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Some of the Things that are Done by the Cleveland Steel Company.

The following extract from the Cincinnati Enquirer will give some idea of the conditions prevailing in the works of the Cleveland Steel Company, at Cleveland, Ohio:

"A good many curious things and others which must be described with a different term have developed on account of the strange conditions in the foundries. Residents in the neighborhood have complained about the occurrences in one foundry. They say that hack loads of women of the street have been brought to the place on Saturday nights and have been admitted by the watchman to the quarters of the workmen. The union pickets say that it is customary to admit such women to all the foundries which are operated with what they call 'slave' labor.

"Recently one of the 'slavemoulders' was captured by the police in a glorious state of intoxication. In the police court he testified that he bought his drinks inside the walls of the iron foundry of the Cleveland Steel Company, where he had been working. After he had imbibed very freely, the desire for liberty overcame him and he escaped from the prison shop by scaling the fence. His testimony led to an investigation by internal revenue officials and the Cleveland Steel Company was compelled to take out a saloon keeper's license. It was found that a regular bar was being run inside the foundry. It is still being run?"

The men in these works have been on a strike, for several months on account of the starvation wages paid by the concern. The company has secured a lot of "scab" or "slave moulders" to take the places of the strikers. They are kept imprisoned inside of high walls, and the above are some of the inducements offered to keep them satisfied with their job. This outfit of course is opposed to organized labor.

THE WOMAN'S NEW YEAR.

The following letter from the woman's page of the Bricklayer and Mason will be interesting to our women readers, and it may contain a suggestion that will be of value to them:

Dear Sisters:

The New Year!

I am sure I wish you all a very happy and prosperous one.

Let us talk of ourselves and of what we are going to do during the coming twelve months.

By all means, let it be something worth while. It is such a satisfaction to be able to look back and say, "I have done so and so." So much better than to say, "I have done nothing at all."

But the question arises, What can we do?

One woman will say, "Well, I for one, haven't the time to be doing things. I have plenty to do taking care of my family."

And that, dear madam, is the best thing a woman can do.

It isn't the easiest thing in the world to look after a family.

There are hundreds of women who fail in just that one little thing.

One of the best things a woman can do is to look back on the past year and say, "I have taken care of my family well this year. The children love their home, and their father loves me."

Keep right on and do as well next year, and heaven will bless you.

Housework isn't the most pleasant kind of work in the world.

Sometimes a woman will let herself become "swamped" with it, as they say, and then it is that she deserves pity.

Sometimes she will permit it to dull her brain and convert her into a machine, and then it is she is to be condemned.

I can feel sorry for the woman who gives up in despair because the work is too much for her, but I would rather she should do that than that she should forget in the everlasting grind of dust and dishes she is a woman with a soul and mind.

Whatever you do during the next year make up your mind to have something kind to your credit. Sharp words are so easily spoken.

Some one has said that it costs nothing to be kind. But to the woman with the naturally sharp tongue it costs a good deal, and if she can conquer that sharpness on several occasions, when the provocation is really great, she is just so much nearer being perfect.

Good luck to you, anyway. Let's all make up our minds, as we always do, to be good and kind during the next year. There's no telling what may happen to us in the twelve months to come!

ONE MORE UNFORTUNATE.

The following item from the Galesburg Labor News is suggestive in this era of unparalleled prosperity (?):

"Thomas Pierce committed suicide last week. He became despondent on account of being out of work and other

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things. We are informed by an employe of the B. & O. shops that Mr. Pierce appeared at the shops for work every morning for three weeks, and being unable to obtain it, and having other troubles, he committed the awful deed of self-destruction. There are yet, with all our prosperity, a few men out of work. You can see them every day walking the streets looking for work, with perhaps, families at home in destitute circumstances; mayhap little children suffering from the pangs of hunger, half clad and brought up without any education, stunted in mind and body. Is it any wonder men become desperate when there is plenty for all and they are denied? Is it any wonder there are suicides, robberies, murders and deeds of destruction committed? Will man's inhumanity to man never cease? Will the working class ever see whither they are drifting? We would like very much to be able to answer this one question and be positive of the answer. Come, let us get closer together and consider each other's welfare. Don't be indifferent. Your advance should advance all. Let us stand as one."

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