

::: HOUSEHOLD HINTS :::

A **LITTLE** carbonate of magnesia when added to slightly sour milk will sweeten it.

To freshen limp feathers sprinkle a little salt on a hot stove and hold them over the smoke for a minute or two.

SHEETS and tablecloths are apt to wear first at the folds. You can prevent this, after a reasonable period of use, by sewing a narrow hem down the selvedge, thus making the folds come in a different place.

WHEN tying down jam pot covers damp the string. The knot will not slip, and the string will shrink and tighten in drying.

WHEN making lemonade from fresh lemons, use golden syrup, instead of sugar, for sweetening. This gives an original flavour.

KEEP spices which are used often in a flat lidless box. You can take the box from a high shelf and select the desired spice without disarranging the bottles and boxes usually kept with them.

AN old shaving-brush is splendid for putting the whitening on shoes, in place of rag or sponge.

TO keep pleats in a crepe de chine skirt, roll skirt, pull it through an old footless silk stocking, and hang up.

A **LIGHT** felt hat may be cleaned with a paste of magnesia and cold water. When dry, brush out.

NEVER store butter, dripping, or lard in earthenware vessels, as these absorb grease. Enamel or glass dishes are more satisfactory.

INSTEAD of stoning raisins in the usual way, soak them for a few minutes in boiling water. The stones can then be easily squeezed out at one end.

WHEN opening sardine-tins, slip the end of a "steel" or big skewer into the little handle and turn with this. You will find it "does the job" most satisfactorily.

WHEN making a meat loaf, after packing it into the loaf pan firmly, with the forefinger make a trench about an inch deep around the edge of the loaf. This serves as a channel for the grease to run off as it bakes out of the meat. It can then be poured out from time to time, and saves much of the unpleasant burnt grease odour, that so often results when no provision is made for pouring off the grease.

CHAIRS and settees which are upholstered in corded velvet should be taken out of doors at least once a week—or moved close to an open window in wet weather—beaten with a light cane, and then treated with a stiff hand-brush. The brushing, of course, should be done in the direction in which the cord runs. When the time comes for more serious cleaning, use a cloth dipped in petrol or benzine, taking it down the chairs in long sweeps. As both spirits are inflammable, this cleaning should be done out of doors, and the chairs should not be restored to use until they are thoroughly dry.

Paul Cullen's Farewell Message

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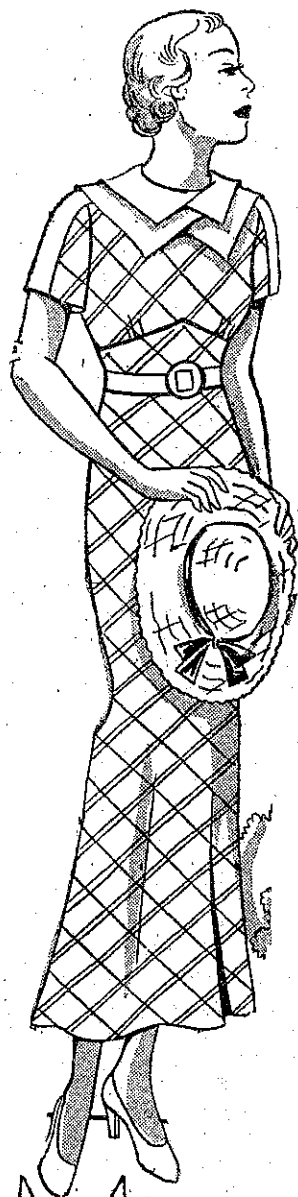
men, listening to the sweet, melancholy music of the bugle, mouth organs and piano-accordion, and watching the streamers drifting out, a chic young miss, bouquet in hand, blew up top and was introduced to Paul, which made the crowds of fair fans below feel horribly envious as the ship sailed off to Australia.

Now I didn't want to close this letter on a dismal note, girls, so I kept Paul's special message to you till the very last. Here it is! He says: "Tell all those who have written to me that I thank them from the bottom of my heart for all their good wishes, and I hope they will keep on thinking of me, because I believe that thoughts of good-will help more than we understand. I always think of my friends, known or unknown, and I shall be pleased to meet any of them at any time."

And that's all.

Yours very truly,

"ONE OF THE GIRLS."



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