

WOMEN AND FASHION

that nothing whatever could have been gained by two or three weeks' further resistance at Port Arthur.

Women and Housekeeping. If there be any one thing more than another calculated to try the patience of a faithful house-keeper, it is to discover, after dutifully accomplishing a morning's routine work, a rip in the carpet, or a worn place in the rug, or a stain on the wall.

It is a fact that men are not given to a warm appreciation of domestic virtues; they take them too much as a matter of course; they do not stop to consider that washing dishes and sweeping floors and cooking meals is work, and work of the very hardest and most trying kind.

PREVIOUS EXISTENCE.

What the High Priestess of Theosophy Recently Said About It. "I believe in the transmigration of souls," declared Mrs. Annie Besant, leader of the Theosophists, upon whom has fallen the mantle of Mme. Blavatsky, in a recent interview.

Japan has proved its disposition to do its part toward solving the problem of Japanese labor in this country and Canada. The Japanese government has issued instructions to prevent emigration to the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Hawaiian Islands.

Mexico seems to believe that with the Philippines the United States has all the islands it needs, for it has lately claimed Arica Keys, guano islands in the Gulf of Mexico, eighty miles off the coast of Yucatan.

The most northerly point of land known is Cape Morris Jessup on an island north of Greenland. It was discovered by Commander Peary in 1900, and named after the president of the Peary Arctic Club, Morris K. Jessup, who has lately died.

Governor Hughes said a fine and telling thing in colloquial form when he discussed, before the enemies of race track gambling, the plea that it was a necessary condition to "improve the breed of horses."

Too Late to Learn. The native French-Canadian continues to tell good stories, if one may judge by that quoted by a contributor to the London Literary World. He was talking of the Quaker in Canada, when the French-Canadian interrupted him.

That. "That," said the agile dentist, as he sidestepped the leap of the infuriated patient whose dental cavity he had just probed with startling results, "is what I call a jumping toothache."

guest. Many women could confess to their great annoyance at receiving a card stating that a guest would arrive at that day and "please meet me at the train." Possibly there is not a vacant room in the house for a guest and hundreds of trains may come in during the day, yet the writer never states what train to meet and the annoyance of preparing meals and the like makes a guest of this kind anything but welcome.

Elaborate braiding is seen on many of the newest models, both in cloth and velvet, the narrow soutache being the most popular. Braiding, combined with heavy embroidery, is particularly effective on broadcloth or velvet.

DAINTY HOME-MADE NEOLIGEE.

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Getting to Sleep. If you are troubled with insomnia some of the following ideas are worth trying out, as they are certain to accomplish what seems impossible of achievement, without sleep successfully.

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Miss Mira L. Dock, who is one of the vice-presidents of the State Federation of Pennsylvania Women, has the unique honor of being the only woman on the forestry commission of Pennsylvania.

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boiled and strained, thirty drops of alcohol, one ounce of oxide of zinc, eight grains of bichloride of mercury, twenty drops of glycerin.

Your Scalp. An appalling amount of injury may be done to scalp and tresses by ignorance in brushing and combing. For instance, tangles must be removed gently, if the hair is not to be snapped, and the comb must go lightly over the scalp, stimulating circulation, without scratching.

Through Easily Stopped.

This is a most distressing and obstinate complaint to those in whom it occurs, says the Family Doctor. We do not refer, of course, to the hiccough attendant upon great prostration of the system, but to those instances (very frequent, indeed) of a simple spasmodic condition of stomach and esophagus which assails the individual without any other symptom



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Mr. Froling brings the facts of the finding of the remains of a mastodon in an almost complete state of preservation. The body of the mammoth was found forty feet below the surface, Mr. Froling says, seven miles up Woodchoppers' creek, a small stream that flows into the Yukon about forty or fifty miles above Circle City.

By great effort they got the carcass out of the earth, the task proving a most disagreeable one, owing to the field odors arising from it. Much of the meat was still in a good state of preservation and was eaten by the dogs and wild animals that came about the camp at night.

THE FAMILY DOCTOR

This is an extremely infectious disease, often confounded with a common cold, but really an entirely different affair. It attacks young adults more frequently than the very old or children, but no age is exempt, especially during severe and widespread epidemics.

An attack confers immunity for a variable period, from a few months to a year, but after that there appears to be an increased susceptibility. Many persons suffer from the disease every year.

Influenza prevails chiefly in late autumn and winter, although epidemics may occur in the summer, especially if the season is cold and wet. The disease assumes one of three special forms, called from the parts chiefly affected the respiratory, the digestive and the nervous.

