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TO CLEAN FURS.

How to Apply Simple Remedies at Home and Not Stiffen the Skin.

Keeping white furs clean is like keeping linens looking fresh, for both need much attention and frequent cleanings. Of course, if women can afford to have so particular about their furs, they must be shaken or beaten frequently, their muffs, collarettes, or capes from getting soiled, but when the cleaning must be done at home, too much care cannot be taken to keep them clean, for the process of cleaning ermine, coney, angora, or any of the white furs, requires a long tedious one, that takes much strength. To begin with, they must be put on a line and well sunned and aired for a day or two, then they must be whipped with sand firmly, fit a rattan stick, until no dust flies when they are pounded.

When the loose dirt is out the furs may again be hung in a sunny place, while a bath of white sand and furrier's sawdust, mixed half and half, is beaten in. The sand is not to be rubbed thoroughly into it. After either whiteners has been worked well into the pieces, the furs should be put out of doors and whipped with a stick to get out the white dust, for if shaken or beaten the plaster of Paris or cornstarch will rub off on the clothing, which is unpleasant.

With chinchilla little can be done toward cleaning except to beat the fur with a rattan stick. And this whipping must be lightly done, for the skin is so fine and delicate that a woman cannot be too careful in the beating, and the best plan is to have them cleaned by a furrier.

Beaver, mink, and many of the furs with heavy skins, are cleaned exactly as the ermine and other white pieces, with the exception of the final rubbing on of cornstarch or plaster of Paris. The first beating to get out the dust, the airing and bath with white sand and sawdust must be given these furs to properly clean them. Pony coats may be successfully cleaned in the same way.

With the heavy long furs, such as Angora, sable, racoon, and opossum, the airing and pounding with the rattan stick are essential, but the hot sawdust and sand are omitted for the use of a comb with short teeth, known as a "furrier's comb."

Chinchilla, like chinchilla, must be carefully treated, and it is best to send them to an expert when they need cleaning.



MULBERRY BROADCLOTH.

Charming in every detail is this attractive costume in deep mulberry broadcloth. The skirt is made with wide plaits heavily stitched to knee depth, and the hem of unusual width is also heavily stitched. The chic little bolero is trimmed with silk braid which matches the cloth almost perfectly, and the hat is a shade deeper.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS THAT PLEASE THE MASCULINE FANCY

"Why aren't there more Christmas gifts that are appropriate for men?" "Are there any novel presents so the stereotyped collar box, hat brush, or stockpin will not have to be given this Christmas?" are questions often heard at this season of the year, particularly by those who are particularly smart for business. So that it should be more than acceptable to the average man, the material for this garment is perforated felt, in hunter's green, wine, red, black, cerise, or white, and is embroidered simply or in an elaborate design with chenille or a combination of chenille and heavy silk thread. Most of the embroidery work is done in two tone effects and in snowflake patterns; that are exceedingly pretty. The felt is lined with a thin silk, and when the embroidery is finished by a broad band of green—the strong, insistent shades of the fields and trees in midsummer—touched off by a broad band of green—the splash of a gift. They cost, probably, \$1.50, and make, as one woman said, with unconscious irony, "Such a showing for your money." That plate given as a Christmas present to a woman whose dining-room was a combination of severe green and rich, though dull, old rose.

For 50 cents there was a pretty plate at which the purchaser had sniffed contemptuously—just a band of gold around the edge with a small, graceful medallion of gold in the center to set it off.

There's one rule that is worth remembering in choosing such plates; and that is, to choose only simple designs and colorings, unless you do, as one woman did, make a hobby of collecting plates of a certain color or kind. She "went in" for Chinese plates, and used only the pretty variations of medallion and the plate-rack was interesting in its Orientalism. Another woman, whose dining-room—the whole house in fact—was in the style of English styles, used only old plates of English make on her rack, picking them up one at a time.

Endless possibilities suggest themselves as you study the subject over a little—possibly, the very character of the owners of a house. But don't use a plate-rack to show off "handsome plates," as every plate is a certain color or kind, with every other plate and with the general character of the room. That sort of choosing makes the difference between the right and wrong plates in a collection.

Tobacco Pouches Always Acceptable.

Tobacco pouches are always acceptable gifts for men, and stunning-ones may be made from suede. A pretty pouch in rich brown or dark green lined with a maroon silk, would be attractive when the edges are pinked and draw string of heavy silk with long tassels run in near the top. It's not the kid, the lining, or the cord that makes these bags so unusual, for without the monogram or crest done in gilt thread or in bright colored silks, the pouches, aside from being hand-made would be out in shape as those bought in the shops. But with an attractive emblem or two or three initials prettily embroidered in one corner, the pouches are presents any man, no matter how simple, will be glad to receive.

Knitted or crocheted ties, though not every man's idea, are also gifts that are serviceable and, being made by hand are a valuable accessory to any wardrobe. In plain green, dark cardinal, or made of a combination of two tones, or of two strongly contrasting colors, such as black and red, or orange and blue, they are striking contrasts as neckwear.

Silk Scarfs for Motoring Are New.

Similar to these ties, though a fad that has just been introduced, are the handmade silk scarfs to be worn when automobiling, or, if necessary, when evening clothes, to protect the throat during cold weather. They are about twenty-four inches long, ten inches wide and are finished at either end with black and white, dark green, plum, or navy blue, they are pretty and are practical, for they are long enough to be wound around the neck at least twice, without being bulky or uncomfortable.

PALE BLUE AND PALE PINK.

