



Goodies for Christmas.

Fruit Cake to Delight an Epicure.

For fruit cake enough to do the family—any reasonable family—for Christmas and New Year's Day, these things are necessary: Two pounds currants, three pounds raisins, one pound citron, one pound candied orange and lemon peel, one pound figs, one pound almonds, two pounds flour, one pound butter, two pounds of the darkest brown sugar you can get, eighteen eggs, one ounce ground cloves, one ounce ground cinnamon, one ounce allspice, two nutmegs grated, one fourth pint of brandy.

Prepare the fruit the day before. This simple command is apt to "stump" the experimenter—so this is how it's done. First of all tumble the currants into a paful of tepid water, stir them around a bit and lift out with the hands, letting the water drain off them as you do. Repeat this two or three times, then spread them on a clean tea towel, as coarse as one as you have, roll them up in it and rub them well to dry them and to get the little stems off. The stems will stick to the towel and the use of two or three towels in this way will make the currants perfectly clean. Spread them on a platter and set aside until the morrow.

Stone the raisins. This is made easy by letting them stand in nearly boiling water for a minute. A small sharp knife, a touch of butter on the fingers or else a bowl of warm water to dip them in, and the seeds are easily removed. Tear them in half as you seed them.

Shred the citron quite fine and cut up the figs in small bits. Chop the orange and lemon peel very small.

Blanch the almonds and cut them in quarters. They are blanched by pouring boiling water over them, letting them stand in it a few minutes, and then popping them out of their skins.

The raisins, orange peel, citron and almonds should be pressed down in a dish and the brandy poured over them then closely cover with a plate.

The next day, when the mixing and the baking are to be done, set the flour on the oven to brown, and as it browns remove that dark enough and set the rest back until all is a light brown.

Thoroughly rub together the butter and sugar, with a wooden spoon until creamy. Separate the yolks and whites of the eggs, beat the yolks until light and add to the sugar and butter. Then add half the flour, next the spices, stirring well after each addition. Sift the other half of the flour over the fruit and add that, putting the figs and almonds in first so that they will be well distributed, then the citron, chopped peel, raisins and currants alternately, a handful of each at a time, and stirring industriously between handfuls.

Beat the whites of the eggs to a light—not a stiff—froth and add last.

A good idea is to save out two or three spoonfuls of the batter before the fruit goes in, to spread over the cakes after they are in the pans, in order to cover the fruit and prevent its burning.

Heavy pans that turn out a cake with a hole in the middle, or earthen baking dishes are good to bake them.

The oven must be just hot enough to turn a piece of manilla paper pale brown in a minute. It requires three hours to bake a fruit cake thoroughly and the oven must be a "slow" one of even temperature. After three hours open the doors and leave the cakes in the oven for half or three quarters of an hour longer to cool.

Now for the crowning touch. About a week or five days before you are going to eat the cakes, get a quart bottle of champagne—domestic does very well. Puncture the cakes with a knitting needle or larding needle through and through in every direction and pour the wine over them, turning them in it until they drink up every drop. Set them away again until the day before cutting, when they can be iced if desired.

W. K. Finks & Co. 514, and 515, Austin street, Waco, Texas.

SPOT CASH!

Readers, look over this ad, and read from time to time and it will save you money. I offer as a starter: Dried grapes, 20 lb for \$1 00. Choice evaporated apples, 10 lb 1 00. Navy beans, 23 lb 1 00. Lima bean, 18 lb 1 00. Grits, 35 lb 1 00. Head rice, 14 lb 1 00. 10 packages Scotch oats 1 00. 10 packages corn flakes 1 00. 1st patent flour, per cwt. 2 80. Granulated sugar, 18 lb 1 00. Y. C. Sugar, 19 lb 1 00. Brown sugar, 20 lb 1 00.

Spot Cash.

