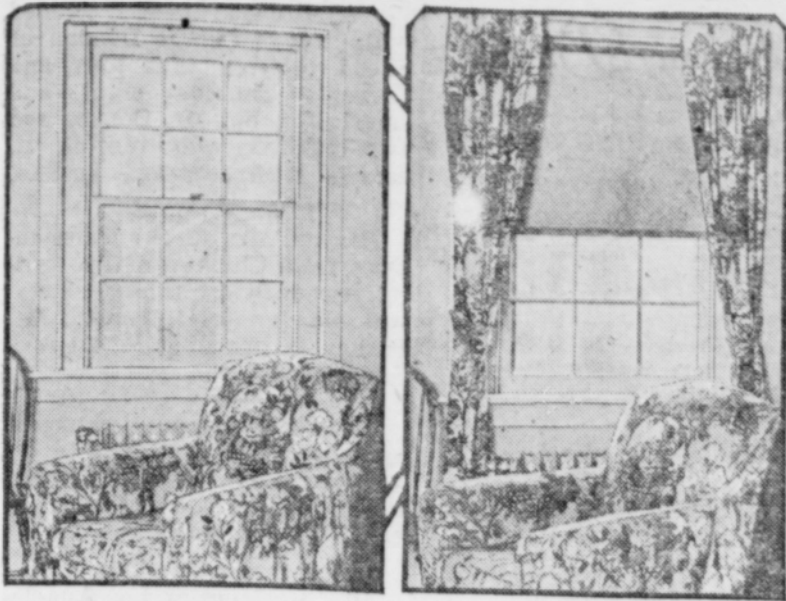


CURTAINLESS WINDOWS ARE UNATTRACTIVE



Curtains of Cretonne Matching the Chair Cover Retain the Charm of a Room, While a Room Without Curtains Lacks Softness and Charm.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

With a good many housekeepers it is the custom to take down every window curtain in the house at the period of spring cleaning. After they have been laundered the curtains are put away until fall cleaning or some other traditional date permits them to go up again. In the meantime the windows remain bare and unattractive, and rooms lose their charm. They are filled with the unobscured glare of summer sunshine, which, while tempting in the first days of spring, is almost unbearable on hot days in many parts of the country. It helps to fade rugs and other furnishings. When privacy or subdued light is necessary the only course is to pull down the shades and incidentally to shut out most of the fresh air.

Old-Fashioned Idea.

Curtains undoubtedly need cleaning from time to time, but this old-fashioned idea of housekeeping has given way to the more modern idea that it is not necessary to make our homes bare, uncomfortable and ugly in order to have them clean. The bureau of

home economics suggests that if the curtains used during the winter seem too elaborate or heavy for spring and summer, it would be a good plan to have a second set made of lighter, sheerer materials. These would be in harmony with fresh slip covers and gay-colored decorations. They would serve every necessary purpose of curtains, retain softness and charm in each room, and add to its comfort. Side draperies, valences and unnecessary trimming should be omitted.

Sun Fades Fabrics.

As the hot summer sun fades many fabrics, these might be made of plain cream or white material or of some guaranteed fast-colored fabric. Draw curtains would be useful. They could be pulled back at night to permit the maximum circulation of air, and yet, when drawn, their texture would allow more air to penetrate into the room than a shade would.

When need for economy makes it impossible to have two sets of curtains, an all-year type of material can be selected that will stand the necessary wear and laundering required by double-duty curtains.

HAVE STRAWBERRY FLAVOR IN WINTER

Method of Preparing Is Different From Other Fruits.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

You can have delicious strawberry sauce for blanc mange or Spanish cream or sponge cake, or any other dessert you like, next December or January, if you provide for it now, while strawberries are at the height of their season. Or strawberry tarts, not too rich or sweet, as they often are when filled with preserves, or a strawberry sherbet or ice, or a fruit gelatin, predominating in this delectable flavor, or strawberry punch for your parties. The secret is canning a few quarts of strawberries for later use. Canned strawberries will not be so rich or so sweet as jam, and they will more closely approach the flavor of the fresh berries.

