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Bread Without Flour.

In France bread is being made without flour in a machine that transforms the wheat directly into dough. The wheat is prepared by a thorough washing, after which operation about a pine of tepid water for a pound of grain is added, the whole mixture being allowed to stand some six hours when the grains of wheat have swollen to twice their usual size. The mixture is then treated with yeast and salt and poured into the machine where simultaneously the envelop and the body of the grain is crushed, making a homogeneous mixture forming a smooth paste.

Longest Lived Animal.

Undoubtedly the longest lived animal on earth is the whale, its span of existence being estimated by Cuvier at one thousand years. The next largest animal, the elephant, will, under favorable conditions, live four hundred years. The average age of cats is fifteen years, of squirrels seven or eight years, of rabbits seven. A bear rarely exceeds twenty years, a wolf twenty, a fox fourteen to sixteen. Lions are comparatively long lived, instances having been recorded where they reached the age of seventy years.—Tit-Bits.

Disclosing Pig's Identity.

A small girl learned that her pet had escaped from its inclosure. She ran down the street looking for it and seeing a neighbor said: "Oh, Mr. Brown, have you seen a little pig what's name is Minnie?"

CUT OUT EXTRA WORK

ELIMINATION OF UNNECESSARY MOTIONS IS ONE WAY.

Saving of Energy, Not to Speak of Added Comfort, is Strong Factor in Favor of Modern Household Methods.

It has been figured out in schools of domestic science that the average method of shelling peas takes about five motions to each pod, whereas no more than three motions are necessary.

Place the dish of peas in front of you, placing the empty dish for the shelled peas in front of that, reach forward, getting a pod, pull it toward you, split it with the fingers at the same time. By the time it is over the empty dish the motion of the finger will strip the peas into that receptacle, toss the pod to one side and repeat.

The old-fashioned method has generally been to put the dish of unshelled peas in front of you, leave the receptacle at the right and the one for the pods at the left. This necessitates bending the body, turning the head and making all sorts of unnecessary motions between the three dishes, resulting in loss of good energy and many good minutes of time wasted.

Dustpans are made today with long handles. It would be just as absurd to sweep the floor with a whisk broom as it would be to use a short handled dustpan. In using the old-fashioned dust pans the sweeper has to stoop many times to get up all the dirt, making it twice as hard.

The broom is very cumbersome to handle while stooping, the back is strained, the face is close to the unhealthy dust and everything is wrong. Use a long handled dustpan, stand erect. The dirt can be swept into it just as neatly and with twice as much comfort and saving of energy.

The same holds good in washing dishes. Many women put the drainer on the left of the dishpan, necessitating the wasted motion of reaching across the pan to place the washed dishes to drain.

The natural motion is simply to pass the washed dishes to the right.

Sally Lunns.

Mix one-quarter teaspoonful of soft sugar with one-half ounce of compressed yeast till liquid. Warm one and one-half gills of milk and stir it into the yeast. Well beat an egg and stir it into the milk. Then strain the whole mixture into twelve ounces of sieved flour to which one-half teaspoonful of salt has been added. Turn on to a floured board and knead lightly, sprinkling with a little flour to keep it from sticking. Butter two deep, round tins and put half the dough in each, cover the tops with greased paper and leave near the fire to rise for about an hour, when the cakes should fill the tins. Then bake in a quick oven for about thirty minutes.

Fish Bisque.

A fish bisque is made from one cupful of cold fish minced very fine, one cup of hot milk and a cupful of any white stock. The carcass of a chicken cooked slowly will yield an excellent stock for this purpose. The seasoning consists of a teaspoonful of Worcestershire sauce, salt, a dash of cayenne and a tablespoonful of chopped parsley.

Put fish, seasoning and stock together in a pan. Mix one tablespoonful of flour and the same quantity of butter together and stir into the fish mixture. Cook and then stir in the boiling milk, adding a tablespoonful of cracker crumbs.

Potato Apples.

Take two cupfuls of boiled potatoes mashed, and heat them. Mix the mashed potatoes with two tablespoonfuls of hot milk and shape into eight portions, forming a ball. Dent the top of each and insert a clove, pushing it down well to represent the bloom end of the apple. Then insert another clove to form a stem at the other end. Brush each apple over with a little melted butter and sprinkle one side with cinnamon to give a rosy tint. Bake in a medium oven for ten minutes and serve hot.

Sandwiches for Afternoon Tea.

