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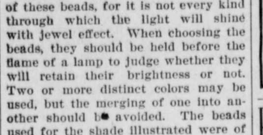
JEWELED LAMP SHADE.

foundation of white net, and everything depends on the careful selection of these beads, for it is not every kind through which the light will shine with jewel effect. When choosing the beads, they should be held before the flame of a lamp to judge whether they will retain their brightness or not. Two or more distinct colors may be used, but the merging of one into another should be avoided. The beads used for the shade illustrated were of a rich ruby tint. The design of French bows was carried out entirely in these, the fringe being of the same, interspersed with semiopaque ruby drops and sequins. The materials required are a piece of very stiff white buckram, another of white brussels net of medium texture, some thin white china or pongee silk and a bebe ruching of white or colored ribbon.

Having decided on the size of your shade, cut it out in the buckram in the circular form shown in the second figure. Trace the design upon it clearly in pencil and with a sharp penknife cut away the buckram from the inside of the bows. Now cover the shade with net, tacking down the latter with small stitches at the top and bottom and all round the edges of the design. Take care that the stitches are set close to the edge, or they will show when the shade is completed. After this cover the outside with the silk, tacking it down everywhere with large, firm stitches.

Hold the shade up to the light and cut away the silk from the open design so that the net forms a transparency, leaving sufficient silk for turnings. Turn it down with the point of the needle and hem it finely to the net all round the bows, but do not sew it to the buckram, as this will not hold the stitches at the edge. Take out the tackings from the silk, which must have been left with a wide margin for turning down along the top and bottom of the shade.

Bead the pattern by sewing the beads, six at a time, round in rows, close together, showing no spaces between. After fastening down the last bead in each group of six put the needle again through it, so as to draw the next group up close to it. Sew a large jewel in the center of each bow. Having finished the beading, sew the bebe ruching closely all round the design, hiding the stitches which fastened the net and the silk to the buckram. Turn the silk down over the edges of the shade at the top and bottom and down the sides, and sew a strong silk covered wire along the bottom and top. Add a white silk lining in the same way you arranged the silk on the outside, leaving wide edges to hem down. Join the shade round, sewing the sides together and felling the lining down the seam. Sew a full ruche of silk or chiffon round the top and lower edge of the shade and down the side to cover the join. The latter may be further



JEWELED LAMP SHADE.

embellished with loops of bebe ribbon, these being also set in tufts at intervals along the edge, finished with choux of chiffon, each having a jewel in the center. When the ruche is sewed on, make all neat by hemming down the silk lining at top and bottom to cover the stitches, and your shade will be complete and extremely effective.

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There is hardly a well regulated table today on which toast is not often served. It is a dainty fashion to place a tiny toast rack before each person, and it is to be commended. The little silver racks are pretty and add much to the appearance of a table. But what of the toast which they hold?

"Any one can make toast." Have you not often heard that statement, gentle reader? I have, and I consider it a most erroneous one, and from long observation I venture to question its veracity. Toast wants as much care in its preparation as any other article of the menu, and much that passes for toast is unworthy of the name.

It is not sufficient to cut a slice of bread more or less thin—generally less than more—and hold it to the fire, so that part is scorched while the rest is not baked, then to put three of four of these pieces in a rack, where by close contact they quickly become sodden and unwholesome.

Good toast is a dainty which is worthy the cook's best attention. For its achievement take a loaf and cut from it a thin slice. Place this for a few minutes on the rack over the range or in the mouth of the oven to dry, then toast it lightly and evenly on both sides before a clear fire; put it on the rack again to keep hot and be quite crisp before serving.

Trim it neatly, cut into three cornered pieces and serve. The result will be excellent, and the difference between it and the thick, sodden stuff generally served as toast will be wide as the poles asunder. The one is wholesome and delicious; the other, alas, is too often met with to need description.

So far I have spoken only of dry toast. But there is buttered toast to be served with tea or as foundation for various dishes. Much that has been said before applies to this toast also, but now the bread must be cut thicker, and it should not be dried or made crisp. Let it be baked evenly a delicate golden color and buttered liberally at once. Then, with the crusts removed, it will be delicious by itself or with the addition of deviled sardines, herring roes, scrambled eggs and the hundred and one dainties served by a clever cook in this form. Though both kinds of toast are excellent in their own way, the cook should remember the individual qualifications of each when serving it.