The method of preparing the strawberries for canning is a little different from that used for other fruits and berries, most of which are canned directly in added sirup. You want to develop all possible flavor in the strawberries, and also to avoid too watery or over-sweet product. The United States Department of Agriculture gives these directions: Hull and wash the strawberries. To each quart add one cupful of sugar and two tablespoonfuls of water. Boil slowly for fifteen minutes. Let stand overnight in the kettle. Reheat to boiling. Fill hot into hot containers, and process for five minutes in a hot-water bath. This is sometimes called the "hot pack" method, and is strongly recommended for all products canned at home. Since the material to be canned is heated to the boiling point or cooked a short time before being put into the cans or jars, the temperature of the whole jar is raised to the processing point in the shortest possible time. This results in more certain sterilization and a better product because of the shorter cooking.

If you are not familiar with the management of the jars and canner at each stage of the canning process, it is advisable to send to the United States Department of Agriculture for Farmers' Bulletin 147-F, "Canning Fruits and Vegetables at Home." It will be sent to you free.

Galvanized Iron Vessels

Liquid foods, including buttermilk, milk, elder and other fruit juices, should not be allowed to stand for even a short time in a galvanized iron vessel nor should such a utensil be employed in making preserves, jellies, etc. The zinc which is used in galvanizing the utensil will be dissolved and will give the food an unpleasant taste and may cause sudden and intense illness.

Flies Spread Disease

House flies spread typhoid because the common house fly is essentially a breeder in filth. It breeds in and feeds upon all sorts of animal waste. When it comes in contact with material containing typhoid germs it picks them up on its hairy feet and ingests them, then carries them to the food, which if not cooked afterward may produce typhoid.

Directions for Making Cream of Tomato Soup

The difficulty usually encountered in making cream of tomato soup, or tomato bisque, as it's often called, is having the soup curdle the last minute. This is due to the effect of the acid tomato on the hot milk. It can be avoided by the proper management of the ingredients, without the use of the soda so often called for, says the United States Department of Agriculture. When soda is added the desirable acid flavor is neutralized and the vitamin content may be affected.

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| 1 pint cooked or canned tomatoes, | 1 tablespoonful flour, |
| 2 tablespoonfuls butter or other fat, | 1 teaspoonful salt, |
| 1 teaspoonful onion juice, | 1 quart milk, |
| | 1 sprig of parsley, pinch of pepper. |

Use two saucepans. In one cook the tomatoes slowly with the seasoning for ten minutes, and then rub through a strainer. In the other scald the milk, and thicken it with the flour and butter rubbed to a paste. Reheat the tomatoes in the first saucepan, combine the two pans without further cooking, and serve immediately.

Tomato soup is also very good when made with stock or just water. Use 1 pint of cooked or canned tomatoes, 1 quart of water or meat stock, 4 tablespoonfuls of butter or other fat, 4 tablespoonfuls flour, 1 teaspoonful salt, a pinch of pepper, a tablespoonful of chopped onion. Cook the onion in half the butter to develop the flavor, but do not fry it. Add the rest of the butter and the flour and mix to a paste. In another pan mix the stock or water, the tomato and seasonings. Heat these to the boiling point and pour slowly on the flour and butter paste, stirring all the time to prevent lumping. Cook for a few minutes, strain and serve.

Chocolate and Cocoa

Chocolate and cocoa are both derived from the seeds of trees growing in tropical countries which differ in genus from those which produce coconuts. Chocolate results from grinding the roasted seeds freed from germ and shell or husk and contains fifty per cent or more of fat. The ground seeds are sometimes subjected to hydraulic pressure to obtain the cocoa fat or butter whereby more than one-half is removed. The residue remaining when ground and sifted produces cocoa. Breakfast cocoa contains not less than 22 per cent fat.

Most Delicious Dessert

Spanish cream is one of the most delicious desserts one can make. It is also delicate and easily digested and especially suitable to give to children. As it is necessarily made early in the day to give the gelatin time to set, this dessert is one that the housekeeper will welcome. Many flavors may be used in a Spanish cream, such as chocolate, caramel, butterscotch, almond, orange, vanilla, or different fruit flavors.

Clean Upholstered Furniture

Upholstered furniture may be given a beating indoors if covered with a cloth which has been dipped in water and wrung as dry as possible. Use a flat beater. The damp cloth takes up the dust.

