

CLEANING FEATHER PILLOWS.

Why Should Never Be Dried in the Sun as It Gives Them a Rancid Odor.

There seems to be a general impression that feather pillows cannot be washed or cleaned in any way except by frequent airing.

In this case shake the feathers into one end of the pillow tick, then rip open the other end, and haste the opening of a flower-saucer over the opening in the pillow tick.

If both tick and feathers must be washed fill a tub half full of warm soap suds, add a tablespoonful of ammonia, rub soap on the tick, put into the water and use the washboard as for ordinary clothes.

Never put pillows in the sun, even to air them, for it will bring out the animal oil and cause them to have a rancid smell.

HONEY MUFFINS.

A Toothsome and Digestible Delicacy for Those Who Are Fond of Sweets.

Honey is usually a more digestible sweet than sugar. It is especially good for children who crave sweet things and they never tire of bread and honey.

To make honey muffins sift two cups of flour with two level teaspoons of baking powder and one-quarter teaspoon of salt.

The amount of milk may seem small and if the honey is very thick one-half tablespoon extra may be added but no more for fear that the honey itself is semi-liquid.

TACT WITH CHILDREN.

An Illustrative Instance of the Efficacy of Appealing to the Better Nature.

When my little daughter was about three years old I one morning requested her to bring a certain cup from the dining-room into the nursery.

From one of those impulses of constraint which arise in all youthful hearts at times, she saw fit to refuse. Without saying a word I left the room and went about other matters.

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One large cupful of raisins, seeded and chopped, one cupful water, one cupful sugar, one tablespoonful flour, a small pinch each of cinnamon and cloves.

Talk about meanness. An Atchison child recently broke out with the measles, and a neighbor who called went home and said that in her opinion it was bedbug bites.—Atchison Globe.

MOUNTAIN LION'S REVENGE.

How the Skin Rose from the Floor in the Room of the Man Who Shot Him.

The bachelor had returned to his apartments in Central park, west, at midnight, after a dinner at the club with an old college friend.

One thought gave way to another, and finally his eyes, for some mysterious reason, became riveted upon the skin of a great cougar, or mountain lion, which was sprawled out at the threshold of the door.

The moon now broke forth from a clump of pine trees in the park, and shone full and clear on the five feet of outstretched fur, which, much to the horror of the young bachelor, slowly lifted itself from the floor.

"You remember when you killed me," muttered the cougar, with a hollow growl.

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At the same time the bachelor felt the claws in his coat.

"Wake up! Wake up! A nice trick to sleep all night here in your chair."

IMPORTANCE OF VELS.

Some of the New Combinations When Two Are Worn at the Same Time.

Veils are very important items of dress this season, more so than ever, perhaps, since they come in greater variety, and two are worn at one time.

This special combination is everywhere in sight, but its success depends on the mode of arranging the contrast, and the tints selected.

As for the net veils beauty seems to be sacrificed for variety in a large number of the new meshes, and modes of decorating them, and some of them are to be abandoned like the plague unless a woman really wants to disfigure herself.

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A clear plain net, not too fine, is always becoming, while the fancy meshes must be selected with great care.

A simple remedy for removing tan is made of one pint of alcohol, half a pound of baking soda, half a pound of pulverized borax, half an ounce of liquid benzoin and one quart of pure rain water.

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Prepare an omelet of six eggs; fold the opposite side to the center; put half pint of cauliflower puree in center; fold up the other side and turn the omelet on the dish; pour around a little cream sauce.—Ledger Monthly.

When Money Talks. When the money of some people converses it uses a megaphone.—Chicago Daily News.

IN THE TIME OF PEACE.

Secretary Root Issues Address to Army Showing It is Perfectly Well in Military Science.

Secretary Root has issued the following: "With the reduction of the Philippine force and the withdrawal from Cuba, the army is called upon to resume its most important work in time of peace—the work of perfecting itself in military science and skill, and of promoting the preparation of the United States against future wars.

