WOMAN AND HOME.

DISCOURTESY ONE OF THE MOST FATAL OF SOCIAL FAILINGS.

A Timely Warning to the Gay-Airing Rooms-Suffering Women-Little Children-Wonderful Instinct-Accidental Playthings-Dress Reform-Paragraphs.

Of all social failings discourtesy is th most fatal and most common. Husbands speak roughly to their wives, and wives "mag" their husbands; brothers are rule; sisters are tyrannical; all oppose, contradict annoy one mother, and no one thinks it incumbent upon him or on her to-keep that check on the temper and that padlock on the lips which would be a matter of obligation if a stranger were present. Though there would be infinite distress-mourning and lamentation unspeakable-should one of the cross grained brood dis, there is a general atmosphere of storm, threatened or broken loose, which makes living in such a home damaging to the character and dis tressful to the sensibulities.

Young wives and husbands cannot be too strongly reminded of the probable stipwreck they will make of their happiness if they yield to that ill temper which expresses itself in discourtesy, want of compliance, unneces sary opposition, and above all that most dis natrous amusement of "nagging" and creat-ing a row. Hundreds of households have gone wrong for the mere want of checking in time the habit of annoying as a relief to the momentary feeling of irritation or discom-fort. The wife who gets into the way of contradicting, of "checking" her husband, of opposing him in small things and stand ing out in large ones-the husband who is sneering, contemptuous, tyrannical, fault finding-perhaps neither side knowing the whole extent of its folly, but just giving way to it as more easy than to fight and conque it-these young people are doing their bes. to dig the grave of their married peace; and some day poor, pale, fainting little love wil fall into it, stark and plumeless, and will

never rise to life again. In the beginning these little tiffs and dis comforts are made up with a kiss from him and a few tears from her to add coment to the reconciliation. By time the tiffs are more acrid and the reconciliation is less warm. By still further time this never come at all, and things get into that chronic state when there is never an open breach and never a formal healing, but an ever widening drift and a never ending coldness. Then the two lives jar and grind like rusty hinges —locks which misfit the slots; wheels where the axle is stiff-or anything else which should work together in harmony and smoothness, but which for want of care to keep the adjustment exact (perhaps for wast of oil to the joints), creak and chafe and hang and do not fit, to the annoyance and more of all the bystanders.-Home Journa:

A Timely and Needed Warning.

Now look me str ight in the eye, young gossamer head, while I bell you what I know. The girl who will include in flirtation with strange men in public places, however harmless and innocent it may appear, places her self in that man's estimation upon a level with the most abandoned of her sex, and courts the same vile regard. Strong language for a mild mannered Amber to make use of, but, I tell you, I become a furious old grandmother the moment I see a blessed young girl tip tooing her thoughtless way apon this road that leads direct to death and

destruction! The boat that dances like a feather on the tide a few miles above the commencement . Riagara rapids, is just as much lost as when it enters the swirling, swinging wrath or waters, unless a strong hand keep it up stream. and out of danger. A flirtation to-day is a ripple merely, but to morrow it will be a breaker, and then a whirlpool, and after that comes hopeless loss of character. Girls, I have seen you gather up your roses from the vases at night and fold them away in damy

"Suppose she should break it?" What if she does! It costs much less the she does? It costs much less than ordinary toys, and serves her vastly better. When

had learned to put the end of it in a little dish and turn the wheel-"just as mamma does"-she was happy, and her pleasure in her new plaything lasted for weeks. She would not hurt herself seriously with it, and finding that there was one way in which it acted and made a noise she did not throw it about and use it as a hammer, but used it properly, came to have a high regard, and I have no doubt a deep respect, for it. Another plaything is a clean lamp burner with a long piece of wick knotted at the ends so that it cannot fall out, or with the ends sewed together; the child can turn the thumbscrew and make the wick move, and thus find much pleasure.-Babyhood.

Airing Rooms.

It is a great mistake that the whole house. particularly sleeping rooms and the dining rooms, receives little ventilating and purify ing the air, when it can be done with so lit-tle trouble and no expense. A pitcher of cold water placed on r table or bureau will absorb all the gases with which the room is filled from the the respiration of those eating or sleeping in the apartment. Very few realize how important such purification is for the health of the family, or, indeed, understand or realize that there can be any impurity in the rooms, yet in a few hours a pitcher or pail of cold water-the colder the more effective -will make the air of the room pure, but the water will be entirely unfit for use.