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Keep Gloves White. To keep white gloves from soiling when carrying muff, pin with small safety pins a clean handkerchief in muff.

Huge Animal in Perfect State of Preservation in Dug Up. John Froling has just returned to his home in this city after an absence of nearly seven years in Alaska and the Yukon territory, says a Tacoma dispatch to the New York Herald.

Several miners there had staked out claims and were going through the frosty earth in an effort to strike pay dirt. They were operating a steam plant, running down points, and were one day surprised by noticing a peculiar smell of flesh emanating from the excavation.

Upon investigating they found that they were immediately upon the carcass of some immense animal, which the almost red-hot steam was rapidly decaying after it had lain in the frozen clasp of its earthly bed for untold years.

HOUSEHOLD TALKS

Corn Cake. A Southern corn cake recipe is a valuable addition to one's scrap book, says the Woman's Home Companion. Mix and sift three-fourths of a cupful of corn meal, one and one-fourth cupfuls of pastry flour, one-fourth of a cupful of sugar, one-half teaspoonful of baking powder; add one cupful of milk, one egg well beaten and one and one-half tablespoonfuls of melted butter.

Remove the bone from a fillet of veal and fill the cavity with a forcemeat made of a little minced salt pork and stale bread crumbs, seasoned with salt, pepper and a little thyme or summer savory, and fasten securely with skewers or cord. Put some thin slices of salt pork over the fire in a Scotch bowl or frying pan, and when the fat flows freely brown the veal nicely on both sides; then cover with boiling water and simmer until tender, removing the cover half an hour before it is done.

Delicious Pineapple Eclair.

Weigh four eggs in their shells. Take the weight of the eggs in sugar and half their weight in flour. Add to the flour a teaspoonful of baking powder and a pinch of salt. Sift the flour. Beat the yolks of the eggs until thick, adding alternately the flour and sugar. Lastly, stir in the well-whisked white of the eggs, with vanilla flavoring. Make in small tins; put less than a tablespoonful of butter in each, and bake in a steady oven. When nearly cold spread them with pineapple marmalade and place two together, the rounded side outward. Mask with dull pink icing, flavored with pineapple.

Bread Pudding.

One cupful bread crumbs, prepared as for brown bread; one cupful sweet milk, one cupful brown sugar, one-half cupful molasses, three tablespoonfuls melted butter, two cupfuls flour, one cupful raisins, or currants, teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful cloves and nutmeg, teaspoonful baking powder. Steam three hours and a half.

German Pastry.

Three cups flour, three cups milk, three eggs—whites and yolks beaten separately and very light; three teaspoonfuls melted butter, one saltspoonful salt.

Beef Balls.

Chop or grind in a sausage mill 2 pounds of raw beef, with one-fourth of a pound of salt, skinned or chopped; season to taste with salt, pepper and a little cloves if liked; mix in a handful of flour, and mold into balls and fry in hot drippings to a nice brown, turning to brown both sides. Serve hot.

Clear Coffee.

To settle coffee, beat an egg in one-half cup of sugar and use a teaspoonful of the mixture to a mess, with cold water sufficient to mix smoothly, then add boiling water. The coffee will be better than when too much egg is used. Keep the mixture covered and it will keep nicely till used.

Short Suggestions.

For cleaning tinware there is nothing better than dry flour applied with newspaper. To remove smoke stains from ivory immerse it in benzine and go over it with a brush. Boil six peach kernels in a quart of milk to be used for custard; it will improve the flavor. Keep all the kitchen utensils in one place and a small one at that; it will save time and steps. To remove coffee stains rub the spots with glycerin and water and they will disappear as by magic. If the knife and fingers are slightly buttered when seeding raisins the work will be robbed of its stickiness and discomfort. A tincup filled with vinegar and placed on the back of the stove will prevent the odor of cooking from pervading the house. Heat a lemon thoroughly before squeezing and you will obtain nearly double the quantity of juice that you would if it had not been heated. Dip half a lemon in salt and rub on knife handles; then wash immediately in warm water and the handles will be as white as when they were new. As soon as a salt ham or tongue is cooked remove it from the boiling water to a pan of cold water for a few seconds. This will loosen the skin, which may be easily peeled off. Cover your kitchen table with zinc; then the hottest pots and pans can be put on it without spoiling it. Soap and water will easily clean it and a rubbing once in a while with kerosene keeps it bright.