

Household Hints.

COOKIES.—One cup of butter, one cup of brown sugar, one teaspoonful of soda, three eggs, flour enough to roll out thin.

GINGER CAKE.—Two cups of sugar and one cup of lard, scalded together; and one dessertspoonful of baking soda; when cool add flour enough to make a dough; ginger to taste; roll out and cut into shapes with cutter; bake in a medium oven; rub a little syrup over the tops before using.

TEA BISCUITS.—One quart flour, four teaspoonfuls baking powder, about the size of an egg of butter, one teaspoonful of brown sugar, a teaspoonful of salt, and half cup of currants; grate little nutmeg; bake twenty minutes in a quick oven.

Sally Lunn for Breakfast.—Four teaspoonfuls of flour, two tablespoonfuls of sugar, one of lard, four eggs, four teaspoonfuls of baking powder; use half milk and half water, to thin batter, and bake in a quick oven.

HOW TO CLEAN DRESSES.—Get five cents' worth of soap-bark from the druggists (about a teaspoonful). For one dress, take half of it and steep in about one quart of boiling water for about half an hour or more, then strain with a cloth.

ORANGE PUDDING.—Peel and slice, removing the seeds, of four or five oranges; put them in layers in a pudding dish, with sugar between, and set aside. Boil in a saucepan one pint of milk, add one tablespoonful of corn starch, make smooth in a little milk, add the well-beaten yolks of two or three eggs in which a little sugar has been mixed. Stir until thick and sufficiently cooked, and pour hot over the fruit. Beat thoroughly the whites with half a cup of sugar, spread over the pudding, and brown lightly in the oven. To be eaten cold. The juice of the oranges forms sufficient sauce.

A QUICK DESSERT.—Grate the yellow rind from a sour orange, free the pulp from its seeds and white membrane; beat three eggs with a teaspoonful of sugar, add to the grated rind pulp the juice of the orange, put a tablespoonful of butter into a frying pan, and when hot, cook the mixture in the form of an omelette.

BAKED EGGS.—Break six or seven eggs into a buttered dish, taking care that each is whole and does not encroach upon the others as much as to mix or disturb the yolk; sprinkle with pepper and salt, and put a bit of butter on each. Put into the oven and bake until the whites are set. This is far superior to fried eggs, and very nice for breakfast served on toast or alone.

LEMON PIE.—One lemon, juice and rind grated, one cup of sugar, yolks of two eggs, one cup of water, one teaspoonful of corn starch; put all in a small tin pail. Stand the pail in a pot of boiling water, and boil thick; make a nice puff paste, line the plate and cook the paste alone; when done a very light brown pour in your mixture; put on the top the whites of the eggs beaten stiff with sugar.

FOR A SILK DRESS.—While the liquid is warm, take a piece of white flannel and dip into it at intervals, and rub the silk, or satin, with it until it seems cleansed. When done, pull the material straight and hang it to dry; do not iron either the silk or satin. If the dress is very much soiled, use clean liquor to rinse it; but do not use clear water for silk, or it will not stiffen up well.

For a woolen dress, dip the part to be cleansed, or the whole of it, if needed, into the liquor. This can be rinsed in the same, after washing, or in clear warm water. If very dirty put the dress to soak in a tub, in the liquor, with more water added, before cleaning or washing. The woolen goods should be pressed before they are quite dry.

Water in which potatoes have been boiled will cleanse delicate colored woolen or worsted goods. The dress will be wet all over. Use no soap. Rinse in clear, warm water. Press while still damp. This will not injure the most delicate colors.

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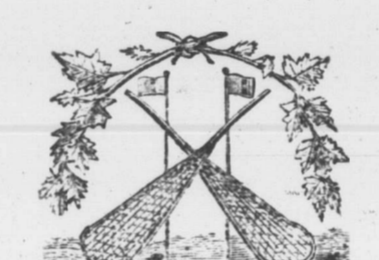
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