Improved Uniform International

Sunday School Lesson

(By REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D.D., Dean, Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.)
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Lesson for May 29

PETER UNDAUNTED BY PERSECUTION

LESSON TEXT—Acts 5:17-42.
GOLDEN TEXT—We ought to obey God rather than men.—Acts 5:29.
PRIMARY TOPIC—Peter Shows His Courage.
JUNIOR TOPIC—Peter Speaks Bravely for His Lord.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Standing Firm Under Persecution.
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Source of Courage.

The vindication of the house of God against the hypocritical act of Ananias and Sapphira had a salutary effect upon the people. The hypocrites were deterred from joining the church, but true-hearted men and women were all the more attracted to it, even identifying themselves with it. So great was the stir in Jerusalem that even the sick folk were brought where but the shadow of Peter might fall upon them.

I. The Apostles in Prison (vv. 17-18).

The marvelous success which accompanied the teaching of the apostles was too much for the Sadducees to endure. Their jealous wrath was aroused to such an extent that they laid the cruel hand of persecution upon these witnesses for Christ. Cain was jealous of Abel; Joseph's brethren sold him in slavery because he was the favorite of Jacob. Saul was jealous of David when the women ascribed greater glory to him.

II. The Apostles' Miraculous Deliverance (vv. 19-21).

1. The Lord sent an angel to open the prison and let the prisoners free (v. 19).

There are no doors, nor bolts capable of shutting out God's angel.

2. They were commanded to go at once and speak to the people (v. 20).

The message they were to deliver was the "Words of this life." Most likely this means eternal life through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

3. Their prompt obedience (v. 21).

By daybreak they were teaching in the temple.

III. The Apostles Tried (vv. 21-32).

1. The meeting of the council (v. 21). In the early morning the Jewish council was convened by the high priest.

2. Their perplexity (vv. 22-24). The officer was sent to bring the prisoners, but lo, when they came to the jail it was empty. This news greatly perplexed the council.

3. The apostles again arrested (vv. 25, 26).

When one came with the news that the apostles were teaching in the temple, officers were dispatched to bring them before the council. They refrained from the use of violence because they feared the people.

4. The apostles questioned (vv. 27, 28).

The council demanded of them the reason for not heeding the charge which they had previously given that they should not teach any more in the name of Jesus. This persistent testimony the officers interpreted as an effort to bring the guilt of Jesus' blood upon themselves.

5. The apostle's answer.

Peter boldly replied that they were under obligation to obey God rather than men. He further told them that they were guilty of the murder of Jesus Christ and that God had raised Jesus from the dead and exalted Him to be a Prince and a Savior to give repentance and remission of sins to Israel, and also that He had made the apostles, with the Holy Spirit, witnesses of these things.

IV. The Result (vv. 33-42).

1. They determined to kill the apostles (v. 33).

Peter's stinging words cut to the quick, but their desperate wickedness filled them with murderous hatred instead of moving them to repentance. So they could not answer the message, so the only way was to kill their accusers.

2. Gamaliel's counsel (vv. 34-39). He advised neutrality, assuring them that if it be a work of men it would come to naught, but if it be of God they could not overthrow it because they would be engaged in the hopeless task of fighting against God.

3. The apostles beaten (v. 40). While heeding Gamaliel's advice, they vented their rage by beating the apostles and charging them not to speak in Christ's name.

4. The behavior of the apostles (vv. 41, 42).

They departed with hearts full of joy that they were counted worthy to suffer for the name of Christ. They continued to preach Jesus Christ in public and in private.

An Undivided Heart

An undivided heart which worships God alone, and trusts Him as it should, is raised above all anxiety for earthly wants.

Salvation

Salvation has cost too much for God to give it to a person, when he is not hungry for it.—Echols.

The Lie

A lie should be trampled on, extinguished wherever found.—Caryl.

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

By MARY GRAHAM BONNER

THE SUN'S WORK

"Most people cannot see anything very attractive about mud—although I do know a little boy, and a little girl, for that matter, who are pretty fond of mud puddles!" began Daddy.

Nick and Nancy laughed very heartily, for they knew perfectly well that Daddy meant them!

"There had been so much mud," continued Daddy, "from all the storms and all the rain that the big people were grumbling about it.

