

## HOUSEHOLD.

## CHOICE RECIPES.

**Planked Haddock**—Use a haddock or any other fish preferred. Skin and bone it and saute the fillets in a hot frying pan. Season with salt and pepper when about half done; then cook until well browned. Place on a plank and garnish with mashed potato pressed through a pastry bag. In the outline of a fish with head, tail and fins. Put in the oven to brown and then decorate with parsley and lemon.

**Saddle of Mutton**—Wipe the meat with a piece of cheese cloth and wash from cold water. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and place on a rack in a dripping pan. Dredge the meat and the bottom of the pan with flour. Bake in a hot oven for an hour and a quarter and serve with currant jelly. Cut half a tumbler of the jelly into pieces but do not beat it up. Measure one and one-half level tablespoons of mint finely chopped and chip the yellow from a quarter of an orange. Sprinkle the orange and mint over the jelly.

**Crackers** and a piece of butter. A small cream cheese, blend it with yolks of hard-boiled eggs and season with salt. Form into small balls and flatten slightly. Serve three on a buttered thin cracker.

**Asparagus Salad**—Arrange cold cooked asparagus on lettuce leaves and sprinkle with French dressing. Garnish with sliced cucumbers cut in fancy shapes and strips of pimientos. Surround with a border of parsley.

**Flowering Ice Cream**—Provide new small red clay flower pots that are used for growing plants. Line with paraffine paper and with ice cream, sprinkle the top with powdered vanilla chocolate to give a semblance of earth and in the centre stick any flower like a jonquil, lily of the valley, cowslip or any seasonable flower.

**Chaud-Froid of Birds**—Have six small birds, one cup of butter and stuff. Wrap each in cheese cloth and steam until tender or wrap in buttered paper and roast. When cold remove from the paper and cover with sauce made of two level spoonsful of butter, three level tablespoons of flour, a cup of white stock, two tablespoons of cream, the yolk of one egg, one tablespoon of lemon juice, three-quarters level tablespoon of gelatin and salt and pepper to taste. Garnish with cooked carrot, cucumber slices, pickles and hard-boiled eggs cut in fancy shapes. When cold serve with dressed lettuce. For the stuffing of the birds chop finely one-half pound of raw lean veal, add one-quarter cup of cracker crumbs and season with salt, pepper, celery salt, cayenne and onion juice. Fill with a beaten egg and chicken stock to moisten.

**Sandwiches**—Slice graham bread thin and put between the bread thin slices of cucumber, finely chopped, cucumber pickles and pinonias all moistened with salad dressing. Macaroni of Fruit—Take a fruit or wine jelly and color it pink. Decorate a mould with fruit dipped in the jelly mixture; pour in a little jelly; add a layer of fruit then more jelly and fruit alternately until the mould is full. Chill and serve with lettuce. For the wine jelly soak one and a quarter tablespoons of granulated gelatin in one-quarter cup of cold water 20 minutes, dissolve in two-thirds of a cup of boiling water, add one-half cup of sugar one-half cup of wine, quarter cup of orange juice and one and one-half tablespoons of lemon juice. Strain before moulding.

## PLANTS AS GIFTS.

Growing plants are used to a great extent nowadays as gifts to friends. The custom is a commendable one, and should be heartily encouraged, for a live plant means a good deal more than a senseless piece of bric-a-brac to most persons. But don't please don't let the dealer coax you into having the plant you purchase of him "decorated" according to the idea of what "the proper thing" is, among some dealers. Every season we see araucarias with their branches festooned with yards and yards of "baby ribbon." Araucarias have their pots hidden in crepe paper, tied on with enormous bows of ribbon of all colors. Sometimes they harmonize with the flowers or the plant, but often they do not, and always they are cloying to the person of good taste who has a keen idea of the "eternal fitness of things." A ribbon of suitable color, would not be objectionable—it has its reason for being there—but a ribbon of such width that a bow of it is half as large as the plant with which it is used is altogether "too much of a good thing." As a general thing, it costs as much as the plant, and often a good deal more. The poor plants always give me the impression of resenting the indignity to which they are subjected, but as they are unable to prevent it they can only make mute protest against such barbarism to those who, because of friendship for them, understand something of the torture they must undergo when decked out in this senseless fashion. One would be quite as much justified in hanging tissue paper roses on a pine tree as in tying baby ribbon to the branches of a stately araucaria.

