

LIQUID CANDY.

The Secret of Its Manufacture Explained.

For the benefit of those who visit the porcelain works at Severs the guide explains to some extent the processes. Among other things he shows how the delicate cups are made. He holds in his hand a mold, fills it from a tank of porcelain mixture as one would fill a glass with ice water from a cooler.

In much the same way the candy drops are made. The liquid is a saturated solution and will not dissolve any more sugar, just as your coffee in the morning will not dissolve the fourth lump of sugar that you put into it, but disintegrating it, deposits it at the bottom of the cup.

That part of the sugar that has been robbed of its water is deposited against the mold, just as the porcelain is, and the result is the liquid drop, which it is to be regretted has sometimes a little liquor added to it for flavoring.

The whole process is a simple and interesting experiment in absorption, although probably not one in a thousand of those who have tasted the candy have had any idea of the method of its manufacture.—Philadelphia Times.

A VACATION HINT FOR BOYS.

Some Suggestions for Young Insect Collectors.

Many of the wideawake youngsters who are planning to spend their vacation in the country will find special fascination in making a collection of insects. Now is the time to study up on the subject of preserving these treasured specimens.

In the first place, in collecting insects it is a good plan to kill them with cyanide potassium, prepared by mixing it with plaster of Paris and water, in wide-mouthed bottles kept tightly corked, except when placing insects in them.

After the insect is killed, if it is fleshy, like a large-bodied moth, for instance, take a pair of pointed scissors, cut open the under side of the body, holding the slight cut open with a pair of jewelers' pincers, and with a second pair of pincers take out the contents of the body.

The larva of the dermestid eat into the bodies of the specimens, doing their destructive work out of sight. After they are through there is nothing left but a thin shell, and soon the head will fall off, the wings will follow and the specimens become worthless.

With these precautions a collection should be carefully examined as often as once a month in cold weather and twice a month in warm weather. It is also well to keep a piece of cotton pinned in each case, which has been dipped in cresote as a help to preserve the collection.

It should be remembered that several of the preparations mentioned are poisons, and the boys who are interesting themselves in studying insects and their habits of life, while making a collection of native specimens, should be allowed only to collect and arrange his specimens, while some one older should attend to this work of preserving them.

The distance was long, but the dollar looked big. A bargain was struck on the spot, and the next morning, before daylight, the farmer's son started on his journey.

He reached his destination by night, very tired, but, before going to bed, he happened to notice in a corner of the sitting-room of the house in which he was to lodge, a well-worn copy of Euclid.

"What will you take for your Euclid?" The man reflected a moment, and then said he would sell the book for a dollar.

Down went young Mendenhall's hand into his pocket; out came the dollar which he had so hardily earned, and the next minute he was the owner of the book, which he carried tenderly under his arm as he trudged home.

Sir John Millais once said of Scotland that it is like a pebble in which all the best colors are brought out by the rain. Two persons were comparing notes recently of the most vivid pictures they remembered of country scenes and both said that the pleasantest picture they had in mind was of a rainy day.

"I shall never forget," said one, "the glistening leaves in the vegetable garden back of the house. I can see the brown wet earth and the varying shades of green to-day just as plainly as when I watched them disconsolately from the window. Even then I thought them beautiful."

"And I," said the other, "remember the pelting of rain upon the dusty road and upon the sand and have always before me the black waves crested as I have never seen them in any but Cabanel's pictures rising against a gray sky which only a Turner could paint."

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So the revolving tea table articles continue to whirl around for some seconds till Ada claps her hands and cries: "Take away the Tea," when they all sit in their chairs again.

This game may be played by any number of little girls and boys, and after turning twice in one direction turn in the opposite way, so as not to become dizzy.—Exchange.

When you rush in so thirsty that you can hardly wait to draw a glass of water remember that your dog and cat may be suffering in just the same way, so look at their bowl. If well cared for they will not drink water on which the dust has settled or which has grown tepid from standing in a hot room.

Let the growing children walk uprightly, the foot turned out a little, and every muscle of it used; shoulders back and head erect; straight without being stiff; spry in step, without anything approaching to a jerk. Sit firmly and sensibly, according to the needs of the body. Lie flat upon the floor if they are tired, rather than huddled up in an easy chair; and they will grow up into rosy cheeked, strong, merry and graceful young men and women, giving pleasure, whatever their faces be like, to all who look at them.

Cage birds, especially parrots, often injure themselves by biting and pulling at their tail feathers. A correspondent of a foreign paper offers the information that this habit may be overcome by suspending an old ribbon or necktie in the cage close to the perch. She says that a string of old spoons will give the bird much pleasure, observation leading her to believe that the biting comes from what would be called in human beings nervousness arising from lack of something to do.

POETRY FLASHES

He—My dear, some of those people behind us are making remarks about your hat. She—Isn't it on straight?—Brooklyn Life.

