FROM THE MAILBAG

Rainbows on Her Frock

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I have always been a follower of yours, but this is the first time I have made a request. My small grandchild has a nice velveteen frock, a peach shade. She has evidently been playing with crayons, and has marked her frock down the front with many colours. Can you tell me just what to do or to try? She cannot wear the dress as it is. Thanking you. I remain, "Grandma," Auckland.

It is amazing what children can do with crayons, isn't it? First of all, try sponging crayon marks with carbon tetra chloride, or eucalyptus. I don't think it will remove very much, but it is a beginning. Then lay a piece of blotting

Emergency Chutney

Three tablespoons of plum jam; 1 tablespoon of vinegar; 1 tablespoon of Worcester sauce, and salt to taste.

Just mix them all together, and it is ready for use.

paper over the marks, and press with a hot iron. Repeat with clean paper, until the crayon has been melted and absorbed by the blotting paper. Then you will probably have to bring up the pile again, of the velveteen. Hold a wet cloth on a hot iron-and then get someone else to slowly pull the velveteen over it, so that the steam goes up through it, from the wrong side. Do it two or three timesand during the steaming you can dab it very gently with a soft brush - don't brush it, just dab lightly with it. The dry cleaners may be able to remove the crayon marks, and they can also steam up velvets.

I do hope you will be successful, and that next time the little grand-daughter will confine her art to paper.

Cleaning Felt Hats

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I wonder if you, or any of the Daisy Chain, could help solve my problem forme. I have a fawn hat, which I would like to clean. It is also slightly rain-spotted.—"Just a Daisy," Wellington.

Yes, of course the Daisy Chain can help. To clean white or pale coloured hats, you can rub in powdered magnesia—leave it for a day or two, then brush well out. However, sometimes the hats are too dirty for that treatment—so this is the next step. This also removes the rainspots. Take a piece of very fine, worn sandpaper, and gently go all over the hat, using a circular motion, and rubbing a small amount at a time. Do not rub too hard, to spoil the felt, of course.

Coffee Stains

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I wonder if you could tell me through The Listener how to remove some coffee stains from a frock.

Eaye, Wellington.

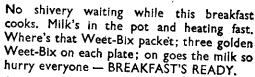
Tea and coffee stains have a similar treatment, Faye. Get some glycerine

from the chemist, and rub it well into the stain, and leave it for two or three hours. It may not appear to have gone, but sponge with luke warm soapy water, and rinse with clear, and see how it is. Or you could soak for a while in tartaric acid dissolved in cold water—then rinse it out. Or a mixture of methylated spirits and warm soapy water is often effective. Rinse it out, too. Then dry the marks as much as you can with a towel, and shade the moisture out at the edges, so that it will not leave a water mark. Press it when dry.



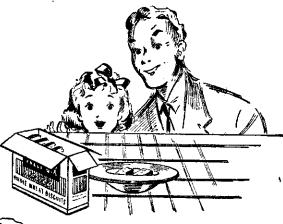
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