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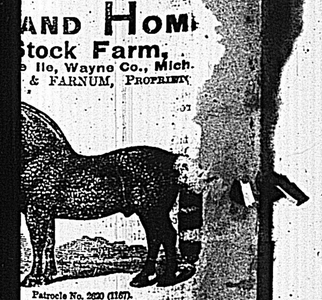

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"I certainly never did with any friends of mine. On this very walk you told me that you were not my sister, and added, 'There is no use in trying to ignore nature.' See how true this last assertion is proving, now that I am again under your influence, and so enjoy your society that I cannot ignore nature. During all those years when you were growing from childhood to womanhood I treated you as a sister, thought of you as such. Even when you were an invalid, and I was stupid enough to call you 'lackadaisical,' your presence always gave me pleasure. You always appeared to have a sister's affection for me, and your words and manner proved that I brought some degree of brightness into your shadowed life. In learning to love you as a sister in all those years, where-in did I ignore nature? During my absence my feelings did not change in the least, as I proved by my attempts at correspondence, by my greeting when we met. Then you perplexed and worried me more than you would believe, and I imagined all sorts of ridiculous things about you; but on that drive, after your vigil with that poor, dying girl, I felt that I understood you fully at last. Indeed, ever since your rescue of this little Wilder child from drowning my old feelings have been coming back with tenfold force. I can't help thinking of you, of being proud of you. I give you my confidence to-night just as naturally and unhesitatingly as if we had been rocked in the same cradle. I am not wearying you with this long explanation and preamble?"

"No, Graydon," she replied, in a low tone.

"I am very glad. I don't think well of myself to-night at all, and I have a very humiliating confession to make,—one that I could make only to such a sister, as you are, or rather would have been, were there a natural tie between us. If I didn't trust you so, I would't speak of it, for what I shall say involves Henry as well as myself. Madge, I've been duped. I've been made both a fool and a tool, and the consequences might have been grave indeed. Henry, who has so much quiet sagacity, has in some way obtained information that proved of immense importance to him, and absolutely vital to me. I shad lor when I think of what might have happened, and I am overwhelmed with gratitude when I think of my escape. I told you that Miss Wildmere was humoring that fellow Arnault to save her father, and consequently her mother and the child. This impression, which was given me so skilfully, and at last confirmed by plain words, was utterly false. Henry has been in financial danger; Wildmere knew it, and he also knew that Arnault had lent Henry money, which to-day was called in with the hope of breaking him down. They would have succeeded too, had he not had resources of which they knew nothing. You, of course, can't realize how essential a little ready money sometimes is in a period of financial depression; but Henry is safe now, assures me; and, O Madge, thank heaven, I have found her out before it was too late! I had fully resolved while offering that I would break with her if I found Arnault at her side.

"Now he may marry her, for all I care, and I wish him no worse punishment. I shall go to my room now and be sure to her that everything is over between us. The fact is, Madge, you defeated Miss Wildmere for me on that morning drive the other day. After leaving your society and going into hers I felt the difference keenly, and while I had then have fulfilled the obligation which I had so stupidly incurred, little heart in the affair. Her love was consummate, but a true woman's nature had been revealed to me, and the glamour was gone from the one. Now you see what absolute confidence I repose in you, and how foolishly this strange story bears against me. Will you not think very hagshly of me, will you, Madge?"

"No, Graydon."

"And you won't condemn my fraternal affection as contrary to nature?"

She was sorely at a loss. She had listened with quick and breath, a fluttering pulse, and in a growing tumult of joy and fear, to this unlisguised revelation of his attitude toward her. She almost thought that she detected between the lines, as it were, the beginning of a different regard. He believed that he had been frankness itself, and his words proved that he looked upon fraternal affection and confidence as natural, the almost inevitable sequence of the past. She could not meet him on the fraternal ground that he was making again, nor did she wish him to accept it in his own mind. To maintain the attitude which she had adopted would require as much delicacy as firmness of action, or he would begin to wonder why she could not go back to old relations as readily as he could. As she hesitated, he asked gently, "Do you feel a little of your old love for me?"

"Graydon, I do not," she replied, in a low tone.

