

THE WEDDING CAKE

CONFECTION REQUIRES MUCH CARE AND TIME.

Fundamental Rules to be Observed in the Preparation of This Most Important Adjunct to the Marriage Feast.

In getting ready for the wedding cake, it is easier to prepare the fruit a day or two ahead of the baking. Weigh, after seeding, two pounds of raisins; clean two pounds of currants by rubbing in flour; shave fine a pound and a half of citron, keeping it separate from the other fruit; shred two ounces each candied orange and lemon peel and chop fine one pound sweet almonds that have been blanched and dried; mix together thoroughly, excepting the citron, and dredge well with flour, using about a half cup. The next morning you can finish mixing the cake, then set away overnight in a cold place to ripen, or bake the same day, as preferred. A celebrated wedding cake baker in Boston always mixes her cakes the day before baking; and just here let me caution you about the baking itself. No matter how rich the ingredients are and how carefully put together improper baking spoils everything; if baked too fast the cake will be an ugly brown instead of black. Do not try to bake a fruit cake in the oven of a gas range if you can possibly avoid it; the heat is too intense. Five hours' slow baking is about the time required for the proper baking of a wedding cake. It should not rise quickly, like a cup or sponge cake, but slowly swell while the rich fruit juices permeate the whole. There must be slow baking to have the cake as it should be, black, moist and richly fragrant. If you find yourself limited to the gas oven, steam the cake in a steamer until three-fourths done, then finish in the oven with one burner turned half on.

For a coal fire, bank it up to last six hours with the addition from time to time of a shovel of coal. Do not put on enough to reduce the oven heat, which should be slow and uniform. If it shows signs of baking too fast, cover with paper and set a little dish of cold water in the oven, changing for cold as it gets hot.

And now to return to the mixing. And first, the dry ingredients.

Into one pound sifted pastry flour mix thoroughly two teaspoons each cinnamon and mace, one teaspoonful each nutmeg and allspice, half a teaspoonful each salt and cloves.

Next beat to a very light cream one pound each butter and soft coffee sugar. When light add 12 eggs, one at a time, beating hard between each addition. It will be much easier to do this beating with the hand, as confectioners do, instead of with a spoon. When these are well blended add the sifted flour mixture, alternating with the moisture, which should include two tablespoonfuls strained honey or molasses, as preferred, two ounces each brandy or port wine, or the rich fruit syrup from preserved cherries, peaches or tutti frutti and the juice of one orange and one lemon. Mix thoroughly and smoothly, then set away overnight in a cold place. The next morning, when ready to bake, mix again, turn into pans lined with several thicknesses of oiled paper. Do not make over three inches in thickness, as the batter swells in the slow baking. The citron may be put in with the other fruit or saved out and put in rows across the width of the pan in the batter. If preferred, a few figs, candied cherries or chopped dates may be used in place of so many currants. Watch the cake faithfully all during its baking, not allowing it to brown too rapidly. The oven must be kept at a proper heat by an intelligent use of the stove dampers. If it seems too hot after the dampers are all turned off, set a pan of cold water in the oven, changing it for fresh as it grows hot. When done, take from the oven carefully, set out of a draft but let it stand in the tin until quite cold.

As rich wedding cake improves with age, it is desirable to make it some time in advance of the ceremony. If for any reason, however, its baking has been delayed, the loaves may be pierced with a skewer or knitting needle and a little brandy poured in to hasten its ripening.

Salt Raising Bread.
Into a pint of scalding water stir a half teaspoonful of salt and enough flour to make a soft dough. Beat hard for 15 minutes, cover and set in a warm place to rise overnight. In the morning stir a teaspoonful of salt into a pint of luke warm milk, with sufficient flour to make a stiff batter. Work this into the risen dough, mixing thoroughly; cover again and set to raise until very light; then knead in enough flour to make the batter the consistency of ordinary bread dough. Make into loaves, and set these to raise until light, then bake.

