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CHILDREN HAD PLAYTHINGS IN STONE AGE

Stockholm, Dec. 28—Whether or not there was a Santa Claus in the Stone Age, primitive people provided toys for the amusement of their little ones.

Ivar Schnell, archeologist of the State Historical Museum, has found miniature stone objects, clearly

meant as playthings for children. One of these was a tiny but well made stone ax 2.5 centimeters in length, evidently fashioned by some fond Stone Age father for his little boy to play with, some 4,000 years ago.

Dr. Schnell found these objects during his exploration of a Stone Age settlement at Brunn, not far from Stockholm.

Modern girls, looking through the old family album, can't associate the miniature stone objects, clearly

WOMEN'S COLUMN

SMART FUR COATS SHAPED TO FIGURE

The fur garments of today are cut not according to the cloth but according to the pelt. The long-haired furs are loose flowing hanging garments elaborate cuffs and perhaps a cape effect, trimmed with a fur of a different sort. The flat furs are semi-fitting. They are shaped to the figure of the wearer and, for some types, are more attractive than coats costing five times as much which emphasize the fullness of the wearer's figure. Broad-tail, caracul, squirrel and mole follow this fashion.

MY NEIGHBOR SAYS.

If you are annoyed by the ticking of a watch or clock at your bedside cover it with a glass. The sound will then be deadened.

Save the peels of oranges and tangerines, dry them in the oven and store in glass jars. They give puddings and custards a delicious flavor.

To keep apples through the winter, bore holes in the bottom and sides of a barrel and store it on a dry platform a foot or more from the ground. Where only a few apples are available for storage, a good plan is to carefully wrap them singly in paper, then pack them in layers three or four deep in shallow boxes and place them in the coolest position in the house or outbuilding.

A quick way to make "fuel" of newspapers is to take 12 single sheets and fold them twice, then again and you will have a long, narrow strip. Turn over so the open part is underneath and divide in three parts, unfolding the ends under into a bow knot. If all folds are well flattened the bow-knotting is easily and quickly done. Sheets must be used singly. I use five of them in place of the larger pieces of wood when starting a fire, two at each end and one in the middle. Saves wood and uses up the papers. They also are fine for livening up either a range or a furnace fire. Try them.

SOUR MILK GINGERBREAD.

1 cup molasses.
1 cup sour milk.
¼ cup shortening, melted.
2½ cups flour.
1½ teaspoons soda.
½ teaspoon salt.
2 tablespoons ginger.

Mix liquids, mix and sift dry ingredients. Combine mixtures. Bake in muffin tins or in a sheet. Variations: Add two teaspoons caraway seed or two tablespoons finely cut orange peel; or two tablespoons candied ginger root, or one-half cup raisins or currants, or one-half cup drained, pitted and finely cut cooked prunes or add to flour mixture three tablespoons cocoa. Serve plain or hot with butter or with apple sauce and whipped cream or with marshmallow cream.

"Please send me a fruit cake that is less rich and indigestible than those you have been broadcasting," asks a Forum listener. "I'd love to make them, but my husband and I are almost 80 and we live on simpler food. Still, I'd like some sort of Christmas fruit cake for our holiday."

"I still do all the cooking for both of us," she adds proudly. Isn't that a record to be proud of? We're hoping the Ritz spice cake we're giving this morning adds the last touch of perfection to their Christmas feast. Here it is, a simpler fruit cake:

Had 17 Boils On His Neck Arms and Legs

Mr. A. L. Willos, Supton, Man., writes:—"I had been bothered with boils for about two years. I had seventeen on my neck, arms and legs. I tried all kinds of medicine, but none of them seemed to help me any. I then used two bottles of

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RITZ SPICE CAKE.

1 cup shortening.
1 cup brown sugar.
1-3 cup molasses.
3 eggs.
3 cups flour.
½ teaspoon soda.
1 teaspoon cinnamon.
¼ teaspoon allspice.
¼ teaspoon cloves.
¼ teaspoon nutmeg.
¼ teaspoon salt.
¾ cup water.
½ cup raisins.
¼ cup currants.
¼ cup citron.

Cream shortening, then beat in sugar, molasses and eggs whole. Sift and mix flour, soda, spices and salt and add alternately with water to first mixture. Fold in fruit and bake in pan seven by ten by two inches.

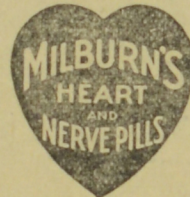
Teacher—Johnny, why is it that you are not as polite and well behaved as Jimmy?

Johnny—Well, he lives in a street where all the other boys are bigger than he is.—Kansas City Star.

Nervous and Run Down The Least Noise Would Bother Her

Mrs. R. Burton, Oshawa, Ont., writes:—"Three years ago I was so nervous and run down I could hardly bear to have the children make a noise it would bother me so."

"A friend advised me to take



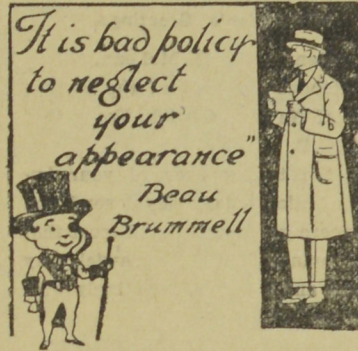
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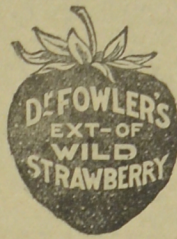
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