In bodrooms a pail or pitcher of water should be always kept, and changed often if any one stays in the room during the day, cortainly be put in fresh when the iamates rotire. Such water should never be drunk, but either a covered pitcher or glass bottle with a stopper should be used for drinking water, and always be kept closely covered. Impure water causes more sickness than even impure air, and for that reason, before using water from a pump or reservoir for drinking or cooking, one should pump or draw out enough to clear the pipes before using it, particularly in the morning, after the water has been standing in the pipes all night.-Philadelphia Call.

How Little Children Suffer. Nobody knows how much little children sometimes suffer at the hands of the unprincipled persons to whom they are too often ignorantly intrusted. More than one fatal attack of brain disease has been directly traced to a dose of opium given by an un scruppious nurse to quiet a crying child; many a child has caught its death from exposure to a hot sun or a cold wind in its perambulator while its careless nurse gossiped with lover or friend, or read dime novels in the public parks, and last but not least, many a nervous child has been injured for life by the nursery bugaboos with which it has been terrified into submission and quiet; not always by the nurse.

The mother who never bathes and dresses her baby, who does not nurse it and who sleeps away from it in another room loses much of its sweetness, and both she and her child are to be pitied. "There is a medium in all things," and while no woman is called upon to make a slave of herself to her child -indeed the doing so is a positive injury to ooth-still she has no right to give the sacred charge over to hirelings, and consider her maternal duty discharged when she pays their wages.-Mrs. M. P. Handy in Boston Globe.

A Woman's View of Women.

The best educated woman will best under stand the limits of her own powers; the girl who can really earn her own living in a manner suited to her sex will not desire work for which she is unfit; and the woman who most thoroughly understands what the term 'politics'' implies will be the last to aspire to a direct share in the government of the state, even though she may think herself and her sisters not unworthy of a voice in the "There is a great choice of their rulers. deal of human nature about," even in women, and you will never succeed in cut-ing them all to one pattern. Votes or no rotes, Penelope will embroider, Nausicaa entertain her guests, Andromache nurse her baby, Helen will flirt, Aspasia teach eloquence and guide statesmen to the end of the chapter. And Cassandra? O, Cassandra will prophesy. We fear that she will be as little heeded as she was in the days of yore, and we hope that her forebodings will prove less true than those which spoke the doom of Troy .- Countess of Jersey in National Review.

attention is concentrated upon it and she is happy. We do not give her the harmer and looking glass, but some equally queer articles. We let her have a Dover egg bed. If they are to be cleaned but once a day let it be before going to bed.--Mrs. Ellis Mumma in Good Housekeeping.

Sufficient Unto One's Self.

We should all become, as nearly as possi ble, sufficient unito ourselves, but not in a narrow sens

But it is a duty we owe the world to be come such excellent companions, comrades for ourselves, that we shall be important factors in the lives of others. One that is "peer company" for himself is rarely of much account to his friends.

If life were divided into tenths we might say that it might matter one-tenth to the world, what we were in habit, thought and ability; that it was nine times as much consequence what we were capable of being to our family, to ourselves. If it is well with us personally, with us in our family import-ance and content, we can afford to pay moderate attention to the world's claim, therein it is contained in the second though it cannot justly disturb one whose home life is content.-Our Country Home.

What Next in Dress Reform?

Women have long been asking: "What next?" The reform in 'undergarments is well established, as any paper fashion catalogue will show; and the outside dress, while it may for a time be played with by society ladies, just as children change old toys for new, does not meet the physical needs of working women, nor the aspira tions of those who are working for social purity and one standard of morals of men and women. So it will be a "signal failure" even if it succeeds. Mine. Mindeleff says: "It is perfect," but I must repectfully deny that any dress which makes a curtain for hiding the limbs is the "perfect" dress for wome...-Celia B. Whitehead in Woman's Journal.

Duties of a Guest.

While a guest make yourself amenable in a certain degree to the habits of your friend's susshold. Do not attempt to ride your hobbies or air your special isms on such ocasions: it is not in good taste. One should adjust their taste, sight, smell, etc., to the different conditions of the homes she visits. It is far from pleasant to feel that our guest has with the plummet line of her superior wisdom, fathomed our shallows in domestic economy or family government, found a disagreeable odor or discovered the "skeleton" in our closet .- Ladies' Home Journal.

