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A Matter of Taste.

Ella looked completely puzzled. "But what are you trying to prove now, George?" "I was only showing you that, even though you may come back earlier, we couldn't possibly have got ready in time if I hadn't."

"I think," she answered slowly, "you might have told me you were doing it." "What, before it all, dear? I should have written, though, if you hadn't been coming home so soon."

"Well, no, not exactly. I flatter myself I know how to see that the work's properly done, and all that, but there are some things I don't pretend to be much of a hand at, so I got certain ladies to give me some wrinkles."

"You see," said George, half apologetically, "I would ever so much rather have waited till you came back, only I couldn't tell when that would be."

"Dear George," she said gently, "I am so sorry you took all the trouble on yourself; it was very good of you to care so much, and I know I shall be delighted with the house."

"The walls of the dining room had become discolored by a particularly hideous drab, the curtains were mustard yellow, the carpet was a dull brown; the mottled marble mantelpiece, for which Ella had been intending to substitute one in walnut wood with tiles, still shone in slabs of petrified brown; there was a huge mahogany sideboard, of a kind she had only seen in old-fashioned hotels."

"What, your mother? No, Ella, her notions are rather too grand for me—it was Jessie and Carrie I meant. Just come and see what they've made of my den."

Woman's World.

Mr. Editor: In an article in Our Grange Homes on feeding the sick I find a good deal of wisdom, but I take exception to the idea that dainties and delicacies should be prepared to tempt the appetite and induce the patient to put into the stomach food that it does not crave and probably cannot properly assimilate.

Food for the sick should be prepared in the most careful and painstaking fashion. The dietary bill of meat, the whitest and most inviting potato, if such dishes are permitted.

When the gastric juice is deficient, and food cannot be properly assimilated, the appetite fails. This is the stomach's distress signal. Food is not wanted, and if the patient is lured, by tempting flavors and seasonings which tickle the palate, to swallow it, nature continues her protest and expels it as possible by vomiting.

Can Beet Pickles for Sale. A writer in an exchange advises women who need pin money to try canning beets. She says never use a beet that is too large to put into a quart can whole.

Electricity for Plants. It would seem that electricity is one of the agents employed by nature to aid in supplying the plant with nourishment and to stimulate its growth.

Strawberry Preserving. You can not put sugar on fresh strawberries, pack them down and let them stand and have the fruit perfect as you can in the case of pineapple or raspberries.

The South's Prosperity. Financially, the southern states are glowing with health and promise and rejoicing in the consciousness of their essential greatness.

Farm Notes.

Mr. Editor: I would like to ask your advice as to the best time to kill hogs. Some of my neighbors tell me to kill them in the first quarter of the moon because if killed when the moon is on the wane the meat will shrink.

The best time to kill hogs is when they are in good condition. A yearling, if kept growing all the time and fed plenty of corn or other good fat producing food the last month or two will not make as much meat as a two or three-year-old hog.

For as killing in the first quarter of the moon, I would not kill them in the moon at all. Your barnyard will do very well, if there are no breeding animals; if there are, do your killing where they will not smell the blood or the carcass.

Queer Things in Coffins. Eccentricities that will make even the Undertakers Laugh. "What is the last curious thing you have met in your line of business, and what is the most peculiar of the other day?"

Who on earth are you? demanded George, as the man rose from the kitchen stairs. "No offense, sir and lady. Program, that's my name, just about the corner of my office into Silver street, plumber and sanitary engineer, gas fitter and artistically decorating, bell ringing in all its branches."

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General News.

Argentine reciprocity with the U. S. can ex-convicts were in New York March 21. Union treaty between United States and Great Britain has been signed.

UNION STATES. Walt Whitman is dead. Two million dollars is needed to complete the census.

The Chicago board of education is charged with taking bribes, the same as the aldermen. When the Standard Oil company reorganized it had \$26,000,000 surplus earnings on hand.

A boiler in a brick factory at Laclede, Mo., exploded March 21 and killed four men and dangerously injured four more.

Seven of the building Chicago aldermen have been indicted. One of the witnesses is a woman in whose presence a house of ill-fame the aldermen talked too freely and drank.

The mayor and market clerk of Allegheny City, Pa., have been arrested for embezzlement and the superintendent of water works and health board are short.

Edward M. Field, the swindler and forger, son of Cyrus W. Field and nephew of Stephen J. Field of the federal supreme court, has been sent to the New York state insane asylum at Bialo for examination as to his sanity.

Current News.

There is a hitch in the Bering sea correspondence between the U. S. and Great Britain. The U. S. refuses to renew last year's agreement to keep poachers out of the sea.

President Harrison says in reply demanding an immediate answer: The modus of last year is the least this government can accept in reason.

The Canadian government issued a notice March 28 to all Canadian sealers who had been driven out of Bering sea by reason of the agreement between the United States and Great Britain to file their claims for damages within one month.

The strike of Canadian Pacific conductors and brakemen has extended from Winnipeg to the Pacific. The engineer at Heppburn colliery, Durham, Eng., were stoned by strikers and several of them injured March 24 because they refused to join the strikers.

The British house of commons rejected by a vote of 373 to 160 a bill making 8 hours a days work in the mines. The authorities at Brisbane, Queensland, are relieving 500 destitute persons daily.

Redcoats quelled the riotous striking miners in Durham. In Paris 5000 cabmen struck March 26. Discharged switchmen at Kent, O., attacked the men who had taken their places and the police who were defending them March 26 and firing resulted, in which two of the rioters were wounded.

Judge Phillips of the United States Circuit Court at Kansas City, Kas., has sentenced Judges Ray, Blaine and George of Cass county to jail until they make some arrangement for payment of the bonds voted by that county twenty years ago in aid of the Tebo and Noosho Railroad. He also imposed a fine of \$500 on each of them.

FOREIGN.

Fire has destroyed the village of Lovel, Switzerland. Five or six May day rioters in Rome have been imprisoned and fined.

In northern Bolivia 30,000 Indians are reported to be on the war path. A syndicate has been formed to cultivate tobacco on a large scale in Congo.

The Greek parliament has been dissolved and May 15 fixed as the day for a new election. President Palacios of Venezuela is reported to be insane. So is Emperor William of Germany.

An uprising of Malays against British rule at Pahang, India, is assuming serious proportions. The Russian force on the Prussian frontier has been ordered to be ready to march at a half-hour's notice.

The destruction of the temporary portion of the Interstate Commerce Commission at San Pedro has been reported to have cost \$100,000. The threat of a typhoid fever has not been as much.

The present best has breeding sows will not calves in their feed. For the calves should be put house treatment, or, in other words, they should be fed to the possible growth from the farmer that neglects a sow makes a loss he never sees. It costs far less to make 100 lbs of beef in the three-year-old in the six-year-old ox.

Current pudding.—Beat two eggs light and stir into a cupful of sugar creamed with half a cupful of butter, stir in a cupful of milk, three-fourths of a pint of flour, with two even teaspoons of baking-powder and one cupful of currants.