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RELIGIOUS THOUGHT.

Gems Gleaned From the Teachings of All Denominations.

Our entrance into heaven depends upon our possession of salvation right here amid the affairs of this life.—Dr. Work, Presbyterian, Cincinnati.

Divine Discontent.

There will always be a divine discontent with the world as man finds it to urge him on to further improvement.—Rev. David Utter, Unitarian, Denver.

Man's Value.

A man's value cannot be fixed in time, told in things or measured by sensations. He belongs to a spiritual order and to eternity.—Rev. Dr. N. Luccock, Methodist, St. Louis.

Church Life.

Church life should be the center around which should revolve all of life's activities and supply the light and energy of every purpose and plan. —Rev. Dr. W. Pope Yeaman, Baptist, Columbia, Mo.

Success.

So called success is largely ephemeral. He who waits, who is calm, who builds with God, wins out. He is apt to do so here. He does so surely in eternity.—Rev. David N. Beach, Congregationalist, Denver.

Spiritual Growth.

As a man develops in spiritual life his vision, sympathies and plans of usefulness enlarge. Growing in grace he grows in benevolent solicitude and activity for humanity everywhere under the sun.—Rev. J. B. Hawthorne, D. D., Baptist, Richmond.

Training of Desires.

The real moral worth of today lies in the training of desires. This is the moral part of education. The moral end of education is helping men, compelling them to want higher things.—Rev. Dr. William J. Tucker, Presbyterian, Hanover, N. H.

Laws.

All laws, spiritual and physical, rest upon the axiomatic truism that whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap—bad acts followed by retribution and good acts yielding love and peace and spiritual growth.—T. B. Wilson, Theosophite, Kansas City.

Marriage Failures.

The failure of many marriages is caused by the attempt to build up a spiritual relation without using spiritual elements. The union is none the less necessary when it ceases to be wholly pleasant.—Dr. Felix Adler, Ethical Culturist, New York.

The Christian's Happiness.

There can be no completion to the happiness of the Christian until he becomes a saint in heaven, until he is caught up and enjoys with his Lord that celestial glory which shall be the eternal reward of both Christ and his people.—Rev. Dr. Palmer, Presbyterian, New Orleans.

Liberalism to Triumph.

Liberalism is Christianity. And that religion which is believed and taught by the world's liberal churches and thinkers is the Christianity which shall finally reign triumphant over the earth and become the comfort, solace and joy of every terrestrial soul.—Rev. F. C. Priest, Universalist, Chicago.

Look Up.

Whenever we are in trouble, whenever billows are rolling over us and the tempests beating around us, all we have to do is to look away from ourselves and the surrounding circumstances. The Captain of our salvation is crying to us, "Look up!"—Dr. Holderby, Moore Memorial, Atlanta.

Development of Man's Powers.

The powers of man are developed and perfected only by exercise. Things are perfect at their creation. The will of man grows strong in doing right by doing right and resisting wrong. But nugget of gold has all of its powers at their fullest growth at its creation. —Rev. Joseph A. Vance, Presbyterian, Chicago.

Suppression of Vice.

When we learn that the social organism is one; that if any member suffers the whole body must suffer with it; that if one man in the community is a loser every other man is a loser also, we shall make quick work in suppressing gambling and every other antisocial vice.—Rev. Dr. W. W. Boyd, Baptist, St. Louis.

Christianity.

Christianity has fully vindicated the value of her fundamental principles. While full of tenderness, pity, sympathy, patience and forbearance she is full of an all conquering, virile force. The strongest nations in thought, activity and power are the Christian nations which have not separated by unnatural divorce the contemplative life from the life of endeavor.—Bishop Samuel Fellows, Episcopal, Chicago.

God's Knowledge of Us.

And this heart of boundless mercy, of infinite love, is also a heart of infinite knowledge. The Father "knoweth our frame." He knows us through and through—our mental make up, our disposition, our inborn infirmities, our training and education, with all their defects: our temptations, our weary struggles to do right, our despairing failures, our helplessness.—Rev. R. L. Gerhart, Lutheran, Bellefonte, Pa.