## A GOOD LINIMENT.

One of the very best liniments to use in case of sprains, bruises, soreness of the throat and such is this old-fashioned remedy that is deservedly popular at many of the western army posts. Put into a quart bottle one part of turpentine to two parts of vinegar and the white of an egg, leaving plenty of room to shake. Shake vigorously until the ingredients are well incorporated, and always shake again before using. Still another old-time

remedy that stands unexcelled for poulticing a boil is this "revolutionary poultice." Stir to a paste the beaten yolk of one egg, one tablespoonful of honey and one tablespoonful of rye flour. If rye flour is unavailable, wheat flour will answer. Spread a little directly on the boil and bandage. This paste will keep for days.

## SAVE YOUR EYES.

If your eyesight is good, take care of it. Look away off yonder every time you get to the bottom of a page in reading. If it is defective, let no foolish pride prevent you from wearing the proper glasses. There is no sense in handicapping yourself in life, when a piece of glass before each eye will make your vision as good as it possibly can be. The oculist will not advise you to wear glasses if you do not need them any more than he will prescribe a drug you do not need. Plenty of people, though, do not know that they have defective sight because they have never really seen at all. They had headaches, inflamed eyes, styes, even much graver troubles from the strain of trying to see with eyes that were put in wrong.

## AN ICE CHEST.

Take two dry-goods boxes, one enough smaller than the other to leave a space of three or four inches all around when placed inside the larger box. Pack this space between the two boxes closely with sawdust, and make a heavy cover to fit neatly inside the top of the larger box. A small pipe inserted in the bottom of the chest will carry off the waste water. For family use, and all ordinary purposes, it will be as serviceable as refrigerators costing twenty-five times as much. Five or six inches of sawdust between the two boxes and a double cover would be still better.

## SEATS FOR CORONATION

THEY SELL ALL THE WAY FROM \$5 TO \$2,500.

They Are Situated at St. James St., Pall Mall and Piccadilly.

The seat market for the coronation processions is now in full swing, and some astonishing prices are being quoted, says a recent London letter.

For instance, Messrs. Charles Baker & Co. have entered into an agreement with a well-known organizer of this kind of business in respect of their premises, 41 and 43 Ludgate Hill, and accommodation in these premises is offered to the public on the day of the long procession for a total amount of \$8,400. This as allocated in the form of 193 seats on the ground floor at prices ranging from \$37 to \$15 per seat, and twenty-one windows at from \$210 to \$52 per window. Windows along part of the route have been sold at from \$75 to \$1,500 each, and seats at \$5 to \$157 each.

In St. James street, windows holding 20 seats have been sold for about \$1,600 each, and in Pall Mall windows of 30 seats have sold as high as about \$2,600. In Piccadilly, first-floor prices are much the same, and in all three thoroughfares the amounts paid for seats on the second and third floors are much less and vary considerably. One Piccadilly shopkeeper has asked \$5,000 for the but has not yet been able to get it. Nobody is paying the fabulous prices sometimes mentioned, but there is a sharp demand for "first floors."

**CORONATION NOTES.** \$10,000 has been voted to the Mayor of Portsmouth to meet expenses in connection with the Coronation celebrations and the naval review.

At Baintree, in Essex, the silk weavers who have been honored with royal orders will take a prominent part in the Coronation local celebrations.

At the Windsor mews six beautiful bay horses are being trained together. They will draw their Majesties' carriage through London after the Coronation.

St. Albans will extend the Coronation festivities over three days, the programme including treats to old people and children, a battle of flowers, an al-fresco concert, aquatic sports and fireworks.

