

NT QUIT JOB HELD 59 YEARS

Post Office Mail Carrier Relic of
Quaint Delivery.

BOSTON, April 9.—Although his eyesight is failing fast and despite the fact that he has been working for the United States postoffice for fifty-nine years, James Bartholomew, 77 years of age, continues to work, because he can not afford to quit.

He is the oldest letter carrier in the United States in point of service and is one of the men who will be benefited if the Sterling-Leibach bill, now before the United States senate, becomes law.

It provides for old-age pensions for civil service employees of the government.

"I wanted to stop working five years ago," said Mr. Bartholomew, "but I could not afford to."

Mr. Bartholomew's eyesight is failing so rapidly that he can not read the

names and addresses on letters, so he has been given the special job of facing letters all one way so that they may run properly through a cancellation machine.

He went to the Roxbury postoffice as a clerk in 1861 and until 1886 worked inside, sorting mail and delivering it to the "penny post" men, who used to carry on a private business of delivering the mail before the government took it under jurisdiction.

The Right Thing at the Right Time

By MARY MARSHALL S. DUFFEE.

With the Napkin

Several hundred years ago it was the altogether elegant thing to use the edge of the tablecloth for a napkin.

At another period "correct" persons carried the napkin over the right arm when eating and, it is said, the custom among waiters of carrying a towel in this way dates from that time.

At still another time in luxurious

households a fresh napkin was served with each course and as the diners finished the course they let the used napkin slip to the floor, so that at the end of the banquet a pile of damask lay at each place.

Now we find a napkin, simply folded, at the right of our place or lying on the plate as we sit down to dinner.

We unfold it as deftly as possible and place it across our lap—"across the left knee," the strict authorities used to say.

As need may require we wipe our fingers on the napkin beneath the table and occasionally raise it to our lips.

When finger bowls are passed the fingers are dipped in the bowl, first one hand and then the other and then wiped on the napkin.

Never under any circumstances dip the napkin into the finger bowl.

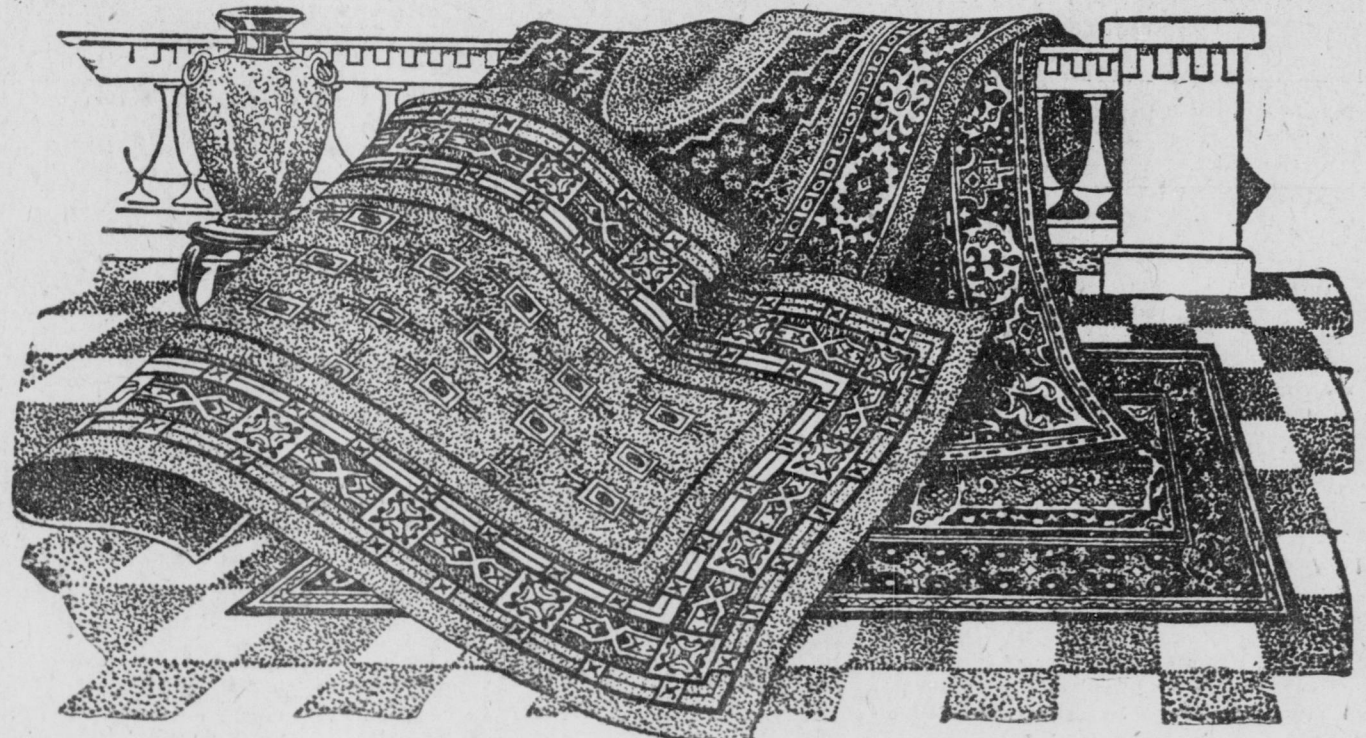
If we wish to wipe the lips with the water we should merely moisten the fingers, touch the lips and then wipe the lips and fingers.

