NOW AND THEN

THIS IS MY COUNTRY

This is my country where the pointed fir
Climbs from the sea and from the laughing foam,
And here forever music, the whisperer,
Calls the proud ships up through the gullies home.
And here forever on the shingle cries
The restless water and the shell is tossed,
And veer here across the drifting skies
The sea gulls wander, but are never lost.

This is my country; the feet running here,
Run to the coves and to the windy hollows
And to the dunes where, on the waiting ear,
The returning tide sweeps up the cove and bellows,
And night comes softly to the pasture bars,
Painting the ocean with a cloud of stars.

Harold Vinal

This is my country, and a very pleasant country it is. The Old Line State presents a varied scene, mountains hills plains and many beautiful rivers. But the part of it across the bay is the Garden Spot, at least so think the people who live here. Situated too far from the busy centers it does not attract many undesirable citizens. So those who live here can enjoy the pleasures of boating, fishing, swimming, golfing to their hearts content.

Some one who observes the weather here has counted 322 sunny days in the year. I nave travelled all over the world" said a gentleman a few days ago, "but I have found that this is the pleasantest place which I have ever found." And so the Eastern Shore, and especially Kent County, extends a welcoming hand to those who come and appreciate all the advantages, she has to offer.

DR. GREENFELL

So he has passed to his reward, this man who was willing to sacrifice his dream and ambitions to go to desolate Labrador, when he heard of the misery and privation of the people. Dr. Grenfell's work included much outside the field of medicine. To hospitals were added schools and orphanages and industrial and community organizations that were to lift the level of living for innumerable people. These works were made possible through the inspiration he transmitted to others. As he himself said:

As the work grew and new activities developed, we found in the universities and schools of America many young men and women volunteers who were glad to come down and help us try to meet those challenges.

"Dr. Grenfell" became a household word in the United States. Schoolteachers who thought it their business to teach something more than the "three R's" read his accounts of life on stormy, ice-beleaguered coasts, where poverty and ignorance were greater than the weather.

WM. J. BRYAN

Wm. J. Bryan who ran twice on the Democratic Ticket for president was a most eloquent man. Some have siad that if his listeners were carried directly to the polls after his speech there would be no doubt of his winning.

He said at one time when making a speech, he was impressed by the attention of one man in the audience who kept his eyes upon him and looked as though he was hanging on the speaker's every word. Mr. Bryan was so flattered that he found himself addressing that one man, oblivious of the rest of the audience.

After the address was over the man came upon the platform, and grasped Bryan's hand. "You see, Sir" I am a dentist, and I have never before in my whole professional life seen a speaker who, when he laughed showed both rows of teeth all the way round."

Bryan's feathers fell accordingly.

ALABAMA GETS PAINTING

The State Department of Archives and History has acquired a painting depicting activity at Demopolis, early French settlement in Alabama —a painting found in a French chateau.

The painting was presented to the State by Thomas Martin, Birmingham, president of the Alabama Power Company, who bought it from a Philadelphia art dealer.

Done in water-colors on wall paper, the painting has been suitably framed and placed in the department's "Alabama French History Museum" in its new $650,000 building on Capitol Hill here.

HOT OFF THE GRIDDLE

By Susan Snow

When washing dishes, use hot water and a mild soap. Silver and glasses should be washed separately.

To save cleaning, brass and copper articles not used with food could have a thin shellac covering, like furniture.

Fresh milk, if it has never dried, may be removed with clear water. To control spreading, use a folded pad under the stain, removing pad each time stain is treated.

When sweeping carpets and rugs use little moisture. Remember, water plus dust equals mud, hence cloudy floors and carpets.

If you have an ice refrigerator cooknig the food before putting it in the ice box will save the ice.

When making starch choose a smooth clean enamel pan. Lump starch is measured by rounding spoonfuls and a wooden spoon helps the stirring.

The prevention of rings, after using cleaning fluids depends upon light manipulation and slow, careful work.

