

THE HOUSEHOLD PAGE.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE LADIES SOLICITED FOR THIS DEPARTMENT. TELL YOUR VALUABLE RECEIPTS, HOW YOU MAKE FANCY ARTICLES AND ABOUT THE DESIGNS AND CARE OF YOUR "ROSE GARDEN."

GOOD THINGS TO EAT.

Prince of Wales Cake. Two cups of granulated sugar. Two-thirds cup of sweet milk. Three cups of flour. Two-thirds cup of butter. Three teaspoons of baking powder. Whites of eight eggs. Flavor with lemon. Bake in three layers in medium oven.

For the filling use one cup of granulated sugar with water enough to melt the sugar. Boil until it becomes waxy, then add the white of one egg and beat the mixture until light and nice.

Angel Food Cake. Whites of 12 eggs beaten to a stiff froth. One and one-half gobslets granulated sugar. One goblet of flour. One scant teaspoon of cream of tartar.

One teaspoon of baking powder. Mix the flour, cream of tartar and baking powder together and put it through a flour sieve five times. Sift the sugar through the sieve three times and bake in loaf for 40 minutes in a moderate oven. Be very careful not to jar the stove while the cake is baking.

White Mountain Layer Cake. Beat to a cream two cups of pulverized sugar and one-half cup of butter; add one-half cup of milk, two and one-half cups of flour with two and one-half teaspoons of baking powder, and, last, whites of eight eggs beaten to a stiff froth. Bake in jelly cake tins. Put together with icing made by boiling three teacups of sugar and one-half cup of water, until thick; pour it slowly over the well beaten whites of three eggs and beat all together until cool. Also beat before putting on each layer. If a cocoanut cake is desired, sprinkle grated cocoanut over each layer.

Cake Frosting. Good frosting for cake can be made with milk instead of eggs. Take four tablespoons of milk to a cupful of sugar until the syrup spins a thread or forms a soft ball between the fingers when dropped in cold water. Then beat the syrup until it is thick and white. Maple sugar is particularly delicious prepared in this way.

Sugar Cookies. Two cups of soft A sugar. One cup of butter and lard. Five eggs. Five teaspoons level full of baking powder. Five cups of flour. One teaspoon vanilla. Beat the eggs, sugar and shortening together, then add the rest and work thoroughly, roll medium thin, bake in quick oven.

Currant Bread. Scald a pint of milk and beat into it a teaspoon each of melted butter and salt. When the mixture is lukewarm add half a yeast cake, dissolved in warm water, and enough flour to make a good batter. Set in a warm place to rise for eight hours, then beat hard, adding a cup of flour. Work in a cup of steamed currants well dredged with flour, make into a loaf, set to rise until light and bake.

Apple Croquettes. Put over the fire in a saucepan one cup of stale bread crumbs and a half cup milk. Cook, stirring constantly until smooth; then add one large apple chopped fine and a dozen almonds ground, the yolks of two eggs beaten with a tablespoonful sugar, a tablespoonful lemon juice and the grated yellow rind of half a lemon. Cook until thickened, then turn out into a platter to cool. When quite cold form into croquettes; roll in fine crumbs and fry in smoking hot fat. Serve with caramel sauce, maple syrup or powdered sugar.

Pumpkin Pie. Take a small pumpkin, peel and cut up; place in a covered colander and steam until soft; put it into dish in the oven and leave door open until it is dry, but do not allow the pumpkin to brown. Press it through a colander; to two and a half cups of pulp add two cups of cream, or very rich milk, and teaspoonful each of salt, butter, cinnamon and ginger; a tablespoonful of molasses, sugar to taste, and, after cooling and beating well, two well-beaten eggs. Have the pie plate lined with a rich crust.

Potato Fritters. One-half pound of cooked potatoes, one ounce of butter, pepper and salt, one yolk and two whites of egg. Rub potatoes through a wire sieve. Melt butter in a saucepan, add potato, yolk

of egg, pepper and salt, and mix well. Beat the whites to a stiff froth and mix them lightly into the potato mixture. Drop the mixture in pieces about the size of a walnut into boiling fat and fry until nicely browned. Lift out with a perforated spoon, drain on paper and serve in a hot dish.

Chicken Salad. Another thing old chickens are fitted for is salad, and this alike good for picnics and at home. The chief objection to salad as a picnic dish is that it is hard to serve, but this may be obviated by taking along a number of crisp lettuce leaves on which to place a small amount of the salad. Then there is no dishwashing on account of the salad. For this, use an equal quantity of chopped celery and chicken and cover with any salad dressing you may prefer. If you think it too much trouble to make mayonnaise you can buy a bottle of prepared dressing from your grocer, which will last a long time.