At a ball that was held last week, almost all the young girls wore pale shades of blue or pink, and many of their dresses were trimmed with silver embroideries. One damsel wore pink chiffon with a band of silver embroidery edging the skirt above a narrow band of deep rose ribbon. Another was in soft blue brocade, a material that is certainly looking up, and her bodice was in the palest tones of pink and blue chiffon matching the tints of the brocade. Artistic relief was afforded by a sash of fine black chiffon, box with big skin, there should be lid with two holes through which the twine may be pulled and between the holes a piece of sharp metal on which the string may be cut if necessary.

Some of the chiffon gowns were made in the new way, with velvet forming the lower half of the skirt, being laid on the upper part with brocade or tulle. The bodices had been brought into harmony with the skirts by tabbed berthes or bretelles. A pale, brown chiffon was made in this way with the lower half of the skirt and the upper half of the bodice in chiffon velours. The belt was pink silk, and there was a pink tucker round the shoulders and a bunch of small pink roses on one shoulder.

Five Truths

Important That You Should Know What They Are

FIRST—It is important for you to know that cough syrups containing dangerous and deadly drugs like morphine, chloroform and opiates, some of them under the title of "balsams of this" and "balsams of that," or "syrups of this," etc., are dangerous and may cost you your life.

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BLOUSE OF SILK OR LINEN.

The design shows one of the new models in tailored skirts, the little knife-plaited fluffs edging the front plaits and cuffs, giving a touch of originality. The waist shown in the drawing was of taffeta silk, the buttons used in groups down the front being of silk crochet to match. Four inch-wide box plaits were laid up either side of the front, the back showing three box plaits down the middle.

WEEKLY COOKING LESSON

FINE CANDY MAKING AT HOME

By CORNELIA C. BEDFORD.

We have the sugar syrup boiling nicely now, and have learned how to wash the sides of the pan to prevent formation of crystals. Should a black or dark blue scum appear, it is caused by an undue amount of coloring matter in the sugar, and should be carefully skimmed off. At first the syrup will boil like water; as the cooking progresses, the bubbles grow larger and heavier in appearance. After ten minutes' boiling, begin to test the syrup, using either of two ways. Have ready a bowl of ice water; in it dip the fingers until they are chilled, then without wiping dip them quickly in the syrup and back in the water; or a little can be taken up in a spoon and dropped in the water, care being taken not to stir the syrup. The first method is better, because quicker, and the changes in boiling syrup very rapid; there is no danger of burning the skin if the movements are quick as the fingers, being chilled, can scarcely detect the changes in temperature. The sample of syrup should be gently rubbed in the water between the fingers; if it adheres together enough to form a very soft ball, it has reached the proper point, and the saucepan should be instantly removed from the fire and its contents poured on a platter (or marble

THE PROPER ETIQUETTE FOR THE UP-TO-DATE WEDDING

Many seem to forget that the wedding is a religious ceremony and treat it more as a social entertainment. The young people should be taught to seriously consider the vital step they are about to take, and not to use the occasion as a means of gratifying their personal vanity or to make an impression on the selected guests. A wedding should be marked by its simplicity and its dignity; for display and ostentation greatly detract from the solemnity of the occasion.

Many mistakes are often made regarding the trousseau, mainly in the line of extravagance. A bride should watch carefully her expenditures in this direction, so that neither her trousseau nor the arrangements for her wedding shall cost more than her parents can reasonably afford. She should never be so selfish as to allow them to become involved in debt for her benefit, says an exchange.

An excellent idea is to make a list of what one thinks will be needed for the trousseau, and then to cut it down to the exact limit. Most girls fancy the idea of a full dress church wedding with bridesmaids and the other accessories; but in this case the expense is very great, and may be inconsistent with the existing circumstances. It is far better, under such conditions, to be married in a neat traveling dress before a few friends at home, and after receiving congratulations and partaking of simple refreshments, to start on the journey of life with a clear conscience.

The trousseau should be strictly limited to the season during which the marriage is performed, and a supply of funds should be saved for future expenditures, so that the young wife need not be obliged to call on her husband for the necessities of dress.

The customs of society require the bride's family to assume all of the expenses of the wedding, such as the trousseau, the invitations, the marriage announcements, the newspaper notices, the house or church decorations, the cost of opening the church, the music, the flowers, and the carriage for the bride.

The choice of the day for the wedding is a very important matter, and the clergyman, the place of the wedding and the naming of the bridesmaids are the prerogatives of the bride, while the invitations are sent out. These ushers are supposed to be the friends to both parties. The groom selects his best man to attend him.

It is very essential that careful lists be made of the friends of both families, so that there be no omissions when the invitations are sent out. These should be mailed at least two weeks before the marriage.

The bride should be careful to select a style of gown within the limits of the means of her bridesmaids; and, if possible, a gown that can be used afterward. The main point is not to put her attendants to an unnecessary expense on her account. At a day church wedding the bridesmaids wear hats; at a home wedding they dispense with hats and wear pretty ornaments in the hair.

The bridesmaids are often given a farewell luncheon by the bride one or two days before the wedding day, and on the occasion they are each given a memento which should be duplicates.

The bridegroom provides the wedding ring, and the bride's immediate family furnishes the carriage for his best man and himself. The fee for the clergyman should be given to the best man on the wedding day for delivery, and the amount should depend on the means of the giver.

In most States a marriage license is necessary, and this the bridegroom should procure in company of some member of the bride's immediate family. He also should send a bouquet to the bride and to each one of the bridesmaids. In many cases he entertains his best man and the ushers at a stag supper the night before the wedding.

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