

DOMESTIC

Two-Layer Cake.

To make a two-layer cake, put in the mixing-bowl one cupful of sugar and a cupful and a-half of flour. Stir to mix, then add two beaten eggs and about three-quarters of a cupful of butter softened and beat it well until the butter is blended. Now, if the oven will brown flour in four minutes and the tins are well greased and floured, mix one heaping teaspoonful of baking powder in the batter. Beat vigorously to mix, divide equally in the pans, and immediately put it in the oven to bake for about twelve minutes.

Baked Indian Pudding.

Scald one pint of milk. Pour it gradually over one and a half tablespoonfuls of corn meal. Cook one hour in a double boiler, stirring often. Slightly beat one egg. Add to it one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-half teaspoonful of ground cinnamon, one-quarter teaspoonful each of ground clove and mace, and one-half cupful of molasses. Then add one pint of milk, and one-third cupful of currants. Pour this gradually into first mixture, stirring constantly. Add one-half table spoonful of butter. Bake slowly for three hours in a buttered baking-dish. Serve with thin cream.

Steak and Tripe Pie.

Stew the tripe and leave it to jelly in the liquid in which it was boiled. Line the inside of a pie-dish with good pastry, lay a slice of tender steak or a little uncooked ham at the bottom of the dish, and place the tripe over it with the jellied gravy clinging to it. Season with pepper and salt, and put pieces of butter here and there on the tripe. Put in two or three spoonfuls of brown gravy, and cover the whole with a good piecrust. When the pastry is done the pie is ready for the table.

Household Hints.

To remove grass stains from linen or washing material, rub butter on the stain; let it remain a while, then wash out with soap and water.

Do your flat-irons over with silver aluminium paint, such as is used for radiators, leaving the flat face or ironing base free. Irons thus treated will never rust, and they look so clean and fresh.

If you cut a thin piece of felt, cloth, or velvet, 2 inches long and $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch wide, and glue this in the back of your shoe, $\frac{1}{2}$ an inch below the edge, it will prevent the shoe slipping up and down, and wearing out the stockings at this part.

To freshen worn leather seats of chairs, rub over them the beaten whites of eggs.

To clean lamp burners wash them in wood ashes and water and they will come out clean and bright.

In cutting fur always use a sharp knife, cut on the wrong side and sew the strips together with coarse thread as silk is apt to cut the skin.

To clean bamboo furniture use a brush dipped in warm water and salt. The salt prevents the bamboo from turning color.

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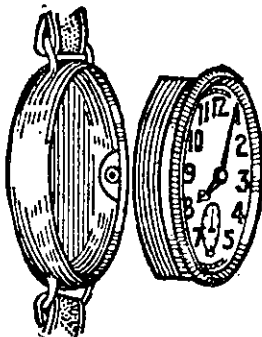
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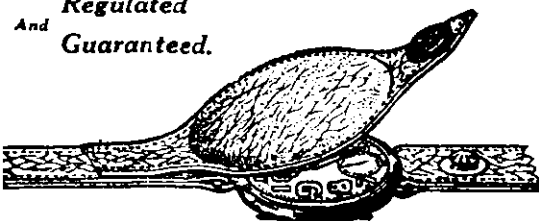
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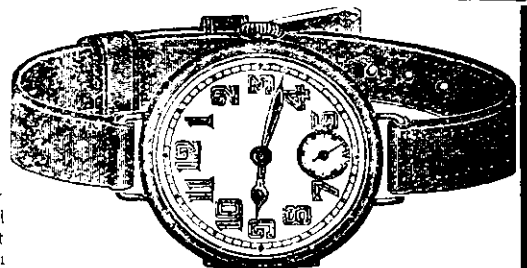
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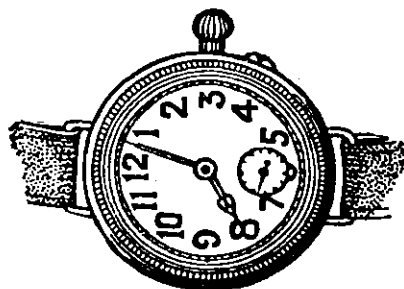
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