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BAKED CARROTS.

Take three or four good sized carrots and cut into dice; put over a moderate fire in slightly salted water and simmer gently (don't boil hard) until very tender; drain off all the water, then mash fine and season with salt, pepper and a little butter; turn into a deep pudding dish and cover with fine cracker or bread crumbs, sprinkle a little salt and a dust of pepper over and three or four tiny bits of butter; put into a good oven and bake until the crumbs are a delicate brown. Serve hot.

COFFEE ICE CREAM

Scald one and one-half cupfuls of milk; add four yolks of eggs beaten with two cupfuls of sugar. Cook until thickened, stirring constantly. While still warm add one cupful of strong coffee and one pint of cream. When cooled add one pint of whipped cream, one-half teaspoonful of vanilla and a little salt. Freeze.

BEET AND CABBAGE PICKLES.

Cook red beets until tender, then rub off the skins and cut the beets into small cubes. Select a firm white cabbage and chop rather coarsely. To each quart of the mixed vegetables, add two cupfuls of sugar, one tablespoonful of salt, one-third of a cupful of freshly grated horseradish, one teaspoonful each of and black pepper. Mix thoroughly; pack in jars—preferably glass—pour over the pickle sufficient good cider vinegar to cover well and seal. This is a most appetizing winter pickle.

SWEET PICKLED RIPE TOMATOES

Choose firm, ripe tomatoes that will easily slip through a wide-mouthed glass jar. Do not peel or break the skin. Make a brine of one cupful of salt to each gallon of water. Pour this over the tomatoes and let stand twelve hours, or over night. Remove the tomatoes, wipe each dry and pack in stone jars. Cover with cold vinegar to which has been added one cupful of brown sugar, a tablespoonful of whole cloves and an equal amount of finely broken stick cinnamon. Place grape leaves on top of the pickles, cover the jar with two thicknesses of cheese-cloth, then with a tight cover, and set away in a cool place. These will keep indefinitely and are very fine.

TOMATO RELISH.

One peck of ripe of ripe tomatoes, chopped and drained over night through a jelly bag; two cupfuls of finely chopped celery, two cupfuls of chopped onions, three green or red peppers finely chopped, one quart of strong cider vinegar, three tablespoonfuls of salt, two pounds of brown sugar, two tablespoonfuls of ground cinnamon, two ounces of whole mustard seed. Stir altogether thoroughly, bottle and seal. No cooking. Will keep indefinitely

British Shipbuilding In War Time

Notwithstanding Great Britain's absorption in the war, she is building more merchant ships than a year ago. Among the 432 steam vessels on the ways at present in British shipyards there are some large liners. Two vessels of between 30,000 and 40,000 tons burden are under construction, and more than a score of over 10,000 tons. The Mauretania, it will be remembered, is of 32,000 tonnage while the New York, of the American Line, has a tonnage of about 10,000.

Fought Like Beasts of the Jungle

In cleaning out a trench where one of the most desperate struggles between French and Germans took place, the body of a private of the Battalion D'Afrique was found, both hands blown off by a hand grenade. His teeth were fixed in the throat of a German, whose hand gripped tightly a dagger buried to the hilt in the French soldier's back. Even the throes of death had failed to relax the fatal hold of those teeth!

Important Rubber

Of the 125,000 tons of rubber produced in 1915, American manufacturers bought 100,000 tons for about \$111,000,000. A generation ago most of it would have gone begging. It plays as important a part in twentieth-century life as harnessed electricity.

Mosquitoes are Blamed

The mosquito is blamed as a carrier of infantile paralysis in a letter published Saturday in the New York Medical Journal by Dr. Charles S. Braddock, Jr., formerly chief medical inspector for the Siamese government. A similiarity is pointed out in the spread of the plague and in the spread of yellow fever.

"Both diseases flourish in hot weather and cease in cold," Dr. Braddock explains, "owing to the fact that the mosquito being the carrier of yellow fever, perishes in cold weather, and I believe the same will be found in infantile paralysis. The season has been very favorable for propagation of mosquitoes."

What Defeat Would Mean

Coincident with the peace agitation being carried on in Germany by the Socialist and many of the more liberal politicians of the empire, anonymous circulars are being distributed which paint pictures of what might happen to the German people in case of defeat in the world war. One of these circulars, which is approvingly quoted by the Cologne Gazette, reads, according to the translation printed in the London Times as follows:

"The majority of our people still have no conception of the consequences which would follow if we were defeated, and defeated by such an enemy as England. It is a dangerous mistake to regard as vain boasting the speeches of English Ministers and Deputies who, after our overthrow, desire to destroy German 'militarism', to blow up Krupp's works, and to banish the Kaiser to St. Helena. In the event of her victory England will act quite differently. 'Sink, burn, and destroy,' was always England's motto.

"For God's sake, let us not deceive ourselves about England's determination so to force Germany to her knees that she must accept England's conditions without resistance, and be wiped out forever as a competitor in the world's markets. All classes of the people are united in this resolve, from the First Sea Lord to the humblest dock laborer at Newcastle on Tyne.

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such a victory for England would mean an irreparable catastrophe for the German Empire. Not only would the German Empire be dissolved, but our people itself would be most seriously threatened with extinction, especially in view of the Russian torrent pouring in from the East. Such an English victory would not only mean the bankruptcy of our industry and our oversea trade, but it would be the ruin of our whole middle class.

"It would be felt especially by our trading middle class, because such an English victory would totally exclude the possibility of our enemies being made to pay war costs, and for generations to come our own war burdens would grow enormously. Among our workmen there would be misery which would throw them back eighty years—back to the times when English machine made yarns drove our German hand made yarns, and starvation fever carried away thousands, especially in Silesia and Saxony."

Woman As Railway President

Women are to-day a power not only in the political world but in the business world of the United States. They crowd the offices of business and mercantile establishments, and in one case a woman has got to the top. The President of the Tennessee, Kentucky, and Northern Railroad is a woman, Mrs. Phoebe E. Clark of Nashville, Tennessee. She was, Leslie's Weekly states, elected Vice-President of the road in

March, 1914, and a few months later was chosen President to succeed her husband, the late George A. Clark. Her administration of the road is said to have been most successful.

Pretty Stiff Terms of Peace

The Premier of Newfoundland, in an interview published in Boston, when on his way back from Europe, declared that nothing less than a complete victory over the Central Powers would satisfy the Allies. This, in his opinion, he said, would mean the "pulling down of the Hohenzollern house and the division of Germany into the Kingdoms which existed previous to the war of 1870, the complete restoration of Belgium, Serbia, and France, along with an indemnity for damages inflicted."

Fate

Have you observed how long the trail
That leads from any game,
From those who win, or those who fall
Or those who come to fame,
How out the hard and seamy way
That all contenders know
Fate picks on quitters night and day
But lets the fighters go.
Fate fairly revels in that guv
Who yearns to pass the buck;
Who looks on trouble with a sigh
While cursing at his luck:
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