

Domestic

(By MAUREEN.)

Remedy for Warts.

Rub castor oil well into the warts three or four times a day--oftener if you get the opportunity. In about three weeks they will probably entirely disappear. This is a much better method than using strong acids or caustics, which frequently cause scars.

Cement for Water Pipes.

Mix equal parts of red and white lead into a thin paste with boiled linseed oil. This hardens very slowly, but the fracture should be thoroughly coated with it. If it is to be used under water, boil together 8oz of glue and 1oz of turpentine. Stir the mixture constantly and use while hot.

Lemon Raisin Pie.

The grated rind and strained juice of one lemon, one cupful of chopped stoned raisins, one-half cupful of good treacle, one-half cupful of sugar, one-fourth teaspoonful of salt, one and one-half cupfuls of water, and two tablespoonfuls of flour. Moisten the flour with four tablespoonfuls of water in a saucepan, then add all the other ingredients; bring to boiling point and boil for five minutes. Cool and bake between two crusts.

Delicious Cornish Saffron Buns or Cakes.

One pound of flour, one-fourth pound of lard, one-half pound of sugar, two ounces of currants, to be well washed and dried, one egg to be well beaten, a little candied peel cut thin, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, two tablespoonfuls of saffron, and a little milk. Mix the baking powder well into the flour, then rub in the lard, currants, and other ingredients. Put two tablespoonfuls of saffron water into a little milk, mix with the eggs, and make into a paste not too stiff.

Well beat the mixture. These quantities are sufficient for four large buns, one large cake, or two small cakes. Bake these in well-greased tins in a nice hot oven. The saffron water is made by soaking a small quantity of saffron in one cupful of boiling water all night in a covered basin. Then strain and put into a clean, dry bottle, and cork tightly for future use. The flavor does not escape when the basin is covered when soaking.

To Clean Marble.

Pound two parts of common washing soda, one part each of pumice stone and finely-powdered chalk, and sift them through muslin or cheesecloth, then make into a paste with water; apply thickly, let it dry on, then wash well with soap and water, and rub it up with a soft cloth. Never use acids to marble, as they destroy the gloss. Marble should never be left wet, or with wet splashes on it, as these always darken the color, and often turn into a kind of stain. Marble-topped washstands can be kept in perfect order with soap and water, quickly rinsed off and dried at once. An occasional rub over with milk or with fuller's-earth and hot water improves the gloss. Another good cleanser for white marble is made thus: Mix one-half pound of washing soda and one pound of whiting with sufficient warm water to bring it to the consistency of cream. Stand this in a jar in the oven over-night, to keep it warm, and in the morning it will stir into a thick paste. Well wash the marble with soap and water, then spread this paste smoothly all over it one-half inch thick; leave it on for twenty-four hours, then wash it off and polish it up with a soft cloth. This may have to be repeated in extreme cases, but it is an excellent and well-tried cleanser.

Household Hint.

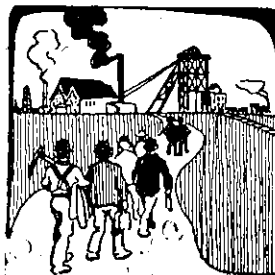
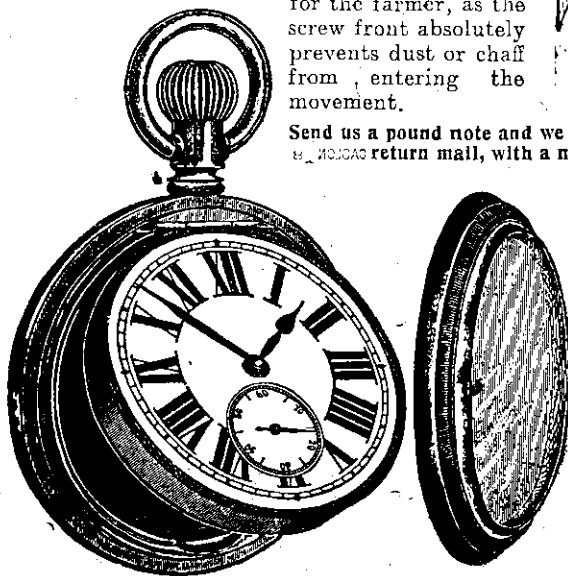
If the hands are stained after cutting up vegetables, rub them over with a cut raw potato before washing them.

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