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A Strange Exposition.
A celebrated doctor in Rhodus, while visiting a patient and listening to his troubles, put his hand in his pocket and mechanically rubbed together some pastilles which were there. Suddenly a slight explosion took place and at the same time the doctor experienced a sharp pain in his hand. Upon examination he found that the bottom of his pocket was burned and melted, that his under linen was much scorched, while one of his fingers was also injured.

I remembered that he had carried in his pocket for some days two pastilles containing chlorate of potash and one pastille containing chlorate of sugar. The last named was broken into little pieces, while of the potash pastilles one was intact but no trace could be found of the other. It seems that the doctor had rubbed the chlorate of potash pastille against the chlorate of sugar pastille and that at the point of contact a small quantity of explosive powder had been formed. This had ignited, with the result that the chlorate of potash pastille had been instantly decomposed.

Eugene Field's Bank Account.
Bankbook No. 13 of the Winthrop county savings bank at Newfane, Va., is in the name of the late Eugene Field. It contains a deposit of \$5 made by his grandmother, Esther Field, with the proviso "not to be paid until said Eugene is 21 years of age." The book has never been taken to the bank since its issue, and the amount now due to the estate of Eugene Field of Chicago is \$62.86.

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HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS



WASHING DISHES

A careless dishwasher can soon do a great deal of damage. The china is disfigured by having the glazing cracked and chips broken from the edges. Ivory and rubber handled knives and forks are ruined by being washed in water that is greasy or too hot; glasses are broken by pouring water over them such things are done every day, yet they are entirely unnecessary.

A good dishwasher needs a bright tin or porcelain dishpan and drainer, a supply of water, and tea towels that leave no lint. Do not dump the dishes into the pan precipitously, thereby running the risk of breaking half of them. When the food is removed from the table scrape the plates and drain out any coffee or tea that is left in the cups. Pile the plates together, then the saucers, cups and small dishes. Have the pan half full of water that is as hot as you can bear your hands in, put in enough washing powder to make a good suds, and wash the glasses first, then the silverware and after that the china. Put them in the drainer, pour warm water over them to rinse them and dry with a clean dish towel. Care is required at every step of the process. A dish mop may be used if one does not wish to keep the hands in the hot water so long. Fudding dishes or other cooking utensils should soak awhile before washing. The wire-dish-kettle is excellent for cleaning iron bottles, but should not be used on silverware.—E. J. G., in Detroit Free Press.

ABOUT LAMPS

The common kerosene lamp which is used in almost every household will give a bright even light and be a source of comfort to the family if properly cared for.

The bowl of the lamp should be kept full of oil, but when not in use, the wick should be turned down to keep the oil from oozing out upon the burner. If the wick is soaked in vinegar, then dried before it is put in the lamp it is not likely to smoke. The wick should be trimmed evenly with a pair of sharp scissors that the flame may always be even.

Use none but the best burners. Inferior burners are deeper at first but soon get out of order. This prevents the wicks from turning up or down and the lamps do not give a good light.

Wash the burners frequently and scour the discolored parts. A clean lamp gives no disagreeable odor while burning.

Lamp chimneys are not as liable to break upon exposure to changes of temperature if they are put in a pan of cold water and allowed to heat gradually till the water is boiling and left in the water till cold again.

When you wish to clean the chimney wash them in suds, rinse in clear water and wipe dry on a towel that is soft and free from lint; polish with an old newspaper. Brown spots may be removed by rubbing them with coarse salt.

If you have china or colored glass lamp shades they should be polished every day. See that the chimneys fit closely that there be no danger of their falling off when the lamp is removed.

HOUSEHOLD RECIPES

Wheat Fritters.—Beat three eggs, add to them one and one-half cups of milk and flour to make a rather stiff batter; beat in four level teaspoons of baking powder and half a teaspoonful of salt; drop into hot fat and fry same as doughnuts.

Consomme with Macaroni.—To prepare consomme with macaroni, vary a cup of any one of these called in water until tender; drain and turn into a soup tureen when done, and pour over them a quart of boiling hot consomme.

German Toast.—Beat one egg a little; add half a teaspoon of salt, two tablespoonfuls of sugar and three-fourths cup of milk; dip five slices of bread in this mixture; cook on a well-greased griddle when brown on one side turn and brown the other; serve for breakfast, or if for luncheon serve with sweet sauce.

Tomato Rice Soup.—Put the contents of one can of tomatoes in an agate pan over the fire; add to it one pint of water, one tablespoonful of salt, one tablespoonful of sugar, three cloves, three peppercorns and one-third of a cup of well-washed rice; cook one slice of onion in a little hot butter for five minutes; do not let it burn; cook slowly until the rice is tender; then rub all through a fine strainer; add more seasoning if desired.

Meat Souffle.—Put two level tablespoonfuls of butter in a frying pan; when it is hot add two teaspoonfuls of flour; stir until smooth; then add gradually one cup of cold milk, stirring until boiling; add half a teaspoonful of salt, a little pepper and one cup of cold cooked meat or chicken and the beaten yolks of two eggs; let this cook one minute; put aside to cool; then add the beaten whites of two eggs; fold them in carefully when thoroughly mixed; turn into a buttered baking dish and bake in a moderate oven twenty minutes; serve as soon as removed. If chicken is used add a little grated nutmeg.

