

About the House

COOKING RECIPES.

Brownie Cakes.—Mix one-half a pound of oatmeal, one-half a pound of flour, one rounding tablespoonful of sugar, and three teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Heat one egg thoroughly and add to the mixture after rubbing in three rounding tablespoonfuls of butter. Add enough milk to make into a rather moist dough. Roll out lightly half an inch thick. Cut into round cakes, brush over with beaten egg and cook in a griddle.

Corn Griddle Cakes.—Separate three eggs and beat the yolks. To the latter add two cups of milk. Sift together one pint of flour and one rounding teaspoonful of baking powder. To this add half a can of corn, from which the juice has been strained, the egg and milk mixture, and finally the flour. Beat together thoroughly and put in gradually one tablespoonful of melted butter. Now sift in the well-beaten whites of the eggs. Bake on a griddle and serve piping hot.

Scotch Scones.—Sift one and one-half pints of flour into a bowl and add one level teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda. Sift these together four times. Make a groove in the middle of the flour and pour in two cups of thick sour butter-milk. Mix in the flour quickly and carefully until a soft bread dough is formed. Roll out on a floured board and knead lightly and rapidly. Spread out to an inch in thickness and cut into scones with a round cake cutter. Rub the griddle with a little suet and cook the scones slowly for five minutes on the other side. They should be thoroughly done and nicely browned.

Red Cabbage and Apples.—One good-sized head of cabbage, about five good good sour apples, and three or four slices of bacon with the rind on. Slice the cabbage as for slaw and chop the apples, wash the bacon and scrape the rind clean. Put all together in a kettle, with enough water to cover it well. Add about a tablespoonful of sugar. Cook until scarcely any water remains. Let the bacon do the seasoning.

Gibber Salad.—Select large green bell peppers and firm red tomatoes and white onions as near the same size as possible; peel tomatoes and onions and put all on the ice. Take the heart of Romaine lettuce without separating the leaves, wash and thoroughly dry, and when ready to serve, not a minute before, cut the tomatoes, onions, and peppers in rings and slip them on the lettuce leaves, alternating red, white and green, and pour over all French dressing. To serve with game.

SANDWICHES FOR VEGETARIANS.

Sandwiches with Nut Fillings.—Bread for sandwiches is best when 36 hours old or over, but should never be stale. White, brown or whole wheat bread may be used.

Peanut Filling: Shell the nuts and grind them rather fine in a coffee mill. Make a French salad dressing of 3 tablespoonfuls olive oil, 1 tablespoonful good vinegar, 1 teaspoonful made mustard, 1/2 teaspoonful sugar, 1 saltspoon salt and a dash of pepper. Mix the salt, pepper, mustard and sugar together, add half of the vinegar and blend well together. Now stir in the oil a little at a time, together with the remainder of the vinegar. Stir for a few moments longer and then add enough ground peanuts to make a thick paste. Spread upon slices of bread and press together in the usual manner. Lemon juice may be used instead of vinegar and the seasoning may be varied as the taste requires. A leaf or two of crisp lettuce or cress helps the taste of the sandwiches. For a change, mix the ground peanuts with strained honey and use this for a filling without the lettuce or cress.

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by mixing the milk and finely grated meat of a large coconut with enough powdered sugar to make a thick paste. Spread this on both halves of the sandwich; on one half spread a teaspoonful of tart jelly or jam over the coconut and press together.

Chestnut Filling: Split the husks of the chestnuts and put them in a saucepan with a spoonful of oil and a very little water. Put over the fire, cover closely and let them heat, tossing the nuts now and then. In 20 minutes the husks may be easily removed. Put the nuts in a saucepan with enough water to cover them; let them simmer gently until soft; pound to a mortar and rub them through a fine sieve. Mix the pounded nuts with French dressing same as above or one made by mixing together 3 tablespoonfuls strained honey (or syrup), 2 tablespoonfuls olive oil and 1 of lemon juice or strong vinegar. Mix the vinegar and oil together.

HINTS OF HOME LIFE.

When cleaning spinach in winter I have better results by using warm water. It freshens up the leaves and removes the grit with less trouble.