It is stated that their Majesties at the conclusion of the Coronation festivities in London will proceed to Windsor, detouring at Slough and driving in state to the Sovereign's entrance at the castle. By order of the King eighteen invitations have been issued to the Cinque Ports, and to Rye, Winchelsea, Deal, Folkestone, Faversham, Margate, Ramsgate, Lydd, and Tenterden, to send representatives to the Coronation ceremony.

Berths on vessels cruising to see the Coronation have been reviewed, too, are letting rapidly. Already every berth on the Argonaut has been taken, and the agency concerned has, therefore, now chartered the Dominion liner Vancouver and also the Express Queen from the Isle of Man route. Berths are offered at from \$94 to \$222 apiece.

## A NOTABLE FOGHORN.

A large foghorn is to be placed in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The horn is 4 feet in diameter at the outer end and 12 feet long, and the sound is produced by driving compressed air through a double set of valves carrying revolving discs with holes cut in them. One set of discs produces a deep roar and the other a shrill shriek. The valves are controlled by clockwork, and every two minutes a roar is emitted, followed ten seconds later by a shriek. To operate the horn there are three air tanks, each six feet in diameter and twelve feet long, and three oil engines run three compressors to fill these tanks. On a favorable day this horn can be heard at a distance of twelve to fifteen miles. The plant is automatic.

## FROM ERIN'S GREEN ISLE

WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE LAND OF THE SHAMROCK.

Some Personal and Business Notes That Will Interest Irish-Canadians.

John Lynch, a French-Canadian, died in Haddrum workhouse, County Wicklow, recently, aged 102.

One of the late Lord Farnham's bequests to his eldest son was the arrears of rent on his Irish estate.

Plumbridge, County Tyrone, has just opened its eleventh public-house. It has a population of 71 persons.

Lota Lodge, a country house, near Cork, was partially destroyed by fire. The loss included a quantity of valuable pictures.

Mr. John Fitzgibbon, County Councillor, was taken to Sligo jail to begin his four months' imprisonment under the Crimes Act, were sold by auction to justify a judgment claim for £430. The town that evening was in darkness.

Lord Roberts is president of the Royal Irish Zoological Society, and has been instrumental in getting ruddy animals for the Gardens.

The late Mr. James Weir, of Dublin, by his will has left £122,000 to the hospitals of the city. He began life as an apprentice in a grocer's shop.

Mr. John Finucane, M.P., for East Limerick from 1885 to 1900, and a Plan of Campaign "barrister," died recently at his nephew's residence in Knocknag.

Limerick Corporation has decided that notices in English and Irish asking pedestrians to keep to the right should be placed on all the lamps in the city.

At Belfast about 15,000 persons witnessed the annual football match between Ireland and England, the game resulting in favor of the English by 1 goal to 0.

Rev. Archibald Robinson, D.D., professor of sacred rhetoric at the Assembly's College, Belfast, is dead. He held an influential position in the General Assembly of the Irish Presbyterian Church.

In the Irish diocese of Ferns a committee of priests has started an anti-treating league, who pledge themselves not to stand or be stood drinks in any place of entertainment. Numbers are being enrolled.

Quite recently Belfast was visited by American and Canadian linen buyers, who placed their orders all at once, and it is hoped the revival may continue, as the staple industry has been at a very low ebb for some time past.

At Fairmont Chapelgate a notice was posted, urging that a notice should be paid, accompanied by a drawing of a revolver. The poster was torn down and denounced by the parish priest.

It was stated that Mr. MacNeill, who was the most demonstrative of the Nationalists while they were cheering the announcement of Lord Methuen's capture, has received several threatening letters.

At a United Irish League meeting at Donegal, Mr. James Boyle, M.P., for West Donegal, intimated that he had for personal and private reasons placed his resignation in the hands of the chairman of the Irish party.

People in Ireland—with the exception of a few cranks—are very much disappointed that the King has definitely resolved not to visit Erin this year, as his visit would have meant thousands upon thousands to the country.

Mr. Hanbury, M.P., speaking at a Farmers' Club dinner, said that as long as he was at the head of the Board of Agriculture he would make it his object to see that English and Scotch farmers had the same assistance as was given to the Irish farmer.