"I suppose you will think me blunt, matter-of-fact. I love Mary as a sister, I have the strongest esteem and affection for Henry as my brother-in-law, and I like you for just what you are to me, neither more nor less. The truth is, Graydon, when I woke up from my old limp, shadowy life I had to look at everything just as it was, and I have retained the habit of so doing. I think this is the best way. You did not see Miss Wildmere as she was, but as you imagined her to be, and you blame yourself too severely because you acted as you naturally would toward a girl whom you had so high a regard. If we stick to the actual, we escape mistakes and embarrassment. Every one knows that we are not brother and sister; everyone would admit our right to be very good friends. I have listened to you with the deep and honest sympathy that is perfectly natural to our relations. I think the better of you for what you have told me, but I'm too dreadfully . matter-of-fact," she concluded, beginning to laugh, "to do anything more."

He sighed deeply.

"Now, there is no occasion for that sigh, Graydon. Miss Wildmere was a delusion and a snare, but there are plenty of true women in the world. One day you will meet the right one. I won't object to your friends, but she probably would to sisters who are strangers."

Arnault laughed a little bitterly as he replied, "So you imagine that after my recent experience I shall soon be making love to another girl?"

"Why not? Because Miss Wildmere is a fraud do you intend to spite yourself by letting some fair, true girl pass by unheeded? That might be to permit the fraud to injure you almost as much as if she had married you."

He burst out laughing, as he exclaimed, "Well, your head is level."

"Certainly it is. My head is all right, even though I have not much heart, as you believe. I told you I could be a good fellow, and I don't propose to indulge you in sentiment about what is past and gone,—natural and true as it was at the time,—or in cynicism for the future. I shall dance at your wedding, and you won't be gray, either. Come; the music has ceased, and it must be almost Sunday morning."

As they went up the steps, Arnault, with a pale, stern face, and looking neither to the right nor to the left, passed them and strode away.

CHAPTER XXXIII.

THE END OF DIPLOMACY.

Mr. Arnault's manner as he passed struck both Graydon and Madge as indicating strong feeling and stern purpose. In order to account for this action, it is necessary to go back in our history for a short period. While Madge was receiving such rich compensation for having become simply what she was, Miss Wildmere had been gathering the rewards of diplomacy. As we have seen, she had reached the final conclusion that if Mr. Muir did not . fail that day she would accept Graydon at once; and during its earlier hours, she had been complacency itself, feeling that everything was now in her own hands. Mr. Muir's appearance and manner the previous evening had nearly convinced her that he was in no financial difficulties whatever,—that her father and Mr. Arnault were either mistaken or else were deceiving her. "If the latter is the case," she had thought, "they have so bungled as to enable me to test the truth of their words within twenty-four hours."

"I am virtually certain," she said, with an exultant smile, "that I shall be engaged to Graydon Muir before I sleep to-night."

In the afternoon it began to trouble her that Graydon had not appeared. As the hours passed she grew anxious, and with the shadow of night there fell a chill on her heart and hope. This passed into alarm when at last Graydon arrived with his brother and Madge, and greeted her with the cold recognition that has been described. She had met Mr. Arnault cordially at first, because there were still possibilities in his favor; but when her father promptly disappeared, with the evident purpose to avoid questions, and Mr. Muir and his family at supper gave evidence of superb spirits instead of trouble, she saw that she had been duped, or, in any case, misled. Her anger and worry increased momentarily, especially since Graydon, beyond a little furtive observation, completely ignored her. She naturally ascribed his course to resentment at her first greeting of Arnault, his continued presence at her side, and the almost deferential manner with which he was treated by her father, who had joined his family at supper, when no queries could be made.

"I'll prove to Graydon by my manner that I am for him," was her thought; but he either did not or would not see her increasing coldness toward Arnault.

Her purpose and tactics were all observed and thoroughly understood by the latter, however, but he gave few obvious signs of the fact. In his words, tones, compliments, he proved that he was making good all that he had promised; but the changing expression in his eyes grew so ominous that Mr. Wildmere saw his suppressed anger with alarm.

Miss Wildmere felt sure that before the evening was over she could convey to Graydon her decision, and chafed every moment over the leisurely supper that Mr. Arnault persisted in making, especially as she saw that it was not his appetite that detained him. The Muir group had passed out, and to leave him and her father would not only be an act of rudeness, but also would appear like open pursuit of Graydon. When at last she reached the parlor, to decline Arnault's invitation to dance would be scarcely less than an insult; yet, with intensifying anger and fear, she saw that circumstances were compelling her to appear as if she had disregarded Graydon's warnings and expectations. So far from being dismissed, Arnault was the one whom she had first greeted and to whom she was now giving the evening.

