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socially of the white ribbon 'unifiers.' Have refreshments. People don't go to eat, but they surely do eat with a relish what is simply served, and they come again. That is the best part of it. It is better to serve strong temperance truths and weak tea. Do not reverse the adjectives. Send out your invitations as for some reception.

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Selected Recipes

Peanut Candy.—The nuts must be quite freshly roasted, and the skins rubbed off. Grease as many pans and dishes as you think you will need to drop the nuts on. Have a cup of water with ice in it, and then make the candy. Boil two pounds of sugar with half a pint of water for five minutes, then add half a teacup of vinegar. Let the whole boil till, when dropped into the ice water, it is perfectly brittle; then lift the pot quickly from the fire and set it on a hot brick on a table. Have the plate of warm nuts at your left, and have a well-greased fork in your right hand. As

soon as the candy is ready, drop the nuts in with the left hand one or two at a time, never more. Turn them in the candy with the fork without stirring it. Lift each nut out singly, turn them quickly onto the greased pan. At first the candy will be apt to stiffen before you have done many.

Orange Shortcake.—To make a delicious orange or peach shortcake, dissolve seven-eighths of a teaspoonful of soda in two tablespoonful of boiling water. Add it to one cupful of thick, sour cream. Turn the mixture into one quart of flour with which one teaspoonful of salt has been mixed. Blend this quickly. Roll into sheets one-half inch thick and cut them out with a two quart basin. Fry them on a griddle, browning first on one side and then on the other. Butter a cake and cover it with a layer of cut up and sweetened fruit. Place another cake over it and repeat the process. Serve with sweetened whipped cream.

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