"The abandonment of the military schools for commissioned officers, which followed the employment of the entire army in active military operations, has left these 1,542 new lieutenants substantially without any means of acquiring a systematic military education.

"Every effort will be made by the war department, which has general supervision and charge of the whole system, to bring its advantages to the new officers of the army as speedily as possible, and to organize officers' schools at all the considerable posts without delay."

ARMY OFFICERS DISSATISFIED.

Complain That Sufficient Time is Not Given Them to Change to New Uniforms.

Army officers are complaining that the war department has failed to give them a sufficient time in which to replace their present uniforms with the new apparel recently prescribed by regulations adopted by a board of officers.

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A NOVEL CONTRIBUTION.

Unknown Man Sends to Conscience Funds, a \$50 Gold Certificate, Mailing It in Sections.

Secretary Shaw received a novel contribution to the conscience fund. Having ill gotten gains in his possession, the person who made the contribution had evidently lost confidence in his fellow man.

At the Wesleyan conference at Manchester Mr. Robert William Parks, M. P., treasurer of the Free church congress, who is well known in connection with Mr. Yerkes' London enterprises, announced that \$1,041,000 had been promised for the fund of \$5,000,000, which British Wesleyan Methodists started to collect three years ago for the object of educational, religious and philanthropic purposes.

GREAT METHODIST TEMPLE.

Magnificent Structure to Be Erected in London Opposite Westminster Abbey.

The price paid was \$1,650,000. The ground comprises two and one-half acres, and on it also stands Mrs. Langtry's imperial theater.

It is probable that some arrangement will be made by which the imperial theater will remain where it is, though it may be transformed into an annex of the church house, the building of which is expected to commence early in 1903.

Since it was opened in 1876 the Aquarium has been a famous place of amusement for Londoners.

The secretary of the interior has forwarded to the board of health of Honolulu samples of an alleged cure for leprosy submitted by a Brooklyn physician in behalf of a fellow practitioner abroad.

Oklahoma's Advance. Oklahoma already has a population of 600,000, says the Memphis Commercial Appeal, or about 12 times as much as some of the western states.

PHILIPPINE COINS.

Designs for Silver Money for Island Approved by Secretary Root.

Were Executed by Filipino Artist Named Senor Figueroa—Designs Will Probably Be Done in Islands.

Under authority of congress providing for the coinage of subsidiary coins for the Philippines Secretary Root has approved the design submitted by Senor Figueroa, a Filipino artist, whose drawings were received at the war department recently from Vice Gov. Wright, in Manila.

The new coins are to range in value from 10 cents to 20 cents in silver, and from one-half cent to five cents in copper. The work of coinage probably will be done in the Philippines, the dies being cut at the Philadelphia mint.

On the reverse of the coin is the American shield, bearing the stars and stripes, with an eagle perched above. The words "United States of America" and the date of coinage are on this side.

HAZING IN BRITISH ARMY.

Lieutenant in Life Guards Is Lashed and Dashed in Horse Trough by Fellow Officers.

Details of the remarkable case of persecution by brother officers of a young lieutenant of the Second Life Guards at Windsor, a regiment of which King Edward is colonel in chief, show that in this crack cavalry organization, like many others, the officers are intolerant of the presence of anyone who takes his profession seriously.

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FINED FOR 'PHONING OATH.

St. Louis Physician Is Fined for Leaving His Telephone and Swearing at an Operator.

In Judge Sidner's police court at St. Louis the other day Dr. S. L. Gettys, a West end physician, who was arrested for "swearing at" a Bell telephone operator, was fined five dollars and costs for "disturbing the peace."

The judge decided three interesting points, to wit: 1. That profanity has no sufficient provocation.

2. That it is always aggressive, never protective, and heretofore never excusable on the plea of self-defense.

3. That the working principles of laws have not been invalidated by modern invention; that crimes or offenses committed at long distance, and such as the hurling of oaths at a person in another jurisdiction over the telephone, are amenable to the laws in the jurisdiction in which the offense was committed.