Mildew is formed when clothes remain damp and warm. If only a day or so old, it may be washed out. If no care has been given to it, the mildew will attack the fiber of the fabric and will require bleaching out or the material may be destroyed.

Wool filled comforts well quilted will give good returns, better than cotton.

An electric wire with broken woven cover or insulation should be mended at once, to prevent burns and blown fuses. Wrap old wire with friction tape. It is cheap to buy and should be kept in the house.

Use tomato juice instead of water with lemon-flavored gelatin. Add shredded cabbage and minced onion before gelatin sets. Serve in squares on lettuce or keep on hand for a cold meat garnish.

If your waffle iron ever becomes stained with bits of charred food, or with grease, clean it with a household cleaner that doesn't scratch and which polishes as it cleans. Simply sprinkle a small quantity of this cleaner on a damp cloth and rub it over the stained surface. When the stains disappear, wipe with a damp cloth and dry, and your waffle iron will gleam with spick and span cleanliness.

To dust sugar on hot doughnuts, and to get on evenly, shake the doughnuts in a paper bag containing powdered or granulated sugar. There is no waste of sugar this way and no spilled sugar to be wiped up.

The next time you want to pierce a hole in a leather belt or in a leather shoe strip, just heat a long pin until it is red hot, then force it through the desired spot in the leather. This may be done quickly and a round even hole will result.

If you should want to use decorative flower pot (the type with a hole in the bottom) for a flower bowl or vase, try this: Fill the hole first with chewing gum and then secure the chewing gum with adhesive tape. As a result of this treatment, the vase will hold water for almost an indefinite period of time.

Sausage served in combination with fruit is an excellent addition ot any meal. It lends itself to many ways of serving; it not only comprises a dish in itself, but also adds flavor and zest to a number of other food combinations.

Did you know that:

It is best to buy vegetables by weight rather than measure. A pound is a definite quantity, but a quart will vary, depending on whether the dealer packs the measure or fills it loosely.

The best artichokes are green in color. A brownish color suggests that they have been kept too long.

In choosing winter cabbage, select a firm, heavy head. A pound of cabbage yields approximately 3½ cups of finely shredded cabbage for salad and 2½ cups when cooked.

During the winter old parsnips are sold by the pound and there are usually about four medium sized roots to the pound.

Dried apricots are among the most inexpensive fruit that can be bought. One pound makes about 3½ cups of fruit when soaked and drained or 3 cups when cooked.

Care Of Fur Coats

The greatest detriments to fur garments or fur trimming are friction, moths, heat, and light and for that reason the wear and continued good appearance of fur on a coat or of a fur coat depends on the care that it gets, according to Miss Helen Shelby, specialist in clothing for the Extension Service.

She points out that any heat, including sunshine, draws the oils out of the leather pelt of the fur and makes it hard and dry. Light actually fades dark furs and will make white furs yellow. A fur garment should be cleaned by an expert with equipment for tumbling it in a drum with specially treated sawdust until it is clean. If the lining is very soiled, it should be taken out and dry cleaned separately.

Moths fly the year round in our modern heated houses and as they seem particularly fond of fur, garments made of it or timmed with it require constant watching, even in winter when they are in daily use. Occasional brushing and airing will help to dislodge any moth eggs that might be in the fur.

Miss Shelby says that if a fur coat or the fur on a coat gets wet it should be wiped gently with a Turkish towel along the flow of the fur. Then, it should be held by the hem, shaken well and hung on a padded hanger in a doorway, or where there is good circulation of air. Never hang it near a radiator or other heat, or in a very hot room.

Fur coats, scarfs and trimming may be combed very gently with the flow of the hair to prevent matting. This means in the direction of the hair point.

on slices of buttered toast and pour ovre tomato sauce. Garnish with sprigs of parsley and serve hot.

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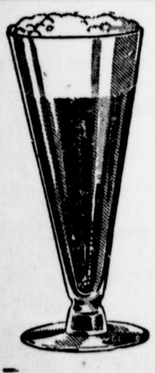
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