

The HOME CIRCLE

THE BOY TO THE SCHOOL-MASTER.

You've quizzed me often and puzzled me long. You've asked me to cipher and spell. You've called me a dunce if I answered wrong.

The schoolmaster grim—he opened his eyes. But said not a word for sheer surprise.

Can you tell where the nest of the oriole swings. Or the color its eggs may be? Do you know the time when the squirmed brings.

Can you tell when the chestnuts are ready to drop. Or where the best hazelnuts grow? Can you climb a high tree to the very tip-top.

Can you swim and dive, can you jump and run. Or do anything else we boys call fun?

The master's voice trembled as he replied: "You are right, my lad; I'm the dunce," he sighed.

—Edward J. Wheeler.

THE POWER BEHIND.

At a prayer meeting a good brother stood up and said he was glad to give the following testimony: "My wife and I," he said, "started in life with hardly a cent in the world.

After he sat down his wife promptly arose to corroborate all that he had said. She said that they had started in life with hardly a cent, the Lord had been good to them and they had prospered; they did have a farm and good crops, and it was true they did have a fine family of children.

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RECIPES.

Baked Eggs.—Place a teaspoon of tomato sauce in the bottom of an individual dish; lay on this a poached egg; cover with cream sauce, adding a teaspoonful of grated cheese to a gill of the sauce; sprinkle with more cheese and bake in a quick oven until brown.

Green Peppers Stuffed with Fish.—Trim the stem ends of green peppers so they will stand up. Cut off the tips, and with a small knife extract the seeds and as much of the tough fiber as will come. Mince white fish fine, moisten it with a white sauce, season and fill the peppers with the mixture. Stand in the oven long enough to heat through and serve.

Tomato Jelly.—Put a pint of tomatoes in a saucepan with three cloves, one small bay leaf, a slice of onion, two or three sprigs, a teaspoonful of salt and a dash of cayenne, simmer for fifteen minutes and then strain, put into another saucepan; add half an ounce of gelatine that has been soaked in half a cup of cold water for half an hour and stir until the gelatine is dissolved, then strain and mold according to taste. If very tart jelly is desired add one or two tablespoonfuls of lemon juice.

Cheese Frit.—Make a smooth batter by stirring one cupful of milk into an equal measure of sifted flour; season with salt and pepper and the least dash of sugar; stir into this one-third of a cupful of strong, well favored grated cheese, beat thoroughly and pour into a buttered baking dish. It will puff to three times its height in baking and must be eaten at once.

Baked Peach Dumpling.—Mix together one quart of sifted flour, one scant teaspoonful of salt and two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Rub in three quarters of a cupful of butter. Make a soft dough using sweet milk. Turn on a floured board and roll out half an inch thick. Have ready some fresh peaches peeled and cut in halves. Cut the dough in four inch squares and on each lay two pieces of fruit. Draw the corners together and pinch the edges tightly to keep the juice from oozing out. Place close together in a greased baking pan. When the dish is filled, pour over the dumplings two-thirds of a cupful of cold water, cover tightly, and put at once in a hot oven. Uncover at the end of forty minutes and let them brown quickly.

With them serve a sauce made with one pint of peach syrup, an inch thick of cinnamon, sugar to taste, one scant tablespoonful of corn starch mixed with a little cold water and a pinch of salt. Simmer until clear, add one tablespoonful of butter and stir until it is absorbed, then take from the fire.

Smothered Chicken.—Dress the chickens; wash and let them stand in water half an hour to make them white, put into a baking pan, first cutting them open down the back; sprinkle salt and pepper over them, and put a lump of butter here and there; then cover tightly with another pan the same size and bake one hour, baste often with butter.

Baked Sweet Potatoes.—If the rich Southern sweet potatoes are used bake them until tender; the drier, northern variety boil and skin. Cut

in thin slices. Put in layers in a baking dish, covering each layer with a generous sprinkling of granulated sugar and melted butter and bake in a moderate oven until clear and rich. Keep covered until half done.

Coffee Ice Cream.—Half a pound of sugar, yolks of six eggs, one pint of boiling milk, one pint of cream, two ounces of ground Mocha coffee. Scald the milk. Beat the yolks and sugar together until light, then add to the scalded milk. Stir and cook for ten minutes, then take from the fire and add the cream. Stir constantly for two minutes, then add the coffee, and return to the stove until thoroughly heated. Stand aside for one-half hour. Strain and freeze.