The colder weather demands something a little substantial at the four o'clock tea. A filling very much favored by English women is made from thin slices of bread lightly buttered and spread with a mixture of orange marmalade, pecan nuts, and cream cheese.

Some like this filling placed between small tea biscuits, but the mixture should be kept from the edges of the biscuit.

Apple Hot Cakes.

Butter gem pans and half fill them with rich biscuit dough. Pare, core and slice tart, juicy apples and fill gem pans, placing apples on top of the dough. Cover each one with a heaping tablespoonful of soft maple sugar and place bits of butter on top. Bake in a quick oven and serve with cream.

Baked Peas.

Wash a pint of split peas and put them in a beanpot with a tablespoonful of molasses, a small strip of salt pork and salt to taste. Cover with hot water, and bake like beans, filling the pot with water as it cooks up. About three hours of baking is necessary.

IN ANOTHER KEY

Moral Certainty.

"That pome you had in the paper the other morning about a man trying to walk upstairs straight and silent like when he comes home late at night with a bun on reminds me of an experience of my own," postcards a contrib. "Not that I got buns, but I tried to get in the other night without disturbing my wife. She heard my stealthy steps and it scared her almost voiceless. 'Is—is th-th-th-that you, S-s-steve?' she squealed. 'Yes, dear,' I answered. 'Are you sure?' she persisted.

"Well, as I said before, I don't bring home buns, so I was reasonably sure."

Promoters Asleep.

"I don't understand it at all," said the man whose mail consists largely of prospectuses.

"What's that?"

"The north pole has been discovered all this time and nobody has sent me any circulars advising me to get in on the ground floor, while it is being capitalized for an ice plant."

Endeavoring to Be Polite.

"Look out, down there!" yelled Pat, after a heavy beam had fallen from the sixteenth story.

"What's the use looking out now?" called a man who had narrowly escaped being crushed.

"There mayn't be any use, but I thought you might be provoked if I didn't notice it."—Judge's Library.

Made a Difference.

"I told Maud that Jack was simply crazy to marry her and she took offense."

"Why was that?"

"Don't know, unless it was that when I said it they had been married."

WISDOM WITH YEARS.

He—Young girls always want to marry for love, but when they grow older they want to marry a man with money.

She—You're wrong. They don't grow older; they merely grow wiser.

Their Vote.

All women have the vote this year,
And you can put it down
Each one will—if all signs don't lie—
Vote for the tighter gown.

Looking Forward.

"Pa, what is an alibi?"

"An alibi, son, is proof that you were not at a certain place at a certain time. You probably won't need an alibi until after you are married."

Why Peck Is Bald.

Mrs. Heck—Don't you talk to your husband over the phone?

Mrs. Peck—Very rarely. When I have anything important to say to Henry, I want him within reach.

Grouchy.

Grinder—I see that a fellow over in England has invented a wire netting guard that will prevent automobiles from spattering mud on pedestrians.

Grouch—But what's mud for?

Too Tame.

"Our Turkish war pictures fell flat."

"Why was that?"

"People claimed they weren't as good as the kind we used to stage ourselves on Long Island."

Very Much So.

"Love letters have a financial value when it comes to damage suits."

"Why shouldn't they? Aren't they promissory notes?"

A Good Tool.

"Here's ink all over my new razor!"

"Don't get excited about it. You can take it to the office to shave your paper with."

Its Aspect.

"Is an elopement ever prudent?"

"It may be sometimes, but generally it is a mis-taken affair."

NECKWEAR FROM PARIS

COMBINATIONS OF LACE, FUR, SILK AND VELVET.

Pretty Shadow Lace Frill With Top Edge of Skunk—More Elaborate Model Has a Handsome Vest Effect.

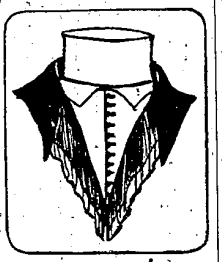
The daintiest factor of dress hown in the numerous little shops and great establishments in Paris is neckwear. Exquisite combinations of lace, silk, fur, velvet and linen are displayed to every interested woman who is clever enough to realize how much neckwear can contribute to the chic of a costume. Here are the most favored styles just now. They are handsome, of course, but they are simple in construction, and therefore copyable by an American who would be the owner of an important accessory.

