

HOUSEHOLD.

Scatter Sunshine.

The sky was heavy with clouds, and it was raining a little, just enough to be disagreeable. The streets were so muddy as to make walking difficult, and nearly every face wore a frown, or look of discontent.

The sour visaged lady actually smiled, and part of the smile fell upon the restless little child whom she had all along treated to the sourness of glances because she could not keep her garments away from his muddy little feet.

"Me is nice and muddy," he ventured, thinking that at last she had come to see the beauty of the situation, "me vaded frew t.e booful mud just like it was water!" and he regarded his feet with great satisfaction.

There is a beautiful work to be done in this world by those who can smile. If you long to do missionary work, don't fret because your duties keep you at home.

"Lord, teach me how to smile" should be the daily prayer of many who go through life looking as if they expected the worst to happen at any moment, and will not see that they have reason enough for being smiling and happy.

Something About Grapes.

The very best way to serve grapes is just as they are freshly picked from the vines; a plate or basket heaped with their fine stems, cool and inviting, is a most acceptable and pleasing sight on the table each meal time during their season.

Take the full stems of perfect grapes, removing all over-ripe or decaying ones, and place them in a colander. Have ready a pail of very cold, fresh water and place the colander in the top of the pail so the water will come up over the fruit nicely, turn and shake the colander around lightly in order to cool the grapes and remove all dust that may have gathered on them.

CANNED GRAPES.—The following method for preserving grapes is the most perfect one I have ever seen, being the best way to retain their flavor and shape, and making them the nearest approach to fresh grapes, with which I am familiar.

Pick them from the stems, place them in a colander or sieve and wash by dipping and shaking in a pail or pan of water, then set the colander out and let them drain, disturbing them as little as possible.

POTATO BISCUIT.—Make biscuit in the way you prefer—with buttermilk and soda, cream tartar and soda, or baking powder, or without any of these, which is decidedly best.

BEEF SALAD.—Cut fine, cold boiled beef and to each pint add a tablespoonful of chipped onion, a tablespoonful of celery seed (or two sticks of celery, cut fine), one hard-boiled egg cut up, a handful of light bread-

around the mouth of the can carefully, adjust the rubber (always using new ones to insure perfect safety), and screw down the cover tightly.

Green grapes canned like the ripe ones above have a fine flavor and are considered very nice for pies, along in the winter or early springtime when something tart and fresh is so desirable.

SWEET PICKLED GRAPES.—Either ripe or green grapes may be made and put up in the same way by using a syrup of one quart of the best cider vinegar and three pounds of sugar to seven pounds of fruit.

GRAPE MARMALADE.—This is nice made of either ripe or green grapes. After picking them from stems and rinsing well, stew gently in a porcelain or granite kettle, allowing for ten minutes, in just enough water to keep them from sticking; then run them through a sieve of fine colander to remove the skins and seeds.

GRAPE JELLY.—This may be made from grapes in all degrees of ripeness, that from green grapes having a peculiarly delicate flavor and fine color.

GRAPE PIES.—Use either ripe or green fruit. This recipe makes delicious pies. Line a deep plate with rich paste and fill with nice grapes, after washing them.

GRAPE Pudding.—Either fresh or canned grapes may be used for this. Press the grapes through a sieve to remove the skins and seeds, then place the sifted juice and pulp in a new tin dish, set it in a kettle of boiling water on the stove, and add a little sugar; then thicken with corn-starch rubbed smooth in a little cold water the same as for blanc mange.

Fresh or canned cherries instead of grapes make a most delicious dessert served in this way, or, in fact, any juicy fruit may be substituted.

Household Hints.

One tablespoonful of liquid makes one-half ounce.

Jelly bags should be made of flannel and padding bags of linen.

A paragraph in the New England Farmer points that a tablespoonful of kerosene added to the soap and water with which floors are washed will greatly help in making them clean and will leave the paint fresh and bright.

To WASH FANCY HOSIERY.—Dissolve some borax in the water, a teaspoonful to two quarts, soak the goods in this half an hour or more, then add soap to the water till good suds is made.

A GOOD RECIPE FOR VIENNA ROLLS.—One pint of flour, two tablespoonfuls of butter, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, a pinch of salt. Mix with water, as soft as possible to roll. Roll from you only and roll thin, cut and fold. Let stand one-half hour, then wet the top with milk and bake in a hot oven.