FROM ACROSS THE SEA

Prince Pu Lun, a nephew of the Emperor of China and China's commissioner to the St. Louis Fair, was presented to the President.

The Russian General Staff received information that the Japanese are planning to force General Kuropatkin to attack them.

Vassili Verestchagin, the artist who was killed at Port Arthur, expressed in his will the conviction that he would never return to Russia.

It is now stated that 69 persons were killed in the recent wreck in the Mexican Central railroad near Zacatecas.

Peruvian troops refuse to evacuate territory on the western frontier of Brazil, which is regarded as belonging to Brazil.

The birth of an heir to the Russian throne late in the summer is expected.

MISCELLANEOUS FLATTERS

Joel Server, a rich farmer, near Martinsville, was robbed Sunday night. The house was set on fire, and while the members of the family were fighting the flames the robbers entered and stole several hundred dollars and escaped.

A strike was ordered for tomorrow of the 100,000 garment workers of America, but was deferred in order to negotiate with the employers.

Sallie Gaston, colored, of Courtland, was shot and killed instantly killed by her son, William Gaston, 25 years old. They quarreled violently shortly before the killing.

President Loubet arrived in Rome and was welcomed by King Victor Emmanuel.

Based on plans now in contemplation, the proposed Lincoln statue to be erected in Washington will cost about \$1,000,000.

Capt. Charles S. Brownell, Corps of Engineers, will act as Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds during Col. T. W. Symons' absence in New York.

Governor B. H. Odell had a long conference with President Roosevelt on New York State politics.

The Reichstag discussed a bill for a new railroad in the cotton-growing district of German East Africa.

The Hungarian strike committee urges the strikers to return to work.

The police of Rome are searching for a priest who, it is alleged, said he had gone there to kill President Loubet.

King Edward and Queen Alexandra left London on a visit to Ireland.

Prof. Muensterberg, in a book—"The Americans"—published in Berlin, denounced the Monroe doctrine.

Dr. Rev. Thomas F. Cusack was consecrated in New York as auxiliary bishop to Archbishop Farley.

United States Circuit Judge Charles H. Stanton, Charleston, S. C., died in Philadelphia.

LIVE ITEMS OF NEWS.

Many Matters of General Interest in Short Paragraphs.

Down in Dixie.
A new ice factory has just been completed at Elkins.

Dr. Isadore Dyer, in a lecture at New Orleans, declared that he had cured 12 lepers.

The Daughters of the American Revolution have adjourned and gone to Jamestown, Va.

It is now certain that Dr. Crum will not be confirmed as collector at Charleston, S. C., during this Congress.

Hon. J. C. Pritchard has been appointed by the President to the position made vacant by the recent death of Judge Simonton.

W. J. Moody, of Fairmont, W. Va., has wagered \$300 that he can walk from Fairmont to St. Louis in one month. He will start May 1.

The United States Supreme Court dismissed, on the ground that no relief is possible, the two cases involving the suffrage clause of the new Virginia constitution.

The contract has been given for the construction of six Washington carbon factories in the Grassell suburb of Clarksburg. Six large buildings, ranging in dimensions from 80x80 to 100x300 feet, will be constructed of steel, brick and stone.

The Petersburg City Council has adopted an ordinance making the license tax to do trading-stamp business in Petersburg \$250 per annum. There was much complaint on the part of many merchants that the tax was not made higher in order to prohibit the business here. At a special meeting of the Council later the tax was increased to \$1,000 per annum.

An unusually large number of naval vessels will be at the disposal of the Annapolis midshipmen next summer.

Friends of Navy Paymaster Blasco, it is said, may lodge charges with the department against Rear-Admiral Evans.

Representative M. E. Benton, of Missouri, declares the Democrats will take the tariff as an issue in the coming Presidential campaign.

It is reported that in the event of Mr. Roosevelt's election Secretary Taft will become Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and Senator Henry Cabot Lodge Secretary of State.

The President awarded a medal of honor to Secret Service Officer Richard H. Taylor for heroism exhibited as a member of the navy at Apia, Samoa, March 16, 1889.

In the general deficiency appropriation bill adopted Wednesday the Senate amendment extending for two years the time for filing claims for property taken from Confederate soldiers and soldiers, was agreed to.

At The North.
The number of workmen on the World's Fair in St. Louis was increased to 80,000 but it was stated that the Exposition would not be entirely finished by the opening day, April 30.

Redfern, the noted Paris dressmaker, left New York for St. Louis to look after his exhibit at the World's Fair.

Fire destroyed the interior of the Victor Tanning Machine Company's plant at Camden, N. J., causing a loss of \$500,000, with insurance of \$250,000.

One watchman was killed, another wounded and an alleged thief shot in a fight with packing-house robbers in Chicago.

Mrs. Louise Rodney Holcomb of Newcastle, Del., sued for divorce from Capt. Chauncey Holcomb, alleging cruelty.

Miss Bertha C. Weighman, Philadelphia's richest heiress, was married to Dr. N. R. Norton, of New York.

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