

She said, "Is there no bridge?"
He answered, "None."
She said, "Is the water deep?"
He said, "Deep."
She said, "Is the floor worn?"
He said, "It is. Your foot may slip at any time, and you may be lost."
She said, "Have any crossed already?"
He said, "Some have tried!"
She said, "Is there a track to show where the best fording is?"
He said, "It has to be made."
She shaded her eyes with her hand; and she said, "I will go."
And he said, "You must take off the clothes you wore in the desert, they are dragged down by them, who go into the water so clothed."
And she threw from her gladly the mantle of ancient-received opinions she wore, for it was worn full of holes. And she took the girdle from her waist that she had treasured so long, and the moths flew out of it in a cloud. And he said, "Take the shoes of dependence off your feet."
And she stood there naked, but for one white garment that clung close to her.
And he said, "That you may keep. So they wear clothes in the Land of Freedom. In the water it buoys; it always swims."
And I saw on its breast was written Truth; and it was white; the sun had not often shone on it; the other clothes had covered it up. And he said, "Take this stick; hold it fast. In that day when it slips from your hand you are lost. Put it down before you; feel your way; where it cannot find a bottom do not set your foot."
And she said, "I am ready. let me go."
And he said, "No - but stay, what is that - in your breast?"
She was silent.
He said, "Open it, and let me see."
And she opened it. And against her breast was a tiny thing, who drank from it, and the yellow curls above his forehead pressed against it; and his knees were drawn up to her, and he held her breast fast with his hands.
And Reason said, "Who is he, and what is he doing here?"
And she said, "See his little wings!"
And Reason said, "Put him down."
And she said, "He is asleep, and he is drinking. I will carry him to the Land of Freedom. He has been a child as long as long I have carried him. In the Land of Freedom he will be a man. We will walk together there, and his great white wings will overshadow me. He has lisped one word only to me in the desert - 'Passion?' I have dreamed he might learn to say 'Friendship' in that land."
And Reason said, "Put him down!"
And she said, "I will carry him so - with one arm, and with the other I will fight the water."
He said, "Lay him down on the ground. When you are in the water you will forget to fight, you will think only of him. Lay him down." He said, "He will not die. When he finds you have left him alone he will open his wings and fly. He will be in the Land of Freedom before you. Those who reach the Land of Freedom, the first hand they see are stretching down the bank to help them shall be Love's. He will be a man then, not a child. In your breast he cannot thrive; put him down, that he may grow."
And she took her bosom from his mouth, and he bit her, so that the blood ran down on the ground. And she laid him down on the earth; and she covered her wound. And she bent and stroked his wings. And I saw the hair on her forehead turned white as snow, and she had changed from youth to age.
As she stood far off on the bank of the river. And as she said, "For what do I go to this far land which no one has ever reached? Oh, I am alone! I am utterly alone!"
And Reason, that old man, said to her, "Silence! what do you hear?"
But she listened intently, and she said, "I hear a sound of feet, a thousand times ten thousand and thousands of thousands, and they beat this way!"
He said, "They are the feet of those that shall follow you. Lead on! make a track to the water's edge! Where you stand now, the ground will be beaten flat by ten thousand times ten thousand feet." And he said, "Have you seen the locusts, how they cross a stream? First one comes down to the water-edge, and it is swept away, and then another comes and then another, and then another, and at last with their bodies piled up, a bridge is built and the rest pass over."
She said, "And of those that come first, some are swept away and are heard of no more; their bodies do not even build the bridge!"
"And are swept away, and are heard of no more - and what of that?" he said.

"And what of that?" - she said.
"They make a track to the water's edge."
"They make a track to the water's edge." - And she said, "Over that bridge which shall be built with our bodies, who will pass?"
He said, "The entire human race."
And the woman grasped her staff.
And I saw her turn down that dark path to the river.

And I awoke; and all about me was the yellow afternoon light; the sinking sun lit up the fingers of the milk bushes; and my horse stood by me quietly feeding. And I turned on my side, and I watched the ants run by thousands in the red sand. I thought I would go on my way now - the afternoon was cooler. Then a drowsiness crept over me again, and I laid back my head and fell asleep.
And I dreamed a dream.
I dreamed I saw a land. And on the hills walked brave women and brave men, hand in hand. And they looked into each other's eyes, and they were not afraid.

And I saw the women also hold each other's hands.
And I said to him beside me, "What place is this?"
And he said, "This is heaven."
And I said, "Where is it?"
And he answered, "On earth."
And I said, "When shall these things be?"
And he answered, "IN THE FUTURE."

And I awoke, and all about me was the sunset light, and on the low hills the sun lay, and a delicious coolness had crept over everything; and the ants were going slowly home. And I walked toward my horse, who stood quietly feeding. Then the sun passed down behind the hills; but I knew that the next day he would rise again. - *Fortnightly Review.*

KITCHEN RECIPES.

BRAZED OX TONGUE. - Ingredients: A fresh tongue, three quarts of second stock, a good bouquet garni, one onion, whole peppercorns, three cloves and salt. Steep a fresh tongue in cold water for an hour, then put it into a stewpan with three quarts of second stock, an onion, a bunch of herbs, peppercorns, cloves and salt; let it boil steadily for three hours. Take it up, strip off the white skin very carefully, trim off the root and rough parts of it, etc., glaze it well and put it in the oven for twenty minutes. Serve with piquante or Italian sauce, and spinach round it.

BREAD SAUCE. Ingredients: one gill of bread crumbs, one small onion, five peppercorns, half-a-pint of milk, salt, one tablespoonful of cream. Put the milk into a stewpan, when boiling, add the crumbs, onions, salt and peppercorns, and let it stand by the fire for fifteen minutes to soak the bread, then stir it and add the cream. Before serving, take out the onion and peppercorns.

HARE SOUP. - An old hare is fitted only for soup or jugging. To render it into soup let it be cleaned, cut into pieces and add a pound-and-a-half or two pounds of beef, to which there is little or no fat, place it at the bottom of the pan, then add two or three slices of ham or bacon, or a little of both, a couple of onions, and some sweet herbs; add four quarts of boiling water, let it stew to shreds, strain off the soup, and take away the fat; re-boil it, add a spoonful of say or Harvey's sauce, and send to table with a few force-meat balls.

MOCK TURTLE SOUP. - Blanch half a calf's head sufficiently to draw out the bones, cut off the ear and the tongue, taking off the skin of the latter, lay all separate until cold, and strain off the liquor, adding to it your meat or second stock; cut the meat into large square dice, put it into a stewpan with your already prepared stock, and stew it until tender; then strain off some of the stock, get another stewpan, cut about one pound of lean York or Westphalia ham, one pound of lean veal, a good faggot of basil and knotted marjoram, two or three blades of mace, six or seven cloves, two bay leaves, four onions, the parings of a few mushrooms, half a pound of butter, fry them for some time a nice light brown, and dry all up with flour, then add your stock you have previously strained from the cut pieces: if too thick, add more stock, and let all boil for some time, keeping it stirred with a wooden spoon; when boiled sufficient, strain it through a tammy or tammy-sieve into the stewpan that has the cut pieces of the head, and boil all together, season with sugar, cayenne pepper and salt, juice of lemon and white wine. If you wish to preserve the old fashion, by having force-meat balls, eggs, etc., refer for them to the previous receipt; add them to it when they are blanched.

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