

FASHIONABLE SCHOOL GIRLS.

Some of Them Have Little Idea of the Value of Money.

"From present indications school will keep during Lent only some of these fine days," said the head of a fashionable private school.

And indeed a young miss of the "upper classes" has scant opportunity, as it often happens, at other seasons to attend to her lessons.

The society duties of the fashionable school girls are becoming as exacting, in many instances, as those of her mother.

These little dauntlings of fortune have very little conception of the value of money. In a well-known school some weeks since a class of rich girls were set the task of making a photograph album.

The Engineer (London) describes a new calculating rule made by J. Davis & Sons, London, which seems to be a considerable improvement upon the ordinary slide rule.

The electrical engineer may solve all problems involving the application of Ohm's law of the resistance of wires, the electro-motive force and resistance.

The unwholesome effluence on walls, due to what is termed "salt-petre," is due to several causes. Perhaps the only satisfactory explanation is that the newly-built wall is exposed to dampness, or dampness in co-operation with something in the brick themselves.

Recently there were in San Francisco, Cal., two sticks of timber, one 150 feet long and seven inches square, almost without knots; the other 144 feet long and eight inches square, practically clear stuff.

A FRIEND INDEED.—First New York club man—"Cobby, if ever I die you will miss me, my dear fellow, that I am really dead, before I'm buried."

Accused—"Yes, I'm nearsighted, you know, and I couldn't make out what the sign was, so I went over on the grass to read it and was arrested."

A DIFFERENCE.—Dennis—"Hello, Moriarty, were you one of the strikers?" Moriarty—"No, Duffy, I was one of the struck."

THE FLOWER GARDEN.

Plant worship was undoubtedly one of the primitive faiths of mankind, and is now being revived in many countries.

The foundation of the Mictote monarchy was laid to descend from two majestic trees which grew in a gorge of the mountain of Apolo, and the Chiapanecas sprang from the roots of a silk-cotton tree.

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The arrangement of the font must depend to a great extent on its structural proportions that we can only suggest a few general ideas.

A large number of our house-keepers, through their love and their conscience and their ambition, take a great deal more upon themselves than they are able to carry out without eventual ruin.

These insects most likely to annoy are the green fly, red spider, rose hopper, or the black slug, and the black slug.

UTILIZING DROPPED MANURE.—An Ohio farmer says that a good way to utilize dropped manure in lanes leading to the fields is to plough and scrape them where the surface is level.

Life in Pizen Creek.—Colonel Whipsaw, of the Rattlesnake ranch, has invented a method of taking photographs which retain all the colors of the scene reflected on the lens.

At a distance of eighteen feet apart may be planted a groundnut plant in 135 trees at four feet apart 2729 plants can be set out on an acre.

Glass ornaments, cut to imitate diamonds, rubies, etc., are now in Paris, and they are illuminated by a small electric lamp which now comes from a small battery which is concealed upon the person.

Mr. Frazer, an architect, has proved beyond all dispute that Portland cement does not expand. He filled three glass bottles with cement, and closely sealed them. One of the bottles burst in two days, another in eight days, and the third in ten days.

DECORATION.

A FERTILE lack for newspapers and the local papers of various sorts that are apt to litter a drawing room is now being remedied.

A new and novel suggestion for church decoration has been made by a leading member of society. The idea is to keep entirely to one class of flowers. Take the lily, for example, and make it the appropriate of all blossoms.

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A POINT FOR WHEAT GROWERS.—A gratifying effect of sowing straw in the furrows of a wheat field is very clearly shown in a report from Mr. Terry, of Ohio.

FERTILIZER THE ORCHARD.—In advocating the maintenance of the fertility of the orchard, Dr. Haskins, of Vermont, says he has never seen an orchard too rich for profit.

RISE GRIDDLE CAKES.—Boil half a cup of rice; when cold mix one quart of sweet milk, the yolks of four eggs and four sufficient to make a stiff batter.

TOMATO BISQUE.—One of the best soups in the world, is also the cheapest. Here is the recipe: One pint of canned tomato rubbed through a sieve, well seasoned with pepper, salt, good butter and a little cream.

CHICKEN CUTLETS.—Trim the remaining cold roast of boiled fowl into nice cutlets, cut some slices of bread of the same size and shape.

POTATO SALAD.—Cold boiled potatoes sliced very thin, three hard boiled eggs, one small onion chopped fine; season with vinegar, salt and pepper, and dressing made of the yolk of one egg stirred into a half-teaspoon made mustard and one tablespoon strong vinegar; beat in by hand three tablespoons of sweet cream and the white of one egg beaten to a froth.

SHRED CABBAGE SALAD.—Remove the outside leaves from a large head of cabbage; wash and trim; cut up in a bowl, shave over it a little oil and add a leaf of minced parsley.

REAL PATTYCAKES.—Chop tender veal fat, add one beaten egg, and moisten with cream, season with salt, pepper, mace or thyme. Make into cakes, then dip into bread crumbs, corn meal, or finely crushed crackers, and fry in butter or lard.

FARM NOTES.

GEESSE ON THE FARM.—Any farmer who lives on a farm situated on a quarter of a mile or more from neighbors, may keep a flock of geese with profit.

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A UNITED FAMILY.

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