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ed colors of hard-worn peasant costumes, you know, and delight in painting them. They say there's a harmony and a character about them new clothes couldn't possibly have. I thought it was the same with Mrs. Winn's parlor; its shabbiness was so clean, so characteristic, so homely and so full of welcome, I thought it was lovely!

'Lovely!' echoed the first speaker, in amazement. She reflected, and added with laugh, 'No, I won't pretend to agree; I didn't think it lovely, and I don't. But I'll admit one thing: everybody seemed particularly at home and cheerful and sociable there, and we had the best meeting of the year, so perhaps it's as well she invited us, after all.'—'Youth's Companion.'

Fancy Work.

(Cora A. Matson Dolson, in 'Home and Flowers.')

Your Battenberg and knitted lace
To me are mysteries;
Instead, a rosy, laughing face
Comes up for me to kiss.

There is a call for help to send
A wayward kite afloat,
And now a jagged rent to mend,
Or sail a wooden boat.

My hand must give the ball a toss,
The painted top it twirls,
Or straightens out the tangled floss
Of little Dorcas's curls.

'Tis Dorcas dear and boyish Phil
From dawn till even-fall;
And in my dreams I keep them still,
To heed their lightest call.

I envy not your dollies rare,
Your brodered curtains fine;
Far richer are the joys I share
With these dear hearts of mine.

Selected Recipes

Cream of Corn.—Open a can of corn, turn out the contents and let stand two hours; then chop as finely as possible. Turn the corn into two cups of boiling water and let it cook slowly half an hour. Put two cups of milk into a double boiler with two large thin slices of onion, and when scalded take out the onion. Rub the corn through a wire strainer and add to the milk. Put two level tablespoons of butter in a small saucepan and when it bubbles turn in all at once two level tablespoons of flour; beat rapidly until it becomes smooth, add a little of the soup and beat, and as it thickens add a little more, then turn into the double boiler and cook for a few minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Fill a tureen with hot water, turn it out and pour in the soup. This soup has something of the flavor of oyster broth. Two or three spoonfuls of cream make it even better, but it has a creamy taste and appearance without.

Chocolate Fudge.—Put into a saucepan one-half cupful of cream and one cupful of sugar, and let it come to a boil. Meanwhile, dissolve one square of chocolate in some of the cream and add it to the sugar

and cream. Cook ten or eleven minutes after it begins to boil again. Remove from the fire, add one teaspoonful of vanilla, stir briskly for two minutes and turn into buttered pans and mark into small squares. To make the nut fudge, boil together three cupfuls of granulated sugar, one cupful of milk or cream and one tablespoonful of butter for ten minutes. Take from the fire, add one cupful of chopped nuts and stir rapidly for a few minutes. Pour into buttered pans and mark in squares.

Smith College Fudge.—Melt quarter of a cup of butter. Mix in another dish one cup brown sugar, one cup white sugar, a quarter of a cup of molasses and half a cup of cream. Add this to the hot butter and boil two and one-half minutes, stirring rapidly. Then add two squares chocolate, scraped fine. Boil for five minutes, stirring briskly at first, and slower at the last. After taken from the fire add one and a half teaspoons of vanilla and stir constantly until the mass thickens. Pour into buttered pans and set away to cool.

Oatmeal Cakes.—Half a cup of butter, three-fourths cup of sugar, two eggs, four teaspoons of sour milk, one-half teaspoon of soda dissolved in milk, one teaspoon of cinnamon, one cup of rolled oats, one cup of flour, one cup of raisins chopped, three-fourths pound English walnuts weighed in shell. Drop on buttered tin, one teaspoon at a time, at intervals, and bake.

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