Dr. Gettys admitted that he swore over the telephone, but declared that he "cursed" the service, not the operator, and pleaded that he, therefore, did not disturb the operator's peace.

Is Too Theoretical. Intelligence comes from the recesses of Long Island that the greatest of conditional scientists, Prof. Nikola Tesla, is going to do all sorts of marvelous things in the way of transmitting electricity without wires.

For the last 15 years, says the Chicago Chronicle, Mr. Tesla has been going to do things and other men have done them, whereupon Mr. Tesla has emerged from his medicine tepee and called upon heaven to witness that he thought out those things years before, but did not think it worth while to mention them.

The saying is that "every man has his fool hour at some time in his career." It would seem as if a good many spend it at Newport, says the Boston Herald. Strange things occur down in that metropolis of fashion and folly.

NEED MORE OFFICERS.

Secretary Shows by Figures That There Are Not Enough Commissioned Men for Warships.

Evidence in black and white that there are not enough commissioned officers in the navy to properly man the warships now in commission is contained in a statement issued at the department. Secretary Moody firmly holds that a substantial increase must be made in the commissioned force of the United States must stop building battleships.

In 1893 there were 955 officers available for sea duty in the navy, the total displacement of which was 244,843 tons. This was an average of 256 tons to each officer.

The period between 1893 and 1902 has been one of greater growth for the United States navy than any 10 years previous to that time. The size and efficiency has increased threefold in that time, but there is an increase of only 50 commissioned officers.

The intricacies of the modern battleship are such as to require the highest skilled attention. The importance of shore duty is far more than ever before, but the force at present engaged on shore service is smaller than ever.

TO MEASURE COST OF SHIP.

Careful Method by Which the Government Will Follow Construction of Battleship.

Accurate comparison of the cost of a battleship built by the government and of those which will be constructed by private shipbuilding firms is to be made by means of a plan submitted by Rear Admiral Bowles, chief constructor, to Secretary Moody.

In the action he has taken Rear Admiral Bowles has sought to insure the department obtaining the material at the same price as it is furnished to private shipbuilders. While it is impossible for the navy department to learn exactly the cost of a ship to a contractor, it will be able to estimate the value of certain work when payments are made.

Rear Admiral Bowles proposes that all plumbing shall form a special group; that structural steel will be grouped together; electric light plant will form a separate group, and engines and boilers will be considered together.

The expense incurred by the government for employing officers, inspectors, and labor employed directly in constructing the ship, and in running off the trial trip will all be estimated. Secretary Moody has referred Rear Admiral Bowles' plan to the several chiefs of bureaus with a request for their views.

BREAD CAST ON THE WATER.

Odd Method Used by Austrian Fishermen in Locating the Body of a Drowned Man.

With a round loaf of rye bread, three lighted candles stuck through the crust at points of an equilateral triangle, Moritz Kopperl, an Austrian, located a drowned body in West river, at New Haven, Conn., the other evening, after all other efforts had failed.

John Birmingham, 13 years old, was drowned there the other evening while bathing. Men dragged the stream all night and through the day unsuccessfully. Kopperl, a fruit vender, about 45 years old, happened along in his wagon and became interested. He told the police squad how the Hungarian peasants find a drowned body. The crowd laughed derisively. Kopperl soon returned with a big round loaf of bread and three candles. He inquired at what spot the boy went down, and, placing the loaf in the river at that point, lighted the candles, already set into the loaf.

"This loaf will follow the course of the body. Put your hooks in where it stops," were his directions. The bread circled several times and floated downstream. It soon stopped as if held by some barrier. The searchers threw their hooks in and brought the body to the surface scarcely a yard from the loaf.

The story that Mrs. Secretary Hay procured a ton of coal by express, at a cost of \$18 may cease to be funny, says the Philadelphia Record, if the strike lasts much longer.

No Danger of Becoming a Fad. A man has started to ride a horse from Dayton, O., to San Francisco, says the Chicago Record-Herald, but it is quite safe to say that this will not become a fad.