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Plain Pastry

This recipe is for one large pie with top and bottom crust

2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
1/2 cup shortening
cold water

Sift together flour, salt and baking powder; add shortening and rub in very lightly with tips of fingers (the less it is handled the better the paste will be). Add cold water very slowly, enough to hold dough together (do not work or knead dough). Divide in halves; roll out one part thin on floured board and use for bottom crust. After pie is filled roll out other part for top.

Rich Pastry

2 cups pastry flour
1/2 teaspoon Royal Baking Powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup shortening
cold water

Sift flour, baking powder and salt; add one-half shortening

and rub in lightly with fingers; add water slowly until of moist consistency to roll out. Divide in halves; roll out one half thin; put on in small pieces half remaining shortening; fold upper and lower edges in to center; fold sides in to center, fold sides to center again; roll out thin and put on pie plate. Repeat with other half for top crust.

Apple Pie

1 1/2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon Royal Baking Powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons shortening
4 apples, or 1 quart sliced apples
2 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon milk

Sift flour, baking powder and salt; add shortening and rub in very lightly; add just enough cold water to hold dough together. Roll half out on floured board, line bottom of pie plate; fill in apples, which have been washed, pared and cut into thin slices; sprinkle with sugar; flavor with cinnamon or nutmeg; wet edges of crust with cold water; roll out remainder of pastry; cover pie, pressing edges tightly together and bake in moderate oven 30 minutes.

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NO. III—PERT REMARKS

The chesty concert singer said to his friend, "I am thinking of touring South Africa next year." His friend said, "Take my advice and don't, an ostrich egg weighs two or three pounds you know." What a difference to that most lovable and interesting character Chopin, his delicate touch was full of expression and exquisite grace, his physical condition debarred him from every bodily exertion. He was seriously restricted always by a lack of strength, and died at the age of forty. Listen to what Chopin said of himself, "I am well and in good spirits, why, I do not know, but the people here (Vienna) are astonished at me, and I wonder at them for finding anything to wonder at in me. My manner of playing pleases the ladies so much, I move in the highest circles and I do not know how I got there. I am in the world like an E string of the violin on a contrabass."

Living during the same period but in the little country of Belgium was de Beriot, a man of different habits. This talented violinist was appointed solo violinist to William I. King of the Netherlands. "De Beriot" received a New Year's present of a dozen bottles of champagne from a wealthy friend. The violinist consumed the wine and returned the empty case with his card, on which he had written "encore," his patron did not resent this, but sent a second lot with his visiting card, on which he had written the word "finale."

Joachim was another great violinist who is known as the most distinguished teacher and greatest violinist of recent times. Joachim insulted the Kaiser, for when the Kaiser asked Joachim to teach two of his sons the violin, Joachim replied, "Your majesty, I fully appreciate the honor of teaching your sons, but I am very sorry to say that all my time is so taken up with talented students that I find it impossible to accept your majesty's offer." Ever after that time Joachim was no longer a favorite with the Kaiser. Joachim was the greatest teacher of his time, he took no pupil at any price who was not already an artist of talent, yet we often think of the words of Jacob Abbott who said, never get out of patience with dullness or stupidity," but we are inclined to question when we read of an examiner asking the following questions and receiving these replies: What is a double sharp? When you strike two black keys at the same time, one with each hand. Define "form" in music? Well it is not good form to applaud by stamping your feet, you should clap your hands. What does "si" signify? So far for one day's practice.

What is a Minuetto? A short piece that you can play through in one minute. We cannot but smile at some answers, for Willie after reading about the Guitar asked, what is a guitar? Why said Johnnie with a sneer, it's a disease in the head. No it ain't said Freddie, giving his chum a nudge, it is a lump growing on the throat.

The violinist was certainly put to a test for an answer when the landlady said to the violinist, who also was a new lodger. Oh, good-morning, good-morning answered the new lodger, I hope you had a good night's rest, said the landlady. No I did not said the midlooking man, your cat kept me awake. Oh, said the landlady tossing her head, I suppose you are going to ask me to have the poor thing killed. No, not exactly said the gentle lodger, but would you very much mind having it tuned.

Speaking of singing we cannot do better than listen to the soap-box orator, yes, said the orator, this is indeed a wonderful country. We have thousands of women who are wonderful singers—thousands of women who hold their audiences for hours at a time—after which they lay it in a cradle and rock it to sleep.

A piece of cloth that has the pattern stamped upon it is never as valuable as one where it is woven through. Surface politeness, surface virtues, are cheap things the patterns of goodness, of nobility, must be woven through and through our characters before we are really valuable to the world.

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Miss Kathleen Harvey, who is training at the V. G. Hospital, Halifax, is spending her vacation at her home in Grand Pre. We wish Miss Harvey every success in her work.

Mrs. F. J. Bonner, of Halifax, is visiting in Grand Pre, the guest of her mother, Mrs. MacRae.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Eaton returned home last week after spending a few days in Halifax.

Miss Mary Porter was visiting friends here last week.

Miss Elizabeth Crane is ill at the home of F. H. Crane. We hope Miss Crane will soon recover.

Mr. Irving F. Boates, who has spent the fall months in Alberta, has returned home.

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GASPERAEU NOTES

Great sorrow is felt for Mr. A. H. Coldwell and family on account of the death of their two youngest children, Albert and Henry, who passed away on Oct. 28th and Nov. 2nd.

Mrs. Margaret Davison has left this week to spend a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Belle Davis, in Spencer, Mass.

Mr. Walter Miner is slowly recovering from the effect of his accident which occurred some weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Allen are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son. Mrs. L. L. Westcott and her two children spent last week end with her sister, Mrs. George Davison.

When you hear a woman has educated her husband, it may merely be meant that she has been giving him "pieces of her mind" at various intervals.



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