Varnishing Wall Paper.
Before being varnished wall paper should first be given a coat of weak gline size to prevent the varnish penetrating too deeply into it, and otherwise the paper would, to a certain extent, become transparent. After the size has been dried thoroughly, apply white shellac varnish.

French Lamp Shades.
Some beautifully imported shades for lamps and electrolights are made entirely of beads, worked into butterfly, bird and flower designs in beautiful colorings. The finish is a row of bead fringe.

THINGS FOR YOUR THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving Day will soon be here again. Crops are good, times are good, everybody is prosperous and happy. But if your cup is not full the bargains we offer you this week ought to fill it to overflowing

Do All Your Winter Buying Now



Turkey day is near at hand—got yours? Don't your neighbors keep turkeys? We can dress your feet so that they will be a credit to any Thanksgiving dinner.

Your Shoes are Here

For men we've choice Shoes from patent calf and kid, velour calf, lace and button, or blucher cut; narrow toes or moderate lasts. \$5.00, \$4.00, \$3.50, \$3.00 and \$2.50.

For women we have handsome Boots in lace or button styles; narrow toes; Cuban or French heels; patent kid, patent calf, vic kid and gun metal calf. \$3.75, \$3.50, \$3.00 and \$2.50.

Misses' Shoes: high cut or regular cut; vic kid and box calf. \$2.00, \$1.75, \$1.50, \$1.40, and \$1.25.

Boys' Shoes. "Goodwear" is the name of one of our best sellers. Vic and box calf, 3 to 6 \$2.00; 13 to 15 \$1.75; 9 to 13 \$1.50. Try our shoes and they will please you.

Fleeced Goods and Outings

50 pieces of assorted colors in Flannel-ettes; worth 10c to 12½c; to close. 7c

Domestic Fleecedowns or Alaska Velvets, now on sale at. **12½c**

35 pieces of Outings, in light and dark colors; good 8 1-3c value; on sale this week at. **6½c**

Sample Blankets One-Fourth Off

We still have a good selection of Sample Wool Blankets in colors Tan, Gray, White and Fancy, that are now on sale at **¼ OFF**

\$5.00 Wool Blankets now. **\$3.75**
\$6.00 Wool Blankets now. **\$4.50**
\$7.50 Wool Blankets now. **\$5.62**
\$10.00 Wool Blankets now. **\$7.50**

Attractive Holiday Presents

Come in and give this lot a look and then you will say that our 18-inch Hand Embroidered Center Pieces are worth twice the price we ask for them.

250 of these go on sale this week at **98c**
These are all good designs, worked with one of the best brands of wash silks, absolutely fast colors, and the assortment large and varied. Remember the price is **98c**

Black and Cream Dress Goods

30c Cream White Princess Cloth, 38-inches wide, now on sale. **25c**
50c Crepsine Panama, 44-inches wide, cream only, now on sale. **39c**
50c Cream White Nun's Veiling, 33-inches, now. **43c**
90c Cream White Nub, Voile, 46-inches wide, now, to close at ½ price. **45c**
\$1.00 Imported Mohair in cream white, 45 to 50-inches wide, now at a special price. **79c**
\$1.00 Cream White Sublime Half Silk, now. **85c**
\$1.50 and \$1.75 Black Wool Suitings in Panamas, Taffetas, Armures and Frunellas, in width from 42 to 56-inches, now on sale. **\$1.30**
Special lots in Colored Suitings, at 25c, 38c and **50c**

Sale of Laces and Embroideries

30 pieces of Lace Edges and Insertings, in Torchon and Plat Vals, worth to 10c yard; now to close at yard. **33c**
25 pieces of fine Val Laces, suitable for Handkerchiefs and fancy work for Holidays; now on sale at. **¼ OFF**
14 pieces of Corset Cover Embroidery, in assorted patterns, 18 inches wide; worth to 40c; to close. **25c**