The Truest Homes.

truest homes are often in houses not The specially well kept, according to the ideas of the very fastidious, where the comfort and happiness of the inmates rather than the preservation of the furniture are first conidered. They are not like the home where the father and sons were obliged to always come in by the kitchen door, and then had to take oil their boots and walk in their stocking feet. That home is a thing of the past; the sons did not stay any longer than they could help under that roof.-Atlanta Constitution.

Marriage and Divorce Laws,

There is a gradually extending opinion that the marriage and divorce laws of the different states should be made uniform. In twenty-three of the thirty-eight states a prior undissolved marriage sets asile a new union. In twenty insanity does the same; in seventeen non-age, and in thirteen fraud. These are grounds for declaring marriage null and void ab initio. Desertion as a ground for divorce varies in length and character in many states,-New York Sun.

A Healthy Skin.

Very cold or warm baths when used to exceas diminish the elasticity of the skin and its power of resistance to external irritants. Dr. Auspetz, of Vienna, says a healthy skin is not necessarily beautiful and water is serviceable to it in only moderate amounts and in moderate temperatures. The same

THE LAND OF BURNS.

A TOURIST'S ACCOUNT OF A TRIP FROM DUMFRIES TO AYR.

A Nation of Anglomuniacs-Change of Accent-A Land Where Everything is Kept in Order-Robert Burns' Cottage. The Big Relie Room.

The ament began slowly to change as we swept north. By the time we were bundled out of our beautiful red velvet coupe at Carlisle it had hardened very perceptibly. When we had landed in Liverpool the effect of hearing the Engish accent everywhere was peculiar. Coming fresh from the land where it is a matter of derision for the small wits, and even the native English who employ it are suspected of affectation, a whole nation seemed to be struck with an attack of Anglomania. But it was more curious still to hear the soft English give way before the rude gales of the north, and change most percepti-bly hour by hour, till at last, at Dumfries, it was thick enough to tell us that we were in Scotland.

We were in the land of Burns-for at Dumfries his monuments begin-and the mere mention of his name sets the Scotch tongues a-warging. Burns died at Dumfries, and there is a beautiful monument to his memory in the yard of St. Michael's. But though Dumfries claimed him at his death, Ayr claimed him at his birth, and Ayr is forty miles away-a very consider-able distance in Scotland. So long a journey involved another change of train, for though Ayr is known the world over in letters, from a railroad point of view it is an obscure place. So we were whirled to the market town of Kilmarnock, to catch the little branch railway. Our beautiful red velvet coupe had degenerated to gray corduroy at Cariisle, and at Kilmarnock we had another drop to blue felt.

There is scarcely a man from Dumfries to Avr who cannot recite you almost every poem that Burns ever wrote, and the tiniest lad or lass will point out to you the brace of Ballochmyle, the eastle of Montgomery, or the banks o' Doon, and tell you which on of Bobbie Burns' many sweethcarts lived there.

EVERYTHING IN ORDER.

Everything seems to be in order in Scotland, especially in the west countree. W went through miles of swelling land where the fields were newly plowed, and every furrow was as straight as an arrow. The hedges were as trim as in England. There was not a blade of culivated grass awry, and the humble, simple little cottages, plain to the last degree, all alike and without one single attempt at architectural ornament were each and all as clean, well kept and fresh as a good housewife's dresser. Even the moors at the edge of the horizon, not yet purple with the August heat, looked trim and swept, and anything but wild,

The train pulled up with a little snort about 8 in the afternoon, and we found ourselves at Ayr. Another change of accent. The man of Ayr speaks as differently from the man of Dumfriesshire as Dumfriesshire is different from the man of Carlisle

One does not wonder so much that Bobby Burns became a poet when one gets into his pretty, fresh, green little country. It is th most inspiring little land in the world, with its tricksy skies, its blue moors, its moist greenness and its world of traditions. One looks at the hardy peasants toiling in the fields, and it all seems very poetical indeed. One can easily pick a "Highland Mary" or a "bonny Jean" from among those large limbed peasant women at a distance, since distance 'tis that lends enchantment to the view.