This is something of interest to tobacco chewers and smokers: Star tobacco, per pound, 45c. Horse Shoe tobacco, per pound, 45c. Target tobacco, per pound, 25c. Fish Hook tobacco, per pound, 25c. Drummond's N. L., per pound, 55c. W. N. T. N. L., per pound, 55c. Cut Rate, per pound, 30c. Lucy Hinton, per pound, 50c. Royal Bumper, per pound, 50c. Sweep Stakes, per pound, 55c. Lucky Strike, N. L., per pound, 55c. Rob Roy, per pound, 30c. Old Dick, per pound, 30c. Best Greenville, per pound, 33c.

Spot Cash

Friends, this is only a small list of my cash prices on groceries. Call at my store and I will surprise you with the low prices on other goods. Every day a special sale day, and any quantity sold at these prices.

J. H. SHOPE

205 South Third Street.

THE NEW SENATOR-ELECT.

W. W. Searcy Who Succeeds Maetze Accepts and is happy to Support Mills.

Mr. W. W. Searcy was nominated a few days ago as the Democratic candidate for senator to succeed Hon. E. G. Maetze from the Twelfth Senatorial district and the following is his letter of acceptance:

Messrs. D. C. Giddings, S. G. Ragsdale, J. D. Bryant, T. S. Reese and S. R. Blake, Committee.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Dec. 29th, 1891, apprising me formally of my nomination to the office of state senator from the 12th senatorial district, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. E. G. Maetze, by the Democratic convention lately assembled in Brenham. I accept the nomination with a grateful appreciation of the confidence reposed in me. Should the legislature be called together by the governor, there will be business of much importance before it, and none in which the people seem to be more interested than the election of a United States senator. In carrying out the instructions the convention saw fit to give me, I will be voicing the sentiments of my heart, as, in my judgment the Hon. R. Q. Mills is the grandest man we have in public life today.

Should the people of the district ratify your choice at the polls I can only promise to try and serve them with the same fidelity that marked the official course of my lamented predecessor. With great respect I remain, Yours, truly, W. W. SEARCY.

Brenham Texas, Dec. 30, 1891.

A Sound Liver Makes a Well Man.

Are you Bilious, Constipated and troubled with Jaundice, Sick Headache, Bad Taste in Mouth, Flin Breath, Coated Tongue, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Hot Dry Skin, Pain in Back and between the Shoulders, Chills and Fever, &c. If you have any of these symptoms, your Liver is out of order your blood is slowly being poisoned, because your Liver does not act properly. HERBINE will cure any disorder of the Liver, Stomach or Bowels. It has no equal as a Liver Medici ne. Price 75 cents Free sample bottle at H. C. Risher's Drug Store.

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E. E. Thompson HOUSE and SIGN PAINTING.

Interior Decorating and Paper Hanging a Specialty; Also Dealer in Painters Supplies and Wall Paper.

E. E. Thompson SIXTH STREET NEAR FRANKLIN. WACO, TEXAS.

THE FIRE FIEND.

A Residence in the Country and E. E. Thompson's Establishment.

At an early hour Saturday morning the new residence of Mr. Ed Duty, near Rosenthal was consumed by fire. All the furniture except a piano was saved by the efforts of Mr. Duty and his neighbors. Mr. Duty carried insurance in the Fitzhugh, Motz and Gouddy agency as follows: On house \$750, on furniture \$300.

At about 2 o'clock yesterday morning the paint and wall paper establishment of Mr. E. E. Thompson caught fire and for a few minutes it looked as though the entire house and contents would be destroyed. The fire boys responded in great shape and the flames were arrested before they got under good headway. The building was damaged very materially however, and the stock of paper and other material was injured by fire and water. The insurance on the property was as follows:

On stock in the Manchester \$800, in the Merchants \$800, in the Western \$1000. On building in Burlington \$700. All this insurance was placed with the Dockery & Co. agency.

Prompt Payments.