While she was dancing with Arnault, Graydon, with Madge, appeared upon the floor. She was almost reckless in her efforts to secure his attention. In this endeavor she did not fail, but she failed signally in winning any recognition, and the ill-concealed importunity of her eyes hastened Graydon's departure with Madge, and gave time for the long interview described in the previous chapter. She grew cold with dread. It was the impulse of her self-pleasing nature to want that most which seemed the most denied, and she reasoned, "He is angry because Arnault is at my side as usual, in spite of all he said. He is determined to bring me to a decision, and won't approach me at Arnault's side. Yet I dare not openly shake Arnault off, and he's so attentive that I must do it openly if at all. Graydon's manner was so very strange and cold that I feel that I should do something to conciliate him at once; and yet how can I when Arnault is bent upon monopolizing the whole evening? He gives me no chance to leave him unless I am guilty of the shameful rudeness of telling him to leave me. Oh, if I could only see Graydon alone, even for a moment!"

Arnault was indeed a curious study, and yet he was acting characteristically. He had virtually given up hope of ever winning Stella Wildmere. He had wooed devotedly, offered wealth, and played his final card, and in each had failed. But, be his fate what it might, both his pride and his peculiar sense of honor made it imperative that he should be her suitor until the time stipulated for his answer should expire. Up to twelve o'clock that night he would not give her the slightest cause for resentment or even complaint. Then his obligation to her ceased utterly, and she knew that it would.

He had been irritated and despondent ever since Mr. Muir, through Madge's aid, had so signally checkmated him. But Stella's greeting had reassured him, and Graydon's manner toward her gave the impression that she had not been extending encouragement to him. This promising aspect of affairs speedily began to pass away, however, when he saw her step to Graydon's side and ask him if he was not going to shake hands with her. He had since noted every effort that she had made to secure Graydon's attention, and the truth became perfectly clear. She had utterly lost faith in his and her father's predictions of financial disaster to Henry Muir, and would accept Graydon at the earliest opportunity. He saw that his defeat in Wall street insured his defeat in the Catskills, and felt that there was no use in his playing lover any longer. If she had given him her hand it would have been secured, purely through a financial trick, and even his Wall street soul experienced a revolution of disgust at the thought of a wife thus obtained.

With a sort of grim vindictiveness he had muttered, "She shall keep her promise. Neither she nor Muir shall be happy till my time has expired."

Later in the evening, Graydon not returning, the thought occurred to Arnault "Perhaps he too has recognized the sharp game she has played,—perhaps Henry Muir has said to him, 'She has been putting you off to see the result of the sudden calling in of Arnault's loan,' and now young Muir proposes to console himself with that handsome Miss Alden;" and a gleam of pleasure at the prospect illumined his face for a moment. Meanwhile he maintained his mask before the world so admirably that even Miss Wildmere little guessed the depth of his revolt. He was the last one to reveal his bitter disappointment and humiliating defeat to the vigilant gossips of the house. Those who saw his smiling face and gallantries, and heard his breezy, half-cynical words, little guessed the storm within. He had been taught in the best school in the world how to say and look one thing and mean another.

At last an acquaintance approached, and said, "Pardon me, Mr. Arnault, but I don't propose to permit you to monopolize Miss Wildmere all the evening;" and then asked for the next dance.

Stella complied instantly, thinking, "Graydon may return now at any moment, and if he sees that I am not with Arnault will come to me as usual."

Arnault bowed politely, looked at his watch, and invited another lady to dance. Stella had not been on the floor but a few moments when not Graydon, but her father came and said to her partner, "Excuse me, sir. I wish to speak to my daughter."

Requesting her companion to wait, she followed Mr. Wildmere through an open window, and when on the piazza he took her hand and put it within his arm with a firmness that permitted no resistance. Arnault noted the proceeding with a cynical smile.

"Stella," said her father, in a low, stern tone, "did you not promise Mr. Arnault his answer this evening?"

"Answer my question first," she replied, bitterly. "Did Henry Muir fail to-day? Of course he did not. You have been deceiving me."

"I did not deceive you—I was mistaken myself. But I warn you. Graydon Muir is not at your side. He may not return. Arnault is waiting to give you wealth and me safety, but he may not wait much longer. You are taking worse risks than I ever incurred in the street, and your loss may be greater than any I have met with."

"Bah!" she replied, in anger. "I might have been engaged to Graydon Muir this moment had I not listened to your croakings. I'll manage for myself now;" and she broke away and joined her partner again.