"They said it was horrid for driving, horrid for walking, horrid for riding in big automobiles, and very, very bad for beautiful shoes.

"The fairies heard all this when the big people didn't know the fairies were listening.

"The fairies could not help laughing about the mud hurting the beautiful shoes of the big people.

"You see, the fairies can alight with their wings and fly just over the mud if they like.

"We'll have a mud palace," said one little fairy. "A real castle with courtyards, and secret passages, and a



Made Out of Mud.

haunted room, and there will be beautiful court ladies and court gentlemen."

"All of the fairies at once began to work. There was plenty of mud, and it molded into the castle so quickly and so easily.

"The court ladies and court gentlemen were made out of mud, too.

"Now, maybe you don't think that sounds very like court ladies and court gentlemen—to be made of mud, but when the fairies do any work it is sure to be fine.

"These court ladies and court gentlemen were very grand and impressive looking.

"They wore crowns of pebbles which fitted around their mud heads so perfectly.

"Soon they looked as if they were made of something far lighter and gayer than mud.

"But that was Mr. Sun's work. He came out to see what the fairies were up to, and he said to them:

"Dear me, little fairies, you'll never give an old fellow like me a holiday.

"Here, I was, going off to visit some of my friends. I didn't mind at all what the big people were saying about the rain and the mud.

"I knew the rain needed a trip to earth. But what was more, I was looking forward to a good change.

"Now you come along and enjoy the mud just as much as you do the dry earth when I've been shining hard. It has just made me mad, so I've come out to stay for awhile.

"Besides, I've always got to be seeing what you are doing. Of all the ideas in the world, though, this is the funniest one!

"A mud palace! Ha! Ha!"

"Dear Mr. Sun, you mustn't be hurt because we love the rain and the mud that makes such a lovely castle for us.

"We love you, too, but we love everything, you know, and are always happy."

"Later in the day, the mud began to go away, and the sun heard people saying how nice it did seem to see the horrid old mud disappearing.

"Quietly to himself he said: "Well, if it hadn't been for the fairies who are happy all the time, I wouldn't have come out.

"So, again, big people, it's the little fairies you should really thank!"

"Parked Away From Mother
Mother took her four-year-old son Willie, to spend the week-end with his grandmother, as his grandfather had to leave the city for a few days.

It was the child's first time away from his mother.

When grandfather returned home, Willie met him with these words: "Hello, grandpa, I've been parked here, away from mother, for days."

Innocence

She was a bright little thing, aged four, when her mother presented her with twin brothers, and at last she was allowed to see the new babies.

Silently she inspected them as they lay in their cots. Then she looked in a puzzled way at her mother, and asked: "Mummy, was I two when I was a baby?"

His Answer

Found on the registration card of a freshman in an eastern college: Question—Give your parents' names. Answer—Mama and papa.—Exchange.

A Little Bit Humorous

HOME COOKING

A young wife tried her hand one day at Scotch shortbread. She was so well pleased with her success that she spread a piece of shortbread with apple butter and gave it to a boy who was rolling the tennis court.

The boy returned in a few minutes and said:

"Much obliged for the apple butter, ma'am. Here's your piece of board back."

SAILED IN AN ARK

"As he had neither rudder nor sails Noah must have sailed in a circle."

"Not a complete one then—we're told he sailed in an arc."

R. S. V. P.

He kissed her lips so lightly, In a manner quite au fait; Then whispered, most politely, "Respondez s'il vous plait."

Thoroughly Explained
"What is ratio?" asked the professor.

"Ratio is proportion," said the student.

"What is proportion?" "Proportion is ratio."

"But what are ratio and proportion?" "Each other."—New Haven Register.

They Could Have It
A grocery salesman for a wholesale house threw a banana skin beneath a seat of a train in which he was riding.

"Here, sir, the company won't have this!" said the brakeman.

"All right," replied the salesman "divide it among you and the other boys."

Sad Case
"You don't seem to like the lady who lives next door to you," remarked Mrs. Brown.

"No, I don't," admitted Mrs. Smith "She is so well fixed she never has to borrow a thing from me when she gives a party, and the result is I am never invited."

OF COURSE

Stewpan—I hear you got caught in the rain, Mr. Bell.

