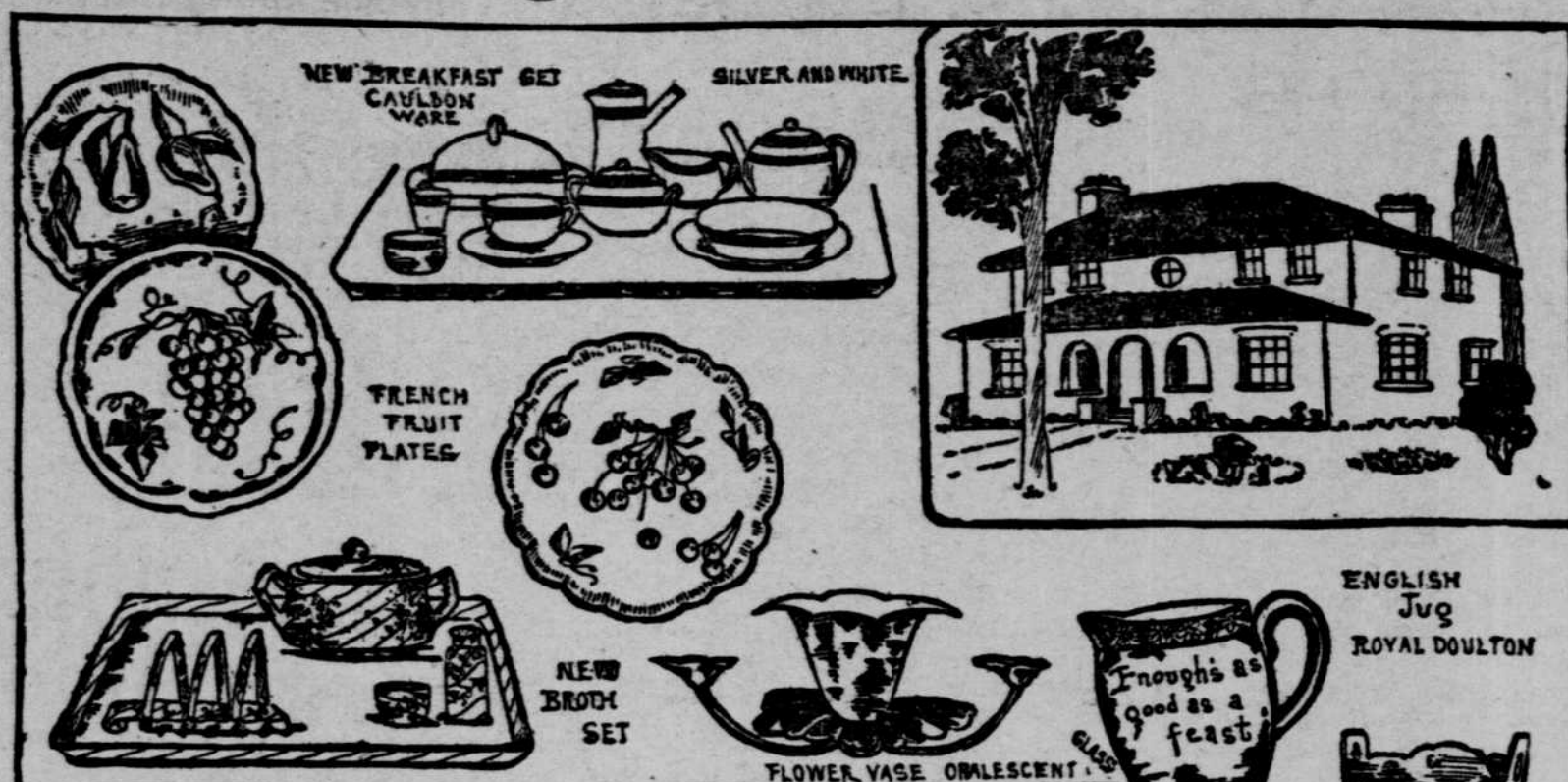


# Novel and Attractive Table-Ware Designs From the Artistic Potter



At no season of the year do the shops have a more attractive display of crockery and table furnishings than just now. Many of the satisfactory standard patterns in breakfast, dinner and tea sets are being shown, and as they are all carried in what the dealers call open stock, they may be purchased in any quantity, from a tea cup or a plate to complete a broken set to as many dozen pieces as may be needed. One of the new patterns to be seen this year is the Yorkshire ware, particularly suitable for clubs or houses where everything is on a very large scale. The background is rather a deep cream, most yellow, with decorations of flowers in conventional designs done in deep red and blue and greens, the whole effect being so striking that it requires space, and for that reason is much more suitable for dining rooms of large dimensions than for small rooms which require fittings of daintier design and color.

