

## Difference Between Economy and Thrift

"To be able to manage one's resources so that they yield the best results, is Thrift," explains *Everywoman's World* in an article in its October issue. Under the head "My Greatest Experience With Thrift," a series of letters from readers are published—readers in all sections of the Dominion with miscellaneous resources, aims and objects.

In an introduction of these the article continues: "Thrift and Econ-

omy are not the same. Economy is a disposition to save or spare, and 'freedom from extravagance or waste.' Economy is a negative virtue. It enjoins us not to spend, not to be extravagant, nor wasteful. Thrift is more than that. It is positive, and is care and prudence in the management of one's resources," and Thrift is the best means of thriving."

"Our resources are money, time, strength, ability and all those other things, both tangible and intangible, which go to the making of the full stature of man and his life.

"A thrifty nation is a wealthy nation, wealthy in brain, brawn, and in

the handling and development of all its resources, both human and natural."

Of the several letters from Canadian citizens on this subject, one brief epistle, brought right home, will be sufficient as an example of what others have done in the practice of thrift:

"I wanted hardwood floors downstairs, and not being able to buy them, I set about to improve the old ones. This I succeeded so well in doing, that my friends think I did lay down new floors.

"I made a thick flour paste—very

thick—and filled it up with old newspapers torn into little bits, until it became a pulp, no paste being seen. Then I set the young people working with case knives. They filled in all the cracks and knot holes with the pulp, which dried as hard as flint. It took the stain as well as the wood. Now I have a lovely smooth floor, over which I have thrown a rug made from my worn out carpet.—Mrs. R. L. S."

The Canadian Government is going to no end of pains to inaugurate a thorough Thrift campaign, and such an insight into the experiences of Canadian housekeepers, as that above, is bound to have wide-spread effect.



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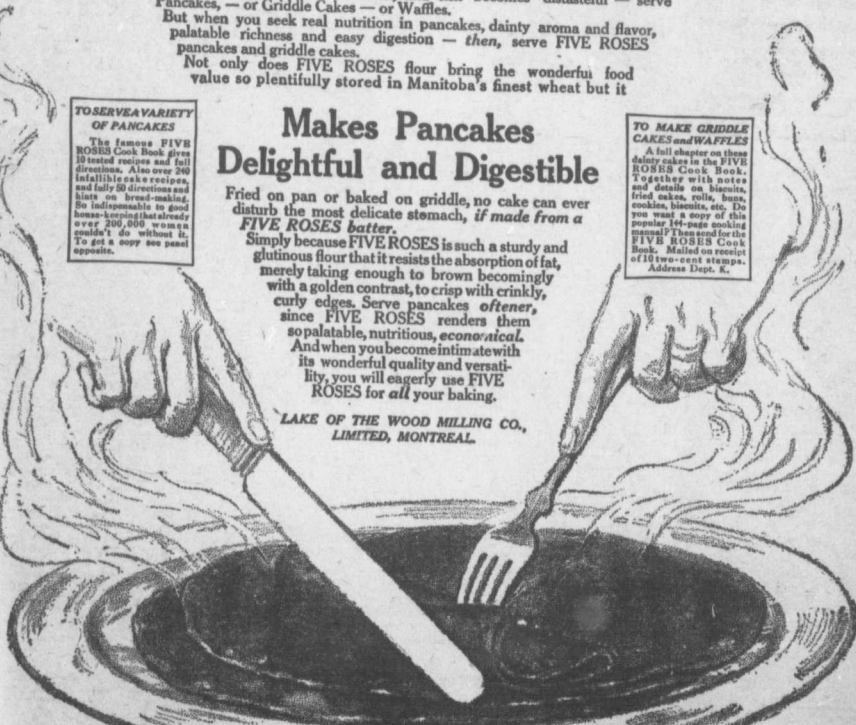
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