HINTS FOR THE **BUSY HOUSEWIFE**

Timing Glass Attachment For an Egg Boiler.



Most everybody eats eggs and most everybody has notions as to the degree of hardness to which an egg must be cooked. The handy combination here shown will greatly facilitate the operation of preparing eggs for particular persons. The sandglass is on a pivot, and the instant the eggs are dipped the glass is turned, and the cook may readily time the eggs by watching the glass.

Pork Cake.

One pound of salt pork chopped very fine, one pint of boiling water poured on the pork, two cupfuls of sugar, one cupful of molasses, one heaping teaspoonful of cloves and of cinnamon, one pound of chopped raisins, two teaspoonfuls of soda, one small teaspoonful of baking powder and about six cupfuls of flour (enough to make it rather thick, but not too stiff). Bake slowly and be sure that it is done before taking from the oven. This cake will keep for weeks if wrapped in paraffin paper and kept in a tin box or a covered jar.

Raisin Puffs.

One-half cupful of sugar, a heaping tablespoonful of butter, two eggs, a cupful of milk, two cupfuls of flour, a cupful of raisins chopped and floured, three teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Steam in buttered cups one-half hour. This makes twelve cupfuls. Sauce for puffs-two cupfuls of brown sugar, two cupfuls of hot water, two tablespoonfuls of butter, two tablespoonfuls of flour, a teaspoonful of vanilla. Cook until thick. Serve hot.

To Keep Rice Grains Whole. Have plenty of water boiling rapidly in a large saucepan, add to it the strained juice of a lemon, put in the rice, stir with a cooking fork (never stir rice with a spoon), boll hard for fifteen minutes uncovered. Now add the salt, stir well, boil ten minutes longer, pour it into a colander, shake well, put into a warm oven for five minutes to dry, serve in a hot uncovered vegetable dish. The lemon juice

does not flavor the rice.

Cut leaf lard into small pieces and rendering and you will have almost | fittings and all lard and very few cracklings when through cooking. A teaspoonful of milady's use. common baking soda in the water in which you start your lard to rendering makes it white and sweet. Sprinkle a thin layer of salt in the bottom of jars before pouring in your newly rendered lard and it will not get ran-

New Iron Kettles.

The best way to prepare a new iron kettle for use is to fill it with clean potato peelings, boil them for an hour or more, then wash the kettle with hot water, wipe it dry and rub it with a little lard; repeat the rubbing for half a dozen times after using. In this way you will prevent rust and all annoyances liable to occur with the embroidered in silver and gray thread use of a new kettle.

Soft Gingerbread.

A cupful of sugar, one-half cupful of shortening, two eggs, a cupful of molasses, a tablespoonful of ginger, a tablespoonful of cinnamon, a heaping teaspoonful of soda dissolved in a cupful of bolling water, three and two-thirds cupfuls of flour and a tablespoonful of vinegar. Beat well and bake in a moderate oven thirty-five or forty minutes.

Squash Pie.

Cut squash in two, clean out, place cut side down in oven and bake. Press through colunder. To a quart of sifted squash use three eggs beaten light, a cupful of sugar, a teaspoonful each of cinnamon and ginger, a quart of milk. Mix all together till smooth Bake with undercrust.

Cupped Potatoes.

Wet as many teacups as you have guests and fill two-thirds full of nicely seasoned mashed potatoes, turn on to baking tins, brush with beaten egg and brown in the oven. Put on a bot platter with a pancake shovel,

To Make Light Omelet.

Use one teaspoonful of cold water for each egg in place of milk and the omelet will be lighter and will not

RAINY DAISY ATTIRE.

the Smart Girl Wears In Stormy Weather.



THE NEWEST STORM COAT.

Doesn't she look natty and, as our English cousins would say, "fit," in her rainy day costume? It's the newest thing out in bad weather attire, and for the matter of that it is quite in place for motor or railroad traveling in any kind of weather.

The material used in this big, roomy ulster is melton cloth in a dark shade of navy blue. The hat is of cloth, as are the gaiters which protect milady's dainty little feet.

New Playing Cards.

Mrs. John King Van Rensselaer, soclety leader and author and leading authority on the history of playing cards, is soon to appear in the role of an inventor.

Mrs. Van Rensselaer has devised a pack of playing cards each one of which will bear the etching in black and white of a distinguished woman. Historical legends will appear below. There will be four suits, the emblems of which will be a crown, a serpent, a Maltese cross and the Liberty bell. The crown denotes royalty and appears on cards bearing the etchings of women of royalty. Upon those bearing the serpent, denoting immortality, appear noteworthy women, and upon cards bearing Maltese crosses will appear oppressed women and upon the Liberty bell American women. Each of the last named cards will bear the inscription, "Taxation Without Repre-sentation."