A design particularly suitable for these smaller dining rooms is Dresden ware, with a cream background and a clearly defined pattern of flowers in a medium blue, or Bedford ware, the design of which is similar to the old willow pattern, except that the colors are red and blue instead of blue only. French faience is a comparatively new ware, having many attractive possibilities. Like most things French, it is dainty in both color and design, the figures being slightly raised and the surface rather highly glazed. The fruit plates shown in the above illustration are of this ware and as will be seen the edges are irregularly scalloped instead of being perfectly smooth. Welsh rabbit sets in this ware include beside the plate of delicate green with delightfully vague little rabbits hopping about on them, beer mugs to match of a most fascinating shape, and the whole set of twelve plates and mugs comes in a case which is a clever imitation of the huge Edam cheese. Following out this same idea there are sets of orange plates, the decorations of which are oranges in pale misty yellows, with a

gigantic orange for a case, and watermelon plates whose decorations are only equalled in lusciousness by the big watermelons that holds them.

Among the styles of china ware particularly suitable for summer time foods are the well known but very appropriate salad sets, consisting of a deep bowl and plates of green ware resembling lettuce leaves. These sets have two good qualities; they are attractive to the eye and they are very reasonable in price, and while not so much of a novelty as some other large designs, their good qualities are lasting. The newer salad bowls have perforated bottoms and are set in deep plates. These perforations allow any moisture to drip through, so that the salad kept cold and crisp without becoming too wet. An ice bowl made with this same improvement is also shown in the illustration.

Other novelties which seem to be growing in favor are grape fruit glasses and caviar sets. These, as seen in the illustration, are long stemmed glasses filled with crushed ice, into which the smaller glasses holding the caviar or grape fruit are placed. Some of these glasses are of the most elaborate designs of Bohemian glass, with raised gold decorations and are correspondingly expensive, but they also come in plain glass at more reasonable prices.

A breakfast set is shown above in the new Caudon ware, whose plain white surface, relieved only by wide bands of silver, makes it most acceptable for summer use, particularly in a house the object of whose general color scheme is to give an effect of coolness and airiness. Washstand sets, as well as table ware, are also to be had in this white and silver design, and in an all-white bedroom a set of Caudon ware carries out the general effect in a way that is most satisfactory.

Especially attractive to those who admire the old fashioned Wedgwood ware are the tea sets now shown in brown wedgwood. The old blue and

the more delicate shades in Wedgwood are, of course, well known, but the brown seems to be rather a novelty, and is decidedly pretty, the white figures standing out clearly against the dark background and forming a unique contrast. The teapot sugar bowl and cream pitcher are, however, more satisfactory for general use than the cups, as it does not seem quite appetizing to drink out of a cup of so somber a shade as brown.

Among the novelties recently seen in glassware there was an opalescent flower vase of unusual design. The vase proper was in the form of an ally, and the delicate colors in the glass, with the opaque base representing a leaf and the branches formed by the buds, make a most effective decoration for the center of the table. For use in a low, flat bowl, to be filled with short-stemmed flowers that have a tendency to slide out of sight, there is a clever arrangement that looks like a coarse wire netting, which fits into the bowl, through which the stems of the flowers are to be thrust. By using this the same effect of a mass of flowers can be obtained, and only about half the quantity of flowers need be used.

A number of new and pretty designs in cut glass bonbon dishes are exhibited, one of the most attractive being in the shape of a three-leaf clover; and speaking of clover, there was seen in one of the large crockery shops the other day an ice tub of some sort of white ware, with decorations of green clover leaves, one of the coolest and most summery looking articles imaginable.

Two I have ever experienced, and I have traveled over 750,000 miles on trains and steamers, three times as far as from here to the moon.

"A broken wheel threw the train off the track. The car I was in was shattered very much. Seated just ahead of me was an elderly lady who was suffering from rheumatism. It was necessary to change cars. I helped her off the car, carried her valise, and gave her the support of my arm. Behind us came a noble looking English lady with her husband by her side. "She was scolding him well for starting on their journey on Friday, 'I told you, James,' she said, 'something would happen if we should start on Friday.'"

"Madam," said I, "do you know that Columbus set sail to discover America on Friday?" "She looked at me with indignation and said: 'Sir, in my opinion it is a great pity America was ever discovered at all.'—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

Harriet Beecher Stowe's Home. The house in which Harriet Beecher Stowe lived for a number of years in Hartford is now being torn down to make room for the advancing factories.

