

# THE KITCHEN CABINET

**A** GOOD deed is never lost. He who sows courtesy, reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness, gathers love. —Richard Brooks.

## SWEETS FOR THE SWEET.

There are no candies quite so delicious or wholesome as those which are made at home. The following, if carefully made, will be one which will be treasured and often used.

**Peanut Candy.**—Cook together, stirring constantly, a pound of light brown sugar and six ounces of butter for ten minutes from the time it begins to bubble. Stir in a pound of peanuts, which will make a cupful after shelling. Roll them on the bread board with the rolling pin until crushed like coarse crumbs. Pat out at once into a greased pan and mark off before it becomes too hard.

To make peppermint wafers, wintergreen, and in fact any flavor, melt and flavor a sufficient quantity of fondant over hot water and drop with a teaspoon on a buttered sheet. The recipe for fondant has been given many times.

**Maple Fondant.**—Break a pound and a quarter of maple sugar in pieces, add a pound and a quarter of granulated sugar, a cup of hot water and a fourth of a teaspoon of cream of tartar. Boil until a soft, waxy ball is made when a bit is dropped in cold water, then pour out on a buttered platter or a marble slab and work as soon as it is cool enough to handle. When well kneaded, put into a bowl, cover with waxed paper and let stand a day or two before using. A bright, clear day will prove better for making fondant, as a damp, heavy atmosphere has an unfavorable effect on the process.

**Coffee Fondant.**—Cook together a fourth of a cup of ground coffee and a cup and a half of water, strain through a double cheese cloth, add two and a half pounds of sugar and a fourth of a teaspoonful of cream of tartar. Boil and prepare as above. While the sugar is cooking it is wise to wash down the sides of the kettle to keep the grains of sugar from forming. These grains, if not dissolved and scraped into the candy when mixing, will grain the whole lump of fondant. Coloring matter and flavoring, with nuts and fruit, make a large number of different kinds of candies.

*Nellie Maxwell.*

**Misdirected Books.**  
The post office sale of misdirected books, which formed no inconsiderable part of the \$10,000 worth of miscellaneous articles disposed of by auction in last year's clearance sale of postal matter of unascertainable ownership, amounted to 1,222 packages.

Nearly every language spoken in our broad land was represented in the collection, which included, as a special curiosity, a Choctaw version of the Book of Psalms. In the entire lot Bibles and books on religious topics predominated.

If more than 1,000 books were misdirected, how many thousands, or perhaps hundreds of thousands, must have been carried by the mails? And how many times that number would be thus carried every year if we had, what many another country has, a thorough-going parcels post system.—Dial

**Money in Butterfly Farm.**  
An Englishman operating a butterfly farm is said to sell to museum and collectors upward of 50,000 specimens yearly. He obtains as high as \$50 for exceptionally fine ones, and his net income is said to be fully \$2,500

## PAW PAW PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Interesting Items From the Seat of Learning Contributed by Our Special Correspondent.

### AGNES CAGNEY.

Margaret Hall and John East are 4th grade pupils who are ill.

Mr. Robertson attended the county school convention at Hariford last Friday.

Hugh McGowan, Fanny Hess, Faye Brown and Ward Taylor are absent from the 8th grade this week on account of sickness.

The 5th and 6th grades are arranging a concert which is to be given in Mrs. Beattie's room, Friday, December 20. This will constitute the Christmas exercises.

Instead of having a Christmas program this year as has been the custom, the grammar room pupils intend to have a party. It will be given in the school house some evening before vacation and a general good time is predicted.

Tuesday morning the fire gong rang and the building was emptied in one minute and 40 seconds. This, however, is not swift enough to suit Mr. Robertson. Everyone should be out in one minute, at least. With a few more drills we hope the system will be perfected.

Last Friday afternoon the High School Union constitution was adopted article by article with the exception of article 10, which was left over for discussion until the next regular meeting. This article deals with the letters to be presented to our athletes.

Six of the German students, under the direction of Miss Fox, are rehearsing for a play, which will be given in the assembly room Friday afternoon, December 20. It is a German play, but will be given in English and is entitled "Eigensinn," or Obstinacy. We are all expecting to see something fine, as is always the result when Miss Fox directs an entertainment.

