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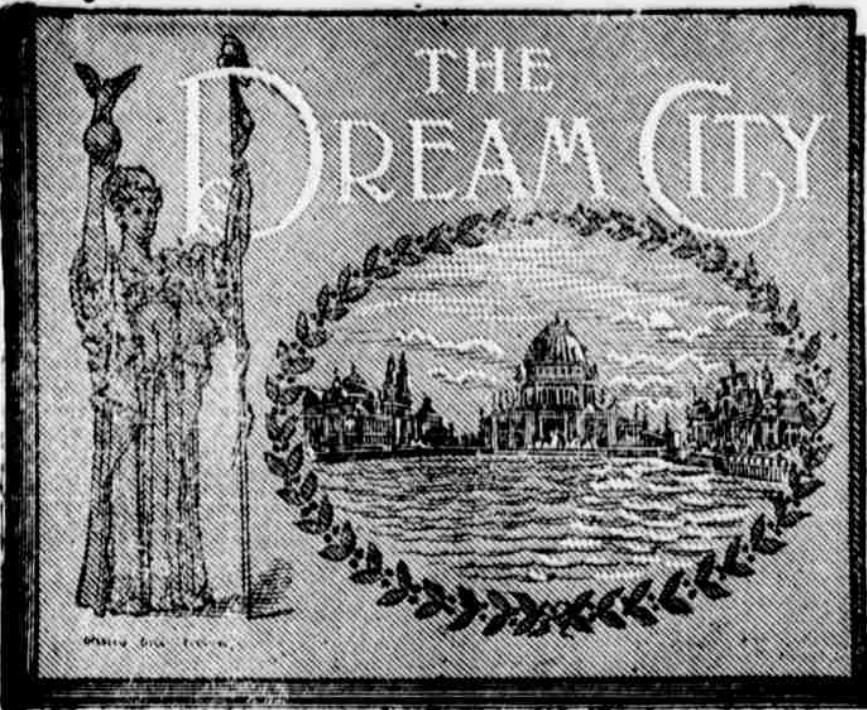
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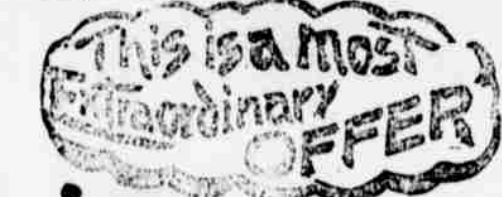


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HOME-MADE SIRUPS.

The Most Delicious Are Made of Common Sugar.

The most delicious sirups for buck-wheat cakes are those made at home from sugar. Either maple sugar, granulated or pure brown sugar may be used. When the pure brown sugar of the cane can be obtained, as it can on sugar plantations in the south, this is as delicious as any maple sirup. Unfortunately, it is no longer an article of commerce. The only brown sugar we have is the refuse of the cane sugar which will not become refined. The old-fashioned brown sugar was the pure cane sugar, from which the white sugar is made. It is still valued in the south, and is sometimes sent to the north to special customers in boxes of oranges or other southern produce. If the pure brown sugar cannot be obtained, it is cheaper to use granulated sugar, because it is considerably sweeter than the refuse brown sugar of today. Add to five pounds of sugar about a pint of water, or only enough to melt it. Boil it three minutes, so it will not go back to sugar. This will make a delicious heavy sirup. If you wish it thinner use more water, but it is not as good as when thicker.

The prettiest sirup cups for light sirups are those of old-fashioned wedge-wood with a silver top. They cost much less than vulgar-looking pitchers of showy plated ware, and with care will last a lifetime. An English majolica cup or pitcher, as some persons prefer to call them, is a picturesque piece. It seldom costs over a dollar, and is a heavy, glossy ware, richly colored and without the raised figures of the common majolica of the shops. It is not easy to find in this country, even in the large cities. There are certain shapes in Flanders gris, intended formerly for covered beer mugs, which make very strong and picturesque sirup holders. This ware is never expensive, and can always be found in large city shops where German wares are sold. The only objection to the use of this ware is its rough surface and raised figures, which unfit it for any general use in the kitchen or on the table.—N. Y. Tribune.

THE CHEERLESS HOME.

The Club His Only Refuge After the Loss of His Old Slippers. He had taken off his boots and was down on his hands and knees in the room searching for something, when his wife noticed him.

"What are you looking for, William?" she asked.

"My slippers," he replied.

"Oh, I gave those old things away today," she said.

"You gave them away!" he repeated, and then he added, solemnly: "Mrs. Miffler, are you trying to drive me away from home?"

"Of course not. I—"

"What is home without slippers?" he interrupted. "What is an evening at home with heavy boots on your feet? Mrs. Miffler, what do you think constitutes home?"

"Why, you can get another pair," she protested.

"Of course I can," he exclaimed. "I can get a new pair of stiff-soled slippers, and spend 30 days breaking them in."

