

Mail Answered

homesick Easterner and the other is an answer to it. In both many well-known arguments for and against the Oregon climate is noted:

LINES.

(Dedicated to the author of "Web-foot Land.")

Oh, yes, we've reached the Webfoot,
And how we wish we'd not!
Oh, how we long to be once more
Where it's either cold or hot.

Where we might have a dry spell
Of a hundred days or more,
And where the dust at Christmas,
Your shoe tops covers o'er.

Or instead of listening calmly
To the raindrops gentle flow,
Oh give me a nice blizzard
At forty-two below.

And if I wish to see a friend,
I'll travel in a sled,
With a warmed-up brickbat at my
feet
And a blanket round my head.

And where no one sits idle,
Gently chatting at his ease,
But sits around real lively,
In hopes that he won't freeze.

"It rains at morn, it rains at eve."
Oh, hear my mournful wail,
And carry me back to Illinois
With its storms of wind and hail.

Instead of digging up the "spuds"
When e'er the farmers please,
Oh, give me Kansas locusts
To devour my beans and peas.

I am so tired of Webfoot,
With its skies of somber hue,
I pine for dear Wisconsin's woods
Where the air with smoke is blue.

Oh, could I leave this land of mud
For icy Eastern plains,
I'd gladly wear fur coats galore,
If I could miss these rains.

I'd grumble not at tidal waves,
Or a hurricane or two,
If I could be in Texas
With my clothes all dry and new.

Now if the chronic grumbler
Feels he surely must migrate,
We'll try to raise the needful
To ship him out the state.

For who knows what might happen,
What pains his system rack,
If the webs should start between his
toes
And the moss upon his back.

He says he's tired of Webfoot,
With its sunshine "scant and
dim."
Of course, we wouldn't tell it,
But old Webfoot's tired of him.

ated by the means of a "main line," as it is called, and each capable of being emptied, or "blown out" at will. The result is to place effective weight just where it is required in a minimum of time, the all-surrounding water being ever at the disposal of the controlling officer on board.

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NEW WATER BOUNDARY.
SEATTLE, May 20.—The Canadian government is surveying the water boundary through the Dixon entrance, separating Alaska from British Columbia, with a view to claiming jurisdiction over all the waters of Hecate strait, which divides Queen Charlotte Islands from the Canadian mainland.

ROCK PILE STOPS BOOZING.
BOISE, Idaho, May 20.—Mayor Hodges proposes establishing a city rock pile in order to reform drinkers by working the alcohol out of their systems and causing chronic vagrants to shun the town. The result of the labors of the classes mentioned will be used in improving the streets.

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THINGS WORTH KNOWING

A Few Hints for the Newly-Weds From Old Reliable

The following valuable hints for young housewives have been contributed by Old Reliable, whose excellent recipes and suggestions appear in the Housewives Exchange.

When buying steaks and you cannot afford the choicest cuts, see that you get a cut from the center of the round, cut thick. Use the top round for steaks. The bottom round you may use for chili con carne, meat balls, Hamburger steak, meat pies, etc.

Don't despair or get angry when your husband comes home late for his meals. If you have everything ready and are afraid it will get spoiled, take a large roasting pan, put your soup, stew, etc., in the pan, fill with hot water, put on top of the stove and keep warm.

Do not fry steak or chops before he has arrived. They will not take long and I am sure he will be willing to wait.

For pies and roasts have your oven hot before putting them in. For cakes, such as pound, loaf or layer, use a medium hot oven. Sponge cakes require a little more heat at first.

If the bottom of your stove is baking too fast, put an asbestos plate under the cake. When cakes are browning too fast on the top, cover with a sheet of asbestos paper, which you can buy in any hardware store.

Save all your bacon dripping when frying bacon and eggs for breakfast; it is fine for frying fish, liver, etc., with a little butter added, and gives a fine flavor.

Save all drippings from beef and pork roast. When you have sufficient on hand, put in a pot, add some cottonseed oil and a few slices of raw potatoes; boil together, skim off the scum, put through a sieve into a crock, add a pinch of baking soda and when it begins to cool, stir to a cream. It will be nice and white and makes fine piecrust.

When washing dishes, use the common washing soda. It is cleaner and more economical than soap and puts a better shine on your dishes; it is also fine for cleaning burnt pots by soaking them in the soda water.

Never put pots to soak in hot water. Use cold and they are much more easily cleaned.

When mixing pie-crust, don't add too much water, as it will "burn" the dough and make the crust tough.

When poaching eggs, grease the pan first; the eggs will not stick to the bottom then. Cover the eggs with a lid just before serving. It will give them a nice pink glazed look.

Cover your drainboard with lemon juice for about an hour, then wash off with warm water. This makes it nice and white.

If you have a little cornbeef left over from dinner, make cornbeef hash for breakfast out of it by cutting or chopping it into small pieces, add the same amount of cooked potatoes, a small piece of onion braised first in a little butter; add some black pepper, a little soup stock (if not on hand, add water; mix all together; put in baking dish. If the meat is not fat enough put in a few dabs of butter on top. Bake until a nice brown crust forms. Put on a hot plate and serve (if liked) with a poached egg.

Always blend your flour with butter for thickening cream gravies, vegetables or fricassees. For wine or clear sauce use cornstarch, dissolved in cold water.

When making lemonade, grate the rind from the lemon, put it in a glass jar, mixed with a little sugar. It is fine for flavoring pudding and cakes. Oranges may be used in the same way.

Take two vanilla beans, split them, cut them up and put in a bottle; fill bottle with pure alcohol. Ready for use in a few days.

Save all your stale bread, dry in oven and use for breading chops.

If you discover in time that your soup is oversalted, add one or two unsalted potatoes and your soup will be all right.

Boil all milk not to be used immediately, or it may get into that dangerous condition which is known as "on the turn." "Turned" milk is a dangerous drink in hot weather.

To make use of the waste of an egg, mix it with a tablespoon of water and brush over fish, croquettes or rissoles, instead of using a whole egg. The yolk alone will not serve this purpose.

To test the heat of fat for frying in a basket, drop in a piece of bread and take it out at once. If it feels crisp the fat is hot enough.

To make sauces a nice consistency use 1 ounce of flour to 1/2 pint of liquid.

Hard-boiled eggs for salad or other dishes should be put into boiling water for 12 minutes and then immediately put into cold water. This prevents them turning black.

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