After the dance was over she said, "Suppose we walk on the piazza; I'm warm." She was cold and trembling. Arnault took his stand in the main hall, where he and she could see the clock should she approach him again. The last hour was rapidly passing. Miss Wildmere and her attendant strolled leisurely the whole length of the piazza, but Graydon was not to be seen. Then she led him through a hall whence she could glance into the reception and reading rooms. The quest was futile, and she passed Arnault unheedingly into the parlor, saying that she was tired, and with her companion sat down where they could be seen from the doorway and windows. But he thought her singularly *distraite* in her efforts to maintain conversation.

"Oh," she thought, "he will come soon—he must come soon! I must—I must see him before I retire!"

Arnault meantime maintained his position in the hall, chatting and laughing with an acquaintance. She could see him, and there was little in his manner to excite apprehension. He occasionally looked toward her, but she tried to appear absorbed in conversation with the man whom she puzzled by her random words. Arnault also saw that her eyes rested in swift, eager scrutiny on every one who entered from without, and that the two hands of the clock were pointing closely toward midnight.

The parlor was becoming deserted. Those whom the beauty of the night had lured without were straggling in. The man at her side was growing curious and interested, and he determined to maintain his position as long as she would.

He was detained but little longer. The clock soon chimed midnight. Arnault gave her a brief, cold look, turned on his heel and went out, passing Graydon and Madge, who were at that moment ascending the steps.

"Oh, pardon me," said Miss Wildmere, fairly trembling with dread; "I had no idea it was so late!" and she bowed her companion away instantly. At that moment she saw Graydon entering, and she went to the parlor door; but he passed her without apparent notice, and bade Madge a cordial good-night at the foot of the stairs. As he was turning away Miss Wildmere was at his side.

"Mr. Muir—Graydon," she said, in an eager tone, "I wish to speak with you."

He bowed very politely, and answered, in a voice that she alone could hear, "You will receive a note from me at your room within half an hour." Then, bowing again, he walked rapidly away.

She saw from his grave face and unsympathetic eyes that she had lost him.

Half desperate, and with the instinct of self-preservation, she passed out on the piazza to bid Arnault good-night, as she tried to assure herself, with pallid lips, but ready then at last to take any terms from him. Arnault was not to be seen. After a moment her father stepped to her side and said:

"Stella, it is late. You had better retire."

"I wish to say good-night to Mr. Arnault," she faltered.

TO BE CONTINUED.

NEWS ITEMS.

King Theebaw has been sent to Madras.

The are now only five or six farms in all Essex quarantined on account of hog cholera.

It is reported that the Princess Louise will revisit this country some time during next year.

Frank Feathers, a Harriston typo, holds the roller-skating championship of Wellington.

Rocheforts opposes Pasteur's theory regarding hydrophobia, and declares that he is practically a quack.

The Queen has personally conferred upon Lady Randolph Churchill the insignia of the Imperial Order of the Crown of India.

An Anglo Canadian cable is now among the probabilities. It is thought the Imperial Government will aid such a project.

Under the spell of a recent sermon from Bishop Warren, of Colorado, Jacob Haish, of that State, recently subscribed $50,000 to the Methodist University of Denver.

The meeting called in Montreal to form a Franco Canadian Press Association was so slimly attended that it had to be adjourned without transacting any business.

The Greek Government has obtained power to contract loans not exceeding twenty million dollars, to be used for strengthening the army and navy.

Documents have been discovered at Mandalay, showing that an offensive and defensive alliance existed between France and Burmah.

Five British battalions have been ordered to proceed from England to Egypt, and Gen. Stephenson will go forward from Cairo to Wady Halfa on Friday to take command.

There will be no ice palace or winter carnival in Montreal this year as in former years. A movement is on foot, however, for having a carnival of winter sports during Feburary, to last a week.

Prince Augustus, brother of the King of Portugal, after attending the funeral of King Alfonso, will go to Berlin to ask the hand of Princess Augusta, daughter of the Crown Prince Frederick William

Lord Hotchkiss, one of the swell cowboys of Montana, recently won a heavy wager by walking from his ranch to Miles City, a distance of twenty-two miles, in four hours and four minutes.

A despatch from Belleville, Ont, says:—Spurious ten dollar bills are in circulation here. These bills are made by cutting up genuine bills and pasting the pieces together so as to make additional bills.

Mum socials are the popular thing in various parts of the county. Silence is the principal ingredient in their manufacture, but like every thing else it requires some talk to make them successful.

