

hurried on; he returned to his fiancée.

"You father and a posse," he explained. There was the echo of fire-arms down the road. Reuben Willis and his companions returned with the Mexican leader and two others as captives. The others had escaped.

"And, oh! I was so sorry to see your precious safe in their hands," spoke Madge, when the captured raiders were headed on their way to the nearest jail, and she and her father and Walter had reached home. Reuben Willis laughed.

"It was needless, Jewel," he said. "It's former contents are safe in the bank vault at Houston."

"And that handsome but wicked fellow wanted me to run away with him," pouted Madge.

"We will cheer the ennui of his 10-year sentence in the penitentiary by sending him one of our wedding announcements," proposed the happy Walter hilariously.

WARTIME ECONOMIES — SMALL SAVINGS

By Biddy Bye

The much admired colonial rug is merely an inferior edition of the old-fashioned rag carpet. Many a handsome and durable floor covering can be made from the cast-off winter garments which are often thrown away. Wash all such material before cutting into strips, and do not mix wool and cotton cloth in one rug. Light colored rags may be dyed to suit the color scheme of the rooms where the rug is to be used.

Save all tin cans. Use them for baking and cooking dishes if they are suitable. For example, baking powder cans are just the right size and shape for baking brown bread, for chilling small puddings and for shaping much which is to be sliced and fried.

A clean brick makes a splendid flatiron stand. Warm the brick and set it on a piece of asbestos and it will help the flatiron retain its heat.

Flour sacks make excellent cloths for wiping kitchen utensils. Open them, hem them and boil them before using.

Strain off cold tea, bottle it and set it in the refrigerator. It will make a delicious warm weather drink.

It is economical to remove stains from clothing as they appear, a spot at a time. Clothes cared for in this way seldom have to be sent out to be cleaned.

NEW YORK SOCIETY BUDS ACT IN CHARITY OPERA



MISS STURTEVANT ERDMANN

Miss Erdmann is one of the debutantes of New York society in a comic opera, "Gentleman Jack," given at the Plaza hotel to aid the Spence alumnae society charity.

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April 27, 1837.—Abraham Lincoln started the practice of law in Springfield as a member of the firm of Stuart & Lincoln.