



Nut Balls.

Melt an ounce of granulated sugar until it turns a pale brown, add an ounce and one-half of pecan nuts, chopped quite fine, and stir over the fire for a few minutes. Spread on a buttered dish to harden; when quite cold the candy is chopped and mixed with an equal quantity of French cream. Flavor with vanilla, rose or orange and roll into marbles to be laid aside until somewhat hardened. Melt chocolate and dip the marbles as for ordinary chocolate creams. A piece of butter size of a walnut gives the chocolate a peculiarly soft, rich taste.

Swiss Milk Toffee.

Here is something to amuse the little ones some wet afternoon when they cannot get out. Rinse out a stewpan and leave about a teaspoonful of water in it. Add two ounces of butter, one and one-half tablespoonfuls golden syrup, and one pound moist sugar. When these are all melted, stir in the contents of a tin of condensed milk and boil for twenty minutes. Lift from the fire and stir in two teaspoonfuls of vanilla essence. Pour into a buttered dish and when cool score it across.

Stewed Figs.

Wash the figs and put them in a saucepan with just enough water to cover them and with half a cup of granulated sugar. Simmer until the figs are tender when pierced with a fork. Take from the fire and spread on a plate to cool. Add a cup of sugar to the liquid and boil to a rather thick sirup. Take from the fire and pour over the figs. When very cold put into a glass dish and just before sending to the table, heap whipped cream on top. Eat with light cake.

Bananas and Cream.

Cut some portion of bread the length and breadth of bananas. Fry them golden brown in butter; when crisp drain them, and spread each with stiffly whipped cream, and lay a banana cooked as follows: Stew the bananas without their skins in a little syrup, and be careful to keep them whole and a good shape. Do not serve any syrup with them, and use only cream as a decoration.

Sausage Omelet.

Sausages left over from one morning make a delicious addition to an omelet for the next if skinned and finely minced. Add them to the top of the omelet just after it is set, and as soon as it is brown slip out of the pan and fold on the platter. The meat will then come on the inside instead of the outside of the omelet, as it does not get a chance to sink to the bottom.

Gold Cake.

Cream a cup of butter with two cups of sugar, add the beaten yolks of four eggs and a teaspoonful of sweet milk. Beat in enough prepared flour to make a good cake batter, and the grated rind and juice of a lemon. Turn into a greased tin and bake until a straw comes out clean from the thickest part of the loaf. Cover with a yellow icing.

Baking Powder.

Mix in proportion of one teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda to two teaspoonfuls of cream of tartar. To a dozen teaspoonfuls of the mixture add a rounded teaspoonful of flour to prevent lumping. Mix well and keep in airtight tin.

Cleaning a Clock.

An old dust clogged clock is given a bath of kerosene in a simple way, by placing inside a piece of absorbent cotton drenched with oil. In a few weeks' time the cotton will be heavy with dust, and the works will be clean and shining.

Fish and Tomatoes.

Shred some cold-boiled whitefish until you have a cupful; mix with it the same amount of bread crumbs; add two eggs, a little pepper and salt, a dash of cayenne and a half cupful of stewed tomatoes. Turn into a baking dish, cover the top with fine cracker crumbs, drop bits of butter over it and bake for half an hour.

Apricot Custard Tart.

Ingredients: Apricot Jam, pastry and custard. Method: Make the custard with a pint of new milk, sugar to taste, three eggs, and flavoring of vanilla or almonds. Line a pie-dish with pastry, spread a thick layer of apricot jam on it, pour the custard over. Bake for about twenty minutes in a moderate oven.

Cream Dressing.

Take a large teaspoonful of sweet cream and whip it to a stiff froth; add two tablespoonfuls of fine sugar and nearly half a cup of vinegar, beat and use for cabbage dressing.

PEN PICTURE OF ROOT.

A Washington Correspondent Describes Great Lawyer-Statesman. A Washington correspondent who has studied Secretary Root impartially and thoroughly presents this pen picture of him:

Root is not a popular idol. He probably never will be. He lacks human magnetism. He is cold, stern, calculating, hard, astute, deliberate, conservative, reticent. None of these adjectives are to be found in the description of a popular idol such as Mr. Roosevelt. What other men have done in the possession of other qualities Mr. Root will do by sheer force of intellect, concentration, devotion to public duty and remarkable constructive and executive ability. His will be a conquest of brains and ability, if conquest it proves to be.

Take a close view of him here at Washington and learn the method and manner of the man. You cannot study him in the social atmosphere, in the atmosphere of club or popular resort. You must have some business that is his business, business that will bring you in contact with him in his work, for he does nothing now but work. This is literal. Ask the messengers of the State Department, who used to go home at 4 o'clock every



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afternoon and are now found at their places at 7 o'clock in front of the closed doors of their chief. Ask his secretary, who nightly carries a big leather portmanteau of papers to his hotel and who never leaves his room until within an hour of the change of days. Ask the night watchman about the State, War and Navy Building when, in the 20 or more years of their service, have they paced the halls of the big granite structure to meet face to face a Secretary of State hurrying from his work to the evening meal.