The touch of fur is emphasized in neckwear with a charm that no one can deny. In the model shown, skunk fur forms the top edge of a pleated shadow-lace frill crossed in front, with the greatest width over the shoulders and cut in a shallow point at the back. Any kind of lace and any strip of fur will be effective in this style. Very little material is required, and the result is very satisfactory.

A vest effect is given to a more elaborate piece of neckwear. The vest with a narrow turned-down collar is of white mousseline de soie. Small jet buttons fasten this in a straight line. Over this is a deep-pointed collar of black panne velvet, from the ends of which drop pleated frills of white-and-black mousseline de soie. This is a modification of the Robespierre collar, and it has undoubtedly gained by the addition of the vest.

Cream lace and white tulle, or blond, are combined in a model with a straight tucked stock and cream lace turned over the edge. From the front hangs a pointed bit of tucked tulle, with side pieces of heavy lace. The strip in the center is of horizontal tucks.

White corded silk and dark blue mousseline de soie are used with effective charm on the collar with the double points. The stock has two deep points of silk at the sides, held



down under crystal buttons with blue rims. Side pieces of blue widen the collar at the shoulders. A row of crystal buttons trims each deep point of silk at the front and the back.

Linen and Irish lace are used in the last favorite. A wide pointed collar turns back from a stock and chemisette of tucked linen. This is edged with the lace. From this drop two extra points, giving a new double effect. A piece of Irish lace finishes the top. The tie is of cerise satin, with two loops fastened under pearl buckles.

There you are! For, of course, a good style like this is never going to be ignored by the smartly gowned American.

To the Hostess.

"Stunt parties," as college students term them, are not by any means restricted to dormitory and campus. In this age when the ability to amuse guests at a house party or at an informal evening gathering is thoroughly appreciated by the hostess, every girl should be able to do her part.

There are always the popular girls who can dash off the latest musical hits on the piano, or who can sing them. Fancy dancing in the last few seasons has met with enthusiastic favor at parties where no special amusement has been provided by the hostess. Those who are not gifted musically must find some other means by which to entertain. The good old-fashioned art of listening is not difficult to cultivate, but it doesn't seem quite so much in demand as it used to be.

Revival of Braid.

The revival of braid in various widths and makes as a trimming is very welcome; it is difficult otherwise to find variety for the finish of the many fabrics which are in vogue for tailor-suits. Rateen, of course, is in itself such a lovely material that it practically needs no trimming, but a little wool-work in Oriental colorings is often introduced in the blouse and the coat of the "three-piece costume."

Theater and Women's Heads.

A story comes from London—a place where they do many queer things—that theater managers are not content with forcing their women patrons to remove their hats when the curtain rises, but now propose to remove their head dress or ornaments worn in their hair when such ornaments comprise aigrettes.—Trade Review.

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False Cables to Exchange.

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Long, Slippery Handles.

It is almost impossible to get an umbrella, these days, with a handle that may be held over the wrist or forefinger when the hands are engaged in making change or like occupations. All the new umbrellas for women have long slender, slippery handles of polished wood, which have a way of sliding downward when the umbrella is gripped under the arm. Even when there is a tip, it is a tiny affair of metal, which offers no protruding surface which may be gripped by the fingers. All umbrellas now are extremely tall and, to be smart, must look extremely slim and dainty. As only the silk ones will roll up tightly enough, Madame's umbrella is another of the dress accessories that make such inroads upon the pocketbook.

England's Vanishing Lake.

The famous Dunkirk lake at Northwich (Cheshire) has vanished—for the second time within a year. In a few seconds millions of gallons of water entered the bowels of the earth through a great chasm, 200 feet deep, formed by a subsidence, and left an empty space where the lake had been. A big landslide in this countryside honeycombed by subsidences due to brine-pumping, occurred about 20 years ago, and in May last the lake formed. Three months later it suddenly emptied itself and then began slowly to refill. Traffic in the vicinity of the phenomenon was at once stopped, and precautions have been taken to prevent further collapses of earth.—London Mirror.

Hank, the Hermit.

This is the way he lost his home, as he called at the house where he used to roam to flirt with the girl he liked the best—twas thus that he lost that cozy nest: "You know, Mr. Benjamin Griggs?" she said. "I hate the son-of-a-gun," said he. "Listen—last night he paid me a call and he tried to kiss me, out in the hall." "The dickens he did! Well, well—poor Ben! So the poor fellow is drinking again!" And that was the last that started the fight, and that was the way he lost the delight of seeing his lady on Saturday night. And all who know it say, "Serves him right!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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