she uses them. No doubt some
mild chemical preparation could be
used in the water, without hurting
the wool, but we found the above
treatment all that was necessary.—
J. F. P., New York.

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What to do with mutton fat was long a problem, our fondness for land keeping us supplied with this commodity. I tried keeping the scraps for soap-making, but found them unpleasant to have around in a city flat. I now try out the scraps as they accumulate, consigning the "cracklings" only to the garbage can, and keeping the clear fat in tightly covered pails. Sufficient is collected before it has time to become a nuisance, and is quickly converted into hard soap by the uncooked process, two granite preserving kettles being hard soap by the uncooked process, two granite preserving kettles being all the utensils necessary. Lye and fat are melted separately, then while lukewarm are stirred together. In this way I make fine soap for dishwashing that is "clean enough to eat," and all for the price of a can of condensed lye,—M. E. S. H., Michigan.

After trying numerous keeping patterns, I found the follow-ing to be the best scheme: Buy large manila clasp envelopes, such as may be had at all stationery stores. Split the pattern envelope down one side and across the bottom, and paste it on the manila envelope. In this way, both sides of the pattern envelope with instructions and chart, can be with instructions and chart, can be seen at once, which is a great advantage while working. Then slip the pattern into the manila envelope. It is very easy to keep it in order in this way, as the pattern need not be folded as small or as accurately as when returned to its own envelope. Fasten the manila envelope with the cord or clasp, and the pattern will be in neat and convenient shape when you want it again.—C. M. T., New York.

Are your polished floors disfigured by the water dripping from steam-radiator vents? We obtained at the local five-and-ten-cent store several aluminum individual molds, shaped like toy pails, and approximately two inches high. We coated each of these neatly with radiator paint, punched a small hole on either side, attached a handle of wire thread, and hung the completed device from the offending tent close up to prepare sent tellogs up to prepare sent tellogs. vent, close up, to prevent spattering. These little pails matched the radia-tor, were so small as to be scarcely noticeable, and effectually prevented the spotting of floors. We now have them on every radiator. Those at-tached to the leakiest vents seldom require emptying oftener than once a month.—R. A. A., Joliet, Ill.

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Take a board fourteen by eighteen inches and one inch thick, and put on four casters; tack a strap at one end, set in the kitchen and it will come in handy many times a day. When mopping, set a pail on it and it can be easily moved around; when washing, set the clothes basket on it, a tub or pail of water. A sack of flour or potatoes can be easily moved in this way.—E. H., Chicago, Ill.

Hoof and Claw

what he could not understand, prodded the can with an eviscerating antier. He prodded it so hard that not only one prong but a tiny projecting fork also went clean through the tin. Then he threw up his head sharply, expecting to toss the wreck into the air.

To his surprise it refused to be

into the air.

To his surprise it refused to be tossed. It just clung where it was, and began to pour its contents down in a sticky deliberate stream, all over his head, and ears, and face. He shook his antiers indignantly—and the can thereupon threw wider its suave coils of richness, till they laced his neck and his gashed flank. Finding that the insignificant but obstinate thing would not let go, he lowered his antiers and struck at it indignantly with one of his hinder hooves. When this attempt proved futile he fell to rooting and prodding the ground, till the stickiness had the ground, till the stickiness had gathered a copious tribute of leaves and twies and dirt. This process not accomplishing his purpose, he lifted his head and glanced about him with a worried air, his faith in his own prowess apparently for the first time shaken.

McLaggan shricked. He flung both arms and legs about his branch to keep from falling, and clung there

At the strange sound of his laughter the bull returned beneath the branch and gazed up at him—no longer, as it seemed to McLaggan, insolently, but reproachfully.

"Go 'way, durn ye! Or ye 'll be the death o' me yet!" gasped McLaggan.

Once more the bull's eyes blazed; and again he shook his antlers in de fiance. But as he did so the can, now quite empty and resonant, gave forth a hollow clatter. The fire faded from the bull's eyes, and he jumped adde nervously. The can clattered againstill in the same place. The bull jumped yet again and shook his head violently. The can gave voice more clamorously. At that the courage of the valiant fighter, whom neither rival bull, nor panther, nor man himself could daunt, melted to skim milk. He broke into panic flight through He broke into panic flight through the bushes; and the hollow protest-ings of the can kept time to the madness of his going.

McLargan, with aching ribs, climbed down from his refuge, and stood sur-veying the wreckare of his supplies. There was nothing left worth picking except his axe.

"I'm oblegged to ye fer leavin' me the axe," said he. "But ye might 'a' took it an' welcome. The show was worth the price!"

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