

crust, after the crust is fitted to the tin, rub a tablespoonful of flour into the surface of the paste up to the edge; if the filling is very juicy, sprinkle a tablespoonful of flour over the top of it; wet the edges of both crusts lightly and press together.

Mary.—To massage the scalp, a good "home" way is to run the fingers of both hands through the hair, letting the tips rest on the scalp and with the cushions of the finger ends, press on the skull beneath, moving the scalp up and down, and round in a circle, doing this until the scalp feels warm. This will bring the blood to the surface.

H. J.—The word, mortar-board, as applied to the cap worn by college students, is a corruption of a French word, mortier, meaning the cap worn by the ancient kings of France, and still officially used by the chief, or president, of the court of justice. As the college cap has a square board on the top, the "mortier board" became a "mortar board."

"Observer."—A woman's signature is her own name, not her husband's, and without the use of the prefix, Miss or Mrs. Miss, or Mrs. is a title, not a name.

Elva.—For churning, cream should have a temperature of sixty degrees in summer, and sixty-two to sixty-five in winter. A dairy thermometer should be used, lowering it into the cream, no guess-work will do. If too cold, the temperature may be raised by setting the churn into a vessel of hot water, stirring both cream and water occasionally, until the right temperature is reached. If the cream is too warm, the butter will be white and spoiled; if too cold, the cream will be frothy, and the butter will not "come."

"Only Me."—For keeping the waist and skirt together at the back, use three hooks and eyes; if the waist is worn over the skirt, sew one eye to the center back of the skirt belt, and one about an inch

and a half at each side of it, sewing the hooks in corresponding positions on the inside of the belt of the waist. If the skirt fastens over the waist, the hooks should be sewed on the inside of the skirt-band, and the eyes or loops on the outside of the waist-line to correspond.

Housewife.—Wood that has been painted and long dried can not be satisfactorily cleaned of the paint and stained. Regular painters burn old paint off, but the work is seldom satisfactory, and with the amateur it is a failure. Varnish and paint removers do not give the desired results, in most cases. Washing with a good scouring preparation, then sandpapering is the best that can be done. No. 1 sandpaper should be used, wrapped around a block of wood for easy handling.

Answering Many Questions

Fringed napkins and dolleys should be taken by two corners and snapped quickly, changing the hold from side to side to shake out all the fringe; when ironing, the napkin should be laid on the ironing board and carefully smoothed out with the hands, that the fringe may be without tangles, and straight without matting together. The fringe should be ironed the last thing.

When table linen is washed, bluing and boiled starch should be added to the rinse water, and too much starch should not be used, as the linen should not be very stiff.

A pretty way to serve oranges is to cut the rind in the shape of a little basket, carefully remove the pulp; break it up and sprinkle well with sugar; re-fill the basket and place in a refrigerator, or other cool place until serving time. White cherries, or other fruits may be mixed with the pulp, if desired.

When the tops of salt cellars are slightly corroded, they are difficult to move. In the end of a stout stick put two very thin wire nails; thrust these nails in the holes of the cover, and twist. This will remove the top.

For the deep scratches which sometimes mar the surface of a hardwood door or casing, this is recommended: Hold a red hot poker an inch above the scratch for a moment, and when the place is cool, rub hard with a mixture of equal parts of olive oil, alcohol and best vinegar. This is a clean, effective furniture polish.

A good polish for boots and shoes is made by mixing together two pints of best vinegar, one pint of soft water; stir in a quarter of a pound of glue broken into bits, or powdered, one-half pound of logwood chips and one-quarter pound of isinglass. Put the mixture over the fire and let boil for ten minutes or more, until a good color; then strain the liquid and bottle in small bottles and cork tight. When cold, it is ready to apply with a bit of clean sponge.

Comparative Measure

One tablespoonful of liquid, equals one-half ounce; 2 rounded tablespoonfuls of coffee, 1 ounce; two rounded tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar, 1 ounce; 2 rounded tablespoonfuls of flour, 1 ounce; 9 large eggs, or ten medium size, 1 pound; 1 heaping tablespoonful of butter, 2 ounces, or one-fourth cupful; butter size of an egg, 2 ounces, or one-fourth cupful; 1 rounded tablespoonful of butter, one ounce; 1 pint chopped meat, packed solid, 1 pound; 1 pint of milk or water, 1 pound; 2 cupfuls, 1 pint; 1 cupful, 2 gills or one-half pint; 4 tablespoonfuls of liquid, 1 wine-glass, one-half gill, or one-fourth cupful; 3 cupfuls of meal, 1 pound; two and one-half cupfuls of powdered sugar, 1 pound; 2 cupfuls pulverized sugar, 1 pound; same of granulated sugar;

4 cupfuls of flour, 1 pound, or one quart; 4 cupfuls of liquid, one quart; 2 cupfuls solid butter, 1 pound. These measures will be very valuable to the housewife who has to depend upon cups and spoons for her weights. Every kitchen ought to be supplied with a pair of good scales, but not every one is.

"A Cup of Coffee"

Have your coffee pot perfectly clean and sweet. Have one perfectly fresh egg, and water freshly boiling. Allow twice as many level tablespoonfuls of ground coffee as there are cups to be served. For every ten tablespoonfuls of coffee allow one well beaten egg. Add a little cold water to the egg when beating, mix with it the ground coffee, and put the mixture into the coffee-pot, and pour over it the number of cupfuls of boiling water, boil five minutes, stirring occasionally that the egg shall not coagulate with

the coffee grounds. Then draw the pot to the back of the range and stuff tissue paper in the spout; let stand at barely boiling point for ten minutes.—L. C.

Remove the skin and fiber from six oranges, then cut the pulp into small blocks; peel and dice three bananas; peel and cut a medium-sized pineapple first into rounds, then into small, wedge-shaped sections. Stand the prepared fruit in a cold place to chill. At serving time, arrange on individual salad plates as follows: First, around the outer edge a border of pineapple; inside this a row of orange blocks, then fill up the center with the diced bananas, heaped up to form a tiny mound. Finish off the top of the mound with a fine, fresh strawberry or a maraschino cherry; sprinkle with sugar, and add at the last moment one tablespoonful of grape juice to each serving.

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