Divine Wisdom.

The divine wisdom that perfects human conduct comes not as a complete law revealed to a Moses on Sinai or by a Jesus from Olivet, but comes thought by thought into the minds of men out of their experiences and their aspirations to solve the problem of human well being.—Rev. David Utter, Unitarian, Denver.

Man's Todays and Yesterdays.

As the gardens of Italy have their treasure through the snows and the mineral stimulants that are washed down from the mountain sides so man's todays are made rich and deep because many noble thoughts and purposes out of the yesterdays have poured down into his present.—Rev. Dr. Newell D. Hillis, Congregationalist, Brooklyn.

True Christians.

A true Christian is one who loves his fellow men and lives a pure and simple life; one who loves God and religion, but who loves his fellow man better than he does his religion and who will never cause pain and torture to the people of the world. The true Christian is tolerant and believes that all men are God's children.—Rev. Dr Silverman, Rabbi, New York.

Manhood and Citizenship.

Manhood was the source of citizenship, as manhood was the reason for liberty. It preceded citizenship. This was the embodiment in political life of that high Christian thought of human liberty which came to the world in its fullest development when Christ in his own person manifested the equality of men and taught to the world man's inalienable right to life and liberty.—Rev. Dr. Conaty, Catholic, Washington.

Worshiping Ideals.

The worship of ideals or their representatives is firmly rooted and grounded in the very depths of human nature, and every man worships the God of his fathers or makes one for himself. As the sunshine infuses itself into the fiber and life of every flower and plant the worship of the heart is one of the determining factors in the formation of character. The worshiper inevitably imbibes the qualities and characteristics of the worshiped.—Rev. B. Brown, Christian Church, Chicago.

Christmas Gift a Blessing.

One Christmas tree in a church often does more good than a whole year of talk about charity. We may tell the poor that we are in sympathy with them, but they do not understand our proffered kindness and handshake. The friendship of a teacher often waits unrecognized at the heart door of the suspicious child of poverty. But the gift of a few pennies' worth of candy establishes the teacher's sincerity, opens the child's heart and brings the church in friendly touch with the poor of an entire community.—Rev. R. W. Rogers, Congregationalist, Chicago.

PROCESS BUTTER.

Test by Which Its Character May Be Discovered.

It is now possible to test chemically renovated butter and determine its character. It has been supposed previously that the constituents, being the same in both fresh and renovated butter, would act the same when chemically analyzed. But it appears that butter in deteriorating undergoes a physical change that the renovating process is not able to reverse. The fat of renovated butter has a more or less crystalline structure, while the fat of pure, fresh butter is devoid of any such appearance. If pure butter be examined microscopically with polarized light and selenite plate, the field will be uniformly colored in any position of the analyzer, while renovated butter will show a mottled, many colored field. Without a selenite plate and without the analyzer in proper position pure butter shows a dark field of almost uniform appearance. Renovated butter under similar conditions gives a dark field mottled with white patches. The peculiar appearance of renovated butter is due to the fact that the fat has been melted and in cooling has assumed a partially crystalline structure. The completeness with which crystallization from fusion occurs and the size of the crystals depend on the slowness with which the melted substance cools to its solidifying point. The slower this change of temperature takes place the more perfect will the crystallization be. In renovated butter, on account of the great rapidity with which the melted fat is solidified, we get only an incipient crystallization. If butter is melted and then allowed to cool slowly, large crystalline masses are formed, globular in shape and showing a distinct cross by polarized light.

SALTING BUTTER.

Consider Individual Tastes and the Season of the Year.

There seems to be quite a common idea that the use of salt in some ways intensifies or increases the flavor of butter, says the New York Produce Review. I am inclined to think, however, that it really has no such effect, so far as the true "butter flavor" is concerned. First, it has some preservation effect, and, secondly, it makes the butter more palatable to the average taste in the same manner as it improves the taste of other food upon which it is commonly used as a condiment. There is a vast difference in individual taste as to the use of salt. Over in England a good deal of unsalted butter is used, and the majority of the best trade prefers a very lightly salted article even when the flavor of the butter itself is very mild. In this country more pronounced flavor is preferred. Now, it is a fact that people naturally use salt less freely in seasoning articles of food which have high flavor of their own than when the flavor of the food is not pronounced or neutral.