But the wonder of it all, the marvel of this peasant poet's soul only comes home to you as you bend your head to enter the door of his lowly dwelling, his cottage hut-no name could be too simple for its simplicity. As you pass through the inevitable turnstile you find that it has but the two rooms of TV Sectch peasant's home but th

Worth's Eupardonable Fault. Worth has committed the fault, not to be forgiven by a woman, of duplicating ball dresses for two leading society women

a, the capital. I. all came out at the British legation ball last week, and the little scene was a funny one. The first of the two to enter the ballroom was a lady from Philadelphia, the daughter of a millionaire in congress. Her dress elicited general admiration, and the remark, "No doubt of that being a Worth dress," went in a little buzz around the room. A few moments later a New York woman appeared in a dress of the same lovely maize color, the exact material and fashioned as much like the other dress as two peas. They met, and there were looks-it need not be said they were looks of astonishment, disappointment and polite chagrin. They saw the explanation in the duplicated gowns, and no

words were necessary. But women usually finds words neces

sary, if only to relieve their feelings. "I hope-you-haven't a-pink-one-too,' gasped the New York woman, faintly, eized with the horrible foreboding that Worth might be wicked enough to dupli-in tones equally faint and despairing. When they had sufficiently recovered to talk it over calmly, the truth was told, and they knew the pink dresses were also duplicates. Fortunately, as a third party said. "They are both awfully rich and can afford to throw away the dresses if they choose." But they are very mad.-Washington Cor. New York Tribune.

Robbed of Rich Deposits.

Mineralogy is a great study, but mineralogists do not know all about it, and do not believe what to others is the simplest thing. Did you ever drop a lot of quicksilver on the ground and then try to follow it? If you had you would understand the effect of water and oxygen on mineral, the decomposition of vegetable and animal matter caused by water trickling down through the ground. I have seen ground that probably, or almost certainly, hundreds of years ago was rich in mineral-would have been a bonanca -and which has never been robbed of its deposits by man, but which is to-day poor and worthless. It has been worked out by the elements as other mines have been worked out by men. In such places deep mining, below the water line, will probably show rich deposits.

I have seen places where the ore has been left in cones, like the honey in hives. This same work of decomposition by the elements accounts for barren streaks This decomposition and leaching is also responsible for streaks of native silver, the mineral coming in ontact with an opposite chemical. The whole subject is asily explained and understood when one has nature to give illustrations. It may be somewhat indefinite when shown in books, but not when shown in the ground. When it confes to that, however, a person learns a great deal in actual mining that he can never learn in any other way.

-Charles Clark in Globe Democrat,

The Squirrel Fur Trade of Russia. During the winter the peasants of the northern provinces of Russia are transformed into hunters and supply the two capitals with enormous quantities of feathered and fur game, captured chiefly by means of nets and snares.

Simultaneously with this supply of food St. Petersburg and Moscow receive the furs of Siberia, furnished mainly by the squirrel. The Zyrians, a wild people dwelling along the banks of the Petchora. are peculiarly expert in capturing these little animals. In certain years they appear in such vast quantities that the village roofs throughout Viatka are seen to swarm with them, and even in ordinary years the single district of Siobodisk sends to market 300,000 skins. At the first appearance of snow the Zvrian hunters repair to the deepest recesses of the Petchora forests. They are grouped in companies and equipped in a strange costume handed down from generations and well adapted to the chase. They build huts at a suitable spot, in which they live, but hardly breathe, so closely are they packed, and the whole forms a sort of camp.—London Times.

A PISTOL FACTORY.

GATLINGS, SHOT GUNS, ENGINES AND TYPE SETTING MACHINES

A Rifle on the "Pump" Principle-New Feed for the Gatling Gun-A Big Shot Gun-The Thorne Typesetter's Peculiar. ities.

In the spring of 1861 the writer was an enploye at Colt's shop, and having a leisure hour the other day visited the shop. Turough the kindness of an old friend he was given permission to inspect the factory and note the changes and improvements that twenty. five years have wrought. In 1861 pistols and rifles were made. Now, in connection with the improved rifles and pistols, are manufact. ured the famous Gatling guns, shot guns, Baxter and Disc engines, Thorne's type setting and distributing machine, Waterhouse electric dynamos and lights, screws, etc.