Rubber bands are most useful for keeping sleeves out of the way when doing housework. Pull your sleeves up as far as you want them to go, and put the bands round your arms over the sleeves.

White woolen shawls, caps, etc., can be made to look like new by washing in buckwheat flour. Cover with the flour and let stand over night, then wash with the hands the same as you would in water, and the beauty of it is that there is no shrinking.

For chapped hands take equal quantities of sweet oil, lemon juice and glycerine. Shake all together before using, and apply a few drops after washing the hands once or twice.

When bleaching cannot be done in the open air, dissolve one tablespoonful of borax in a quart of boiling water. When this is cold, immerse the article to be bleached, and then dry it in the sun. Repeat, if necessary.

Enameled pans should not be washed with soda, which causes the enamel to discolor and crack. Sand also is too sharp; it scratches the glaze. The cloth should be dipped in some fine ash or crushed eggshells to remove stains.

Clean windows, mirrors, silver, and cut-glass with a paste of whiting and ammonia. For marble make a paste of two parts soda, one of powdered pumice, and one of salt. Sift, mix with water, rub well on marble, and wash off with brine.

Loose Picture Nails.—As soon as a nail driven in the wall gets loose, and the plaster begins to break around it, it can be made solid and firm by the following process: Saturate a bit of wadding with thick glue, wrap as much of it around the nail as possible, and reinsert the latter in the hole, pressing it home as strongly as possible. Remove the excess of glue, wiping it cleanly off with a rag dipped in water, then leave to dry. The nail will thus be firmly fastened in its place.

Needs of the Housewife.—A great deal of the worry entailed by unnecessary labor by the housewife would be obviated if she would take the trouble to have plenty of cooking utensils and other "tools" necessary for the proper conduct of household work. More personal needs for her are her aprons—large overalls, thick aprons, and those of thinner material for use at different times and on different occasions. When at work in the kitchen it will pay the housewife to have a holder and clean towel fastened to her belt. The holder is most necessary where the cooking is done over gas, as every utensil used is apt to become heated all over.

DINNER TABLE ETIQUETTE.

Never invite more people than your table will comfortably hold.

The table should never be lighted from above. Such lighting makes everyone around appear at their worst. Either low electric lights or prettily-shaped lamps are best.

A gentleman offers his right arm to the lady he is taking in, and places her on his right when sitting down to table.

If you want to tilt your soup plate raise it at the nearest side to you.

The knife, spoon or fork should not be allowed to make the smallest sound against the plate or against each other.

Asparagus is supposed to be taken up with the fingers, but if it is overdone, so that the points hang limp and loose, or if there is melted butter poured over it, a fork may be used.

Salad is served in a curved plate which is first round, the ordinary dinner plate. It is eaten with a fork only.

Ice pudding may be eaten with either a spoon or a fork. If very stiffly frozen a fork is better than a spoon.

Even if not superstitious yourself, it would be extremely rude to your guests to arrange a dinner party of thirteen people.

A MODERN SOLOMON.

Verily the duchy of Baden possesses a Solomon in the person of one of her magistrates. He is the burgo-master of a village in a street whereof a cyclist ran over and killed a goose. The owner of the bird demanded three marks damages. The cyclist thought two ample. The case came before the chief magistrate, who gave his judgment as follows: "The plaintiff declares that if paid three marks he will make no claim for the dead goose. The defendant, who is willing to pay two marks, also makes no claim for the body of the goose. Defendant, hand me two marks, and you, plaintiff, hand me the goose." When both had obeyed his commands he produced one mark out of his pocket and handed all three to the plaintiff. The goose he kept for himself, and doubtless ate with the good digestion which comes from the knowledge of having pleased everybody.

SAFE OCCUPATION.

Bridget, the pretty young maid-of-all-work, confided to her mistress when taking service that she had lately become engaged to be married. She stated, however, that she and Tim would have to wait two years, and in the meantime she wished to be earning money.

When Tim made his first call one evening the family remarked that they had never known so quiet a man. The sound of Bridget's voice rose now and then from the kitchen, but Tim's words were apparently few and far between.

"Tim is not much of a talker, is he, Bridget?" said the mistress of the house the next morning. "I should scarcely have known there was anyone with you last evening."