Bedspreads and Towels

60 plain Hemmed Bed Spreads, well finished and good patterns; now. **69c**
25 Crown Spreads, medium size, Fringed; Special at. **89c**
50 Unity Fringed Spreads, assorted patterns, cut corners; \$1.50 value; special. **\$1.25**
50 Ideal Fringed Spreads, extra large size, assorted patterns; \$2.00 value. **\$1.65**
25 dozen of Bleached Turkish Towels, special, this week. **8½c**
20 dozen of extra quality Hemmed Turkish Towels, 25c value; special. **19c**
15 dozen Linen Towels in Fringed Hemstitched or Plain Hemmed; worth to 35c; now. **25c**

WOOL TAM O'SHANTERS.

50 wool Tam O'Shanters, in colors Gray, Navy, Red and White; 50c and 75c values; to close. **25c**

Gloves and Mittens

There are three things to consider in buying Gloves and Mittens. First is QUALITY, second, FIT, and third, PRICE. These are all represented in ours, as we buy from leading manufacturers, both foreign and domestic. Therefore we get the lowest prices and latest weaves and colorings.

A lot of Golf Gloves and Mittens in Black and colors in Ladies' sizes, now. **23c**

Ladies' Yarn Mittens, in Black only. **15c**

A complete showing in Ladies' Fancy Golf Gloves, Cashmere Gloves and Mittens in assorted colors; worth 60c now on sale. **45c**

Ladies' Warm Lined Dressed and Undressed Kid Mittens, at 75c and. **\$1.00**

Ladies' Fur Gauntlet Driving Gloves, good quality; in black only. **\$1.25**

Ladies' Silk Lined Undressed Kid Gloves, in assorted popular colors, at. **\$1.50**

Ladies' Unlined Heavy Kid Gloves, for street wear; all sizes; now. **\$1.00**

Fine quality in Ladies' Undressed Gloves, in assorted colors; now on sale. **\$1.00**

Long 16-Button Silk Gloves, in Black or White; extra value at **\$1.00** and. **\$1.35**

12-Button Long Black Glove Gloves, in sizes 6½ to 7 only; now. **\$2.65**

Children's Mittens

20 dozens of Children's Yarn Mittens in colors Red, Navy and Black; this week. **10c**
Other Mittens at. **15c, 20c and 25c**

Cloak Depar'ts

Interesting News

If you are looking for a reliable trading place to buy Coat, Fur, Skirt or Waist, have a glance at our carefully selected stock of Coats in fancy plaids, black and colored kerseys, black broadcloths, in loose back or half fitted styles. All models shown by us are strictly up-to-date and the prices low enough that you can't help being interested.



Bargain Lot

24-inch Jacket "odds;" were selling at \$4.50 to \$7.50. Your choice **\$1.50**

28-inch Jacket "odds;" were selling \$9.50 up to \$14.50. Your choice **\$4.95**

50-inch Plaid Tourist Coats worth \$9.50, \$9.95. Special. **\$7.50**

50-inch Shaded Plaid Coats; worth \$11.50 and \$12.50. Special. **\$9.95**

Waist Special for 6 Days

98c for Waists worth \$1.50 and \$1.25.

White Brocade Waisting, Checked and Striped Flannelette Waists, in one assortment. Your choice at. **98c**

Taffeta Silk Waists in solid and plain colors. Special at **\$2.95, \$3.95, \$4.50, \$5.95** and.

Wrappers

Fast colored fleeced material—Special at **\$1.25** and. **98c**

Do Not Neglect

To select one of the Skirts at such price as made this week. **\$4.95**

\$5.95 Panamas; special. **\$8.50**

\$9.95, \$9.50 Panamas; special. **\$8.50**

\$14.50, \$12.50 Voiles and silk; special. **\$9.95**

Underwear Special

Misses' Union Suits, in Gray, Ribbed, at. **25c**

Ladies' 2-piece garments, in light Fleeced Ribbed, at 25c and. **50c**

Ladies' Cream White Union Suits, in a light Fleece; Glove Fitting; best \$1.60 garment on the market; this week. **85c**

SEE DANGER AHEAD

SITUATION IN MOROCCO INCREASINGLY PERILOUS.

