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An old bachelor says that woman is the bitter half of man.—Chicago Daily News.

**Women Must Sleep.**

**Avoid Nervous Prostration.** If you are dangerously sick what is the first duty of your physician? He quiets the nervous system, he deadens the pain, and you sleep well. You ought to know that when you ceased to be regular in your courses, grow irritable without cause, and pass sleepless nights, there is serious



Mrs. HARTLEY.

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**SWEETS OF THE SEASON.**

**Fruit Dainties That Are Especially Reliable for Summer Desserts.**

There are many dainty little accessories the hostess desires to have to add to the attractiveness of her table on special occasions which she does not dream can be made just as well at home as by a high-priced caterer. They require but little skill and practice and materials that are not expensive. Many housewives may be so situated as not to find it convenient to employ the services of a professional in manufacturing these dainties, and unless she can make them herself must forego the pleasure of having them, says the Washington Star.

These are among the daintiest preparations of sweets, and at this season, when we have the strawberry and cherry, we can make some very delicious as well as dainty little "kicksnaws" to ornament the table and please the palate.

Fondant is the foundation of all fine cream candies, and is used also for covering as well. In order to understand the secret of making all candies made from boiled sugar, it is necessary to have a knowledge of the action of the heat upon the sugar.

The degrees of boiling sugar for confectioner's use are seven, not including the first degree, which is the reducing of sugar and water to a syrup. These degrees are: To thread, large and small; or pearl, large and small; or blow, or feather, to ball, large and small; to crack, or to caramel.

Of these degrees the housekeeper employs most frequently the syrup, the thread, the ball, the crack and caramel.

The proportion of sugar and water used is three and a half pounds of granulated cane sugar and a pint and a half of water. Add the water to the sugar and stir over the fire a few minutes until sugar is dissolved; remove the paddle and be careful not to disturb the syrup while boiling.

Small crystals will form around the side of the saucepan; remove these with a small piece of muslin wet in cold water, but do not disturb the boiling syrup. If the syrup is to be used for soft icing, test after a few minutes' boiling by dipping in it a spoon; if, when drawing it out, a long thread of the syrup will follow, it is ready to pour into the beaten whites of the eggs. But for fondant it must continue to boil until it will form a very soft ball when rolled between wet fingers. This may seem a severe test, but is very harmless and simple and the only one to insure success.

Great care must be observed at this point in order that the syrup does not become discolored, as it is rapidly reaching the caramel degree, and it passes quickly from one stage to another. Have a bowl of ice water ready, hold the thumb and two first fingers in it until they are thoroughly chilled, then quickly slide them into the hot syrup at the side of the saucepan, and as quickly take them out and dip into the ice water; if you can form a soft ball of syrup clinging to the fingers it is done. Have a large platter or marble slab brushed well with oil, within two or three inches of the edge; pour the syrup gently out onto this to cool; do not disturb until you can make an impression on the syrup with your finger; then, using an oiled, wooden paddle, stir the syrup rapidly until it is white and stiff. Then knead a few minutes like dough; place on a dish and cover with a damp cloth and set in a cool, dry place until needed; if it is to be used for dipping this can be done at once; but if for cream fillings it must stand until the following day.

For strawberries in fondant, select large, firm, ripe fruit; see that they are perfectly free from sand and grit. If they must be washed, dry them thoroughly before dipping. Do not hull them. Melt enough fondant for dipping quantity of fruit desired, by placing it in a small saucepan or cup and melting it over boiling water, stirring all the time; take up each berry by the stem and petals and dip into the fondant, covering the berry entirely; place each berry, as soon as covered, in a tiny paper case, unless they are for decorating; then place on their tips on oiled paper to dry. The color shows through the white fondant and they are pretty for a pink breakfast or luncheon, as well as delicious to taste.

Cherries, sections of orange, white grapes and cubes of candied pineapple may be treated in the same manner. The fondant may be colored to carry out the color scheme used in the decorations; but the bright-colored fruits look best with the pure white covering.

