

Selected Recipes.

ORANGE SALAD.—Peel eight or nine oranges, and remove all seeds and every particle of yellow skin; divide into small bits and mix with nearly as much crisp celery finely cut; lay this on lettuce leaves, and pour over it a large spoonful of salad dressing made from the following rule: Salad Dressing.—Beat lightly the yolks of three eggs, and add one half teaspoonful each of salt and mustard, and one teaspoonful of sugar; beat again very lightly, then add slowly four tablespoonfuls of melted butter and six tablespoonfuls of vinegar; cook in a double boiler until it is like custard, and when ready to remove from the stove, add the well beaten whites of the eggs; before serving and when perfectly cold, add a cupful of whipped cream. This dressing will keep a week before the whipped cream is added.

PLAIN CAKE.—Sift two cupfuls flour with one and a half teaspoonfuls baking powder for a plain cake; stir one heaping tablespoonful butter with one cupful powdered sugar to a cream; add two eggs, one at a time, stirring a few minutes between each addition; flavor with half teaspoonful grated nutmeg; add last alternately the flour and three-quarters cupful milk; stir just long enough till the flour is mixed with the other ingredients. Butter a cake mould and dust with flour or bread crumbs; pour in the mixture and bake in a slow oven till done.

When a cake is required in a hurry, try this recipe. The cake can be prepared, baked and on the table in half an hour if necessary. Sift a heaping teaspoonful of baking powder into a cupful of flour. Cream a cupful of sugar and a tablespoonful of butter, add the flour, one-third cupful of milk and a teaspoonful of vanilla or any other flavoring that is desired. Beat quickly and thoroughly for five minutes, turn into two shallow tins, well-greased, and bake in a hot oven.—'Catholic News.'

God's Plan.

O mothers, lonely in your house to-day,
From whence the voice of glad young life
has flown,
Where joy once reigned, sits silence cold and
gray,
The children now have dear homes of their
own.

That this might come to us one day we knew,
For always, ere the frost has kissed the
flowers,
The full-fledged birdlings from the home-nest
flew;
But ah, the autumn seemed so far from
ours!

And not for us the hope the fond birds share,
That brings them hastening over hill and
plain
To build and rear anew with tend'rest care;
For never may we build and rear again.

But would we keep our dear ones, though we
might?
Nay, mother hearts, not self-love do we
know;
When once they prove their strong young
wings in flight,
We hide our tears, and, smiling, bid them
go.

Some day, perhaps, when little fingers twine
In clinging trustfulness about our own,
And eyes so strangely like to yours and mine
Look up with loving glances we have
known.

With joy we'll clasp the precious thing and
say

This is reward for all our loss and pain;
This is God's plan, that haply thus we may,
Through children's children, build and rear
again.

—Helen Marquis.

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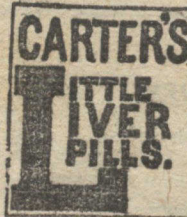
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—Goldsmith.

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