## From Earth's Far Corners

Shipping from All Over the World Brings Merchandise to the Harbor of New York to Find American Market.

To present to the mind an easily conjured picture of New York harbor one might make the comparison of the upturned right hand, with the long, straight forefinger for the lower stretch of the Hudson, with the thumb, joint turned out, standing for the bent East river and the palm of the hand representing upper New York bay, says Harper's. The three together make up the harbor of New York. As Hudson river shelters most of the North Atlantic liners while in port, so does East river harbor those that go to make up the truly foreign fleets. Here they are, pier after pier of them—the steamers that go to the far countries, Mind the roll—Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Peru, west coast of Africa, Australia, India, China, Japan. And mark again to the call of the ports—Rio Janeiro, Buenos Ayres, Valparaiso, St. Paul de Loanda, Cape Town, Tamatave, Sydney, Singapore, Hongkong, Yokohama. And the strange stuff of their cargoes—rubber from

the Amazon swamps—see the naked Indians tapping the trees and the slimy reptiles in the shadowy ooze—horn and tallow from the pampas—mark the centaur-like vaquero and his whirling riata—gold dust, ivory, palm oil from the west coast. Dreams for you there! Palm oil and gold dust and ivory; elephants and sacrificial fires and trains of captive slaves; hemp, tea, silks and smuggled opium—and do not believe that opium is not smuggled into New York harbor to this day. You think of all that and your imagination flames. The gentlemen in the pilot houses are not always in placid moods. Wild-eyed men glare from their pilot houses aloft, like eagles from their eyries, and pass the time of day. Says one: "Where d' y' think you're going? Back, will you?" And the other: "Back? Me back? Me?" "You! Yes, you, you slop-eyed, slack-mouthed, spine-twisted, freshwater-goo—your square-head, fatherless—!" And so on, detailing irreparable flaws in the genealogy, after which both back down and avert the impending collision.

The Guest and the Waiter. A dainty stranger wafted into the dining room of a hotel in Smith Center, Kan., the other day, and as the chair was held back for him pulled out his handkerchief and dusted the seat carefully. Pulling up his trousers, he seated himself, wiped the knife, fork and spoon with a napkin, worked a few crumbs off the table and heaved a sigh of relief. Without hesitation the girl who stepped forward to take his order deftly wiped the stranger's mouth, which had been drawn into a pucker of dissatisfaction at the imaginary untidiness abounding, and planted a kiss thereon that was plainly heard in all parts of the room. The dainty stranger when he recovered ordered meekly, ate hurriedly and left quickly.—Kansas City Journal.

Expensive Naval Target. Probably the most elaborate and costly target in the world has just been launched by the New York navy yard. The target is almost an exact duplicate of a section from the hull of a battleship and is estimated to have cost \$50,000.

Expressions Little Understood. By the way, how odd it is that good ladies are shocked at hearing a "tinker's dam" used in this reckless manner. The fact is 'tis not a "cuss" word. A tinker's dam refers not to the spiritual future of the tinker, but to a small dam of clay used in an old-fashioned tinker's outfit; hence tinker's dam, something very inconsequential. And while we are on 't, probably the most idiotic expression in the world is: "The exception proves the rule." Now the exception to the rule does not prove the rule; a rule with an exception really is no rule at all. The expression really means that the legal exception (to the ruling of the court) proves (i. e., tests old meaning) the rule of the court when the appeal is taken.—Los Angeles Times.

Agreed About Argument. Abe Gruber tells this on himself: In the course of the last campaign he accosted a Democratic friend on the street, and entered into a discussion, maintained principally by Mr. Gruber, on the merits of the two candidates. After Mr. Gruber had attempted unsuccessfully for half an hour to elicit an answer from his friend, he finally said: "Well, what do you think of my argument? Don't you think it sound?" "Yes," responded his friend thoughtfully, "that's exactly what it is—sound."—New York Times.

Noble Example. A little touch of noble life, like this described by the New York Commercial, ought to have a wide influence: "A story is told by Robert Ogden, about a friend of his, not long dead,



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Took a Chance. At a recent parliamentary election in Carlisle, England, one of the candidates was named Chance. His placards read: "Give Carlisle a Chance." Those of his opponents read: "Take no Chances—Vote for Sanderson." But the electors took a Chance.

Prefer to Be Roasted. "Europeans will prefer to be roasted rather than appear before an Indian without their warm clothing."—Amrita Bazaar Patrika, Calcutta.

Dog to Protect Church. The authorities of Westminster cathedral have introduced an Irish terrier into the cathedral to protect the building and the treasures it contains from the gang of London burglars who make a specialty of churches.

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