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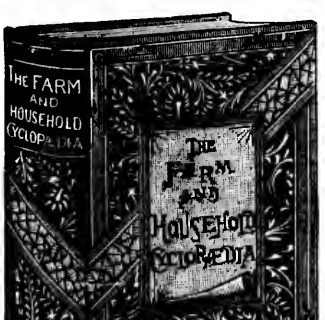

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Cooking Recipes.—This department comprises seventy pages, and is a complete and most excellent cook book. It comprises a large number of recipes for breakfast dishes, soups, meats and poultry, fish, vegetables, salads and relishes, bread and rolls, jellies and preserves, puddings, pies, fancy dishes, cakes, ice cream, ices, summer drinks, and confectionery.

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Only a very small portion of the contents of this book are enumerated above. It is a vast storehouse of useful facts, hints and suggestions of the utmost value to farmers and housekeepers, and no man who has a home and an acre or more of land can afford to be without it. The publishers know full well that farmers are a class who have no money to waste upon luxuries, and are equally well aware that the purchase of this book will be to them the most profitable of investments. While other books of this character are sold for $6.00 and $10.00, for all practical purposes they are no better than this. The book meets a universal want, and should find its way into every rural home.

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