Tonight, Friday, the high school boys' orchestra and the girls' quartet, accompanied by Mr. Robertson, will give an entertainment in the Woodman hall at Glendale. The proceeds will be used to liquidate the debt against the band. Following is the program:

"On the Wieg," March—Boys' Orchestra.

Selection from "Lucia"—Boys' Orchestra.

Vocal Quartet, "Gypsy Life"—Girls' Quartet.

Waltzes from "Robin Hood"—Boys' Orchestra.

Reading, "How Salvator Won"—Margaret Cole.

Cornet Duet, "Two of Us"—A. H. Robertson, Darrell Weston with Frieda Snow at piano.

Selection—Girls' Quartet.

"There's a Dixie Girl Longing for a Young Yankee Doodle Boy," March—Boys' Orchestra.

**Mirrors at Road Corners.**

A mirror about three feet high, which shows the approaching traffic, has been placed on a sign post erected at the junction of four roads at Beckenham, Kent.—London Mail.

**Celebrated Armorers.**

In olden times the armorer's work was not of a rough and ready description, but generally bore the signs of highly wrought workmanship. The various pieces of a suit fit into their positions to a nicety, there are no rough edges, and as a rule very little that is merely careless decorative work. Fashion and reputation have left their hall mark on the armor of each period, and like most other industries it had its distinguished masters. The name of Jacob Topf is, for example, still famous in England, and such names as those of Lorenzo Colman of Augsburg, a German armorer of the sixteenth century, Luco Piccinino, a Milanese, and the Wolfs of Landshut, a family of armorers that are supposed to have worked for Philip II. of Spain, are celebrated in their own countries.

# GILMORE BROS., Kalamazoo, Michigan

**T**HE time is plenty short enough and specially must our out of town friends make every shopping visit count.

We want you specially to remember the many shopping helps and conveniences that are perfectly free for you at Gilmore's.

For instance—Our public service and checking station on the Main and Second floors are ready to relieve you of any luggage or wraps that you do not wish to carry around. At these places any paper or string will be furnished you and we will gladly lend you our aid in preparing a neat gift package free of cost or charge to you.

Stamps may be bought at our mailing station on the second floor, where we will weigh your package and see that it is properly stamped and mailed, or expressed as desired.

The Rest and Waiting Room is set aside for your comfort, completely equipped with chairs, lounges, tables, desks, writing materials, private telephone and toilet accommodations.

We are glad to have you make this your home while you are in Kalamazoo; more than this, we are on the lookout for you—we have prepared these things to aid you and we want you to have them. We want you to ask for them for they are yours.

## The Question of Christmas Shoes

Is being satisfactorily settled here every day. There are good substantial reasons, too, but there are so many reasons why they come to Gilmore's, we had better particularize.

First of all having the Shoes that are wanted when they are wanted. Selling shoes with quality only as the first consideration. Educating the public to buy better and better Shoes all the time as a matter of economy. Selling the best shoes for less money than the same shoes are sold for in other stores. Giving at all times an intelligent shoe service.

## A Great Handkerchief Show

Never in the history of this community has any store ever attempted a handkerchief sale on so grand a scale.

We have gathered them from the very best sources and in quantities that will insure everyone being supplied with the very handkerchiefs they want, and all they want of them.

While we have made the range of choosing a broad one we have made special efforts to have the popular prices of 25c and 50c cover all that necessary for the hosts who will want them at this price.

An unrivaled collection to be sure—and as noteworthy for quality and beauty as for size! Nothing tawdry here—none but the neatest and finest of new Handkerchiefs from Ireland, France and the Madeira Islands—such 'kerchiefs are bound to please.

## Christmas Sale of Sample Jewelry

The Christmas Sale of Sample Jewelry is in full swing with just as much interest, and seemingly just as much Jewelry as ever. As our patrons gather around the beautiful, glittering, gleaming display, they seem to appreciate the fact that they are samples, for in spite of the quantities there are no two alike and each piece has had that individual touch and finish with that individual precision and care that always characterizes sample Jewelry. Many prefer gold—many want silver and many want the novelty effects in antique and corroded metals—all—as many as come are being supplied. Jewelry for men, for women, and for children in the best staples, the finest novelties, the prettiest trinkets and trifles that were ever assembled.