EUROPEANS ARE IN AN UGLY PLIGHT

Number of Powers Prepared to Send Warships—First Act of Hostility by Moors Signal for Disembarkation.

As a consequence of the receipt by the Spanish cabinet of the dispatches setting forth that the situation of Europeans in Morocco is growing worse, Minister of Marine Alvarado decided, after consultation with the premier and his colleagues to order the battleship Pelayo to the Moroccan coast. The Pelayo will proceed to Tangier, where she will join the French warships. She will take 500 marines. It is reported at Madrid, though the rumor lacks confirmation, that the British squadron now on the coast of Spain has also been ordered to Morocco.

In official circles the opinion is held that the Moroccan situation is immediately perilous. The present precautions are intended to forestall the serious developments rendered possible by the giving of increased powers to the bandit Raisuli. The attitude of all the powers concerned is declared to be perfectly harmonious and the first act of hostility on the part of the Moors will be the signal for the disembarkation of landing parties from all the foreign warships.

OLD AGE PENSIONS IN FAVOR

Premier Campbell-Bannerman Declares Himself a Convert.

Replying to the deputation of members of the house of commons from the liberal and labor parties, Premier Campbell-Bannerman said the matter of old age pensions would be taken up

as soon as time and money permitted. Old age pensions, the premier continued, far from sapping independence and undermining thrift, would do just the opposite.

Speaking to the same deputation, Chancellor of the Exchequer Asquith said there was nothing nearer his heart than to be able to submit a financial plan for such pensions. He favored one altogether disassociated from the poor law, and assured the deputation that the government regarded this question as one of extreme urgency.

IN FAVOR OF PROTECTORATE.

Sentiment in Cuba Crystallizing in That Direction.

Sentiment in Cuban industrial and financial circles in favor of the establishment of a strong American protectorate over the island is crystallizing. There are two independent movements for this purpose, the instigators of which are gathering signatures to petitions to President Roosevelt opposing the idea of annexation, pointing out the inability of the Cubans to direct their affairs unaided and declaring that only by a protectorate can Cuba be preserved for the Cubans. It is reported that a considerable number of signatures have been secured, but they are being kept secret pending the development of the movement.

KILLED BY SLIDE OF LAND.

Seven Trackmen of West Virginia Swept Over Mountain.

Seven trackmen of a gang of nineteen engaged in removing a slide on the Dry Dock branch of the Norfolk & Western road, were killed near Bluefield, W. Va., as the result of a big slip of land. The men were swept down the mountain side and into the river. Twelve escaped. The bodies of four of the victims were recovered and three of the bodies are buried under hundreds of tons of earth. All of the victims were Italian laborers, and were known only by numbers.

Disinter Patriot's Remains.

The body of James Wilson of Pennsylvania, who with fifty-five other American patriots signed the Declaration of Independence, was disinterred

from its long resting place at Edenton, N. C., preparatory to being sent to Philadelphia, where it will be deposited in Christ church burial grounds alongside that of his wife, almost in the shadow of Independence hall.

SEES NEED OF STRONG MAN.

Flower of British Diplomacy Demanded at Washington.

The Westminster Gazette urges the government to select a man of supreme ability for British ambassador at Washington. The paper declares that Great Britain's former influence and prestige at Washington has been usurped by the German embassy, adding that Mr. Roosevelt is in more close and more confidential communication with Emperor William than with any other ruler or statesman in Europe.

SHONTS GIVEN MORE POWER.

Visit of President Results in Some Radical Changes Being Made.

An order signed on the isthmus of Panama by President Roosevelt, making radical changes in the organization of affairs of government for the canal zone, has been made public at the offices of the commission. The effect of the order is to place the canal work and the government of the zone under the direction of Chairman Shonts, aided by chiefs of bureaus, who will report directly to the commission, thus eliminating the office of governor.

