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TOMATO SOUP, WITH MEAT.—Skim and strain a gallon of stock made from fresh meat, skin and slice a dozen large ripe tomatoes, put through a sieve and add to the stock. Boil half an hour. Mix smooth a spoonful of flour, a little butter, be careful not to have it lumpy, season it with pepper, salt, and a teaspoonful of sugar. Simmer ten minutes and it is ready to serve.

EMBROIDERY.—Those ladies, who do not know how to use the Kensington stitch in embroidery, can produce very fine effects with figures cut from cretonne. Baste them on to your material (which may be cloth, flannel, or scrim), then fasten them around the edges with a broad button-holing of shaded embroidery silk. The effect is very good, and is scarcely any trouble.

The following is said to be a good "ant trap." Procure a large sponge, wash it well, and press it dry, which will leave the cells open; sprinkle it with fine white sugar and place it near where the ants congregate. They will soon collect upon it, then dip it in boiling water, which will kill the ants. Wash out the sponge, sprinkle again with sugar and set again. If this course is persisted in, the ants will be exterminated.

BAKED OMELET.—Put into a tin basin a heaping teaspoonful of corn starch, a boiled onion chopped fine, a good sized lump of butter, and a quarter of a cup of sweet milk; boil all together until the corn starch thickens. Be careful not to burn or to let it get lumpy. Season with salt and pepper. Now break seven eggs, and beat the whites and yolks separately—the whites to a stiff froth—stir the yolks into the corn starch, adding half a cup of milk, and when well mixed, add some chopped parsley, and the beaten whites. Pour into a well greased dish, and bake from fifteen to twenty minutes in a hot oven.

VENTILATION OF CUPBOARDS.—This seems to be a minor matter in the erection of houses, but the want of a thorough draught is to make itself unpleasantly apparent to the smell. The remedy of this defect is very simple. If possible, have perforations made through the back wall of the closet and a few in the door. When the wall of the closet cannot be perforated, bore holes freely in the door on the top and bottom. To prevent dampness, with the accompanying unpleasantness and injurious effects of mildew in cupboards, a tray of quick lime should be kept and changed from time to time as the lime becomes slaked.

TO BLEACH CLOTHES.—Put them in water and thoroughly fill with soap; then spread them on a clean grass plot. If you can get them under a shower of rain it is much better than sprinkling them by hand. They can be sprinkled by a rubber tube (used for watering gardens, a clothes sprinkler, or in the absence of such the hand can be used). Taking anything at all that will splash the water on them. After being subjected to a day of this treatment you will be surprised at the effect. Take them in and wash. It is an excellent way to cleanse clothes that have become yellow from improper washing.

MAKE A NOTE OF IT.—Every housewife should know that sugar boiled with an acid, if it be but three minutes, will be converted into a glucose, which is the form of sugar found in sweet apples. One pound of sugar has as much sweetening power as two pounds of glucose. In other words, one pound of sugar stirred into the fruit after it is cooked and while yet warm, will make the fruit as sweet as two and a quarter pounds added while the fruit is boiling. Save your sugar by a little chemical knowledge. It is an established fact that if fruit is sweetened when it is hot it requires much less sugar than if sweetened when cold.