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HINTS ON CAKE-MAKING.

Experience has taught me some lessons which I gladly embody in the following hints for those who are beginning their experience as cooks in their own homes:

If your ingredients are scattered, bring them near at hand before beginning your cake. Measure your sugar into the dish you are to mix your cake in, and add the correct amount of butter, slightly warmed.

Mix well the butter and sugar; break the eggs into a bowl, and, after beating lightly add them, and beat the whole briskly, add milk, then measure flour into the sifter, add cream tartar and salaratus, or their equivalent, sift into the embryo cake and beat vigorously.

It is well to have greased your tins before beginning your cake; now fill them a half into the oven.

If it is a layer cake, and you are using wood for baking, you should have made a brisk fire, and when it is cooling down your oven, if a quick heater, will be ready for the cake, which will bake quickly.

If it is a loaf cake, the oven should have been more gradually heated, so that after a second fire is burning well the cake can be put in. Adding fresh fuel while a cake is in the oven is a bad plan, unless just at the last it seems to be baking slowly, then a little light wood may be put in to finish.

Cakes with molasses require a cooler, slower oven than those with sugar, and to the baking of a molasses fruit-cake time and attention must be given. An earthen dish is better than tin for a fruit cake, and a new tin should not be used, as it burns more easily than the old.

Fruit cakes require a little more flour in proportion than others, else the weight of the fruit will cause it to settle. Soft molasses cake is often spoiled by too much flour and this same fault exists in much of the cake that is made.

A cake of any kind should have just enough flour to cause it to rise and stand evenly across the top. If it puffs up in the middle, too much has been used. If on the contrary, there is a depression, it needs more flour.

The amount of flour cannot be given with exactness in any recipe, because of the difference in the different brands.

A bit of advice to the novice is to bake little "try cakes" until experience teaches the amount of flour necessary for the cake, and what the heat of the oven should be.

"If the 'try cake' settles, and if after adding flour it is still heavy, beat another egg and add to the batter, and unless you have omitted some essential ingredient or too much sugar has been used, the fault will be generally remedied. Plain cake batter if baked in patty-pans, and if the cake is salted a little, will have a better flavor.

The young cook with one recipe that never fails her, and the busy one who has no time to try new recipes, may vary their "never-fails" by different fillings and frostings. The plain boiled frosting may be varied in many ways. The addition of grated chocolate to the hot frosting gives a fine chocolate filling for the layer cake, or a top and side frosting for loaf cake. With it may be used figs, dates, raisins, any candied fruit, nuts or cocoanut.

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THE GASOLINE AGAIN.

TWO LIVES LOST IN AN EXPLOSION AT LAWRENCE.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Aug. 17.—A gasoline stove was the cause of the loss of two lives in Methuen to-day and the destruction by fire of a barn and its contents. The victims were Mrs. W. H. Barton, 45, and Henrietta Peabody, a girl of 14, who had been boarding with the Bartons. The accident took place just before noon, at the old Churchill place, a farm at the west end of Methuen.

Miss Peabody was preparing dinner on a large gasoline stove. The valve leaked a trifle and allowed the fluid to escape. Miss Peabody was wiping the gasoline from the stove when her dress took fire.

The stove was located in the ell and was near a door which leads from the ell to the barn. When the girl discovered her dress to be on fire she ran hurriedly into the barn and seizing a handful of hay endeavored to extinguish the blaze. This made matters worse, for in a moment the hay was all afire. Leaving the barn the girl ran to the street and her cries attracted a man who was chopping wood on the opposite side of the street. At the same time another man who was on his way home from the market drove up. The latter saw the girl in the street and taking a blanket from his team wrapped it about her body. Mrs. Barton was found in the burning barn, her clothing also a mass of flame.

Mrs. Barton and the Peabody girl were wrapped in blankets and conveyed to the residence of William Harvey, nearby. Five physicians were called.

The girl was more severely burned than the woman. The fire consumed every bit of her clothing and flesh fell from the body when she was moved. Mrs. Barton inhaled some of the fire and her hands and body were badly burned. She took fire while endeavoring to extinguish the girl's burning clothing. The Methuen fire apparatus arrived in time to save the house, but the barn with its contents was destroyed. Loss about \$2,000; partially covered by insurance.

The two victims were so badly burned that it was impossible to take them to the hospital. Both died during the afternoon.

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RUMORED THAT PEKIN WAS REACHED MONDAY.

LONDON, Aug. 16, 3.50 a. m.—"The allies are reported to have reached Peking Monday," says the Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Express, wiring yesterday. He adds:

"Chinese official news confirms this statement, but without details."