"The others were torn, and—"

"That's why I liked them! They were comfortable. When I got them on, things seemed homelike. I was settled for the evening, and a four-horse team could not get me out again. But now—now I am ready for the club or theater or any old place. Slippers, Mrs. Miffler, help me to make the difference between the home and the office, and old slippers make the difference great."

"I can't see why—"

"Of course you can't. No woman ever can, but I tell you, if I were running things I'd make every woman take a course in slippers. That's what is needed more than suffrage or anything else in that line. Just slippers, nothing but slippers."

He got up, stamped around the room in his stocking feet for a minute or two, and then put on his boots again.

"This isn't home," he said, bitterly. "It isn't a bit like it. I'm going to the club."—Albany Argus.

A Pathetic Appeal.

The poor lady was very ill and lying quite exhausted, while doctor and nurse were occupied in an adjoining room. Old black Nancy had watched her chance and, stealing quietly in, parted the bed curtains and whispered: "Miss Liza, I dun foteh yer up suffin' I know'll temp' yer appetite. There, honey; des open yer mouf an' I'll feed yer." And she fed her! Chuckling softly, she slipped between unresisting lips, the crisp slices of cucumber and vinegar and bits of well buttered corn pone, she murmured: "I knowed I shouldn't git another chance. The stuck-up nuss 'll jes' giv her slops now, and Miss Liza allus did like suffin' tasty." As the cold, gray light of morning stole through the windows some eight or ten hours later, and doctor and nurse despaired of saving their patient, who lapsed from one convulsion into another, again the sable face appeared, this time not gleeful but tear-stained. As she forced her way to the bed wringing her hands and gasping, and hung over her beloved mistress: "Oh, Miss Liza, honey," she said, "die game! die game! Nebber split on ol' Nancy!"—Judge.

Eastern Unappreciation.

Miss Poringham (seeing play of Romeo and Juliet in New York theater)—You New Yorkers can talk as you please, but you show no appreciation of real literary merit like we do in Chicago. Miss Gotham—In what way? Miss Poringham—Why, you have encored the actors and actresses, but never once has there been a call for the author!—Puck. —Get together a hundred or two men, however sensible they may be, and you are very likely to have a mob.—Johnson.

CALENDAR CURIOSITIES.

No More Leap Years for Seven Years After the Present.

A Thing That Happens Once in Every One Hundred Years—Curious Facts Gleaned from Old Almanacs.

The introduction of an additional day into the calendar once in four years is necessary to prevent the average year from being too short. At the same time it makes the average year a little too long. This additional length is so slight that it accumulates very slowly. Nevertheless, it does accumulate, and by the end of a century it amounts to nearly a day. For that reason once in a hundred years the additional day which marks a year as leap year is omitted, and the average length of the year is reduced.

The English law determined in 1751 on reforms in this calendar, and from those we draw and use. The original determination of the calendar was made by the pope, and afterward it was adopted by all the countries except Russia and the east. From January 12, 1752 the civil year was made to begin on that date, and not on March 1, as many had it. In the same year 11 days were dropped from the calendar, from the 3d to the 13th, inclusive, so that what would have been the 14th became the 3d.

With this change effected, the remainder of the calendar followed its usual course. By this change the day which would have been December 25 became January 5. It was from this that the latter derived its name of Old Christmas day.

The further regulation of the calendar occurred in omitting the year 1800 from the number of leap years. Therefore, in 1801, Old Christmas day fell on January 6, and from that time until this that is the day of the month called by that name.

In Riders "British Merlin" for 1801 we find it stated that 1900 is not to be a leap year, while 1901 is to be the fifth leap year bisextile, or leap year, and the first year of the 20th century. For this century the first leap year was 1804, which is described as such in the almanacs which were then current.

One old almanac for 1800 (Moore's) names the year as the fourth after bisextile, or leap year, and then states that, in spite of its being the fourth year from leap year, 1796, the month of February had only 28 days. Following this fashion, 1802 is called the sixth year after bisextile, and 1803 the seventh.

Curious as all this appears to us, it is precisely what we will soon do. Throughout seven years there will be no February 29 after 1896. All of the births and other events which occur on that unfortunate day of the month will have no opportunity to celebrate their anniversary. That eccentric date, February 29, will then have an absence for seven years.

The calendar adjustment by which these matters were arranged reaches forward to a distance that is startling to one whose term of life is the 70 years of man. It declared that the years 1800, 1900, 2100, 2200, or any hundredth year in time to come, shall consist of 365 days and no more. But the fact also remains that this adjustment of the calendar was not quite accurate. The one day omitted once in a century made the average year a very little too short.

To remedy this defect the adjusters made the following exception to the rule making the hundredth year of 365 days, except every fourth hundredth year beginning with the year 2000. These years will be leap years—that is, the years 2000, 2400, 2800, 3200 will have a February 29. But their days are not of great concern to us.—N. Y. Herald.

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