Two farmers meeting at Galway Fair were discussing their affairs. Dougan—"Shure o'm married and have got a fine healthy boy who Father McCabe says is me pacter."

O'Dempsey, regarding Dougan silently for a moment, replied—"Och well, what's the harm so long as the child is healthy?"

The United Irish League plan of

campaign has broken down on the estate of Col. Rice, County Kerry. His league tenantry, after a campaign of two and one half months, has surrendered unconditionally and paid their September rents in full.

Unless a change of spirit soon comes about a middle party will be built up between the Orange and the Nationalist parties; the nucleus for this exists and is gaining strength every day. This is the opinion of Dr. Thompson, member for South Monaghan.

The campaign against the paying of rent on the De Freyne and Murphy estates, has, writes a Dublin correspondent, completely collapsed. Within ten days, out of a rent roll of £17,000, nearly £9,000 has been paid by the tenants, and out of over 100 writs issued by Lord De Freyne's solicitor only five are now outstanding.

Mr. John McKenna, one of the best known shots in the north of Ireland, has addressed an appeal to the National Rifle Association asking that Irishmen resident in Ireland should in this coronation year and for the future be granted the privilege of competing for all prizes offered for individual competitions at Bisley.

The work of landing plant and material for the Cork Exhibition has been marked by a sad fatality. Frank McCarthy, assistant to the city engineer, was superintending the landing of a large boiler when part of the wooden case enclosing the boiler snapped while hoisted in the air and fell on McCarthy, crushing his life out.

A series of extraordinary scenes occurred recently at Ballinagaderin, County Mayo. Messrs. Cullinan and Duffy, members of Parliament, had arranged to hold a meeting in the local hall. The police, however, had previously got possession of the building, and a scuffle ensued. Both the head constable and the government shorthand writer were forcibly ejected, amid the wildest excitement.

The Irish language, says the Sydney Australia Freeman, is above all others the language of lovers. You may find in French, or Spanish, or Italian, superlatives or diminutives of endearment, but you will never find anything so soft, so sweet, so subtle, so sad, and sometimes so rapturously extravagant, as you will find in the Irish language.

The young Duke of Leinster—he was 15 on Saturday—is going to try the best cure of all—a long sea voyage, in a sailer, to the Antipodes and back. He is the son of the beautiful Lady Hermoine Duncombe, who married Gerald Fitzgerald, fifth Duke, in 1884, and aged two years after him, in 1885, when the present Duke was a child of eight.

At Belfast 12,000 persons witnessed the annual football match between representative teams of the Irish and Scottish Associations. Long before the start of the game the crowd invaded the field of play and considerably delayed the proceedings and hampered the players. The match ended in a victory for the Scottish team by five goals to one.

In the park of Lord Dufferin's Irish home at Claudehouse is a high hill, from which he could see not only a large tract of Irish land, but also St. George's Channel, a long blue line of Scottish coast, and the mountains of the Isle of Man. It was on the summit of this commanding hill that he built a sort of literary sanctuary, which he named after his mother, "Helen's Tower."

Dennis Curran died at Corrigoor, a townland within three miles of Cahirciveen, at the patriarchal age of 102 years, having been born on the 1st March, 1800. This old man was of the respectable farming class. He was at the first cattle fair held in Cahirciveen, established by the Liberator, Daniel O'Connell, on the 13th of December, 1814, being then nearly 15 years of age.

It will be consoling to Irish landlords to know that there is at least one Land Commission in existence which gives satisfaction. Presiding at the annual dinner of the London Welsh, Earl Carrington said that on "his estate he had a land court, and very satisfactory it was, not only to himself, but to his tenants. Pity," says the Irish Times, "could not be copied into the 'most distressful country that ever yet was seen.'"

The word "gooseberry" is really the same as gorseberry, meaning "prickly" berry. The first iron vessels were boats for carrying grain on English canals. The deepest gold mine in the Transvaal is 3,750 feet, and though in so hot a country, it is less hot at the bottom than a German mine of the same depth.

