

About the House

TROUBLESOME WEEDS AS GREENS.

"If these country men and women would learn that there are better spring tonics in their meadows and fields than can be found in any drug store, they would be better off," a physician once told me. Many housewives would consider some of our "noxious weeds" delicious if they were sold on the market as early green succulent foods. But when these same plants may be had for the picking they are scorned. These early greens are wonderful blood purifiers and should make a large part of our spring diet.

There are many elaborate salads, etc., in which dandelions and other spring greens play an important part, but to most of us the old-fashioned "boiled greens" are the best. A simple and reliable way to cook them is to boil till tender in salted water, with a good ham bone, or lacking this, slices of bacon or salt pork may be used. When tender, drain and cut across several times with a very sharp knife. Pour ham, bacon or pork fryings, or melted butter, over them and serve hot. If any are left, they may be reserved by molding in tiny cups and French dressing added just before serving.

Never be careless in cleaning the greens. Each leaf should be washed separately, and on each side.

Purslane may be cooked alone or with other greens. It makes a delicious addition to stews and soups, and is a member of the Portulacace family. It is one of the few greens that is good when served either hot or cold.

Long before our garden greens are ready for use—and sometimes before they are planted—the sour dock is ready for use. We consider it superior to either kale or spinach, and although some people object to using it because of the acid contents, there is in reality not enough acid in the plant to be in the least injurious. These same people eat rhubarb without a thought of danger from the acid, and yet there is more acid in a single stalk of rhubarb than in enough sour dock for an entire meal. This plant will furnish greens until there are plenty of others to take its place.

Lamb's quarter is not liked by some people because of its flat taste, but when used with mustard, or some

other leaf with a sharp taste, is delicious.

Wild sorrel is good as greens, and also makes a delicious and unusual soup when boiled very gently in rich beef stock. Be very careful that it does not boil to pieces. When tender, serve with buttered toast.

Of course, everyone is familiar with dandelions, but some people do not know that it is the best plant known for the liver.

Cowslips are one of the best greens known, and are usually quite plentiful in low, marshy land.

Of all greens, wild mustard is the favorite in our family. It is fine cooked with other greens or by itself. It is easy to pick and easy to clean, and makes a good substitute for lettuce. The young tender sprouts of milkweed make an excellent substitute for asparagus. It is cooked the same and served the same. When the leaves are larger they make good greens.

Greens are ready to use before the garden vegetables and fruits are ready to be canned, and as the housewife is not usually so busy then as she is later in the season, it is a good plan to can some for winter.—N. P.

VULCANIZING TUBES.

A schoolgirl who disliked needlework, and who had no skill in other domestic tasks, was nevertheless eager to earn some money. One day when she was spending the afternoon with a girl friend she noticed her friend's brother at work in the garage. He had just finished mending the inner tube of a tire and was preparing to vulcanize another puncture. He placed the tube, with a bit of rubber covering the puncture, under a small iron cup containing two ounces of gasoline. The gas was lighted and allowed to burn for about twenty minutes. When the tube was removed it showed a complete union of tube and patch.

That evening the girl asked her father what he did with his tire tubes when they needed repairs. She found that he took them to the garage to be mended. She told him that, if he would buy the vulcanizer, she would mend his tires and pay him for the machine. He agreed. The outfit cost two dollars, and after the tubes that she mended had been tested and found to be all right, her little business career was launched.

She carried one of the vulcanized

tubes to a neighbor. He was pleased with her frank, businesslike manner and found it a great convenience to have his work done near by. She charged thirty-five cents for each hole that she vulcanized, and she soon had a remunerative and continuous business among the car owners of the neighborhood.