To the State Department he has brought all of the wonderful resources of his great mind. The State Department is his client, and as such has taken the place of the millionaire clients he had in Gotham.

Step by step in days of work from 9 o'clock each morning until 7 o'clock each evening, he is familiarizing himself with the case of the State Department. In time he will have mastered it to his satisfaction. Then he will go before the committees of the Congress to plead it. Already some of the remedies he wants applied are known.

He will watch as case with jealous care and answer with unanswerable arguments every urging against what he wants. To this task he will bring all of his wonderful natural ability, all of the training of the foremost lawyer of the country and perhaps of the world, and all of the training he has had as a public man who deals with men and affairs.

In New York City in the 14 months Root was out of public life and in the interim between his occupancy of the place as War Minister and Foreign Minister he built up a law practice which was approaching the \$300,000 per annum mark—measured by the returns received. This practice was second, perhaps, in remunerative returns to that of no other man. William Nelson Cromwell got the largest single fee for any one case—the Panama Canal Company of France sale to the United States, \$4,000,000—and it is said that Mr. Dill, who was the greatest organizer of trusts or legal adviser of the organizers of trusts, made as high as \$200,000 in a single year, but it was a "boom" year for the combination of independent enterprises.

Mr. Root gave up all the brilliant prospects for financial advantage and comes to Washington only reasonably rich. He comes because of the opportunity of impressing his personality on the history of the country to which he gives of his talents. He comes back because of a patriotic duty and a belief that when called men of his parts should give the best they have to the republic.

Sure Cure for Vanity.

"Did you see my picture in this morning's paper?" asked the public man.

"No," said the wit, shrieking with laughter. "What were you cured of? Ha, ha!"

"Of vanity, after I saw the picture, answered the other, sadly.—Cleveland Leader.

RETORTS BY ROYALTY.

Also Some Daring Replies Made to Them by Subjects.

The kaiser's latest joke, which is going the round of the European papers, is by no means a bad specimen of royal humor, says Tit-Bits. When the German emperor was visiting the ancient castle of Saalburg a few weeks ago with Dr. Lucanus, chief of his majesty's civil cabinet, as companion, he was shown some pottery, recently dug up, which dated from Roman times. By an odd coincidence the name of the maker of one of the old vases was deciphered as "Lucanus." "Halloo! Lucanus!" exclaimed the kaiser, as the name caught his eye "how is this? You are always boasting about your ancestors and here I find they were only potters after all."

But one might fill columns with similar samples of royal wit. Much more rare and perhaps more interesting are the stories of jokes made at the expense of kings. An excellent example of a clever retort was that of the attache of the British embassy in St. Petersburg, who, when dining at the Imperial palace quite recently had the misfortune to upset his glass of claret. The czar, seemingly annoyed by the incident, asked from the other end of the table, "Do they do that kind of thing in England?" "Oh, yes," came the prompt and daring retort, "but no notice is ever taken of it."

Equally swift and even more daring still was the rebuke once administered to the prince regent. When George was walking in Portsmouth one day he shouted out to one of his boon companions whom he saw across the road, "Halloo, Towers! I hear you are the greatest blackguard in Portsmouth." "I hope," shouted back Towers, with a profound obeisance, "your royal highness has not come here to take away my character." This answer is oddly reminiscent of another of which the merry monarch was the victim. Meeting Lord Shaftsbury, whose character as a libertine was notorious, Charles greeted him, "I believe thou art the wickedest fellow in my dominions." "For a subject, sir," placidly answered Shaftsbury, "I really believe I am."

When Frederick the Great, after appointing a man of European ill-fame as his ambassador to our court, asked Hugh Elliott what his fellow countrymen thought of him, Elliott answered with a bow, "A worthy representative of your majesty." But surely no king was ever so cleverly and crushingly answered as George III. when he asked Horne Tooke if he ever played cards. "Your Majesty," said Tooke, "I cannot tell a king from a knave."

FAITH IN THE WISHING TREE.

Odd Stories Told of a Dwarf Chestnut Which Grows in Washington.

"The 'wishing tree' in front of the White House at Washington afforded me more fun than any other one thing there," said a globe trotter, "though the city is packed full of interesting things. I had read of the 'wishing tree' some years ago, and it was one of the first things that I asked for on my arrival there. The tree itself is a dwarf chestnut and is located in Lafayette square, immediately to the west of Clark Mills' equestrian statue of Washington.

"This 'wishing tree' has even more stories told about it than the one in Hyde Park in London. The habitues of the square, as Lafayette park is called there, thoroughly believe in it. The negroes that I spoke of about it, nurse girls and others, all agreed that any one could get anything they would wish for if they wished hard enough. The wishers that I observed about the tree generally stood under it and placed both hands about a lower limb, which is within convenient reach.

