

Too Much.
There come times when the desire and need for a vacation are quite overbalanced by other things. When Mrs. Hanson had nursed the children of Berryville through an attack of scarlet fever, she resisted all suggestions from grateful parents that she go off for a month's rest at their expense.

"No," she said, with weary firmness, "I'm obliged to all, but I haven't got strength. I could either get ready and stay at home, or I could go without getting ready; but I couldn't do both anyway in this world."

No Diagram with This.
"Smythe, you called on that Boston girl, did you? Was she at home?"
"Yes, she was at home, but you see—"
"Yes?"
"She was at home, but you see—"
"Well?"
"She was at home, but you see—"
"Go on."
"As I said, she was at home, but you see—"
"Yes, yes; she was at home, but I see—"
"Well, that's the answer."

A Memento.
A gentleman was calling upon the widow of a valued friend, says Le Figaro. During the visit he said:
"I was a good friend of your late husband. Is there not perhaps something which was his and which I could have as a memento of him?"
Tearful widow: "How would I do?"

FADED TO A SHADOW.

Worn Down by Five Years of Suffering from Kidney Complaint.

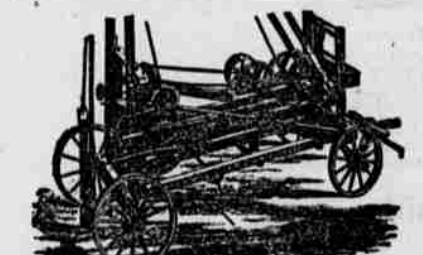
Mrs. Remethe Myers, of 180 South Tenth St., Ironton, O., says: "I have worked hard in my time and have been exposed again and again to changes of weather. It is no wonder my kidneys gave out and I went all to pieces at last. For five years I was fading away and finally so weak that for six months I could not get out of the house. I was nervous, restless and sleepless at night, and lame and sore in the morning. Sometimes every thing would whirl and blur before me. I bloated so badly I could not wear tight clothing, and had to put on shoes two sizes larger than usual. The urine was discolored and passages were dreadfully frequent. I got help from the first box of Doan's Kidney Pills, however, and by the time I had taken four boxes the pain and bloating was gone. I have been in good health ever since."

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THE HOUSEHOLD
Eggless Pork Cake.
Pour one pint of boiling water over a pound of salt pork chopped very fine, let it stand until nearly cold, then add the following ingredients: Two cups of sugar, one cup molasses, one pound of seeded raisins, one pound of currants, one-quarter pound of shredded citron, two tablespoonfuls of cinnamon, one nutmeg grated, six cups of flour, two teaspoonfuls soda dissolved in a little hot water and one teaspoonful of baking powder sifted with the flour. Dredge the fruit well with flour before putting it into the cake. When the cake is baked and still warm pour a wineglassful of brandy or wine over it.

Whole Wheat Bread.
Mix four cupfuls of entire wheat flour with two cupfuls of white flour and two heaping tablespoonfuls of salt. Add a cup of warm water in which a yeast cake has been thoroughly dissolved, and beat hard. Add gradually a quart of warm water, or enough to make the dough like a thick paste. Stir until this paste leaves the spoon easily. Cover thickly and set to rise all night. Do not put it in loaf tins until it has risen to the top of the bread pan. Knead until smooth, divide into two loaves and bake in a slow oven for two hours.

Vermicelli Pudding.
Take two ounces of vermicelli, break up small and put into a pint of boiling water, sweetened to taste with lump sugar. Let it boil till quite done; add half an ounce of fresh butter, and pour the whole into a pudding dish; then stir in the yolks of two eggs beaten up with a little cold milk and strained. Strew some powdered cinnamon or some grated nutmeg on the top and bake for about twenty minutes.