About Half Price Was Our Price—About Half Price Is Your Price—which affords you an opportunity that is rare indeed, to supply yourself with most acceptable and appropriate gifts at an actual saving of One Half and more.

## THE FREE Sewing Machine as a Christmas Gift

You may think you are doing all the looking; but we wish to assure you that you are not. You may think that we are here only to sell you something when you have it selected, but we're here for more than that.

We are constantly looking our stocks and departments over to be best able at all times to aid you in choosing the things you want.

If you were to ask us what would be a good gift for your mother, your wife, or a sister, who will be married soon—we would take you up to the Fifth Floor and show you the "Free," the most compact and systematic piece of mechanism ever invented to aid the wife and mother in the important affairs of her home.

It's an article she will use nearly every day and it will last her as long as she will want one.

We would show you many features that are not in other machines and then we would tell you the price and about some easy payment terms that would certainly make you smile. (Fifth Floor)

## SWEET SOUNDS A MYSTERY

Remarkable Hindu Musical Instrument Puzzles Those Who Hear It for the First Time.

The Hindus have a number of musical instruments for which great antiquity is claimed. Of these there is one that is very curious, not so much by reason of its form or structure, but because of the fact that it is played in a very peculiar manner. It is not a stringed instrument, it is not a wind instrument, and it is not an instrument of percussion. It consists of two small silver trumpets with a very delicate apparatus within.

When the natives play upon this instrument they invariably excite the greatest wonder in the foreigner, who is perplexed to determine how the player produces the sounds, for he does not place the instrument to his lips, but adjusts it to his neck. Foreigners have thought that a player of such an instrument must be a ventriloquist, employing the trumpets to convey a false impression.

It appears, however, that the variations of tone are produced by the variation in the quantity of air propelled through the instrument by the pulsations of the neck.

Nothing could be more curious, it is said, than to witness a performance upon this instrument and to hear the soft, sweet, musical sounds that emanate from the silver trumpets.—Harper's Weekly.

### Degrees of Vocabulary.

Shakespeare produced all his plays with about 15,000 different words; Milton's range comprised about 8,000, and the Old Testament's limit is 5,642. A person of good education seldom exceeds 4,000, while many people are limited to about 300.

# Women's and Misses' Winter Boots

A Special showing and Sale Saturday. See the Newest Styles—The Niftiest in Town. Some Extra Special Values.

Women's Gunmetal Calf Boots, in lace and button styles; footwear that will give satisfaction; ideal kinds for winter wear. At pair

**\$4, \$3.50, \$3.00**

Women's Tan Calf Boots, Button Styles at..... **4.00**

Women's 6-button Tan Calf Boots, very nobby; at pair..... **4.00**

Women's 14 inch High Mountain Lace Boots at pair..... **5.00**

Women's and Misses Black Suede Boots, with nobby toe, dressy and desirable styles; at pair **\$4.00** and..... **5.00**

Men's House Slippers, assorted kinds at **\$2.00, \$1.75** and..... **1.50**

Christmas Slippers; Men's in all styles 75c to **\$3.00** Ladies', the price 75c to..... **\$4.00**



## Bryant Boot Shop

109 South Burdick St.

Kalamazoo

### About the Same.

"Bilkins is a terrific worker, is he not?" said Binks. "Just wedded to his pen, eh?" "I don't know about his pen, but I do know he's married to his typewriter," said Harkaway.—Harper's Weekly.

### Would Be More Important.

A scientist declares that the speed mania has converted a great many automobilists into nervous wrecks. We would like to have him diagnose the case of the man who has to dodge them.—New York Herald.

### Sign of Age.

When you reach the point at which you want to talk about the state of your health, that is another sign you are growing old.—Philadelphia Record.

# Flowers for the Holidays

What is better for a Christmas present than a nice plant in bloom. Something that will brighten the home all winter. We have a fine assortment this year: Cyclamen, Primroses, Geraniums, Ferns, etc. Order early while you can get just what you want. We will deliver Christmas morning with your card.

**R. L. TUTTLE**  
FLORIST