"He'll talk more when we've been engaged a while longer, I'm thinking, ma'am," said little Bridget. "He's too bashful yet to do anything but eat, ma'am, when he's wid me!"

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An amusing instance of elephant pride is narrated. The elephant which usually led the state procession of a Rajah being ill, the magnificent trappings were placed on one which had up to that time occupied only a subordinate place.

The animal delighted with its finery, showed its glee by so many little squeaks and kicks of pleasure that general attention was attracted to it.

Not long after another state procession was formed, and the previous wearer of the gold cloths being restored to health, took his accustomed place and trappings, when the now degraded beast, imagining, perhaps, that he was being defrauded of his promotion, was, with great difficulty, restrained from attacking the leader of the parade.

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"That's no lie," remarked the man with the newspaper.

"What's no lie?" queried the other party to the dialogue.

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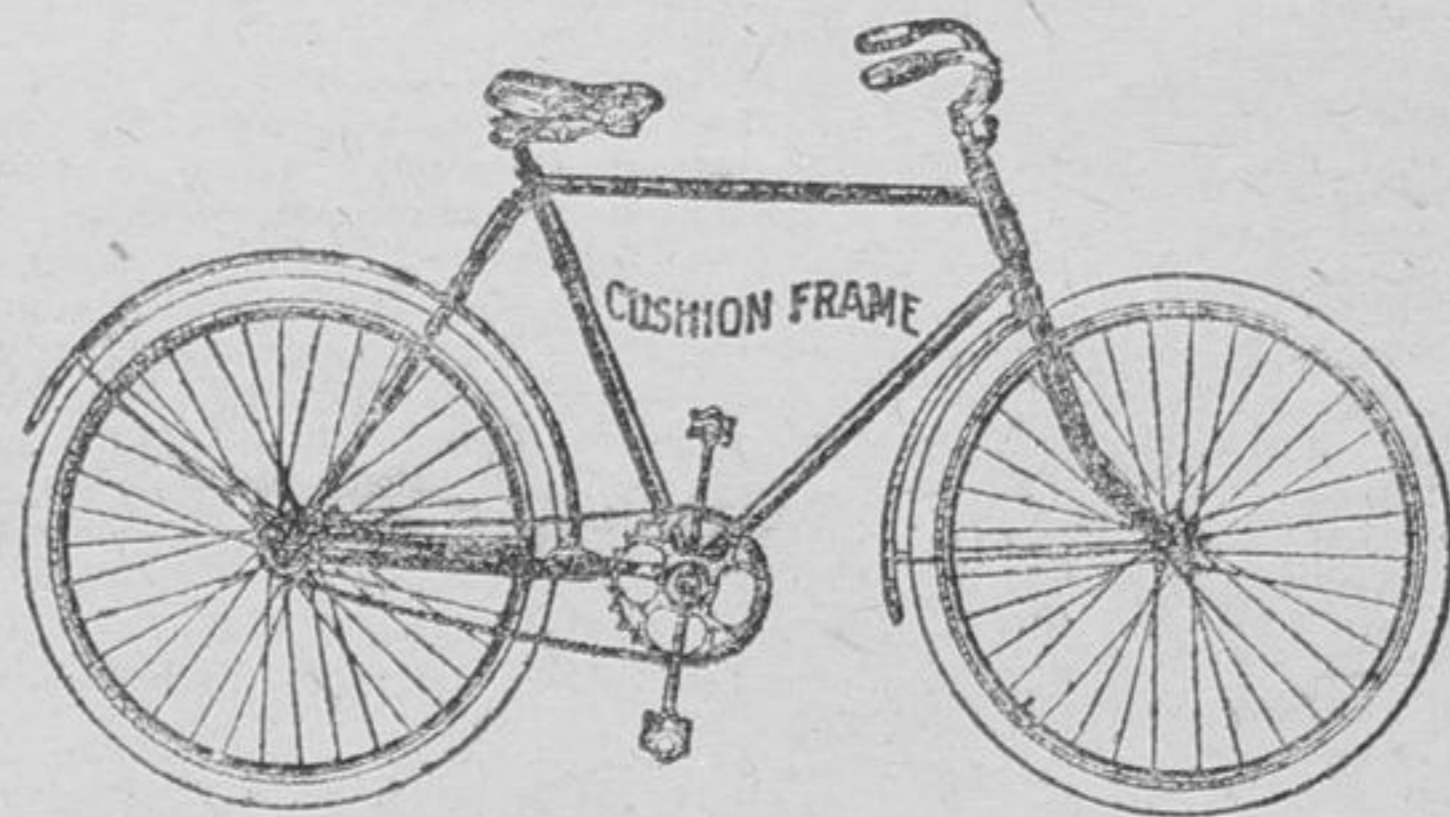
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Some enterprising Scotch planters commenced the planting of tea and the first shipment made to the London market brought the most extraordinary prices, they developing a quality in the cup far superior to anything ever known in tea previously. These Ceylon teas rapidly made a foothold in England until to-day the exports to that country amount to one hundred and twenty-five millions pounds annually.