A Paris message repeats this; but the statement, especially as it emanates from Shanghai, must be accepted with considerable reserve. Other London morning papers basing their remarks upon Washington despatches, which, with the exception of the foregoing from Shanghai, form the latest news regarding the advance, are divided in opinion, some believing that the allies must already have reached Peking and others preferring to believe that the relief will not be accomplished until the end of the week. Telegraphing from Yang Tsun, Aug. 6, a Daily News correspondent says:

"Sir Alfred Gaselee hopes to keep the enemy running and to follow him right into Peking."

Ngan Ping was occupied without firing a shot according to a despatch to the Daily Express from that place, dated Aug. 11.

"It is believed," the message adds, "that Generals Tung Fah Siang, Ma and Chung are entrenching 40,000 strong at Tung Chau. The allies may avoid Tung Chau, pursuing the route northwest from Chang Kia Wan."

Tung Chau appears to be about 12 miles from Peking.

A despatch to the same paper from Shanghai, dated yesterday, says that the officials profess to be willing to hand over the foreign ministers, their families and servants, but will not permit the departure of native Christians.

"The Russian government," continues this telegram, "has notified Li Hung Chang of its willingness to receive M. De Giers outside the walls of Peking, thus avoiding the entrance of the Russian force. This independent action is calculated to embarrass the allies seriously. Japan demands that Gen. Yung Lu shall meet the allies outside the city gates and deliver the ministers and all the native Christians."

The Chinese minister in London, Sir Chih Chen Lofeng Lu, is quoted as saying:

"The powers must not press too hard on Peking. If you defeat the Chinese soldiers it will not be possible to control the soldiery. They may turn and rend the legations. I do not believe the legation food supply will be stopped so long as the powers refrain from attacking Peking and negotiate for the surrender of the ministers."

A FAMILY MEDICINE.

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A PLAN THAT FAILED TO WORK.

"My wife is mad, and I don't blame her and I'll tell you why," said Jones yesterday. "We have kept house for 20 years, and I figure that during that time we have had at least 80 hired girls, good, bad, and indifferent, but mostly bad. Several years ago Mrs. Jones was fortunate enough to secure a jewel of a girl; but she was indiscreet enough to brag about it around the neighborhood, with the result that one of the neighbors enticed her away under promise of paying higher wages, and my wife has not forgotten the woman that did it to this day. Ever since she has had a dream that some day she would be lucky enough to draw another prize in the hired girl market, and when she did she had her plans all laid to keep her.

"Well, the other day the jewel was secured, and Mrs. Jones simply hugged herself with delight when she realized what a treasure she possessed.

"The girl had only been with us one week when Mrs. Blank, one of our neighbors, called, and casually remarked that we had another girl.

"Yes, answered Mrs. Jones, with a sigh. I'm only going to keep her till I can get another. She is simply unbearable. She is insolent, lazy, slovenly, impudent, and doesn't know enough to start the kettle boiling. She—"

"You're a loir, mum!" burst upon her astonished ears, and there stood the new girl in the doorway, with all her Irish up. "An' not stay another minute in a house where they blackguard a poor, hardworking girl's character!" And with that she flew to her room and packed up.

"Mrs. Blank has the girl now, and she never loses a chance to tell what a treasure she has, and how Mrs. Jones abuses her girls, which makes my wife simply wild.

HOW TO GET WINTER EGGS.

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Would you like to have three or four times the usual quantity of eggs to sell when egg prices go away up? When eggs bring half a dollar a dozen the troubles of poultry keeping seem worth while—if you are not in the usual predicament of having no eggs just when you want them most.

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Those who neglect this advice will see their hens recover from moulting slowly and it will be late winter or early spring, when prices have fallen, before their egg yield picks up again. The record of Sheridan's Condition Powder for over 30 years among skilful poultrymen shows its value better than words. It is not a food, but should be given in the food, and if used as directed cannot fail to give profitable satisfaction.

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ENGAGED FIFTY YEARS.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Aug. 18.—Although they are eighty-one and seventy-two years respectively, J. L. Wilkinson and Sarah Ann Cool, of Tannery this county, were married here to-day and are as happy as if they were fifty years younger.

They were engaged to be married fifty years ago, when a lover's quarrel separated them. Neither would forgive, and Wilkinson went West. He settled on a farm and finally married. For forty-five years he lived there, and then his wife died, when he came back home.

Meanwhile his sweetheart had also married. Her husband died three years ago.

When they met the old quarrel was forgotten, the love fire rekindled and they decided to make the most of the few years left them and get married. Both are hale and hearty for their age, and though their eyes are dim and their hair silvered, their handclasp it as true as of old, and they are happy.

"We didn't want no fuss," the old man said, "so we just went to Alderman Master-son and he tied the knot for us. We had to wait a long time, Sally and me, but it taught us a lesson, and if we ain't happy now it's our fault."

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