Friend—What did you find the most difficult thing when you wrote your first verses? Poet—To find some one who would let me read them to him.—Fliegende Blaetter.

"Walter, I hope this steak isn't a piece of the bull from the bull fight yesterday?" "No, Senator, I think it is a piece of the horse from the bull fight yesterday."—Truth.

Physician—You must avoid all mental exertion. Patient—But, doctor, I must finish a society novel upon which I am working. Physician—Oh, I guess that will be all right.—Commercial Advertiser.

Mrs. Sharpley—Then, perhaps, you are familiar with the old saw? Patie—What old saw, ma'am? Mrs. Sharpley—"The one behind the woodhouse door." But he was gone.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Manager—That leading comedian of ours seems to be getting a swelled head. Assistant—They do, sometimes. Manager—If he keeps on he'll begin to think he's more important than the cooling apparatus.—Puck.

More Repartee.—"You can't keep a good man down," said the proverb-loving boarder. "Not," said the typewriter boarder, "unless he has a seat in the car. Then you can't get him up."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Do you ride a wheel?" asked the eldest of the doctors on the Insanity Commission. "Yes," answered the subject. "What make?" "I never noticed." The verdict was unanimous—dementia.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Pete Pushalong—You know the proverb, ma'am, "She that giveth to the poor an' unfornint lendeth to the Lord." Mrs. Sharpley—You are a lover of proverbs, I see. Pete—Yes, ma'am. I wuz brought up on 'em.

Mrs. Wickwire—I suppose, like most of your class, you think that the world is all wrong. Dismal Dawson—Yes'm. While they was makin' it, it would have been just as easy as not to make all the roads run down hill.—Indianapolis Journal.

The famous baseball pitcher had walked the floor with the youngest of his family for an hour or so. "Mary," said he, "if the manager saw me now I bet I'd get soaked with a fine." "Why?" asked his wife, sleepily. "I don't seem to have any control of the bowl at all, I don't."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Sherlock Holmes at the Phone. "Hello!" "Hello!" "The law clerk was in communication with the typewriter in another office. "Ah, you have red hair," he remarked.

"How in the world can you tell that?" "A white horse has just passed. Your hair is not very red, though." "How can you tell?" "The horse is not very white." "For the land's sake!" "And you once lived in the agricultural districts."

"Y-e-s, I did—once; but how did you know that?" "By your exclamation, 'for the land's sake!'" "You are from the country, too," she declared. "Yes; how did you know that?" "By the way you rang that telephone bell. You thought you were still turning a grindstone."

"Never turned a grindstone in my life." "Then it was a feed-cutter, a coffee mill, a corn sheller, or a cider press. It's all one. And you have whiskers—no, it may be the wind whistling through the telegraph wires I hear. Good-by."—San Francisco Post.

Getting Desperate. Mrs. Scribbler—What shall I order for dinner to-day, Ephraim? Mr. Scribbler (thoughtfully)—Soft-shell crabs, cucumbers, terrapin, half a dozen lobsters, sauerkraut, tripe, charlotte russe, pickled pigs' feet, caviare, spaghetti, olives, Philadelphia scrapple, Chinese mooncakes, salt pork to fry, some pickled onions, frozen pudding, and some cherries and milk.

Mrs. Scribbler—Mercy! Do you want to commit suicide? Mr. Scribbler—No; but I am going to write a poem like Stephen Crane's tonight, or die in the attempt.—Somerville Journal.

Selling a Hat. Miss Passee (aged forty)—I wish to see a hat. French Milliner—For yourself, miss? Miss Passee—Yes. French Milliner—Marie, run down stairs and get me ze hat for ze ladies between eighteen and twenty-five years.—Tid-Bits.

His Principles. "You're for free silver, I see," remarked Bronson, as he turned over his salary to the affable hold-up. "Yes," responded the highwayman; "I'm for free silver where there's no protection." And with a bland smile he walked into darkness.—Puck.

A Matter of Making Up. The wife of his bosom had bought for him Just the loveliest made-up tie, And he only escaped from wearing the thing By many a made-up lie. —Indianapolis Journal.

That Was the Cause of It. "A Bicycle Face" The Philosopher Cyntie paused to observe one. "Illustrates forcibly the saying that 'there's a wheel within a wheel.'"

How She Parsed Love. "A common noun is 'Love,'" she said; "At least till Jack asks Popper; Then, to parse it, I should say 'It certainly is proper.'"

An Insultation. Fanny Westside—Is baldness a sign of intellectuality? Era Quoy (head like an egg)—In some cases, Miss Westside. With me it's a sign I didn't marry my first love.

THE NEW CABINET OFFICER.

David R. Francis, Who Will Be Secretary of the Interior For a Short Time.

David Roland Francis, the new secretary of the Interior, is an ex-governor of Missouri, and has several times before been mentioned as a possible cabinet member. He has been for more than ten years a prominent figure in Missouri politics.

