sliced, a large round cake may serve between eight and twenty-five people.
Plum Pudding.—One pound to four peo-

Fruit Cake.—Three to six ounces make serving.

Wafers, varying with the kind, when other cakes are served. Three boxes to fifty people. Small cakes are usually sold number.

Olives are computed by number, to suit an occasion. There are two hundred and two hundred and ten in a quart bottle.

Salted Nuts,—One and a half to two pounds for twenty-five people.

Bonbons.—One pound for sixteen people.
Timbales and Paties.—Twenty-five may
be filled from a quart of mixture.
Croquettes.—One and a half quarts of
meat make croquettes for twenty-five peo-

Oysters, by number.—Four to a person; used chopped, two quarts for twenty-five

Welsh Rabbit.—Three pounds of cheese for ten people, varying greatly with the cheese and recipe used.

Chicken or Turkey.—Twenty-five pounds dressed for fifty people. Most roasts weigh

two or two and a half times more raw than the net weight of meat after roasting.

Sandwiches, made from sandwich loaf, loaves varying and thicknesses of sandwiches varying roughly:

Two whole sandwiches after cutting serve

three people.
Twenty-four sandwiches may be counted

to a loaf.

One pound of butter to three loaves.
One pint of other fillings to one loaf.
While it would be impossible to give a complete list, a novice may find in these estimates a basis for further computation.
—'Good Housekeeping.'

Religious Notes.

A beautiful work that is being done for the children of the poor is described by the New York 'Christian Herald.' On a high rocky bluff overlooking East River at New York, has been established a fresh air campfor sick babies. Any little one who is not suffering from a contagious disease will be received and cared for free of charge. It is expected that much educational work among the mothers will be possible, and the staff of nurses seize every opportunity to instruct them how to bathe and feed the infants. Boston and Chicago have similar camps, but this is the first in New York, and it is conducted not only for present results, but also as an experiment, with a view to demonstrating what can be done to keep down infant mortality, and with the hope of establishing Fresh-Air Camps in many localities all along the waterside, in summers of the future.'

In the city of Che Foo there is a unique phase of missionary service. This is the school for deaf children in charge of Mrs. A. T. Mills. It was inspiring to see these Chinese boys proving that they can be taught as successfully as American children in all the branches of the common school, and to hear them articulate clearly words of greeting and farewell. We found some of them serving most acceptably as trusted and capable servants in some of the homes of foreigners in Che Foo. It is also important to note how this education destroys superstitions about the deaf children, whom the Chinese consider possessed of evil spirits. This is a work most worthy of assistance. Its blessings in China are manifold.—New York 'Observer.'

'Half a loaf is better than no bread,' and it is likely that many a Hindu bitterly re-proaches the educationists in India who in giving them the education of civilization to-day, have of necessity taken away their trust in their old religion, without offering them the higher instead. The 'Christian' notices this fact as a further call for missionary effort. 'Many thousands of interigent Indians are being educated by our Government on a purely secular basis, which means that they are educated out of a belief in their own religion without any training in the Christian faith. This throws the responsibility of the religious education of India on the Churches. While much good work is being done by the various missionary agencies in that country, the machinery is totally inadequate to overtake the needs. As Mr. Slater says, in the 'British Congregationalist': 'Would that the situation in India were so realized at home that there should be no lack of cultivated and Christian men to offer for this difficult but promising field of labor!'

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