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HOW TO MAKE A BIRTH-DAY CAKE THAT IS REAL CAKE.

—Weigh seven large eggs (fresh), take their weight in dried flour and a little more than half their weight in sifted sugar. Break the eggs, separate the yolks from the whites. Beat the former in a bowl, add the sugar to them very gradually, together with a little grated lemon rind, a spoonful of orange flower or rosewater or any other suitable flavoring. Add the flour a little at a time and continue to beat the mixture for twenty minutes. Butter a mold, sprinkle powdered sugar upon the butter and shake off all that will not adhere. Tie a strip of buttered paper round the top of the mold to keep the preparation from rolling down the sides while it is baked. Pour in the cake, three parts; fill the mold with it. When done enough let it stand a few minutes, shake it well to loosen it, turn it out carefully, cut it in slices when cool, one-quarter of an inch thick, spread some jam over these and place five or six or more slices together, one on top of the other. Whisk together the whites of two or more eggs, according to size of cake; add half a pound of finely sifted sugar (to the eggs), a dessert-spoonful of orange flower water. Whisk the mixture until quite smooth and spread it over the cake with the back of a spoon. Mark the shape of the pieces into which it is afterward to be cut. Place the cake in a very cool oven to dry the icing. Time, half an hour to prepare. Two or three drops of coloring will give it a rose tint. Send to table with lighted candles.

FOR THE BRIDE'S CHEST.

How to Finish Your Bed Linen Attractively and Durably.

Scalloping as a finish for sheets and pillowcases is one of the nicest ways of finishing them. Of course the scallops need to be well padded, and this can be accomplished either by filling in between the marked lines of the scallops with rows of running stitches before applying the buttonholing.

The work can also be given more stability if after the scallops are completed and cut out an extra and tiny buttonhole edge is added to the extreme length of the scallops.

A baby's pillow cover can be simply made as follows: Sew together as for a pillow all three-fourths of a yard of eighteen inch cambric embroidery of fine quality. Run blue or pink ribbon through small eyelets in scallops, there by closing the cover. Run ribbon of suitable width through the larger eyelets, forming a bow of the ends on top.

CARE OF YOUR MACHINE.

How to Oil Your Sewing Machine and Save Nerves.

Sewing is not one-half as hard as some people find it if the sewing machine is kept in good order. When the machine works hard and heavy take the needle and shuttle out and give every joint and bearing a generous bath of gasoline.

Of course there should not be a lighted lamp or fire of any kind in the room, and the windows should be open. Turn the wheels briskly for a few moments, to enable the gasoline to penetrate to every part and to loosen and wash away all dirt and grit; then clean it all away.

When all the oil and grime have been removed oil with proper lubricating oil, running the machine for two or three minutes before inserting the needle. Now with a piece of cambric skin wipe away all superfluous oil.

How to Make Delicious Fruit Cocktails For Company Spreads.

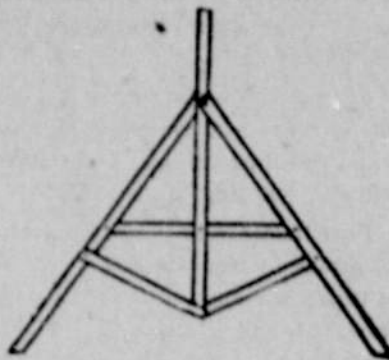
A delicious first course for the spring luncheon or midday Sunday dinner is fruit cocktail, served ice cold in dainty glasses. Use the fruits of the season—oranges, bananas, apples, white grapes and perhaps a little chopped pineapple. Skin the grapes, pare the apples and cut the oranges in very thin slices through pulp and rind. Then chop all the fruit in small pieces and soak an hour in their own juice sweetened with sugar. Then stand on the ice until just before serving, when the fruit cocktail may be flavored with a little Rhine wine or claret.

How to Dry Your New Umbrella and So Make It Last.

When you come in from the rain put the umbrella in the rack with the handle downward, because when the handle is upward the water runs down inside to the place where the ribs are joined to the handle and cannot get out, but stays, rotting the cloth and rusting the metal until slowly dried away. The wire fastening the ribs soon rusts and breaks. If placed the other end up the water readily runs off and the umbrella dries almost immediately.

A Land Measure.

