

tatoes. Then cover all with two well beaten eggs, dust with fine breadcrumbs, and bake in a moderate oven for half an hour. — Mrs. B. C.

Requested Recipes.

Dried Apricot Jam — Soak one pound of dried apricots in four pints of water for forty-eight hours, then boil all together for half an hour, add three and a half pounds of sugar, and boil for another half hour. The mixture should be poured while hot into carefully dried jars and closely cover.

Pudding From Stale Bread—Over a sufficient quantity of stale bread, after removing the crust, pour boiling water. When well soaked, thoroughly press out all the superfluous water and beat smooth. Add sugar to taste, and a little lemon peel chopped fine. Grease a pie dish, and spread the bottom with stewed fruit. Put enough bread over to make the pudding fairly thick. Beat with milk one egg, and pour over the bread sufficient to cover it with half an inch to spare. Grate a little nutmeg, and bake in a slow oven till a nice brown. The pudding can be eaten hot or cold.

Johnny Cake—Four cups corn meal, two cups barley flour, one teaspoon salt, one cup sugar, one egg, one teaspoon baking powder, one pint sour milk or buttermilk, one teaspoon baking soda, one tablespoon lard or butter substitute. Mix flour, baking powder, salt and sugar and rub in lard or butter; add egg and milk with soda dissolved in it. Line baking pan with wax paper. Bake about one hour.

White Cake — Beat one-half cup butter with one cup sugar to a cream; add one-half cup sweet milk, three-quarter cup cornstarch and beat it good; then add scant cup of flour with one teaspoon baking powder and one teaspoon flavoring. Last of all, fold in the whites of three eggs beaten stiff. Makes two nice layers. Cover with chocolate frosting.

Ginger Oatmeal Cookies—One cup molasses (half cooking syrup), one cup boiling water, two level teaspoons soda, one teaspoon cinnamon, one-half teaspoon cloves, one teaspoon ginger, one teaspoon salt, two cups ground rolled oats, one-half cup barley flour, one cup wheat flour, one-half cup rice flour. Mix together and drop on greased cookie tins. Bake in a moderately hot oven. This makes about three dozen good-sized cookies and is not very expensive as there are no eggs called for.

Quick Nut Bread — One cup oat flour, one cup corn flour, one-half cup barley flour, one teaspoon cream of tartar, one teaspoon soda, one and one-half teaspoons salt, one-third cup molasses, one and one-eighth cups sour milk, one egg, two tablespoons melted shortening, one-quarter cup raisins, one-half cup nut meats. Mix and sift dry ingredients; add molasses, sour milk, egg well beaten, melted shortening, raisins and nuts cut in pieces, and beat thoroughly. Bake in a greased bread pan. For wheatless quick bread omit nuts and raisins.

Things Worth Knowing

Paint that sticks to glass can be removed with hot vinegar. If you have a bottle of poison in your medicine cabinet, tie a ribbon or string with a little bell attached around the neck of the bottle. If you at any time go to take out a bottle when dark, you will hear the little bell tinkle its warnings. When making a silk bag to carry crocheting or knitting if it is impossible to keep the celluloid handles from slipping, put a piece of adhesive

tape around the handles as far as you wish to shirr the silk, then shirr the bag over this and it will be a perfect success.

Uses of Borax—Borax water will instantly remove all soils and stains from the hands. To make it, put some crude borax in a large bottle and fill with water. When the borax is dissolved, add more to the water until at last the water can absorb no more and a residuum remains at the bottom of the bottle. To water in which the hands are to be washed, pour enough from this bottle. Make it quite soft. By its use the hands will be kept in excellent condition, smooth, soft and white.

Never wash windows when the sun is shining upon them. They will be cloudy and streaky from drying before they are well polished. Use a little ammonia in the water.

If you squeeze lemon juice on rust stains on the spots of the dry garment and hold it over the steaming spout of a teakettle that is full of boiling water, the stains will disappear.

Add one teaspoonful of vinegar to the dish water when the dishes are very greasy. This will also effectually remove the unpleasant odor in washing dishes after a fish dinner.

Before cooking fish remove all uneatable portions. These would be wasted at the table and they can be used for chowder or soup.

You can scale fish very quickly if you just dip the fish into boiling water for a minute.

Helpful Hints

Wash skirt belts somehow have a habit of becoming limp, no matter how well they are starched. To keep on's skirt in place, make a snug belt, fastened with hooks and eyes of boned girdline (which can be purchased by the yard at any notion counter), and to this extra belt the skirt belt can be securely pinned from the inside—thus saving one's shirtwaists and lingerie from becoming torn.

To see bottom of skirt, buy an ordinary bathroom mirror, fifteen inches high and twelve inches across. By setting it on the floor and tilting it at the proper angle, one can readily see whether her underskirt shows, and if the outside skirt hangs properly.

You can help a good cause if you will take to our hospitals the ends of partly worn table cloths to be made into napkins and try cloths. Where they are too badly worn for use they will be welcomed to use to dress burns.

To prevent the coating on the inside of the coffee pot, fill the pot half full of water and add a tablespoon of baking soda. Boil about fifteen minutes. If this is done once a week, the coffee pot will always be bright on the inside.

Mildew stains can be removed by rubbing the spot with soap. Then thoroughly rub in powdered chalk and lay the garment on the grass in the sun. As it dries, sprinkle occasionally with clear water.

For cleaning panama hats use lukewarm water (one pint) with teaspoon of soap flakes dissolved in it. Scrub with soft brush to get all the grime out. Use lukewarm water with a little borax dissolved in it for first rinsing water and rinse off by brushing. In second and last rinsing water also lukewarm (one pint) put one teaspoon cold starch and a little borax. Dry quickly over gas burner and shape as it dries.

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