If the Scott Act be abandoned in Toronto, as some of its advocates now propose it shall be, the effect elsewhere will be conclusive. Toronto advocates of the Act cannot ask other communities to try an experiment which Toronto refuses to try.—World.

At a Cabinet Council held on Thursday afternoon Hon. Mr. McLelan was appointed to succeed Sir Leonard Tilley as Minister of Finance, Mr. Foster, M. P. for Kent, N. B. taking Mr McLelan's place as Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

It is not Mr. Parnell's intention to force the fighting on the Home Rule question. He will wait until the two English parties are in close contest, and then will give his support to that side which will offer the better terms to Ireland.

Dr. Clark, who has been elected as a crofters' candidate for Caithness, intends organizing a Highland party to secure reform for Scotland similar to the Irish Land Act. The new party will be allied on all Irish questions with the Parnellites.

Blindness in Canada is commonly caused by smallpox, cataract or injury. Contagious diseases—such as smallpox, measels and whooping cough—are more common in Canada than in Europe, especially in winter, when fuel is saved at the expense of ventilation. In the whole of Canada the proportion of the insane is one to 720.

The Tichborne claimant, if he cannot swoar himself into possession of the Tichborne estates, seems determined to ruin the present poressor of them. He now proposes to bring suit against Sir Henry Tichborne when he comes of age, next May. The lawyers made an enormous sum by the last suit, and will probably own the estate after the next, should it come to pass.

The Bundesrath has unanimously approved the bill for the contruction of the long spoken of ship canal between the Baltic, the Elbe and the North sea. The canal will cost about 156,000,000 marks. It is to be strongly fortified, and will have a great military as well as commercial value. The project has been under consideration since 1865.

The Lancet expresses the opinion that England is safe from cholera for another year, and congratulates its readers on a scare which has been productive of so much needed cleaning up and sanitary improvement, the effect of which will be quite as useful against other diseases as in withstanding cholera.

According to Judge McDougall, the following are the various stages of drunkenness. A man first becomes inebriated, then stimulated, then exhilinrated, then obfusticated, and finally intoxicated. This is as bad as the cook who made hash in four different languages.

There is a curious difference in the birth rate during the quarter ending September last; it was 24.5 in Brighton, 28.9 in Bradford, 28.5 in Halifax, 36.9 in Sunderland, 37.7 in Blackburn, 38.1 in Preston and 43.6 in Cardiff. The rate for London was 31 5, and the average for thirty-seven larger provincial towns was 32.2. All the figures are below the average birth rates for the same quarter of the three preceding years.

Should the United States troops come into conflict with the Mormon rioters, sympathy for the States is sure to result. The American press has read the Canadian authorities many kind lessons as to how they should treat the Northwest rebels, and their treatment of the Mormons, should they rebel against the federal authority, will be awaited with much curiosity.

It is expected that Cornelius Venderbilt aged 40, will come in for the bulk of his father's property. When the Commodore died a few years ago he was said to be worth $100,000,000. When his son W. H. died he was worth $200,000,000, and as Cornelius is said to be a chip of the old block it appears reasonable to suppose that if he lives to the same age as his father, 64, he will be worth at least $400,000,000. The old Commodore wished that one member of each succeeding generation should be endowed with the bulk of the fortune of his predecessor. If that doctrine is followed out a Vanderbilt will some day possess the whole world; that is, of course, if the stock holds out.

The Handy Hip Pocket.

Philadelphia Press

"After prohibition what?" is the question in Atlanta. Hip-pockets big enough to accommodate flasks must likely.

Something to tell the Marines.

(Globe.)

Our feeling has been and is that, with Canada in peril, it were base to give way one jot to party spirit, or to yield an inch to the clamours of race prejudice or sectarian rage.

An Earnest Divine Heard From.

Dr. Theodore Cuyler, writing of Canon Farrar's temperance address in New York, says he directed his force against the drinking usages of society, and recommended this as the only way to cure intemperance. Upon this Dr. Cuyler says as the expression of his opinion, "Perhaps when the present craze for exclusive political action has abated, the friends of our beneficent reform will learn that the best place to write laws against intoxicants is on men's consciences, and the most permanent reformation is the change of personal habits, conduct, and character. I'm growing heartily sick of seeing a great moral movement handed over to the tender mercies of of the politicians, and subject to all the fluctuations of the caucus and the ballot-box. '—United Presbyterian.

More Sensible than the Scott Act.

(Globe.)