When one has land to measure that requires greater accuracy than just stepping it off make a land measure by using hardwood pieces five-eighths or three-quarters of an inch by six inches. Have lower points five feet six inches apart and make a round head in the



handle. To use, grasp the top tightly in the hand, holding at the sides, then whirl handle to bring the point to the front in the direction to be measured. Continue to revolve the measure, changing the points in advance.—Southern Agriculturist.

Ashes as a Fertilizer.

The farmer who burns wood for heating and cooking should carefully store the ashes and not permit them to leach, as they have a peculiar fertilizing value. They not only contain potash and phosphoric acid in appreciable amounts, but also contain magnesia and lime, and when applied to the land they also indirectly increase the available nitrogen content of organic matter in the soil.

Hen Parasites.

The latest and apparently the most promising sure destroyer of lice on mature fowls is vasoline and blue ointment, mixed together in equal parts. A piece about the size of a grain of corn is well smeared over the skin of the fowl in the fluff just beneath the vent. It should not be rubbed into the skin, but should cover a space about the size of a silver dollar.—Rural New Yorker.

Pear Orchards Profitable.

Pear orchards, where conditions are favorable, may be more profitable than an apple orchard, for the reason that pears are not so generally grown as apples. The pear delights in a clay soil and is not so apt to crop regularly on a loamy soil, and trees on the latter seem more susceptible to attacks from disease than the former.

When the orchard is first set corn can be grown with the pear trees to advantage. Cultivation should be discontinued early in July and a cover crop of vetch or clover sowed.

In cultivating in orchards of any kind care must be exercised not to cultivate deeply near the trees. Late cultivation is not desirable around trees of any kind, as it encourages late growth instead of permitting the wood to harden sufficiently before winter weather sets in. As the trees grow older more fertilizer will be required. Pear trees require but light pruning each year, shortening back the new growth some, and the trees must be regularly sprayed. Where heavy crops set the fruit should be thinned, as is common with peaches.

JAPANESE GARDENS.

Their Aim is Always to Represent Nature in Miniature.

Every Japanese house of any pretensions must have a garden. The cost of one is invariably reckoned with the estimates for house building, being usually estimated at one-tenth the cost of the house. The Japan Magazine tells of the procedure:

When the niwashi (landscape gardener) gets the contract for a garden he first makes a model—that is, a miniature garden embodying every feature that the final product will have. The first thing to be done in laying out the garden is to select the place for the lake or pond and excavate it. The earth thus obtained is utilized for the construction of an artificial hill and also for a small island, both of these features being considered necessities. Next in importance is the placing of the stone lantern; then comes an artistic bridge to the island. Next comes the placing of trees, rocks and stones with due consideration for the appearance of the garden as a whole.

Japanese do not place much value on a new garden, age being of far greater importance. It is not until a few years have passed that the garden is considered at its best, for the stones and tree trunks must be moss covered and the whole must give the appearance of nature's rather than man's work.

The garden is not laid out according to any scientific plan. It is rather a matter of instinct and experience, the aim of the artist being to represent nature in miniature.

An Odd Turkish Superstition.

An odd Turkish superstition is as follows: If one finds a piece of bread lying upon the ground he must pick it up, kiss it and carry it until he finds a hole into which the bread can be inserted. To step upon a piece of bread or to leave it lying upon the ground is one of the unpardonable sins and dooms the offender to the third hell, where he is perpetually gored by an ox that has but a single horn that is in the center of his forehead.

The Smile.

We talk of a smile of defiance. There is really no such thing. Such a so-called smile is nothing more nor less than a snarl, a survival of the way our savage ancestors had of showing their teeth in order to strike fear into the hearts of their enemies. The real smile of pleasure begins with slightly opening the mouth, and is, of course, traceable to the joy of those same savage forefathers of ours at the prospect of food.

Coffee in Java.

It is said that nowhere in the world is coffee, the drink, worse than in Java, where coffee, the bean, is supposed to be at its very best. Javanese distill coffee essence of extreme strength, bottle it and pour a few drops into a cup of hot water when they wish refreshment.—Argonaut.

The Other Way.

"Then you don't want to leave footprints upon the sands of time?" "Nix," answered the politician guardedly. "All I want is to cover up my tracks."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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