

THE COOK'S CORNER

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Pears and Quinces

CHIPPED OR SPICED PEARS.

Cut 8 lbs. pears into small dice or chips, cover with 4 lbs. sugar, and let stand over night. Next morning add the grated rind and juice of 3 lemons and 2 ozs. white ginger root. Simmer slowly about 3 hours and can while hot.—Mrs. L. G. Small, Hastings Co., Ont.

CANNED PEARS

When I can pears, I first wash, peel and core the fruit and then put the cores and parings into a preserving kettle and pour in enough water to almost cover. Boil until the juices in all extracted, then strain through a jelly bag, add 1 cup sugar for each qt. fruit, let boil up and then drop in the pears and boil them until tender.

QUINCE PRESERVES

Use 8 lbs. sugar to 10 lbs. quinces. Pare, quarter and core the fruit, saving skins and cores for further use. Put the quinces into a preserving kettle, cover with water, and let them simmer until they are almost tender, or half done. Take out the fruit, add the parings and cores to the water, boil slowly for an hour, and strain the juices through a jelly bag. Return the strained juice to the kettle, add the sugar, let boil for 20 minutes, skimming as it boils, then add the fruit and cook until sufficiently soft to pierce with a straw. If the juice is not a syrup, take out the fruit with a perforated skimmer, boil the juice down, put the fruit in jars, making them two-thirds full, fill with the syrup and seal when cool.—Mary E. Underwood, Man.

Orange peel, dried and grated, makes a very fine yellow powder that is delicious flavoring for cakes and puddings.

Homemade Mattresses

I make my own mattresses to sleep on, as the day is fast approaching when the "old dusty straw tick" must be relegated to the past. Besides, I then feel I can afford a little more money for springs, which should be of the best woven wire—those which have the spiral under the woven ones, this preventing sagging in the centre.

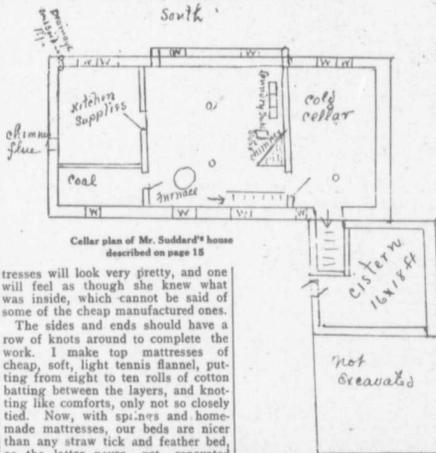
I take the best fancy blue striped ticking, cut the desired length and width, with side and end pieces two fingers wide. When sewed up, with an opening in the top piece, fill with as much excelsior as can be pressed in, sew up the opening, and tie just as the store ones are. Use an upholsterer's needle. The work is easily done then, and by using bunches of colored warp to knot with, the mat-

trass is easily kept clean by just putting it in a barrel kept for such use, and washed with a "pounder" machine. I have one of the first ones which cost \$5.00, but any tinmith will make one for 60 cents. That is all I paid for mine.—A Canadian Housewife.

Bee-keeping

My little boy 11 years old is much interested in bees. He has been picking raspberries and earned considerable money that way. What he earned we put with \$5 and bought a hive of bees.

We like the bees and think they like us. If any of your readers have had experience in beekeeping I would be much pleased to have them write me how to car for the bees.—Mrs. A. Marshall, Monk Co., Ont.



Cellar plan of Mr. Suddard's house described on page 15

tresses will look very pretty, and one will feel as though she knew what was inside, which cannot be said of some of the cheap manufactured ones.

The sides and ends should have a row of knots around to complete the work. I make top mattresses of cheap, soft, light tennis flannel, putting from eight to ten rolls of cotton batting between the layers, and knotting like comforts, only not so closely tied. Now, with springs and homemade mattresses, our beds are nicer than any straw tick and feather bed, as the latter never get renovated

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