The following payments of these policies speak intelligently of the liberal methods of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York:

NEW YORK, Dec. 31, 1891. Col. R. B. Parrott, Waco, Texas:

DEAR SIR—We hand you herewith our check for \$2000 in settlement of claim under policy No. 31,459, Muecke, which matures March 13th but which we take pleasure in thus anticipating as a sort of New Year's present to Mrs. Muecke.

With the compliments of the season, we are yours truly, M. L. STEVENS, Sup't Claim Dep't.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30, 1891. Col. R. B. Parrott, Waco, Texas:

DEAR SIR—We hand you herewith our check for \$5000 in settlement of claim under policy No. 27,689, Jno. H. Lehr. This claim matures March 6th, 1892 but we are happy, by thus anticipating payment, to contribute a New Year's present to the comfort of Mrs. Lehr.

We also hand you herewith our check for \$5000 in settlement of claim No. 29,765, Habicht. This claim matures February 14, 1892 but we are happy in this case also to increase the comfort of Mrs. Habicht for the New Year. Yours truly, M. L. STEVENS, Sup't Claim Dep't.

Frightened to Death.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 4.—Anthony P. Silba, a laborer aged 30, was frightened to death yesterday. He was a witness to a stabbing affray, when a policeman arrived on the scene and arrested him by mistake as one of the participants. The man became so frightened that he fell in a fit and died ten minutes later.

For Russia's Starving.

BOSTON, Jan. 4.—Governor William E. Russell has issued an appeal to the people of Massachusetts asking them to come generously to the aid of the famine sufferers in Russia and appointed a committee, with Bishop Phillips Brooks at the head, to receive contributions.

Another Samoan Uprising.

SYDNEY, Jan. 4.—Advices have been received from Samoa to the effect that another native war is imminent. Two hundred of King Mafeta's warriors are said to be advancing upon the village of Lumu with the object of expelling Matafa's insurgents.

FORSYTHE & COREY. FINE & FURNISHING GOODS AND HATS.

THE STRIKE TODAY.

A Determined Fight That Promises To Last.

SENDING OUT AGENTS TO THE

Commercial Centers to Divert Freight From the Aransas Pass—A Test Case Where the Only Federation of Employees Exists.

The San Antonio and Aransas Pass strike is probably the most important strike that has ever occurred on any railroad. It derives its importance from the fact that on no other road has the orders of railway operatives federated for their protection. The strikers maintain that it is a test case and if it fails there is no use for labor to organize. The conductors, engineers, firemen, brakemen, switchmen and telegraph operators each have their organization to promote their interests, and a few months ago all of these went into a federation to protect any one of them against any imposition the railroad company might try to inflict. The telegraphers grievance, based upon what they thought and alleged to be an imposition, was the first opportunity they had to test the federation. Taking this view of it and one is forced to the conclusion that the struggle will be the most interesting ever known in the history of strikes.

The receivers seem hopeful, and claim that they will have regular trains running in a few days. The following notice appears on the door of the station in Waco, and it is presumed the same is posted on all the stations.

"All persons are hereby notified to keep off the property of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass Railway company's unless there on business with the company, its agents, or employes, and all persons trespassing on property of the railway company, or who shall move or injure any railroad locomotive, engine, tender, baggage, passenger or freight car of said railway company, or interfere in any way with the use and operation thereof, without authority of the receivers, their agents or employes, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

GEO. L. SANDS, Superintendent, Approved by Receivers Yoakum and McNamara.

The strikers rely on the assistance of the labor organizations on the other roads and they assert that not a pound of freight from the Aransas Pass will be touched by the employes of the other roads if they scab that road. If their expectations are realized the fight will probably extend to all the other roads and one of the most gigantic struggles between a railroad management and the employes thereof will be seen before a settlement is reached.

Receiver Yoakum, however, says there will be no trouble of this sort, that the interstate commerce laws would prevent any such complications and feels assured that if he can get enough men to run the trains the traffic will be resumed and no further annoyance will be felt.

The citizens of Yoakum held a meeting Saturday and expressed sympathy for the strikers. The Printers Union of Waco met yesterday and passed resolutions expressing sympathy for the men.