Nut Wafers.
To make nut wafers, take a quarter of a cup of butter, beat in one egg and one cup of sugar, and keep beating all smooth. Add a scant teaspoonful of vanilla, or half a teaspoonful of almond extract, and a cupful of chopped nuts. Then stir in one cup of well-sifted flour in which has been mixed a small teaspoonful of baking powder. Drop in small spoonfuls on a buttered pan and bake in hot oven.

Sweet Potato Pie.
Parboil sweet potatoes, peel them, and, when cool, grate enough to make a pound. Rub to a cream a half-cup of butter and three-quarters of a cup of sugar, add the beaten yolks of four eggs, a teaspoonful each of powdered cinnamon and nutmeg, the grated potato, the juice and rind of a lemon, and, last of all, the whites of the eggs. Pour the mixture into an open pie-crust and bake.

Nut Cookies.
Cream one scant tablespoonful of butter with one-half cup of sugar. Add two eggs, one scant cup of flour, one teaspoon of baking powder, one-half teaspoon of salt, four tablespoonfuls of milk, a generous cup of chopped hickorynuts and vanilla to flavor. Drop with a teaspoon on buttered pans about two inches apart. If too thick, add a little milk.

Pumpkin Pie.
One and one-half cups of stewed pumpkin, two beaten eggs, one-half cup of milk, one tablespoonful of flour, one-half cup of sugar, one teaspoonful each of cinnamon and allspice, one-half teaspoonful of ginger, one pinch of salt and the same quantity of soda. Line a pie plate with pastry, pour in this mixture and bake in a medium oven for a half-hour.

Bread Cake.
One cup of bread sponge, one cup of sugar, one tablespoonful of lard, one teaspoonful of cinnamon and cloves, mixed; one teaspoonful of baking soda, one cup of sweet milk, one egg beaten, one cup of raisins (seeded) and currants mixed. Put together all the ingredients except the fruit. Stand for an hour, then work in the fruit and set to rise like bread.

Beet Salad.
Four medium-sized red beets, boiled in salt water, peeled and cut in half-inch cubes. Mix with these one pound of shelled pecans broken in pieces. Serve in nest of shredded red cabbage. Garnish with mayonnaise or boiled dressing. Beets should be marinated with French dressing before mixing with nuts.

Hickory-Nut Cake.
Cream a half cup of butter with a cup of sugar, add three-quarters of a cup of milk and the well-beaten whites of four eggs; stir in two cups of flour sifted with two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, and, last of all, stir in a cup of chopped hickory nut meats dredged with flour. Bake in a loaf tin in a steady oven.

How He Knew.
A witness was being examined as to the sanity of one of the inmates of the asylum. "You hold that this inmate is insane, do you?" a lawyer asked. "I do," was the firm response. "Why are you so sure?" "The man," the witness said, "goes about asserting that he is Santa Claus." "And," said the lawyer, "you hold, do you, that when a man goes about asserting that he is Santa Claus it's a clear proof of his insanity?" "I do." "Why?" "Because," said the witness, in a loud, indignant voice, "I happen to be Santa Claus myself."

Limits.
The train was called the limited, but what was limited about it? It ran at an unlimited speed, the inclivity of the conductor and the brakemen was unlimited, as was the capacity of the porter.
"It's a mystery!" exclaimed the little party of foreigners.
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Mr. Depew threw aside the paper in which he had just read that as a Senator he was a joke.
"In that case," he said with decision, "I will not resign. I wouldn't spoil a joke for anybody."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Exceptional.
Mrs. Wyld—Mr. Winkley is quite an unusual man, isn't he?
Mr. Wyld—Oh, I don't know.
Mrs. Wyld—Oh, but he is. Why, I saw him leaving Mrs. Winkley at a street corner the other day, and he took off his hat and was just as polite to her as if they hadn't been married.—Somer-ville Journal.

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"Aw, William, go an' get your hair cut!"

Instantly Meredith threw back his magnificent head, and, fixing the offender with the stern eye of the practiced examiner, exclaimed:
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