"Strangely enough, while I was there I saw an illustration of its power. I noticed a black woman go under the tree and the park watchman told me she was a regular 'wisher.' As she was leaving the tree I asked her what she had wished for and she told me that she could not tell what it was for until a certain time had elapsed. Going out to the street, she picked up a fine lamp, which had evidently fallen from an automobile, and then, in reply to my question, she said: 'I wished for an automobile, but I reckon I didn't wish hard enough, for I only got a lamp.'

"I spent an hour about the tree with my friend Hall Caine, who tells me that he intends to introduce it in his next book, for which he is now making the studies. An equally amusing thing happened a few moments after. In going through the park Caine had forgotten to pick up his umbrella from one of the seats and he had given it up as lost. I thought that was a splendid opportunity to try the merit of the tree, and suggested that he go under the tree and wish for the recovery of his umbrella. He had not got half his wish out when a gentleman passed up and handed him the missing umbrella.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The girl who dislikes the odor of tobacco should never choose a man who chews.

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SALE OF GOODS.

State Law Provides Protection for the Creditor.

Portland—The Portland Association of Credit Men, one of the state's oldest and strongest commercial bodies, has taken up the matter of purchasing goods without the buyer knowing whether or not there is any indebtedness against the same. A law on the statute books of Oregon, covering this question, follows:

SALE OF GOODS IN BULK.

It shall be the duty of any person who shall purchase any stock of goods in bulk, for cash or credit, to demand and receive from the vendor, at least five days before the consummation of such purchase, and at least five days before paying or delivering to the vendor, any part of the purchase price, a written statement under oath, containing the names and addresses of all of the creditors of said vendor, with the amount of indebtedness due and owing, or to become due or owing to each of such creditors, and if there be no such creditors, a written statement under oath to that effect; and it shall be the duty of such vendor to furnish such statement at least five days before such sale. After receiving said written statement, the vendee shall at least five days before the consummation of such purchase, and at least five days before paying any part of the purchase price, in good faith notify personally or by wire or by registered letter, each of the creditors of the vendor named in said statement, of the proposed purchase by him of such stock of goods; and whenever any person shall purchase any stock of goods in bulk, without having first demanded and received from his vendor, the statement herein provided for, and without having also notified all of the creditors of the vendor named in such statement, such purchase, sale or transfer shall, as to any and all creditors of the vendor, be conclusively presumed fraudulent and void. Any

vendor of a stock of goods in bulk, who shall knowingly and willfully make or deliver, or cause to be made or delivered, any false statement, or shall fail to include the names of all of his creditors in any such statement, shall be deemed guilty of perjury. Any sale or transfer of a stock of goods, wares or merchandise out of the usual or ordinary course of the business or trade of the vendor, or whenever thereby substantially the entire business or trade theretofore conducted by the vendor shall be sold or conveyed or attempted to be sold or conveyed, shall be deemed a sale or transfer in bulk, in contemplation of this act; provided, that nothing contained in this act shall apply to sales by executors, administrators, receivers, or any public officer acting under judicial process.

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RHEUMATISM CAN NOT BE RUBBED AWAY

When the joints are sore and swollen, and the muscles throbbing with the pain of Rheumatism, relief must be had at once, and it is natural to rub the affected parts with liniments, oils, etc. This treatment does good in a way, by temporarily relieving the pain and reducing the inflammation, but has no effect on the disease itself, because Rheumatism is more than skin deep; it is in the blood and cannot be rubbed away. Rheumatism is brought on by indigestion, weak kidneys, poor bowel action, stomach troubles and a general sluggish condition of the system. The refuse and waste matters, which should be carried off through the natural avenues of bodily waste, are left to sour and form uric acid and other irritating poisons which are absorbed by the blood, making it thin, weak and acid. Then instead of nourishing the different nerves, muscles, joints and tissues it fills them with poison to produce the aches, pains and other disagreeable symptoms of the disease. Rheumatism is usually worse in Winter for the reason that cold and dampness are exciting causes. The nerves become excited and sting with pain, the muscles are sore and drawn, the joints swollen and stiff and the sufferer lives in intense agony; and if the disease is not checked it often leaves its victims helpless cripples for life. Rheumatism cannot be rubbed away but it can be driven from the blood by S. S. S. Being a perfect blood purifier this great remedy soon produces a complete change in the entire circulation; the thin, acid blood through the body nourishes and soothes the irritated nerves, eases the throbbing muscles, and dissolves and carries out of the system the irritating particles in the joints which are keeping up the pain and inflammation. S. S. S. cures Rheumatism permanently, and in addition tones up the digestion and stimulates the different members of the body to their full duty so there is no cause for another attack. Do not waste time trying to rub Rheumatism away, but get it out of the blood with S. S. S. so that the cold and dampness of Winter will not keep you in continual pain and agony. Special book on Rheumatism and any medical advice will be given free.

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