Cherry Cakes.—One-half of a cupful of sugar, one egg, three-quarters of a cupful of powder, a piece of butter the size of a walnut, flour to make a stiff batter. Into this batter stir one cupful of candied cherries, mix well and bake a delicate brown.

THE WAY WE LOOK AT THINGS.

It is the way we look at things and take them that makes troubles of any kind bearable or absolutely unbearable. If we have burdens, we must take them up and carry them, whatever they are, with all our hearts and all our strength, or they will always be underfoot and tripping us up, and making us fall and stumble; but, picked up and shouldered, even if we stagger for a while, they often turn out to be much easier to carry, and not half so heavy as they had appeared to be while we stood and looked at them. This is a recipe which needs personal trial before one can understand its value.

TO LOVE BOOKS.

To love noble books is to share with statesmen and philosophers the pleasure on which they set the highest price. Time has made trite and common place the great saying of Fenelon, "If the crowns of Europe were laid at my feet in exchange for books and the love of reading, I would spurn them all." Goldsmith declares that taking up a new book worth reading is like making a new friend; a friend from whom we will never be separated by any of the melancholy mischances on which human friendships are so often wrecked. But good books will do more than this—they will awaken all that is best in our nature, and teach us to live worthier lives. They will do for us what we rarely permit the closest friend to do—they will teach us our faults, and how to amend them. —Charles Gavan Duffy.

IT IS EXPENSIVE.

One of the very happiest lessons to learn early in life is that ignorance is expensive. Ignorance of anything, not of books alone, but of all the commonest things of life. One can not afford to be ignorant in these days. The homely saying that "All is grist that comes to the mill" holds good in the acquiring of knowledge. Never let anything slip by you until you understand it. You don't know how soon you may want to use it.

SENSITIVENESS.

Sensitiveness is a good thing when it springs from a tender, loving heart. But even then it must be governed by common sense or every slight provocation will be hurting one's feelings. There is another kind of sensitiveness which comes from pride, and gives evidence of a vain, egotistic spirit. It robs its possessor of that gentle, unconscious grace which betokens superiority of character and true refinement. People who are on the alert for slights are fitting themselves to receive them. The proper place for sensitiveness is in the conscience. There it imparts sweetness of spirit. Otherwise it is conducive of much trouble.

HAVE PATIENCE.

The right key to a happy life is patience with little annoyances, whether they pertain to self or others. It has been well said that happiness depends much upon "cultivating the growth of small pleasures." The face that laughs in a mirror sees another that laughs back. Cultivate a happy disposition and let others see it. Icted in many another face. Down with the black flag of ill-temper that selfishly gives no quarter, and up with a banner of good cheer, that being helpful to the world at large, is itself helped.

SEA GULLS.

That sea gulls are possessed with strong affection for each other was clearly demonstrated near the Ogdensburg ferry dock the other day. Two of these birds, evidently mates, were flying over the water about 500 feet from the ferry dock, when a man shot one of them. As the dead bird was lying on the water, her mate did everything in his power to help her up. He would fly close to her, and several times tried with his bill to raise her out of the water. He hovered around the spot some time after the dead bird was taken away.

CHARACTER.

Character is made up of small duties faithfully performed, of denial, of self-sacrifice, of kindly acts, of love and duty. The backbone of character is laid at home and whether the constitutional tendencies be good or bad, home influences will, as a rule, fan them into activity. Kindness begets kindness, and truth and trust will bear a rich harvest of truth and trust. There are many trivial acts of kindness which teach us more about a man's character than many vague phrases.

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St. Bartholomew
St. Bartholomew was one of the twelve who were called to the apostolate of our blessed Lord Himself. Several learned interpreters of the Holy Scripture take this apostle to have been the same as Nathaniel, a native of Cana, in Galilee, a doctor in the Jewish law, and one of the seventy-two disciples of Christ, to whom he was committed by St. Philip, and whose innocence and simplicity of heart deserved to be celebrated with the highest eulogium by the divine mouth of our Redeemer. He is mentioned among the disciples who were met together in prayer after Christ's ascension, and he received the Holy Ghost with the rest.

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