Fruit Salad With Golden Dressing. One medium-sized pineapple. Three bananas. Three oranges. Cut the fruit into small cubes, pour the dressing over it and let stand in the ice chest for half an hour before serving.

Two eggs. One-quarter cup light-colored fruit juice. One-quarter cup of sugar. One-quarter cup of lemon juice. Beat eggs, add fruit juice, lemon juice and sugar. Stir constantly in a double boiler until it begins to thicken. Cool and serve on the sliced fruit.

Corned Beef Hash Cakes. Take equal parts of chopped cold corned beef and chopped cold potatoes. Mix well and season with salt and pepper. Moisten with hot water and shape into flat cakes. Cook slowly in a generously greased frying pan, browning on both sides.

Cleaning Furs. Rub ermine and minerva with a soft piece of white flannel dipped in flour. Rub again the grain, and continue rubbing until the fur is clean. Shake out, and then rub off the remaining flour with a clean flannel. Sable, squirrel, etc., are cleaned by rubbing with warm bran, and are then shaken and brushed to free the fur of bran. It is best to lay articles to be cleaned on a flat board or table, and to remove linings and stuffings, if possible.

Let Him Kick. The daily bath is not only cleansing but helps him to be a well-developed child. It is for this that he should have a tub big enough to splash and kick in, and be given time for this amusement. There never was a healthy boy who did not love this if the temperature of the water is as it should be. The exercise is most beneficial.

The Medicinal Value of Fruit. There is nothing better to cure the drink habit than the continued eating of apples, while in Switzerland they have what is termed the grape cure, and thousands of anaemic and nervous persons are benefited by the cure. Eating a large bunch of grapes every day soon restores the blood to its normal condition and quiets the nerves. All fruit is medicinal. Currant leaf is a cure for gout, black currant jelly in water for sore throat and pineapple for rheumatism, mulberry juice for fevers, elderberry for chills and lemon is excellent for colds and toning up the system.

The Use of Salt. Salt is a very useful, though humble, friend of the housekeeper, if she would but realize the fact. Damp salt will rub off the discolorations left in cups by the sediment of tea and coffee. Salt will set the dyes of black and colored articles, if a little be added to the water in which these are washed. Salt, mixed with lemon juice, removes the stains of ink, tar or paint from the hands. Salt and water, applied to basket and straw work, and rubbed in with a soft nail brush, is a most effective cleansing agent. Brass ornaments may be kept bright by rubbing them occasionally with salt and vinegar. Salt, thrown upon the grate will soon put out a fire in the chimney. Salt, when added in proportion to whitewash, induces the latter to adhere firmly to any surface to which it may be applied.

Keeping Honey. To keep honey from souring or becoming granulated, it must be kept in a warm place. Many persons think if honey has fine particles of sugar through it, that it has been adulterated, whereas it is the purest kind, and the old honey invariably gets in this condition. To dissolve the sugar, place the honey in a tin pan and place the pan in one filled with hot water.

Laundering Stockings. Good laundresses, when washing white stockings, whether of silk or thread, add a few drops of oxalic acid to the water. The reason of this is that the acid has the effect of removing the stains caused by the boots and shoes, which are only "set" when washed with ordinary soap and water.

Senator Platt, on his last visit to the Manhattan Beach hotel, allowed a pretty little girl, a Western millionaire's daughter, to be presented to him. The little girl, in the course of her many delightful chats with the aged statesman, said: "Tell me, won't you, Senator, what political economy is?" "Political economy, my dear child," Senator Platt replied, "is the art of never buying more votes than you actually need."

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Brevities

THE HALL OF FAME.

Lawyer Edward Henkin while arguing a case in court in Chicago was robbed of a diamond fob worth \$1,000.

Rev. Charles J. Scudder, pastor of a fashionable church in Brooklyn, has resigned to engage in the manufacturing business with his father-in-law.

Frederick Makmur, who has become a distinguished violinist after many privations, was a poor Wisconsin boy. He made his first violin of two cans.

Oran Perry, adjutant general of Indiana, is preparing to write the first complete history of the movements of Indiana troops during the Mexican war.

Dr. Charles M. McCutcheon of Tacoma, Wash., is proving a public benefactor in his efforts to people the woods bordering on Puget sound with song birds.

Congressman Nick Longworth's answer to the report that he has won \$3,000,000 in Wall street is in substance that he'll divide with the man who proves it.

Erskine Lyford of Warren, Vt., seventy-eight years old, is a remarkable pensioner. He enlisted with the three months' men in 1861, served through the war, was never sick or wounded and was on duty every day. He now draws a pension of \$30 a month.