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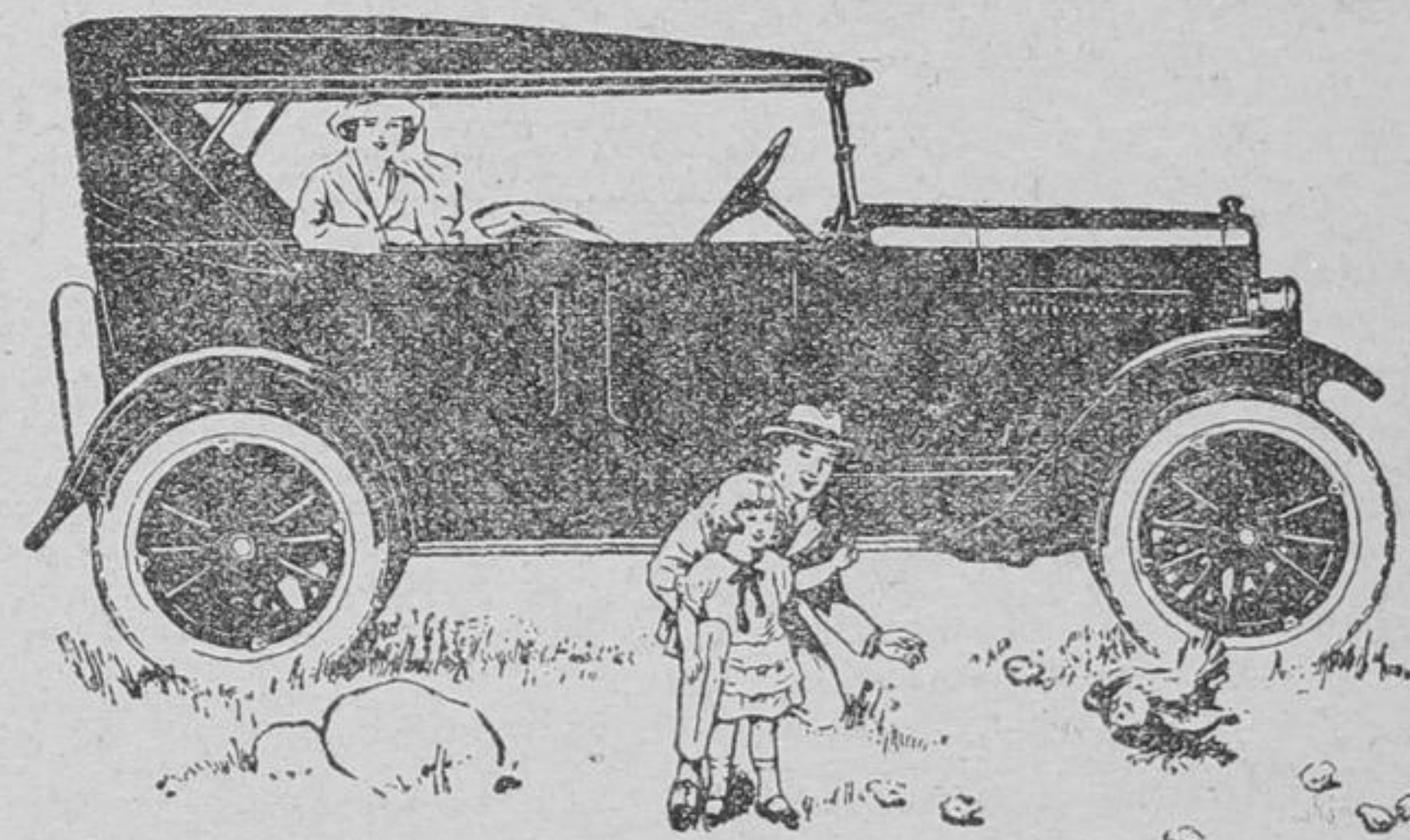
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If windows are very dusty on outside, wipe off with a dry cloth or crumpled paper. I also use this method for cleaning pictures, mirrors, and the like.

EASY BLEACHING.

For everyday sheets, pillowcases meant for steady wear and many other uses, I find a good grade of unbleached cotton or sheeting preferable to the bleached fabric; it wears almost twice as long, is much easier washed, and needs no ironing. To bleach these quickly, boil in a good suds to which enough bluing has been added to make a good blue. Lift from the suds and hang up without wringing. When dry dip in suds and hang up again. They will soon be beautifully bleached.

HOME-GROWN BEADS.

Aside from cutting paper dolls there is probably no occupation that keeps the children quiet and contented longer than stringing beads. There are large wooden and porcelain ones on the market for this purpose, but home-grown ones are very satisfactory. Bear this in mind when the fruit and vegetable season comes along and dry a quantity of the seeds suitable for this purpose.

Many watermelon seeds are black; these may be strung alternately with white pumpkin seeds or yellow corn. The seeds of ripe citrons are bright red, and these are used effectively with the other colored seeds. White and yellow grains of corn may be used alternately on the string. Just give the children a box of the different-colored seeds mixed, with plenty of needles and strong cotton, and they will do the rest.

A DECORATIVE TOUCH.

To hide an unsightly flowerpot, cut a piece of cardboard or buckram to fit round the pot neatly with an inch lap at the back. Cover with cretonne to match the hangings in the room, with

wall paper, or with heavy ecru lace. A binding of gimp or ribbon can be glued on to finish the edges. For convenience in removing the cover, place two large snap fasteners to hold it together at the back.

