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a moderate oven at first and lay a brown paper over the top of the cake if there is danger of scorching. A little salt scattered on the bottom of the oven will save the cake from burning on the bottom. Open the oven door as little as possible especially for the first fifteen or twenty minutes after the cake goes in.

Fruit Cake Without Eggs.—Three-quarters lb. butter, 2 lb. brown sugar, i ipt. sweet milk, i oz. soda, i oz. cream of tartar, 12lb. mixed peel, 2 oz.cinnamon 2 nutmegs, 3½ pounds flour; 3 lbs. currants; 2 lb raisins. Mix together, put in pans and let stand for half an hour before baking. This will make a large three-story cake that will keep indefinitely.

Oatmeal Cookies (Excellent)—Three cups rolled oats, two cups flour; one cup butter, one cup brown sugar, one egg, one teaspoon soda, one teaspoon cinnamon, 2 tablespoons sweet milk. Mix stiff, roll very thin, cut out, and bake in a fairly hot oven.

Dutch Apple Pie.—Line the plate with paste a little thicker than usual. Stir together a small handful of flour and one of sugar and spread it on the paste. Fill plate up with thin slices of tart apple sprinkled with white sugar. Dip sweet cream enough over the sugar to moisten it, grate in a little nutmeg. Bake in rather a slow oven and serve hot.

Dutch Apple Cake.—Beat the yolks of two eggs and add one cup of milk. Sift two teaspoons baking-powder with 12 cups flour. Add this to the liquid mixture. Beat stiff the whites of the eggs and fold into the dough. Pour the batter into a shallow pan and cover the top thickly with sliced apples. Sprinkle with four tablespoons of granulated sugar and bake in a quick oven for twenty minutes. Serve with butter and sugar or cream and sugar.

Vegetable Soup.—Two carrots, two onions, one small turnip and four potatoes, sliced fine and boiled in a quart of water until thick. Take half a pint of milk into which is put a tablespoon of finely mixed parsley and let it come to the boil. Pass the thickened vegetables through a colander, salt and pepper to taste, add the hot milk and serve at once.

Stuffed Dates.—Buy a pound of good bright-colored clean dates, and remove the pits by cutting down one side. Get ten cents' worth of shelled English walnuts and five cents' worth of confectioners' sugar. Place a nut inside each pitted date, then roll in the powdered sugar. A fancy box filled with these makes a nice Christmas token.

Rich Plum Pudding.—One pound seeded raisins, ½ lb. currants which have been washed well and sorted, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. finely chopped beef suet, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. bread crumbs, ½1b. brown sugar, ½ 1b. mixed peel cut small, a quarter of a pound of flour, half a nutmeg grated, ½ oz. finely chopped blanched almonds, a teaspoon mixed spices, ½ teaspoon finely ground ginger, a saltspoon of salt. Place these in the order mentioned in a large mixing bowl and when all are in, mix thoroughly. Then add the grated rind and the juice of a lemon and stir until it has become blended with the dry ingredients. Cover the bowl with a cloth and set away for at least twelve hours. At the end of that time add the juice of an orange stirring it well in. Then slowly add five well-beaten eggs and half a cup milk, constantly stirring. Take a stout piece of cotton at least two feet square, dip it in water and rub flour on the outside to form a paste. Put pudding into the cloth and tie firmly leaving plenty of room for expansion. Boil A few of our prices: Sugar, 20 lbs. for steadily for six hours. If water has \$1; best Santos Roasted Coffee, 20c per

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