Lemon Pudding — Hot

BEAT together ½ cup sugar and 1 tablespoon butter. Now add in this order—2 tablespoons of flour; pinch of salt; the rind and juice of 1 lemon; 1 cup of milk; the yolks of 2 eggs; and lastly stir in the 2 stiffly beaten whites. Bake in a buttered piedish standing in a dish of hot water for about half an hour. It seems a strange mixture, but comes out with a crust on top, and a mixture like lemon cheese underneath. Very delicious. Orange may be used instead of lemon.

and continue till the crystals are pale cream. Add 6 or 7 drops of sandalwood oil—about 6d worth—and then 2 teaspoons of oil of verbena, or some other essential oil. This too, should be added a few drops at a time. Shake well, so that the perfume is evenly distributed. Then put into jars and tie with pretty ribbon. You can use food colourings if you want other shades than cream; and even make rainbow effects; or sprinkle a little powdered washing blue through.

Musty Cupboard

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I am wondering if you would kindly help me with a worrying problem. We have recently moved to this district, and find that a dark cupboard under the stairs has a most offensive, musty and earthy odour. The building is plastered, and I am afraid there is some dampness about it. I wonder it anything can be done to dry the air in the cupboard, and so remove the odour of the dampness.

"Winnie," Mount Eden.

First of all, if the walls are not papered, I would suggest washing it out thoroughly-shelves and all -with good hot soapy water, with perhaps a disinfectant in the water. A camphor disinfectant would be best in this case. Then dry it —leave the door open, and if you can, dry it out with the radiator, being very careful where you put the radiator, so that there is no risk of fire. Then if you could get one or two blocks of camphor and put in-they absorb smell. And a jar of quicklime at the bottom of the cupboard will absorb the moisture-you can change it every now then. Often smells can be removed by standing in the cupboard a vessel of wet hay or wet sand but if it is dampness causing the smell in yours, perhaps it would be best to stick to the camphor and lime.

A Furred Kettle

A "Link" from Rangiora wrote asking advice about her kettle, which was very thickly coated with "fur" inside, and the spout was blocked. I suggested that to remove the "fur" she put a dessertspoonful of lime in, with some water and boil hard. Or dissolve 2 teaspoons of borax in the kettleful of hot water, and let it boil for about half an hour, which loosens the "fur," and it can then be thrown away. As for the spout I suggested tipping the kettle so that the water could get in, and then perhaps she could push something through-perhaps some wire with cloth wispped round it.

Well, here is her letter of thanks, saying just how she treated the spout.

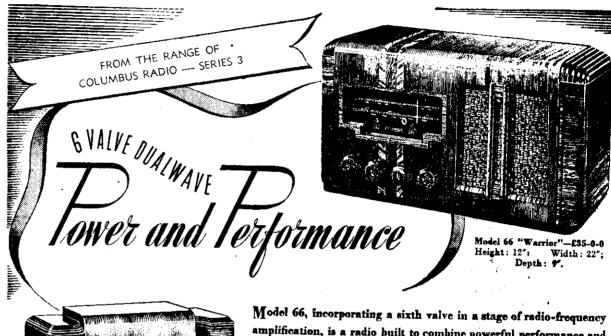
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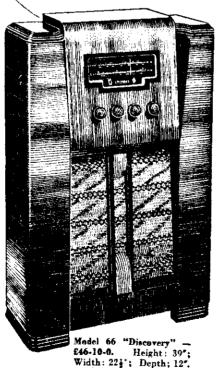
Thank you so much for your prompt reply to my letter. Living on a farm,

lime was easily available; so I decided to try that first for removing the "fur" in the spout of the kettle; and it proved very successful. The difficulty was to get something threaded through the spout as it was blocked right up, and the boiling removed very little of the "fur" — it merely softened it. In the end a piece of florists' wire did the job; and making a hook on the end I pulled some string through. I joined the two ends of the string with a large knot, and pulling this round and round through the spout, the spout was soon cleared.

Since doing mine, I have done two kettles for someone else, so your help has been very much appreciated. Again thank you. "Furry," Rangiora R.D.







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