

WIFE SAVERS

By Mrs. Mary Morton

It is practically impossible to remove the burned spots in linen, provided the heat has thoroughly blackened the fabric so that it is almost carbonized. But an excellent recipe for removing ordinary burns caused by a hot iron is a mixture of three ounces of fuller's earth boiled in half a pint of vinegar and the juice of three onions.

Cream of Celery Soup.—Use the tough stalks and the best of the leaves for the soup. Wash, cut in small

pieces and cook with a good-sized onion in water until tender. Strain through a wire strainer. Melt a good tablespoon of butter in a saucepan, add a tablespoon of flour, mix smooth, gradually add a pint of milk and stir until it is hot and smooth. Add strained celery and onion, season, and serve with toasted bread sticks.

Let active, healthy children have a simple midmorning or midafternoon lunch if they crave it. The chances are that this extra food is absolutely required by the growing bodies. Be careful, however, not to add sweets or rich foods to these lunches. Plain bread and butter, a glass of milk, a banana (very ripe), or some other simple food will be ample. Be very careful not to let the children get into the habit of being hasty at meal time. A quiet relaxed period at table followed by a reasonable time of rest will go far toward helping them to get the fullest possible good from the food eaten.

Omelet with Bacon.—The few pieces of bacon left from yesterday's breakfast may be cut into small pieces and added to the omelet. Freshly fried bacon may, of course, be used if you have no left-over that you wish to utilize.

In thickening cream soup allow a tablespoon each of butter and flour to every quart of soup.

An ingenious woman has devised a purse in the form of a bookmark that she uses to carry the money that she wishes to put in the collection plate at church. In cities where one has to take long street car rides daily one is apt to do most of one's reading on the car. This pocketbook purse might be used to advantage for car fare, etc. Take a piece of dark, rich-colored ribbon, grosgrain or satin, preferably about an inch and one-half wide, and long enough to suit the size of the book with which it is to be carried. Measure twice the length of the book and add about two inches to each end. For the coin pocket cut another piece of the same ribbon about three inches long and line it with ribbon of a lighter shade. Allow half an inch for a flap, then fold the remainder in half. Stitch the little

pocket to the foundation ribbon and sew on snap fasteners to hold the flap in place. Finish the ends of the bookmark with a fringe. A small design painted or embroidered on the pocket and near the ends of the ribbon adds an attractive touch.

When boiling puddings, make a pleat in the cloth to allow room for swelling, and see that molds and basins are well buttered.

Drop Sponge Cookies.—Take one cup sugar, one egg, four tablespoons milk, two cups flour, two teaspoons baking powder, one teaspoon salt, vanilla. This mixture should be quite stiff. Drop from a teaspoon on greased cookie sheet. When baked will spread. These are especially good for children.

To wash white silk make a warm, soapy lather and squeeze the garment with the hands. Do not pull or twist, as the threads are liable to break. Rinse in warm water and then in cold with a spoonful of methylated spirits added.

When cleaning a chicken, use a small pair of tweezers to pull out the pinfeathers. It is a great saving of time in getting a chicken ready.

With the size of house and apartment shrinking and many married women earning money outside the home, one gets pessimistic sometimes about homes as we knew them when we were children. However, when we consider how many women who work hard in offices or shops insist on keeping up their homes instead of boarding, and the bachelor girls who do the same thing, we feel sure that home-making is an ingrained trait and not merely an inherited tendency. Bachelor girls nowadays not only make cozy homes for themselves in flats, but often buy houses, rent part and live in the other half, feeling that whether they marry or not they will have the thing that seems fundamentally necessary to most women—a home.

A sharpening steel which has become greasy should be soaked in turpentine, then in strong soda and water. The steel must be kept clean or it will not act as a sharpener.

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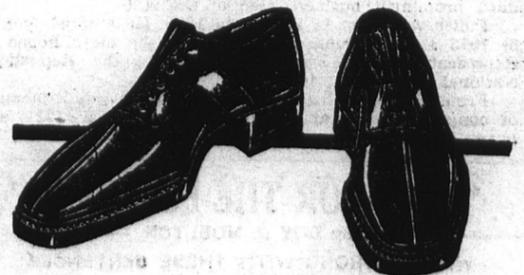
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