The cards were intended for educational purposes, and, although they may be used for certain games, they are so made that they will not appeal to the gambler. The idea is entirely

Milady's Motorcar.

There are several innovations being run through the meat chopper before made at present with regard to the more especially in those designed for

Some of the latest models, instead of being uphoistered in the usual dark colored leather, are being lined with velvet or cloth in exquisite shades calculated to harmonize well with the toilets of the fair owner.

One lovely model was uphoistered in dull silver gray velvet with the fittings of oxidized silver, the latter being far prettier and less ostentations than those made entirely of polished silver or plate.

The cushlons, two square and one oblong, the latter nicely adjusted to fit into the small of the back when on a long and tiring drive, were covered in the same velvet, with the monogram in one corner.

The foot rest, with its tin lined interior making a comfortable warmer in the cold weather, was also covered in gray.

Hat Spoiled Eyes. Women should beware of the hat

which shades the eyes. "Hats which obstruct the vision of the wearer weaken the eyes," said a

doctor recently. "A girl of eighteen who wears the 'beehive' or other overhanging hat will find that by the time she is twenty her sight is almost as weak as that of

an old woman." Another doctor, when shown two models of the beehive bats which are so popular among women nowadays, said that such hats not only weaken the sight, but also induce baldness through being worn so close to the

Rules For Girls. Look your best by all means, but be

your best also. A healthy girlhood is the best foundation for a happy life.

Know about cooking, housekeeping and domestic economy.

Remember that a good daughter makes a good wife. Accept only the best men as your husbands, paying as much attention to their character as to their personal ap-

For the Children

Kaiser Wilhelm's Grandsons Enjoying the Snow.



(a by American Press Association,

Gayly as young Americans these small sprigs of royalty are coasting in the snow. They are Prince William Frederick, eldest son of Crown Prince Frederick William of Germany, and his brother Prince Louis Ferdinand, and both therefore grandsons of the kalser. The picture was taken in the grounds of the palace at Dantzic, where the crown prince has lived for several years. The young princes are great favorites of the kaiser. The crown prince is bringing up his sons in a very practical way. The three elder, aged seven, six and four, are being taught French and English by nurse teachers from Paris and London in addition to their German school-They are healthy, active boys ing. and are fond of outdoor sports.

Geography Game.

When the boys came home from school for the Christmas holiday they brought a new game. While Dick was out of the room the company selected the name of a city, river or mountain. When he returned Fred mentioned a number of geographical names and Dick was able each time to tell which was the one that had been agreed upon. Here are some of the questions in their proper order, with Dick's answers. Can you see bow he did it?

Chicago, London, Paris, St. Petersburg. Lyons (no. to all of these); Brooklyn (yes); the Alps, Rockles, Catskills (no); Adirondacks (yes); Manchester (no); Liverpool (yes).

The right name is the one that follows next after one containing the name of some living creature, as tion. ent. man-in Lyons. Catskills, Man-

Facts About Thread. Do you ever stop and think when

you are sewing away of an afternoon, what a wonderful thing is the thread? To begin with, it is made in large factories and there, too, are manufactured the wooden spools on which it is wrapped for the market. Perhaps you have wondered why thread is numbered. This is to distinguish between the different kinds of thread.

No. 1 is the heaviest cotton thread. It takes 840 yards of this to weigh a pound. With this as a basis, No. 50 must be exactly fifty times as fine cotton as is No. 1-in fact, any number you find marked on a spool of cotton signifies that the cotton is precisely that many times finer than No. 1,

The highest number in general use is 100. Of course you know that there are three different kinds of threadcotton, linen and silk.

At the beginning of our new year it is interesting to note how the indians measure time. They count from one full moon to the next. For the year they count twelve moons, and then they add one more, which they call the "lost moon," thus making thirteen moons in all to a full year. The Indians have a different name for each month. They call the month of Janparty the "cold moon." February is the 'snowy moon." March the "green April the "moon of plants." and May the "moon of flowers." June is called the "hot moon." July the "moon of the deer," August the "sturgeon moon" and September the "fruit moon." October is known as the "traveling moon." November the "beaver moon" and December is named the "hunting moon."-Apples of Gold.

Concerning Amber.

Many children wear strings of amber beads about their necks, and very often they are curious as to where the pretty transparent yellow beads come from.

