

PICKLED BLACKBERRIES.—Put a quart of sugar, a pint of vinegar and half a teaspoonful each of cinnamon, allspice and cloves into the preserving kettle, and place over a moderate fire. When the mixture boils, add four quarts of blackberries, and cook for a quarter of an hour longer; then turn into pint jars. There will be enough to fill six.

SPICE CAKE.—Two cupfuls of sugar, one cupful of molasses, one cupful of thick cream, or three-quarters of a cupful of butter, one cupful of raisins, stoned and cut, one cupful of currants, two eggs, one teaspoonful of saleratus, one-half teaspoonful each of nutmeg and cinnamon, one-quarter teaspoonful of cloves, and only flour enough to keep fruit from sinking while baking. Bake slowly.

SPONGE CAKE.—One cupful of sugar, two eggs, one cupful of flour, one large teaspoonful of baking powder, one-third cupful of boiling water, stirred in the last thing. Beat yolks and whites of eggs separately, mix sugar with yolks, add frothing whites, flour and baking powder, one teaspoonful of vanilla and hot water. Beat smooth and light, put in a warm buttered pan, and bake in a very quick oven.

BLACKBERRY JAM.—Wash the fruit well and put in the kettle with from half to three-quarters of a pound of sugar to every pound of fruit. When it begins to boil, keep stirring or it will burn. Season with lemon peel (dried), or, when near done, stir in some currant jelly. Peach jam is made in the same

way, but takes a longer time to cook. When it bubbles up it is near done. It must cook for hours and be stirred continuously. Season with kernels of the fruit.

TO PRESERVE BLACKBERRIES.—Pick the fruit nicely, and to each pound of fruit put three-quarters of a pound of sugar; let it cook slowly, stirring it constantly, until the scum stops rising to the surface; then take it off, and put it in glass jars or tumblers; seal them tightly and keep them in a dry place. Let the fruit and sugar stand for several hours before putting them in the fire, as the juice will then be extracted from the fruit and make the syrup richer.

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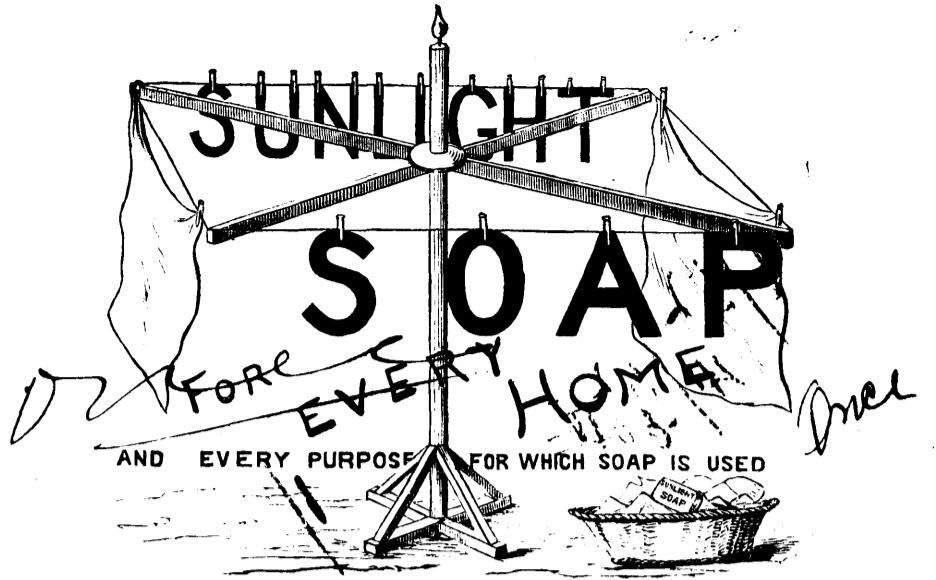
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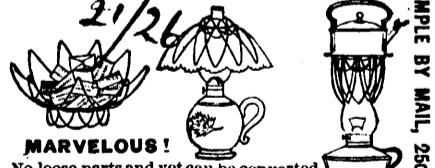
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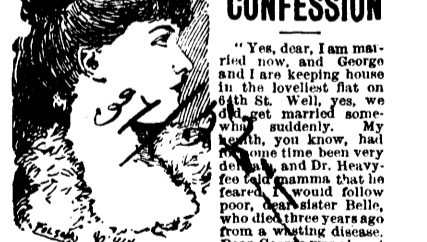
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