**Russian and Danish Butters.** Last year Russia exported to England butter to the value of about £1,000,000 sterling, while Denmark sold England £8,000,000 worth.—N. Y. Sun.

**COMBINATION EFFECTS.**

**Railway Magnates Put Up a Bluff to Fool the Confiding People.**

The giant railroad combination is evidently organized to fleece the public and thus reap dividends on their watered stock, not only at its par value, but on the market price of various stocks, many of which are quoted far above par and greatly above the intrinsic value for which the roads could be replaced. The great railroad magnates insist that the combination will benefit the public and better the conditions of the men employed, but this is evidently said to fool the people.

Freights have already been advanced from 30 to 50 per cent, according to the Washington Post, which says: Prominent western merchants, all heavy shippers of merchandise, are preparing to call to account before the interstate commerce commission the heads of the various railroad combinations and the "community of interests" alliances of the trunk lines throughout the country. The charges are made that following through movements of consolidation freight rates have been advanced from 30 to 50 per cent, through quiet and organized manipulation of the various classifications of commodities. Behind the movement to attack this scheme of freight advances, by applying to the interstate commerce commission for relief, lies the plan for a still more vigorous blow. The complainants intend to demand that congress shall take a hand in forcing the formation of a uniform classification of freights which shall be effective on every railroad in the United States.

It is encouraging to note that these "prominent merchants" are to take action; hitherto they have stood aloof and left the burden of fighting the railroads to the "strangers" and others.

Their plan of demanding congress to give them relief is the only one that will bring results, though it is very doubtful if the coming congress will be really willing to pass any bill that will really hurt the railroads. Nearly every republican member will ride on a free pass, not only for himself, but for his family, when he comes to Washington, and the general managers who have granted him this favor of course expect protection and favors in return.

About one year from now the caucuses and conventions for the nomination of congressmen and of legislative candidates who will elect United States senators, will be meeting, and then is the time for those who want to curb the rapacity of the railroad trust to get in their work, and in 1905 something may be accomplished.

**SECRETS OF RECIPROCITY.**

**Split of Republicans on the Tariff Question Brings Interesting Revelations.**

The controversy that has sprung up between republicans as to the merits of protection and reciprocity is good reading these days, for when thieves fall out honest men may get their dues. The American Economist, the organ of the ultra protectionists is laying down the law with a high hand. It is receiving some pretty heavy raps in return but as long as the trusts and protected monopolies put up the money to make the fight, doubtless the editor of the Economist enjoys the situation and will hit every head that comes up to say a word against its backers. What makes the controversy more interesting is that many facts that were known but were difficult to prove are now being acknowledged. For instance, it was well known that the republican managers in the senate were held up by the protected industries affected and so the French and other reciprocity treaties were not ratified.

One of these protectionists writing about the matter makes this plain by saying: We invited the French government to make a reciprocity treaty. We told them that if they would reduce their duties upon some of our products we would reduce our duties on some of theirs. This invitation was extended under the authority of the Dingley tariff law, and therefore was the act of congress as well as that of the executive, but after the executive had performed his part of the duty congress repudiated the whole thing because a few New England manufacturers of knit goods and pinhead jewelry, and a few Californians who are trying to raise French walnuts, feared that their products would be reduced.

M. de Witt, the Russian finance minister, did not mind matters in giving his opinion of Secretary Gage. He said "he cannot imagine that Mr. Gage would intentionally mislead the people of the United States, and therefore he can only conclude that Mr. Gage is not possessed of all the facts in the case." In the meantime further reprisals are hinted at on agricultural machinery, but our manufacturers must not blame Gage if they are entirely blocked out of the Russian markets; they must blame the Dingley tariff. A prompt revision of the tariff is the only hope of our manufacturers if they want to do a foreign trade.

It is announced that up to the present time the prosecution of Mr. Neely for the Cuban post office frauds has cost the government \$50,000, and he is as far from conviction as when he was first arrested. How much Rathbone has cost is not stated. It is quite evident that the republicans do not dare to vigorously prosecute these men or they would have been brought to trial long ago. The threat of Rathbone "to pull down the pillars of the temple" has evidently had its effect.