Professor Albert Nicholson of the University of Chicago has received the Copley medal awarded by the Royal Society of Great Britain as a tribute to the many optical investigations he has made, which, the society declares, are of great benefit to the world at large.

Joseph Medill McCormick, son of former Ambassador Robert S. McCormick, and his wife, who was Miss Ruth Hanna, daughter of the late Senator Hanna, are planning to retire from society temporarily and take up their residence in the University of Chicago settlement house "back of the stockyards" and study life as it is lived by the employees of the jungle.

With only a homemade telescope, J. E. Mellish of Cottage Grove, Wis., a farmer's boy scarcely out of his teens and having only a country school education, has discovered two comets and attracted the notice of the astronomical world. Prominent scientists have become interested in him, and opportunity has been made whereby he can pursue more effectively the study of his favorite science.

MODES OF THE MOMENT.

White with gold lace trimmings is a very fashionable combination.

Drawn satin makes the smartest hats in black, brown, electric blue and mole, which latter color, combined with electric blue, is a modish combination.

Gold tulle lace as well as gold tulle is being largely employed in the exclusive Paris houses for evening gowns as a foundation for both lace and mousseline de sole, and overdresses of lace are quite a feature.

The girl of New York is wearing her street skirts very short. They clear the ground by two or three inches, and there are skirts even shorter. With these are worn the rather conspicuous but very handsome shoes to match the skirt.

Elastic belts, which are more elegant and more numerous than ever, are finished with a buckle at the front and with a big clasp ornament at the back. They come in all colors and are justly admired for their prettiness and durability.—Brooklyn Eagle.

ENGLISH ETCHINGS.

The flower trade of London exceeds in value \$2,000,000 per annum.

Volunteers had no recognized existence in England until May, 1859.

To keep a race horse in even moderate condition in England, with proper attendants, costs £225 a year.

White enamel plates, with instructions inscribed in Yiddish, have been attached to all fire alarm posts in the east end of London.

At a wedding in Yorkshire recently the names of the bride and bridegroom were Halfpenny and Penny respectively. In this case the wife was the less of the two.

There has died recently at Pinchbeck, near Spalding, England, George Holden, a farmer, eighty-three years of age, who was the last man in the Fens to wear the old fashioned smock frock. He was never to be seen in any other dress.

Editorial Flings.

Ten dollars admission fee to see the new eagle.—Boston Transcript.

It is seldom that a titled foreigner takes an American heiress at her face value.—Chicago Record-Herald.

One of the most insecure possessors a man can have is an automobile bought on borrowed money.—Rochester Herald.

By marrying chambermaids the nobility are rendering the servant problem much more acute and complex.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Now that a woman wears her hat halfway down the back of her neck it is somewhat of a mystery how she can tell when it is on straight.—Washington Post.

"Dictated, but not read," is now stamped upon the busy business man's letters. Another needed rubber stamp is "Written, but not spelled."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

STATE NEWS.

Albany's waterfront was flooded all day Friday. Early in the morning about 40 feet of the old O. R. & N. dock went out and washed away. The dock had not been used for several years and the platform was partially rotten, so the loss is immaterial. The lower stories of waterfront warehouses were flooded, but no damage is reported.

Starting with the new year cars of the Oregon Electric Railway began operation between Portland and Salem. The schedule as announced provides for but one car a day for each terminus, but as rapidly as possible more equipment will be provided and by a week or 10 days at least two cars each way will be in operation, and some time in February it is expected to have eight trains running in each direction daily.

Congressman Hawley has appointed Walter S. Josephson, of Roseburg, cadet at the West Point Military Academy, with William E. Smith, of Jefferson, and Irving L. Ragdale, of Roseburg, as alternates.

Seven men charged with operating "blind pigs" in Eugene were fined \$200 and costs.

Twice within two years a man has been in Aurora trying to get the people there interested in the establishment of a cannery, but both times he has been turned down hard. And then some people wonder why Aurora does not grow.—Aurora Borealis.

Talking about potatoes, City Councilman G. W. Fuller, of Corvallis, has a nice little story to tell. From a tract of land 50 feet wide by 60 feet long Mr. Fuller sold \$15 worth of potatoes in June, and on July 6 he replanted the ground to the same kind of crop and this fall he dug nine bushels more. One "spud" weighed four pounds, measured 21 inches around one way and 13 the other.

Most of the road districts about Forest Grove have made special levies of 5 mills each for improving the main roads running through them, in accordance with a matured plan and under direction of the County Court. By keeping up this plan it is believed that in a few years the main-traveled roads can all be macadamized. The work done the past summer is standing the test of winter so far all right.