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AN ANALOGUE.

Teacher — Now, a monologue is a recitation in which one person takes part; a dialogue is one where two persons take part. Now can anyone give further examples?

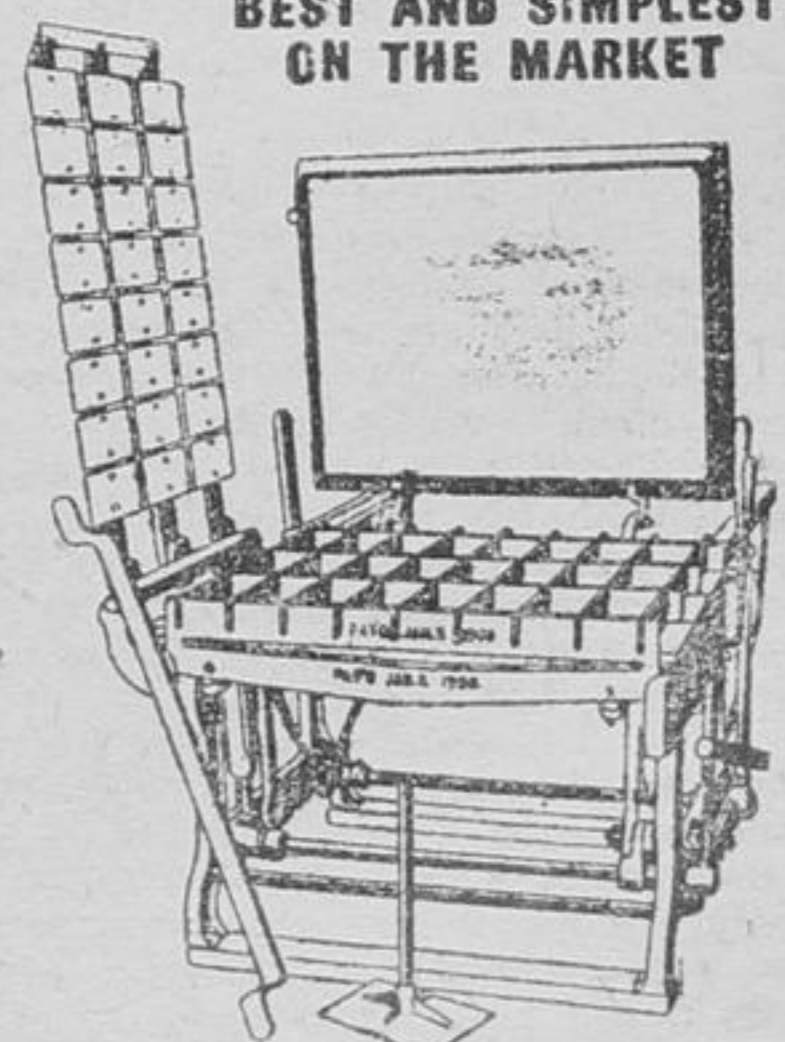
Bright Boy — Is it a catalogue where a cat takes part?

SYMPATHY.

"Timmins is very much imposed on isn't he?"

"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne. "He is one of those people who sympathize so much with everybody that they become objects of sympathy themselves."

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