Thus it seems that the feeling is spreading and the end is not yet. It will probably be several weeks before the train service will be resumed on the Waco branch and it will probably be weeks before freight will be moved on any part of the line.

It is reported that the Federating board with headquarters at Yoakum will send ex commercial agents and local agents to commercial centers to divert all freight from the San Antonio and Aransas Pass road.

If you want fresh oysters served in a tempting manner, call at the Woman's Exchange, 113 North Fourth street.

You can buy a good lot on your own terms part cash or trade or on instalments. Don't be a clam but get you a home while the chance is open. See P. G. KIRKPATRICK, 605 South Eighth street, corner of Clay street and he will sell you a lot.

MONEY.

We are prepared to make loans on improved country or city property at current rates. Vendors' lien notes extended Prompt attention.

FORT, WILLIG & PATTON, Waco, Texas

Lovers of Art

The beautiful painting of Mrs. Geo. Clark by

PROF. DEGISSAC

is on exhibition for one week at Deane's new studio, 701 and 703 Austin street. It is a masterpiece and all lovers of art should see it.

The following property is offered for sale without reserve or limit as to price. A man with some cash can make money and lots of it, if he will go and investigate this offer. But delay is dangerous, the property is going to be sold.

10 lots, 8 houses, corner Fifth and Speight streets; 1 house and barn on South Fifth street, this will be sold at a sacrifice; a 9 acre garden, 2 acres in asparagus, one acre in fine fruit and grapes, good improvements, on South Twelfth street.

A 65 acre fruit farm, 40 acres in fruit trees (bearing) also \$20,000 two year old nursery trees for sale. Sandy loam soil three and a half miles from city, fine garden land. Call at 613 Austin avenue for the bargains.

Undisputed Authority.

The United States Dispensary says: that "Osons are a stimulant, diuretic and expectorant; they increase the appetite and promote digestion." The juice made into syrup as in Dr. Gunn's Onion Syrup, has a specific action on the throat, lungs and air passages, it not only cures coughs, colds, croup and consumption, but its stimulating effect, strengthens and builds up the system afterward. As a tonic and restorative it has no equal. We solicit a trial in the most chronic and stubborn cases. Price 50cts. Sold by W. B. Morrison & Co.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

At the Park Natatorium for the Winter Months.

Open 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. Saturday night until 12 o'clock. Closed on Sunday night. Tub, Vapor and Needle Baths day and night for invalids and others. Physician's office hours 9 to 11 a. m.; 3 to 5 p. m.

Skilled male and female attendants day and night. TOM PADGITT, J. B. CHESNUT, Proprietor, Manager.

Lucky Numbers.

Following are the numbers that won the prizes at Cummins' 5 and 10 cent Store, 703 Austin Avenue, January 1, 1892:

First prize, 1447; second prize, 1804; third prize, 254; fourth prize, 1837; fifth prize, 1457; sixth prize, 507; seventh prize, 93; eighth prize, 1053; ninth prize, 1666; tenth prize, 1235; eleventh prize, 992; twelfth prize, 981; thirteenth prize, 1674; fourteenth prize, 1000; fifteenth prize, 1853; sixteenth prize, 39; seventeenth prize, 1434; eighteenth prize, 1004; nineteenth prize, 1415; twentieth prize, 1203. Happy New Year.

Co-Partnership Notice.

We, the undersigned do this day enter into co-partnership under the firm name of Delaney & Mellor for the purpose of doing a general meat market business and kindly solicit the patronage of all who will pay promptly at the expiration of each month as we are determined to cut off all delinquents. Respectfully,

DELANEY & MELLOR.

Referring to the above I thank my customers for their past favors and will gladly serve all who in the future pay their bills at the end of each month and request all who owe me at present to settle as quickly as possible as I desire to give no one trouble.

Yours truly,

JNO. H. DELANEY, Waco, Texas, Jan. 1st, 1892