The order gives to Chairman Shonts supreme authority over all departments. It reorganizes the entire workings of the commission in accordance with the president's views of controlling the situation under his plan to press the excavation as rapidly as possible. The executive committee of three members, each the head of a department, has been abolished, and in its stead seven departments are created and the chief of each will report and receive instructions from the chairman of the commission. These departments will be under the direction of John F. Stevens, chief engineer; Richard R. Rodgers, general counsel; William C. Gorgas, chief sanitary officer; D. W. Ross, chief purchasing officer; E. S. Benson, general auditor; George Williams, disbursing

officer, and Jackson Smith, manager of labor and quarters.

The president will take up the question of the appointment of a new commission upon his return to Washington. It is believed that in addition to Mr. Shonts, Messrs. Stevens, Rodgers and Gorgas will be members. At present the acting commissioners are Messrs. Shonts, Stevens, Rear Admiral Endicott, B. M. Harrod and Brigadier General Haines. There are two vacancies. It is said that Endicott, Harrod and Haines are slated to retire. Chief Engineer Stevens will be second in authority, and will act in Chairman Shonts' absence. The general counsel will exercise the authority heretofore invested in the governor of the zone.

CALLAWAY SAFES LOOTED.

Robbers Make Their Escape With Over \$300 in Coin.

A message from Callaway, Neb., informed the Custer county officials that two smooth safe wreckers had blown open a couple of safes at that place and not only succeeding in making a double haul, but a complete get-away as well. One of the safes looted belongs to the Union Pacific road and is located in the depot, the other is the property of Hilton and Roberts, dry goods merchants. The aggregate sum stolen amounts to nearly three hundred dollars.

Two horsemen, supposed to be the safe crackers, were seen by a farmer hurrying west through Sand valley. Sheriff Richardson returning here from his ranch, was caught by telephone at Arnold and immediately started in pursuit from that place. Joe Savage and Harry Evans, two experienced men hunters of Custer county, are already hot on the trail.

THREW A CHILD OVERBOARD.

Baby Drowned by Governess While in Fit of Temper.

On the arrival at New York of the steamship Nieuw Amsterdam, of the Holland-American line, from Amsterdam and Boulogne, it was reported to the police that while the vessel was in mid-ocean Rosa Naegel, a Swiss governess, in a fit of temper or insanity, grasped a baby from a crowd of chil-

dren at play on the deck and threw it overboard. Only the prompt interference of the officers of the vessel prevented other passengers, led by the mother of the child, from inflicting serious injury upon the crazed governess. The steamer was stopped and a search was made for the infant's body, but it was not found.

Terrorists Kill Soldier.

A daring terrorist attack was made in the street, Warsaw, on a collector of the government alcohol stores, who was escorted by two soldiers. The terrorists killed one another, wounded the collector and seized a bag containing \$1,000. The remaining soldier fired wildly, killed one passerby and wounded another, whereupon the terrorists dropped their booty and escaped.

URG E A PROHIBITION PLANK

Oklahoma Petitioned to Put it in Constitution.

The constitutional convention of the new state of Oklahoma was petitioned by the annual convention of the anti-saloon league of America, in session at St. Louis, to insert a prohibition plank in the constitution. A committee was appointed to draft and send a telegram to this effect. Considerable disappointment was expressed because of the absence of Governor J. Frank Hanly of Indiana, who was on the program to address the convention.

Guests Driven Out.

Guests in the Barnes house, West Randolph and Canal streets, Chicago, were driven into the street by a fire which destroyed a six-story building at No. 12-14 North Canal street, which was occupied by a number of manufacturing firms. The total damage was estimated at \$100,000.

No Opposition to Mitchell.

Nominations have closed for election of officers by the united miners of America. John Mitchell, for president; T. L. Lewis, for vice-president, and W. B. Wilson, for secretary-treasurer, have no opposition. The annual convention will be held at Indianapolis January 15.

King Frederick and Queen Louise have left Copenhagen for Berlin.