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## HUGE BLAST OF GRANITE.

By a great blast at Bonawe Quarry in Argyllshire, Scotland, in which 20,000 lbs. of gunpowder was used, upwards of a quarter of a million tons of granite were displaced. The mine was driven into the center of the quarry face for 70 feet, with two arms each reaching 50 feet. It was the first attempt in any of the granite quarries to pierce by rock drills and compressed air, and was carried out in the short time of ten weeks.

## IN MERRY OLD ENGLAND

NEWS BY MAIL ABOUT JOHN BULL AND HIS PEOPLE.

Record of Occurrences in the Land That is Supreme in the Commercial World.

A retriever rescued alive a boy who fell into the canal at Streteford, near Manchester.

A drainage scheme which will cost £10,000, was officially sanctioned at Sittingbourne.

At Scarborough, Mr. Hy. Eccles, who for many years lived as a recluse, has died worth £10,000.

H.R.H. Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, has been elected president of the National Rifle Association.

There are in England 60,355 public-houses, besides 41,157 beer-houses, and 6,438 licensed to sell wine.

The foundation-stone of the Band of Hope Jubilee building in the Old Bailey was laid by the Lord Mayor.

The old clock at Beverley Mansion which has just been replaced by a powerful new one, has stood 250 years.

The new post-office at Chatham was opened this week. The building is on an extensive scale, and cost £130,000.

By the will of the late Mrs. Marianne Hay, of Cheltenham, various charities benefit to the extent of £50,000.

The death of Sir John Braddick Montagu, town clerk of London, is announced. Sir John was born at Maidstone in 1822.

Mr. John Cook, borough engineer of Lancaster, has received the appointment of borough engineer at Cape Town. The salary is £1,500.

W. P. Griffith, of 180 Forth street, Edmonton, was summoned the other day for selling Canadian ham as Irish ham, with intent to defraud.

The nurses at Tooting Home for the Aged and Infirm are to be provided with a ping-pong table, which is to be made at the workhouse.

As a municipal undertaking Alexandra Palace and Park, London were run at a loss of £2,000 during the eight months ending December 31.

At least five Indian Rajahs, each with brilliant and extensive suites, are expected to visit London and to be present in the coronation procession.

Lady Buller and other ladies extended their support to a gathering held at Exeter in celebration of the second anniversary of the relief of Ladysmith.

Mr. Benjamin Kindred, sr., a well-known resident of Leiston, Suffolk, was found suspended from a rope in his bedroom by his son, who lives next door.

The London, Brighton, and S.E.R. company disobeyed the law by allowing "thick black smoke" to issue from one of their locomotives. They were fined £5 and costs.

At Blyth two innkeepers were fined nominal sums for selling beer without measuring it, although the quantity given was considerably over the amount ordered.

Rather a notable centenarian in humble life has expired at Walton-on-Thames, in John Chapple, who, as a boy, sold the newspapers which announced the victory of Waterloo.

Middlesex has the smallest proportion of pauperism of any British county—only 15 per 1,000. Dorsetshire has 42 per 1,000, and shares with Herefordshire the largest number.

Doctors are scarce in Devonshire. A salary of £200 a year has failed to attract a house surgeon to the Tiverton hospital, where the management has been obliged to engage a lady.

There are 1,304 miles of street tramway open for traffic in the Kingdom. The total capital authorized is £11,877,046, and the total number of passengers carried in 1901 was 1,108,226,758.

Orders have been issued at Aldershot for the formation of three more batteries of Royal Field Artillery, which will bring the total up to 150 batteries, exclusive of the depot batteries.

What Eton boys need is a drill sergeant, declares a correspondent who professes to be horrified at the slouching, round-shoulders, hands-in-pockets carriage which seems to be "Eton form."

The fact that certain members of the Irish Parliamentary party have applied for tickets of admission to Westminster Abbey to witness the coronation has disgusted many extreme members of the United Irish League. It is stated that any member attending will be expelled from the Nationalist party.

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## PERSONAL POINTERS.

Notes of Interest About Some Leading People.