Since the announcement that alleged Japanese spies had been securing maps of the City of Portland and the surrounding country, it is learned that a short time ago a Japanese, who was a stranger, was seen on the hill near the head of Seventeenth street, Astoria, making sketches of the harbor at low tide, when the various sands in the river were visible. The matter was reported to a Government official at the time, and it is understood that the authorities at Washington were notified.

There will be a mass meeting Saturday at Eugene under the auspices of the Lane County Horticultural Society.

W. Burley, of Chinook, was convicted by a jury in the Justice Court Monday on a charge of keeping his saloon open on Sunday. He was fined \$30, but has appealed the case to the Supreme Court. The evidence did not show that the saloon doors were unlocked or that any liquor was sold, but that the defendant and his bartender had beer with their lunch in their sleeping room adjoining the saloon.

C. C. Heinrichsen, a German, 75 years old, who has been engaged in gardening in Klamath Falls for six years, fell dead Friday evening in the parlor of a hotel in that city while waiting at the marriage feast of a friend, Henry Janssen. Deceased was a bachelor, held in high esteem in the community for diligence and frugality.

At a late hour Sunday evening J. Wes Lawton, a prominent citizen and business man of Medford, was assaulted, knocked down and robbed in his dooryard by a highwayman.

To save time, he had started home cutting cross-lots, and when he had turned into the back yard alley his assailant, using a rough pine board, struck him repeatedly, bruising his face badly. Mr. Lawton fell to the ground, partially unconscious, when the footpad robbed him of a fine gold watch and \$25 in cash.

In an effort to secure uniform entrance requirements in the colleges and universities of Oregon, a committee of college presidents will meet in Eugene, January 21.

Rev. Isaac Wiseman Baldwin and his wife, of Forest Grove, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Tuesday. Mr. Baldwin was born April 30, 1837, at Bloomington, Ill., where he spent part of his boyhood and was married in Browning, Ill., December 31, 1857, to Miss Luzetta Clarke, who was born at Waterloo, Ill., July 4, 1841, in which her girlhood was spent. He and his wife came to Forest Grove in 1890 from Jacksonville, Ill., where they have resided ever since. Mr. Baldwin served in the Civil War three years and was with General Sherman in his celebrated march to the sea from Atlanta, Ga. He was ordained to the ministry in 1871 at Beardstown, Ill., in the Baptist church, and was elected at Oregon City a few years ago department chaplain for a term of the G. A. R. of Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin have been members of the Baptist church for about 51 years.

Mamma—What is that book you are reading, Willie? Little Willie—It's a book called "Child Training" that I borrowed from Mrs. Smith. Mamma—Do you find it amusing? Little Willie—Oh, no; I merely wanted to see if I had been brought up properly.—Boston Courier.

The following advertisement is taken from a newspaper published at Hoechst, near Wiesbaden, Germany: "Can anyone favor me with the names of the balloonists who when passing over the village of Ried last Thursday evening dropped a bag of ballast down my chimney and completely ruined a fruit tart which I was cooking? Julia Schmidt, 14 Brittelgasse, Ried."



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"Blue Laws" Too Strict.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 28.—In response to a protest from citizens, Mayor C. H. Moore has declared himself opposed to the general enforcement of the city's Sunday-closing law, which provides for closing nearly everything but drugstores and livery stables. In a letter advising repeal of the ordinance, Mayor Moore says:

"The administration will not lend itself to any intolerant or rabid enforcement of the law. I do not believe in setting at naught the law, but some laws are non-enforceable because they are so contrary to the habits and temper of the community."

Grippe Epidemic in Pittsburg.

What is said to be the worst epidemic of sickness since 1859 is being experienced in Pittsburg, and physicians estimate that thousands of persons are prostrated by pneumonia, typhoid fever, and especially the grippe. Throughout the city probably every home is affected in some manner, and scarcity of employes in the large office buildings is seriously felt. The Pittsburg Railway company is having difficulty in manning its cars on account of the conductors and motormen being laid up with the grippe.

It was beginning to rain and a man who was on the point of starting for church discovered that there was not an umbrella in the house fit to use. "You can borrow one from the next door," suggested his better half; "they never go to church." "No, Laura," he answered, with firmness; "it is wrong to borrow umbrellas on Sunday. I shall punish myself for my carelessness by not going to church this morning."

TIME CARD.

O. W. P. RAILWAY

Table with columns: Leave, Arrive, Leave, Arrive. Rows list train schedules between Portland, Alder Sts., Oregon City, Canemah, and Portland.

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