HASHED BROWN POTATOES.—Chop cold boiled potatoes rather fine.—Put sufficient butter in a frying pan to well cover the bottom. As soon as this is very hot cover the bottom of the pan with the chopped potatoes to the depth of one inch, dust with salt and pepper and cook slowly without stirring for about ten minutes, then fold over as you would an omelet and turn them on a heated dish.

POTATO BISCUIT.—Make biscuit in the way you prefer—with buttermilk and soda, cream tartar and soda, or baking powder, or without any of these, which is decidedly best.

COPPERAS DISSOLVED IN WATER, a spoonful of the crystals to a pint, makes about the cheapest and best disinfectant and deodorizer for closet pans and chamber utensils.

BEEF SALAD.—Cut fine, cold boiled beef and to each pint add a tablespoonful of chipped onion, a tablespoonful of celery seed (or two sticks of celery, cut fine), one hard-boiled egg cut up, a handful of light bread-

broken small, with skimmings from the pot in which the beef was boiled and enough of the liquor to make it soft—a cupful of beef gravy will do as well, or a tablespoonful of butter rolled in flour, with a half cupful of hot water.

GINGER SNAPS.—Mix a pinch of salt and a tablespoonful of ground ginger into a half pound of flour, and to this rub four ounces of butter and the freshly grated rind of a lemon. Mix it to a paste with about two ounces of molasses and a few drops of lemon juice.

Sabbath Observance.

The sabbath is a divine institution and we believe in it as such. The scriptures teach that it is a day of physical rest and moral and intellectual improvement.

Sabbath observance is essential to the moral welfare and national stability of a country. We claim the day in seven as a rest day devoted to spiritual and moral improvement.

Sabbath observance is also a national institution. The Christian sabbath was planted by the pilgrim fathers when they landed at Plymouth rock. When they sought these shores from the oppression of another country they brought with them their observance of the Christian sabbath.

The Swedish Cure for Drunkenness.

The habitual drunkard in Norway or Sweden renders himself liable to imprisonment for his love of strong drink, and during his incarceration he is required to submit to a plan of treatment for the cure of his failing which is said to produce marvelous results.

Remarkable Deaf and Dumb Man.

Quite an interesting scene was witnessed in the court house at Sherbrooke, P. Q., a day or two since. A deaf mute was arrested by the Grand Trunk authorities upon suspicion of stealing some goods from one of the company's cars.

Figs and Thistles.

If money could buy salvation, gold would be at a mighty big premium.

If people had to live to please each other nobody would ever get to heaven.

The first thing Satan did in Eden was to propose a festival, and he still keeps it.

Faith in God will move mountains. All money can do is to make a tunnel through them.

The moment we begin to help somebody God lightens our labor by causing our hearts to help our hands.

It takes more religion to hold a man level in a horse trade than it does to make him shout at camp meeting.



"TRUTH" CENSUS COMPETITION. Large Cash Prizes for the nearest calculations to the Population of Canada and the different Provinces and Cities in the list below.

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Table with columns: POPULATION 1871, 1881, PROVINCES AND CITIES, CASH PRIZES (1st to 7th). Lists various cities like Dominion of Canada, Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, etc.

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- 1. Any person sending one dollar will receive TRUTH for three months and will be allowed six guesses or estimates on any six of the above cities or provinces or on the Dominion.
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Feeding Hay to Horses.

The attempt to make hay the chief ration of horses imposes a severe tax upon them, and the result is seen in their distended stomachs and the spiritless and clumsy horses of many farmers.

Cures For sorrow.

Attempts to drown the sense of misfortune in strong drink are the climax of human folly. Intoxication eventually aggravates and intensifies every evil which it is invoked to alleviate.

Cast Iron Bricks.

What are termed hollow cast iron bricks form the subject of a recent German patent described in the technical journals, the article being the invention of an Erfurt mechanic.

Undaunted

The Daughter—How dare you fairly pound my door down?
The Book Fiend—I beg your pardon. Have I disturbed you?

Companship.—Neither intellectually nor socially is it good for man to be alone, and the griefs of thought are more patiently borne when we find that they have been experienced by another.

Pompos Individual to mother of seven laughing girls: "I should like to know, madam, if those giggling girls of yours are laughing at me?"
The Mother, meekly: "Really, sir, I don't know; they often laugh at nothing."

The English underwriters have given up as lost the ships Lord Raglan and Gretna.