

down). Have your syrup boiling and overflow jars and seal in the usual way. I have done these several years and haven't lost a bottle. I must not forget to tell you that I made apricot jam out of some I had preserved two years ago, and it is beautiful.

"A.W.S.," Te Kauwhata.

### King Country Nuts

Dear Aunt Daisy,

These little "nuts" have a flavour all their own: four ounces butter, 1 tablespoon malt extract, melted together in oven. Add 1 teaspoon baking soda, dissolved in a little drop of boiling water, to the melted mixture. After this add  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar,  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup flour, 1 cup coconut, 1 cup wholemeal and mix well. Place small daubs on cold oven shelves and bake till nice and brown.

"Mrs. X.," Taumatunui.

### Greasy Concrete

Dear Aunt Daisy,

Could you advise me as to the best method for removing fat stains from concrete steps?

"R.B.R.," Invercargill.

This question, often asked, has never been satisfactorily answered. One idea is to scrub the steps with hot water and caustic soda, using a long handled stiff broom, so that the hands are kept out of the water; or to use a strong solution of carpet shampoo in the same way. One person suggested sugar-soap. Perhaps some more suggestions may come in.

### Lemonade

Dear Aunt Daisy,

I read in a recent *Listener* where "Constant Reader," of Nelson, wanted a recipe for lemonade. She may like this one: Put two sliced lemons, two pounds sugar and 2 oz. cream of tartar into an earthenware jar. Pour over them 2 gallons boiling water. Stir. Let it stand 24 hours, then strain, bottle and tie down corks. It will be ready in ten days or two weeks. Very like bought lemonade only a better flavour.

"Constant Reader," Egmont Village.

### "Over to You"

Dear Aunt Daisy,

In a recent *Listener* "J.O.," Waikouaiti asked for a method to restore her plastic curtains to their original state. I did two pairs at spring cleaning time, and they were just like new. I put them in warm water with a little soap-flakes and best household ammonia, rinsed them well, and hung them on the line to dry.

"Housewife," Milton.

### Khaki Handkerchiefs

Dear Aunt Daisy,

Could you please tell me, through the pages of *The Listener* how to dye white handkerchiefs khaki? My men have quite a number of white handkerchiefs, but they prefer khaki or coloured ones with their working clothes.

"E.," Te Awamutu.

I believe this is done with a solution of Condy's crystals. During the war the soldiers used khaki handkerchiefs, and I'm sure some of their mothers will be able to answer your question more fully.

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