A hat made of diamonds valued at \$2,500,000 perched on the top being a ruby of unknown value, is worn by Sir Jung Bahadur, the King of Nepal's Prime Minister.

The Duke of Devonshire possesses as an heirloom Claude Lorraine's "Book of Truth," which is said to be one of the rarest and most valuable books in Europe. It is, at any rate worth six times as much as the famous "Mazarin" Bible, the most costly book in the British Museum.

The late Duke refused £20,000 for it. General Lew Wallace, the author of "Ben Hur," has the most luxurious author's "den" of any American writer. It is erected on his lawn, and at a cost which most people would consider quite a fortune. In shape it resembles an Oriental mosque, and the interior is one large room, handsomely furnished and decorated, and on the walls hangs a portrait of the Sultan of Turkey, painted by the general himself.

Russians are fond of telling the story of the answer given to the "Zar" when His Majesty proposed to his future wife, "The Emperor, my father, has commanded me to make you the offer of my hand and heart," was the Czar's witty reply of putting it. "And my grandmother, Queen Victoria," replied the lady, "has commanded me to accept the offer of your hand; your heart I will take myself."

Not since the days of Chang, the Chinese giant, has such a great person visited the British House of Commons as crossed the lobby a few days ago. It was a small man from the United States, who is no less than 7 feet, 7 inches in height. By no means reluctant to enter into conversation, he remarked that there might be men as tall as himself in the United States, but he shyly added, "I have not seen them." He was given a place in the distinguished strangers' gallery, and his hat touched the top of the porch leading up to it.

Santos-Dumont—whose Christian name, by the way, is Alberto—was attracted by the navigation of the air when a student at the Polytechnic in Paris, and used to launch dummies of diminutive balloons. When he was twelve years old he bribed a wandering aeronaut who was preparing to ascend from a village square, and he consented to take the lad with him. Unluckily, before the start, his tutor discovered him crouching in the basket to avoid detection, and he was hauled out in time, so his money went up and he did not. However, he found means to ascend often after that.

That wonderful daughter of song, Adeline Patti, went to school; her mother, holding curious views about this, had her educated at home. Probably her first concert was at the age of six, when, having ranged all her dolls on chairs in front of her, she sang and danced as all her mother could perform in the midst of her performance her mother, accompanied by Sontag and Albini, appeared, and were wonderfully impressed by her voice. But her first public appearance was at the age of seven. In those days, however, she could never be induced to go on the stage without a doll, and if she noticed any children in front of her she invited them to play with her during the interval.

Mark Twain, like many other celebrities, regards the autograph-hunter as an intruder. But at times, it seems, he has been known to so far relax as to gratify the wish of an utter stranger. One such person in existence possesses a singular proof of the humorist's kindness of heart in the shape of a letter, the substance of which is as follows: To ask a doctor or builder or sculptor for his autograph would be in no way rude. To ask one of these for a specimen of his work, however, is quite another thing, and the request might be justly refused. "It would never be fair," concludes Mr. Twain, "to ask a doctor for one of his corpses to remember him by." The letter, it may be noted, was entirely type-written.

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## TELEPHONE LISTENERS.

A listener-detector for telephones is to be adopted in Sweden. The invention is a simple contrivance with a button-push. If anyone using the instrument fancies that "a third party" is tapping the wire or listening he can satisfy himself as to the truth of his suspicion by pressing the button, for the invention will infallibly reveal the fact and he can stop the conversation.

"Blinks has a perfect mania for condensing everything. Did you hear how he proposed?" "No." "He held up an engagement ring before the girl's eyes, and said 'Eh?'" "And what did she say?" "She just nodded."

Mrs. O'Brien—"Good-morning, Mrs. McCabe. An' plawat make ye look so sad?" Mrs. McCabe—"Sure, Dennis was sint to prison for six months." Mrs. O'Brien—"Well! Don't worry, bedad! Six months will soon pass." Mrs. McCabe—"Ar-rah! that's what worries me."

The record of comets seen from this earth exceeds 700 in number. It is believed that 17 million belong to our solar system.

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