According to the census bureau report of manufacturing in the state of Delaware, the workmen have not participated to any great extent in the McKinley prosperity, for we are informed that the total wages paid to 22,203 workmen was \$9,263,661. This would only give each man an average of \$412.72 a year, or less than \$7.94 a week, but little more than one dollar a day. As this included superintendents at high salaries and foremen and other skilled labor, the ordinary man must have received much less than one dollar.

**ONLY FOUR ARE LEFT.**

**Widows of Soldiers of the Revolutionary War Who Are Still Drawing Pensions.**

Only four widows of soldiers who fought in the American revolution now remain on Uncle Sam's pension roll. Seven years ago there were 13, but they have dropped off one after another, and pretty soon the last of them will be gone, says the Troy Times.

The four women may be said not merely to join the eighteenth and twentieth centuries, but actually to furnish connecting links between the war for independence and the present day—a time break of 125 years. Though they themselves did not witness the birth of this great republic, their husbands beheld that event and took part in the doings which led to the formation of our government. These four men whose wives are now alive and drawing stipends from the treasury were old enough to bear arms when the shot fired at Lexington was heard around the world.

One of these interesting women is Esther Damon, who lives in Plymouth Union, Vt. She is nearly 87 years old, and not long ago, in response to a letter addressed to her, she wrote: "My maiden name was Esther Summers. I was born in Plymouth, August 11, 1814, and was married to Noah Damon, September 6, 1836. I do not know where he was born. He was an old man, 70 years of age when in my twenty-second year I met him."

The records of the pension office show that Noah Damon was born in Milton, near Boston. He served two years in the Massachusetts continental, and was in the battle of Long Island. In 1776, near New York city, he was wounded in the left thigh with a bayonet.

Rebecca Mayo, the oldest of the surviving widows of the revolution, was born January 4, 1812, and is, therefore, 89 years of age. Her husband, whom she married in 1830, being then a girl of 18, was called Stephen Mayo. He first saw the light in Virginia in 1758, and enlisted in the Virginia continental in 1776. At the battle of Brandywine and Germantown he was present, but was not wounded, being reserved for a peaceful demise in November, 1842. His widow dwells in the town of Newburn, Va.

The youngest of the four widows is Mary Sneed, who is only 85 years old. When last heard from she was hale and hearty, and, according to her own accounts, "able to walk around to the near neighbors."

Mary's maiden name was Powell, and her husband, Bowden Sneed, was born in the same neighborhood. She was 25 years old when she married him, in 1841, and he, of course, was somewhat aged then. Soon after the outbreak of the revolutionary war he enlisted as a private in Capt. Cope's company of Virginia militia, serving nearly two years. He died in 1842, a twelvemonth or so after his marriage, leaving his pension of \$30 a year to his widow. In 1891 congress, by special act, increased the stipend to \$35 a month, which Mary still continues to draw.

Nancy Jones, of Jonesboro, Tenn., is the last of the four relics of the revolutionary pensioners. She is 81 years old. In 1832, being known as Nancy Huff, and a sprightly young thing of 18 brief and glad summers, she met and married Darling Jones, who was considerably her senior, having been born way back in 1764. He was a North Carolinian, and had served in Capt. Carner's Tennessee volunteers.

**How French Girls Are Educated.**

The children of the lower classes in the country, as well as in town, all go to public schools. Little girls of the better class have an English or German nursemaid or a resident governess. When they are sent to a boarding school they go to some convent, but in Paris courses which leave the young girl most of the time at home are preferred. The courses are weekly, semi-weekly or even daily classes. The government schools have hitherto been attended mostly by the free thinking element. Private schools are fast being transformed into day schools. Then there are private teachers for those arts called "accomplishments," which occupy a prominent place.—Th. Benton (Madame Blanc), in Ladies' Home Journal.

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