Ideally speaking, a napkin is never used but once between trips to the laundry and hence napkin rings would be unnecessary, but practically a great many persons can not afford to do this and so the napkin ring has a perfectly legitimate place on the dining table.

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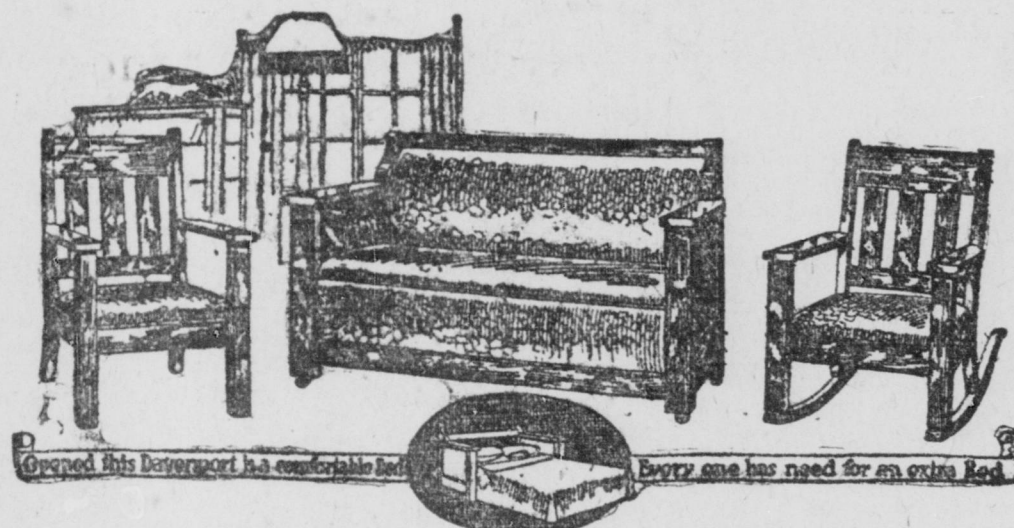
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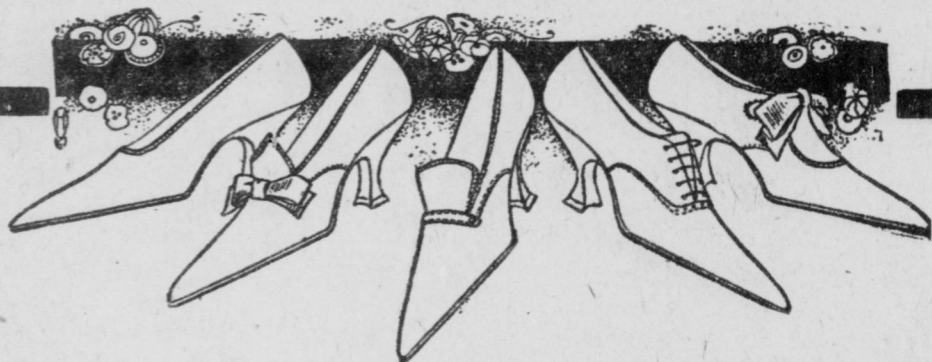
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