A dish of green peas, just from the vines and possessing the delicate flavor so desired, is enjoyed much more when the fine aroma is not covered up with saltiness, but when this delicate flavor is absent, as in the case of the canned article, the deficiency seems to be compensated somewhat by the use of a little more salt. I think it is the same with butter. When the naturally high flavor incident to the season of fresh, green pastures is found in the butter, the people want little salt in it, and one-half to three-fourths of an ounce to the pound is ample, but when this high flavor and aroma are lost or much reduced during the less favorable conditions of fall and winter the lack seems to be compensated somewhat by a slight increase in saltiness, not that the salt really increases the butter flavor, but it makes up somewhat for the lack of it and makes the butter more palatable to the average consumer.

It is often necessary, therefore, as the natural flavor of butter decreases in the fall to increase the use of salt a little, but much care should be taken not to overdo the matter, for oversalting is worse than neutral flavor, and butter makers who have received no complaints from their customers should make no change until their commission agent advises them to do so.

Raising Calves.

In the course of something like 24 years on the farm and for many years keeping and raising cows, says C. W. Murtfeldt in the St. Louis Republic, we have found it best to keep a calf in good growing condition, not to overfeed, but never to let her lack or go on starvation rations. I would rather feed a little higher than to take the other extreme. All our calves are weaned from the start. Never let the calf draw the milk except possibly once or twice, because that first milk is medicine more than food. Give new milk for 10 or 12 days; then feed half new milk and the other half skimmilk. If the skimmilk is plenty and the calf is in pasture also, feed it well three times a day. The skimmilk contains casein, cheesy matter, which helps the growth of bones and builds up the frame.

Handle and gentle the calf every time you feed it. It will soon know you or those that bring the feed. A calf so raised will not shrink or run from you and is broken even to the handling of the bag. She will let you lift up her feet and in every way possible, for a calf, let you know that your visits are welcome and that you are a friend and not a foe. At the age of 12 months, if she be in heat, the bull is presented, and, if need be, every three weeks thereafter—not oftener. When she becomes pregnant, she will be quiet. Then give liberal rations.

Carrots For Cows.

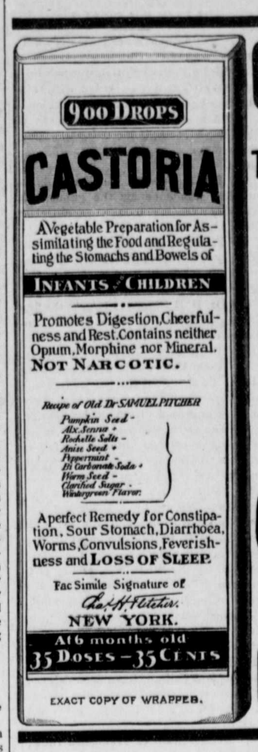
In the table of nutritive value which the Michigan Farmer publishes carrots are rated 2 per cent of fat, while both sugar beets and beets for fodder are rated at only 1 per cent of fat, but whatever chemical analysis may show as the percentage of fat in potatoes it is practically nothing when it comes to butter making. The cream from milk from cows fed on potatoes is white, waxy and without the grain that the best butter should have. Feeding cows with beets causes them to give a great amount of milk, and it makes fair, good butter, but the cows also need some cornmeal or other grain feed to increase the butter fats. Feeding the carrots makes the milk increase in quantity, and it will be rich milk, making a yellow colored butter even in winter if fed with cornstalks and a very little corn. Of all the roots grown carrots and parsnips are the best of all roots to feed to milk cows. They are largely fed in the Channel islands, and it is possibly this feeding on succulent food, combined with the mild winter that prevails there, that has helped develop the milking qualities of Jersey and Guernsey cows.

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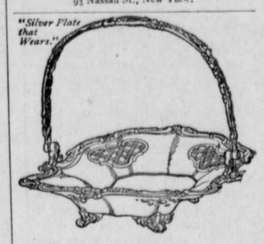
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