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# Domestic

Chicken and Tomato Patties.

Required: A cupful of cold fowl, cupful of tomato pulp, one tablespoonful of cream, salt and cayenne to taste, half a pound of puff paste, one egg. Mince the fowl very finely and add to the tomato pulp, with the cream, salt and cayenne to taste. Have some puff paste ready, stamp it out into rounds of a nice size for patties, and stamp it into a small round again. Carefully remove the small round and bake all separately. When the cases are done, scoop out a hole in the Ligger piece of pastry, fill with the prepared mixture, put on the 'lids' and heat through. Serve hot.

Hashed Cod.

Required: One pound of boiled cod, half a pint of white sauce, two hard-boiled eggs, half a pound of mashed potato, half an ounce of butter. Have the fish freed from skin and bone. Make some good white sauce, seasoning it delicately with pepper, salt, and tarragon vinegar. Flake the fish coarsely, and warm up in the sauce, with two hard-boiled eggs cut in eight pieces. Lightly stir in the mashed potato. Mix all together lightly, arrange it pyramidically on a dish, and brown in the oven.

Oyster Fritters.

Required: Oysters, one ounce of butter, four tablespoonfuls of oyster liquor, one ounce and a-half of sifted flour, three eggs, pepper and salt, frying fat. Prepare a batter as follows: Dissolve one ounce of butter in four tablespoonfuls of oyster liquor, and stir into it one ounce and a-half of sifted flour; set in a pan and mix over the fire. Turn the batter into a basin, and mix in (one at a time) three eggs, and a pinch of salt. Next scald the oysters, dip into flour, and then into the batter. Fry a golden brown in deep fat, dry on a paper by the fire, and serve with brown bread and butter, nicely garnished with parsley.

Braised Fillet of Beef.

Required: A fillet of beef, two ounces of fat bacon, soup vegetables, six small peppers, a blade of mace, two cloves, one pint of stock, pepper and salt, French beans. Have a nice fillet from the sirloin, and lard the top with strips of fat bacon. Take a pan large enough to hold it, line the bottom with strips of fat bacon, and on this lay the fillet. Round it put soup vegetables and herbs wrapped up in a bay leaf, a piece of mace, six peppers, and two cloves. Pour over all one pint of good stock, cover with greased paper, put on the lid, and let the contents simmer till the meat is cooked. Set the fillet in a dish, strain the gravy, color it, season highly with pepper, salt, and pour round. Garnish with French beans or sprigs of cauli-flower. Just before serving, cut the fillet into neat slices, but leave them pressed together.

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