The new Excise Bill prepared under the auspices of the Church Temperance Society, to be presented to the New York Legislature, this year, follows substantially the pattern set by the famous Harper Law of Illinois, though it differs in some, perhaps important, details from that bill. It provides for six licenses:—To sell liquors of any kind at a fee of not less than $1,000 in all cities of more than 300,000 inhabitants; of $500 in all other localities. 2. Wine and beer for $500 in the cities; $250 in other localities 3. Beer license for the cities, $100; $50 for other localities. 4. Storekeepers' license, to sell liquor not to be drunk on the premises, $25. Druggists' license, to sell for medical purposes only, on written certificate of the purpose for which it is to used, $10. The bill has additional restrictions. It provides against selling to minors and drunkards, on Sundays, after midnight, and the like It also provides that there shall be no screens before the windows and doors of bars and saloons, and gives the city power to remove as well as appoint Excise Commissioners.

Canadian Apples in Britain.

(London Morning Post.)

To the growing importation of fruit from Canada we have in these columns frequently called attention, but we were hardly prepared for the marvellous exhibition which has just been held. This was projected by Messrs. Northard & Lowe, and consisted of three classes. In Class 1 the competition consisted of collections of Nova Scotian or Canadian apples of from 70 to 90 varieties. The first three prizes went to Nova Scotia, the growers being Messrs. T. E. Smith, E. McLatchy, and R. W. Starr—all the fruit shown by these being very fine—the Gravensteins, King of Tompkins, Blenheim, Orange, Ribston Pippin, Fallawater, King of Pippins, and the various russets, being of great size and high color. The 4th prize went to Canada (to Mr. Nicell), but the apples were not so good as the Nova Scotians, and were poor when placed beside them Class 2 was for twenty-four dishes, and here again the Nova Scotian apples were incomparably the superior ones, taking all the prizes. The entries here were large, and the show interesting. Class 3 was for the best packing, and here again the prizes were won by Nova Scotian growers. The show was noteworthy as evidencing what a small place like this has been able to do in a very short time in this matter. The authorities of the Province saw some ten years ago that there was an opening for the growth of ready fruit class apples, well packed, and sent to England and America The third class in this show ought to have been seen by English growers, for it was capital example of how to send to market. Only so long ago as 1881 but few apples were sent to this country; now Messrs. Northard & Lowe receive something like 10,000 barrels a year. Both New York and London a market has been created, and for these splendid and well packed fruit the highest prices are obtainable. There was a great lesson to the English farmer and pomologist in this show.

DOMESTIC RECEIPTS.

STEAMED PUDDING.

One-half cup of butter, one cup of molasses, one teaspoonful of soda dissolved in a small cup of hot water, one egg, one cup of raisins, one cup of currants, one-half teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful of cloves. Stir thick as ginger bread. Steam two hours. Serve with sauce.

PICKLED APPLES.

Pare, halve and quarter the fruit; for seven pounds of apples, take three pounds of sugar, one quart of vinegar, one ounce each of cinnamon and cloves. Break the cinnamon bark in pieces, and boil with the apples, having put two cloves in each piece of apple.

ANGEL CAKE.

Whites of 11 eggs beaten to a froth. Add to them one-and-half cup of pulverized sugar, one cup of flour sifted four times and measured after being sifted, one teaspoonful of cream of tartar added to the flour before the last sifting. No soda must be used. Stir the flour lightly into the sugar and egg. Flavor with vanilla. Bake in a moderate oven 40 minutes.

CHOICE APPLE PUDDING.

Steam sour apples, and fill the pudding dish about three inches deep, after they are soft, first stirring in the rind of a lemon and sweetening to taste. Beat an egg and mix in half a pint of milk scalded and cooled, and two tablespoonfuls of cream. Dissolve a little gelatine and mix with this, then pour over the apples and add any flavoring or sugar to taste, covering all with whipped cream. It is delicious cold.

COCOANUT PUDDING.

Grate the meat of a large cocoanut. Roll fine Boston crackers and mix with the cocoanut, add milk enough to beat, and a tablespoonful of butter. Beat five egg, add a cup of sugar, mix and bake like a custard.

EASY PUDDING.

Take a can of any fruit you prefer and turn it into a deep dish. Then make a paste of flour and cream, in which is a little baking powder first sifted. Pour over the fruit and bake quickly. Serve with cream or sweet sauce.

CORN MEAL PUDDING.

One quart of white corn-meal, a little salt, a tablespoonful of ground ginger and two of sugar. Moisten with milk, tie in a strong cloth, leaving room to swell, and boil two hours. Eat with sweet sauce.

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