Mr. Francis is a Kentuckian by birth and is not quite 46 years old. At the age of 15 years he removed to St. Louis and was educated at Washington University in St. Louis. After being graduated he returned to Kentucky, and for a short time studied law, but as his funds were low he accepted an offer from his uncle, then the head of a large commission house in St. Louis, and returned to that city to work as a shipping clerk.

It was not until he had reached a high position in the commercial world and had become a millionaire that Mr. Francis turned his attention to politics. He was first elected as a delegate to the Democratic convention of 1884 which nominated Grover Cleveland. The next spring he was elected mayor of St. Louis, which office he filled for three years.

Ever since 1884 Mr. Francis has been a strong personal friend of President Cleveland. During the latter's first term Mr. Francis was mentioned as a probable cabinet member, but he was not chosen because of political complications. When President Cleveland came to make up his second cabinet, the name of Mr. Francis was again on the list. When Mr. Bissell resigned, it was thought that Francis would succeed him, but the time for him to enter the cabinet did not come until Hoke Smith's resignation. Secretary Francis will have six months to serve.

According to a celebrated anatomist there are upwards of 5,000,000 little glands in the human stomach. These glands pour out the digestive juices which dissolve or digest the food. Indigestion is want of juice, weakness of glands, need of help to restore the health of these organs.

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GIRLS DUOK A P&EPER.

Heroic Measures Adopted by Fair Bathers in a Jersey Stream.

Madge and Jennie Hackett, who live in New York, have been spending their vacation as the guests of Miss Martha Robbins at her father's farm, in Old Bridge, a village about ten miles from New Brunswick. Young men with leisure are scarce in that vicinity, and the girls have had to amuse themselves as best they might with the aid of Miss Sadie Hickman and Miss Agnes Thayer, who live on adjoining farms. Each of the five girls is about 20 years old.

Yesterday morning they held a conference and debated the question of what they should do to entertain themselves during the day. It was Miss Hickman who suggested that they should take a swim in the brook. "That's a splendid idea," said Miss Robbins, "but what will we do for bathing suits?"

"Oh, we can dig up something. Anything will do. I can take you to a place where the swimming is grand and nobody would ever come near us. There's a thick hedge right down to the edge of the bridge."

Upon this assurance the five girls started for the brook, and five minutes after they had reached the bank there were five splashes and they were enjoying the coolness of the water.

Having got them safely into the water, the reporter may now safely disclose the fact that two of them had decided at the last moment to dispense with bathing suits altogether. "The attire of the other three was not so complete as the regulations at Asbury Park prescribe, but all of the girls felt perfectly safe in their remoteness from any roads or houses."

They dived and ducked and splashed each other to their hearts' content, and at length, in sheer excess of enjoyment, they began singing in the water. This performance came to a sudden stop as the eyes of Miss Hickman were seen to be fixed in mute horror upon a point in the hedge along the bank. As the sound of the girls' voices died away there was a rustling in the hedge, then a crash, and a man fell out upon the hedge of the stream.

"Oh!" cried Miss Hickman. "Oh, oh!" ejaculated Miss Robbins. "O-o-o-h!" shrieked the other three in chorus.

The two whose interest in this turn of affairs was most acute, and whose identity shall not be disclosed in this story, tried to get as far down into the water as possible without getting their heads under.

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The man in the meantime had scrambled to his feet, and stood gazing intently at the shells, which could plainly be seen at the bottom of the clear stream. Whether he had followed the girls or had been attracted by their singing is not known, but he had crawled up to a convenient place behind the hedge, leaned forward, lost his balance, and fallen through. He was recognized by Miss Hickman as her father's farm hand, Samuel G. Budlong.

"Sam," she screamed, "go away from here this minute! What do you mean by standing there? Go away, I tell you."

Sam's only response was a comprehensive grin.

It was a time for prompt and heroic measures. The five girls got as far away from the bank as possible, and held a whispered consultation. Then there was a sudden and unexpected movement upon the enemy. The three girls, who were not entirely unincumbered, made a dash for the bank. Sam saw that they were after him and started to run, but he stumbled and fell, and before he could rise the three girls had pounced upon him. They pushed, pulled and dragged him to the bank at a distance from the point where the other girls were, and, in spite of his protestations, they took him into deep water and held his head under long enough for the other girls to get out of the water and behind the hedge. Then they gave Sam a breather, but before he could get the water out of his eyes down went his head again.

"A-grr-bb-b!" he remarked as he went under, but no attention was paid to this suggestion.

He was kept under water, with brief intervals for breath, until the girls had resumed their clothes. Then the three let him go, and he ran off dripping water by the bucketful. When he got to Farmer Hickman's house he went in to change his clothes. A couple of minutes later the girls began to arrive, and they told Hickman what had happened.

Hickman went on the war path for Budlong. He burst into his room, and, grabbing him, ran him down stairs, half clothed as he was, and kicked him out of the house. There is a vacancy now for a discreet farm hand on Mr. Hickman's farm.

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