Lowell's Fly.

The small boy is much the same today as he was yesterday—and probably he will be much the same tomorrow. His nature does not change with the ages. In the extracts from Mrs. James T. Field's diary, collected by Mr. M. A. DeWolfe Howe and published as the *Memoirs of a Hostess*, James Russell Lowell is quoted as relating some experiments that the boys at his school used to make on flies to see how much weight they could carry.

One day he attached a thread that he had pulled out of his silk handkerchief to a fly's leg, and to the other end a bit of paper with "the master is a fool" written on it in small distinct letters. The fly flew away and lighted on the master's nose, but, regardless of all except the lessons, he brushed it off, and it rose with its burden to the ceiling.

WOMEN! DYE FADED THINGS NEW AGAIN

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Diamond Dyes

Each 15-cent package of "Diamond Dyes" contains directions so simple that any woman can dye or tint any old, worn, faded thing new, even if she has never dyed before. Choose any color at drug store.

A Simple Explanation.

Why does soda-water rise in a straw on which one sucks? This is due to the fact that when one sucks on a straw or tube a vacuum is produced and the air pressure (about fifteen pounds to the square inch) on the surface of the soda-water forces it up immediately into the straw.

Minard's Liniment for Dandruff



Dissolve

Just pour Rinso into a saucepan and add boiling water. It dissolves instantly and makes a good thick soapy solution. Use enough Rinso to get rich lasting suds.

With Rinso—
snowy-white clothes
just by soaking

Simply soaking in Rinso suds loosens dirt, so that it rinses right out.

The old wearing method of rubbing soap on the clothes and then rubbing the clothes is done away with. There is no need of it with Rinso.

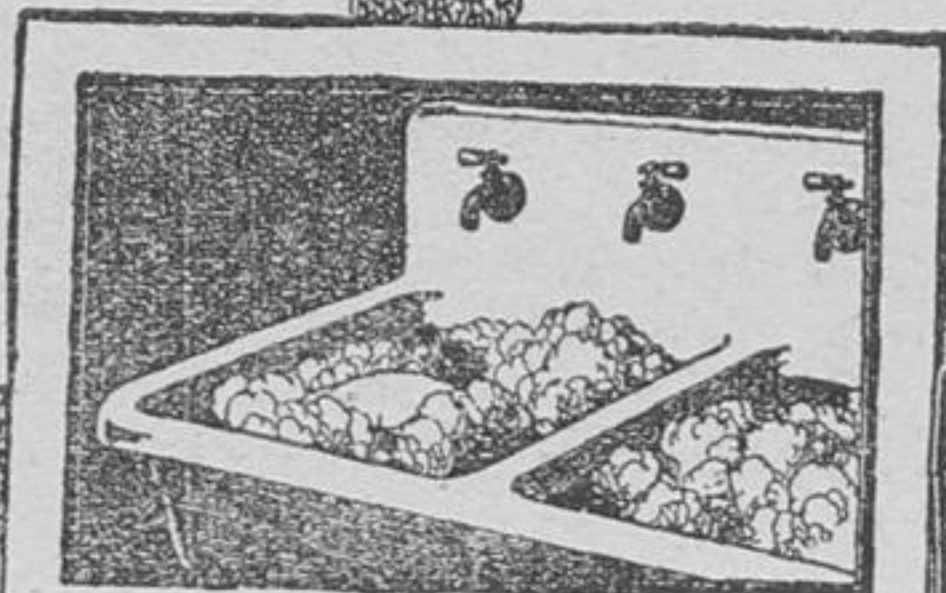
Only the dirtiest places—where dirt was actually ground in—will need just a light rubbing. Where this is necessary, use a little dry Rinso.

Rinso is made by the makers of LUX—the largest soap makers in the world. It does the family wash as wonderfully as Lux does fine things.



Use enough

Then fill the tub half full with lukewarm water. Pour the thick soap solution into your tub and whip up the suds at once. Put your hand through the suds into the water—if you have used enough solution the water will feel soapy all through. Even after you have put your clothes into the tub, the suds should stand up. If they do not, add more Rinso solution.



Soak

Soak your clothes in these lasting suds for an hour or two—overnight, if you wish. (Colored clothes not longer than half an hour).

This soaking takes the place of rubbing. It loosens the dirt so that it rinses right out—you'll find that only neck bands and cuff edges and seats and knees of children's playclothes need any rubbing. For this light rubbing just sprinkle a little dry Rinso right on the fabric.

"Don't rub your sooth away"

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