Amber is a fossilized vegetable resin, found in great abundance on the shores of the Baltic sea. It is derived probably from a variety of extinct tree. The word electricity comes from the Greek word elektron, which means amber, because amber becomes negatively electric when rubbed.

According to a very old fable, amber is the tears of the sisters of Phaethon, who, after his death, were turned into popinr trees. By some, amber is said to be a concretion of birds'

Snowball Battle.

See the soldiers all in line! Now the battle's on! Every man will have to test His mettle and his brawn.

Ammunition's piled up high
To use throughout the fray,
Which just begins when school is
And ends at close of day.

The Big Snow fort is near at hand, And soldiers, great and small, Will strive to win the victory With the powerful snowball.

FOR THE CHILDREN

The Star Lighter.

Come quickly, little sister girl! The stars are being lit!
The dark from down the dusky hills is creeping bit by bit.
The baby moon is sailing. Oh, just come out and see
How Nightman lights the pretty stars for little you and wel

For he's the fatry of the skies and wears a robe of blue. He's old as all the years that are and yet

as young as you.
He has a magic torch to hold. It reaches up so far
That, standing on the billtop, he can light the farthest star.

And one by one they twinkle out, so very

And one by one they twinke out, so very glad and bright.
We're sore he must have touched them with his magic torch of light.
Look up there, little sister girl, beyond the hill and see
The big new one that's glowing now for little you and me.

Oh, un't Nightman good to us to light the stars o' nights? He shows us every evening just the pret-ticet of sights! For he's the fairy of the skios. He wears

And old as all the years he is, yet just as

young as you ... Youth's Companion.

New Authors Game.

You all know the old fashioned game of "authors" to be played with eards. Here is a new game of "authors" to be played with peucil and

When your friends assemble, after giving out pencils and paper, seat yourself facing the company and tell them that each of your sentences must be answered by an author's name. Here are some sentences with their answers:

What Philadelphia is noted for-Holmes

An exclamation-Shaw. What bables make when they cry-

A narrow stream-Ford. Value of words-Wordsworth. Chang, the Chinese giant-Longfel-

What an oyster heap is-Shelley To be found in a monastery-Abbot. Greeting of a good natured person-

What a baby does when in pain-Howells.

A vital part of the body-Harte. A plant found in the marshes-Reade.

A slang word-Dickens. What Oliver Twist asked for-

Foundation of Carnegie's fortune-Steele. What you must never say-Kant.

Connects Europe and America-Cable. Caused by fire-Burns. A worker in precious metals-Goldsmith.

A male house servant-Butler. A maker of barrels-Cooper. A portion of a farmyard animal-

A woolly quadruped-Lamb. A headdress-Hood. Walks sideways-Crabbe. Where vegetables grow-Field.

What a hare is-Swift. A term in baseball-Fielding. What a turkey becomes in the oven

Browning Small talk and heavyweight-Chatterton.

An Old Crocodile.

One of the most interesting specimens in the British museum is a crocodile more than 2,000 years old. It is a its back there is a whole family of little crocodiles.

Years before the Christian era the Egyptians worshiped crocodiles among their animal deities, and many specimens were kept at great expense in their parks and royal gardens, where they were attended by priests and given all sorts of dainty morsels for food, When these crocodile gods died they were embalmed and placed in the tombs along with the mummies of other sacred animals. This particular crocodile was prepared by dipping it in wax and pitch, which rendered it hard and shiny, and it lay in one of the pyramids century after century, until the Egyptian government dug it out and presented it to the museum.

The Chinese Tea Table.

This is a game to amuse small children. The players sit in a circle and each one takes the name of some article used at the ten table, such as ten, sugar, cream, cake, etc.

Tea begins; she rises and turns round and round in her place, saying, "I turn Tea, who turns Sugar?" Then Sugar gets up and begins to turn, saying, "I turn Sugar, who turns Milk?" Milk begins to turn, saying, "I turn Milk, who turns Cream?" Cream turns, saying, "I turn Cream, who turns Hot Water?" And so on with Rolls, Muffins, Jam, Cake or anything that can be thought of for ten-even to napkins and dishes if there are many playingtill all are turning.

They must continue till the leader claps her hands and calls out, "Clear the table," when all sit down in their chairs again.

Origin of a Common Word. Some names have passed into lan-

guage on account of the associations which one particular bearer of them has conferred upon them. In 1881 there was an Irish landlord named Captain Boycott, who dealt harshly with the pensants. A movement was organized for refusing all dealingwith such persons, refusing to serve them with goods or meet them in soci ety. And the word "boycott" came into common use to denote such ac

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