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SEASONABLE RECEIPTS.

Ices - How They Are Made

Seasonable Receipts, PROGRESS, St. John.]

The past few days of warm weather have brought numerous enquiries about ice cream. Ices are generally regarded as expensive luxuries, and it is an admirable instance of how completely custom rules the majority of our housekeepers. For instance: There are many houses where the dinner may consist of soup, fish, entrees, joint, game, and wine; and yet were we to suggest a course of ice, the worthy housekeeper would hestitate on the ground of extravagance, showing how much we are the slaves of custom.

It is, as a rule, hopeless to argue with persons whose definition of economy is—what they have always been accustomed to since they were children; their definition of extravagance—anything new, or, as they will probably express it, any new-langled notion. The fact remains, however, that ices are sold in the streets of large cities at two cents each, and the venders manage to make a living out of the profit, not only for themselves, but for their families also. Under these circumstances the manufacture of these extravagances is worthy of inquiry. It can be

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