Bell—Yes, and got ringing wet!

Progress
A modest miss I used to know, Dainty, sweet—no longer so! As a lady she began, Now she's quite a gentleman.

Economy
Visitor—How is it that you have a picture of just one of the twins.

Mrs. Thrifty—They both look exactly alike, so what's the difference?

Possibly
Jack—So you peeped into Ethel's diary, eh? What was in it?

Aisy—Something like this: Jan. 3, one glass of milk; Jan. 4, three glasses of milk; Jan. 20, four glasses of milk, and so on.

Plenty of It
Dentist—You yelled like a wild man I thought you had at least a little nerve.

Wilkins (nursing his jaw)—Well, I did. You'll find it in that tooth.

Happiness
"To attain happiness says a lecturer, "one must vibrate in tune with one's environment."

According to that, a man with St. Vitus dance at a jazz concert would be in perfect bliss.

The Monster!
Blake—You say your wife locks you out when you play poker?

Hodges—And she not only locks me out, but she makes me shove my winnings under the door.

THIS NURSE NOW HAS GOOD HEALTH

Praises Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

"I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for some time and I would not be without it in the house. As I am a children's nurse, I have to be on my feet a great deal and your medicine has helped me wonderfully. I was hardly able to do my housework when I began taking it, and now I am a strong and well woman, able to do all that and go out nursing besides. I have also used the Sanative Wash and found it beneficial."—Mrs. GREENWALD L. STREWART, 103 Davis St., Greenfield, Mass.

Valuable for Weakness
"I have found Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a valuable medicine for weakness."—Mrs. J. A. PETERS, Box 397, Lancaster, Pa.

Hundreds of letters like these are received by the Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. Grateful women from Pennsylvania to Washington, from Texas to Illinois and from Rhode Island to Nebraska say that their health has improved since taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Comment Left Singer
Something to Think Of
It was Helen Hignote's great chance. In fact, the crisis of her life had arrived, for at last she had obtained that long-looked-for engagement in vaudeville.

Now she and the great moment had arrived together on the stage. The next few minutes were full of sound. She gave of her best to the audience. But the effect was not exactly what she had desired. From her point of view it was not what it ought to have been.

At last came the end. Helen could not make it out—no encore! Where was the deafening applause she had heard in her dreams every night since the engagement was booked?

After the show she interrogated the conductor.

"Don't you think you could have done something with your orchestra to improve my song? That drum nearly drowned my voice!"

"Well, madam, we might have had two or three more drums."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills contain only vegetable ingredients, which act gently as a tonic laxative, by stimulation—not irritation. 372 Pearl St., N. Y. Adv.

India's Population
The present population of India is 247,000,000 and of these only 7,000,000 possess the right of franchise. There are 40,000 miles of railways, of which 27,000 miles are the property of the state, and which employ 400,000 men. The irrigation works are on an equally tremendous scale. No less than 20,500,000 acres of land are served by 60,000 miles of canals and channels.

Keep Stomach and Bowels Right
By giving baby the harmless, purely vegetable, infants' and children's regulator, MRS. WINSLOW'S SYRUP.

brings astonishing, gratifying results in making baby's stomach digest food and bowels move as they should at teaching time. Guaranteed free from narcotics, opiates, alcohol and all harmful ingredients. Safe and satisfactory. At All Drugists.

Gangs
A Chicago survey has discovered that for every ten boys who adhere to a gang, one girl joins a similar organization of her own. Among adults, if bridge clubs are included, the proportion would just about be reversed.

Vocal Shorthand
"Use the word dimension in a sentence."
"Dimension me in his last letter?"

There is no gratification in slandering the human race. It is only human race there is.

Soft Corns

Money Back Says Your Druggist if Moone's Emerald Oil Doesn't Do Away With All Soreness and Pain in 24 Hours.

Get a bottle of Moone's Emerald Oil with the understanding that if it does not put an end to the pain and soreness and do away with the corn itself your money will be promptly returned.

Don't worry about how long you've had it or how many other preparations you have tried. This powerful penetrating oil is one preparation that will help to make your painful aching feet so healthy and free from corn and bunion troubles that you'll be able to go anywhere and do anything in absolute feet comfort.

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