The Colt's self cocking double action pistols are too well known to need any description, and perhaps the same may be said of the new lightning magazine rifle, which works on the pump principle similar to the Spencer gun, and which are called in sportsman's parlance, "stomach pumps." Fifteen shells can be placed in the magazine and fired very rapidly, while the perfect mechanism of the rifle prevents clogging and insures per-fect safety. The reputation of the Colt's shot gun is too well established to need any recommendation. The new hammerless double barreled gun is now in gent demast especially among sportsmen who enjoy trap shooting, and the best scores made at they matches are won with the Colt gun. While we point with pride to our superiority over other countries in our mechanical and magn-facturing establishments, it is somewhat hunfiliating to be told that the barrels for all these guns are imported in a rough state, and that none of them are made in this country. These barrels come singly, and the soldering and fitting up is done here, so that all guas are ranged to shoot alike.

THE "CHOKE BORE,"

A great improvement over the old fach. ioned shot gun-and especially is this so for clay pigeon shooting-is the choke bore. That consists in boring the barrel so that it is much small r at the muzzle, and the sheet do not scatter, as in the straight bore. Many of these guns are made to order and choked to suit the fancy of the purchaser. From 300 to 400 is the usual number selected Perhaps an explanation would make this more intelligible to the majority of your readers, and means simply that the gun as tested at the armory will at a distance of forty yards in a charge of one and one eighth ounces No. 8 shot send 200 shot within the radius of a thirty inch circle.

One of these guns was recently ordered, to weigh twelve pounds, and it will stand a charge of five drams of powder and two ounces of shot- a miniature cannon, which ought to give the owner a decided advantage in trap shooting over one with a light gun, using only the regulation charge of three drams of powder and one and one eighth ounces of shot.

The Gailing gun is constantly being inproved, and through the kindness of one d the firm we were shown the latest improv-ments. Some sizes of the guns have two feeds, and are so constructed that one husdred shots can be fired in two and one half seconds. One can scarcely believe this unles he has seen it, as it seems impossible that the cartridges can be placed in the gun, first and extracted so rapidly. A new feed has been invented, by which the loading canister can be dispensed with and the cartridgesild from the box into two slots, which hold them by the rim till they fall into the grip, which carry them into the chamber.

THORNE TYPESETTER.

The Thorne typesetter is to one interested in new machinery the most attractive and peculiar machine now made in the shea. And by the courtesy of Mr. Joseph Thoms, the inventor, we were shown peculiar workings. This machine has been recently described, but many improvements have been added, and the working of the machine is now said to be quite perfect. The size of the cylinder has been increased, and eighty-two letters, figures and character used by the printer can be placed in one machine. The inventor claims that with two men and a boy to feed in the type the work equals that accomplished by six men is the old way; or that by this machine 700 ems can be set up in eight minutes. All the type used in Gen. Logan's book was set up with one of these machines. They cost \$2,000, the indexing and fitting is of the guides for the nicked combination# the type requiring a large amount of shild and exact labor. To operate the machinerquires only the same skill and practice needed to successfully run a typewriter.-Cor. Hartford Times.

paper to preserve their freshness for anothe day. I have seen you pluck the jewels, like sun sparkles, from your ears and lay them in velvet easkets, which you locked with a silver key for safekeeping. You do all this for flowers, which a thousand suns shall dupli cate in fairness and perfume, and for jewel, for which a handful of golden dollars car reimburse your loss; but you are infinitely carcless with the rose of sweet maidenliness which once fided no summer shining can ever again woo back to freshness, and with the unsullied poorl of reputation which all the wealth of Fings can never buy back again, once lost

Oh, see to it that you preserve the bloom of that modesty and simplicity of girlhood without which a maiden is like an artificial bit of scentless lawn in a milliner's window. rather than the "white rose of all the world, round which honey bes gather, and to which the knights errant of breezeland flock like callant obevaliers of old to the crusade o the most pure and holy cross. See to it that you look up the unsullied splendor of your jewel of reputation as carefully as you de your diamonds, and carry 'the key within your heart of hearts'--"Amber" in Chicago Journal.

The Patient, Suffering Women.

The world knows little of these sacriflee and sufferings of women married to unkind husbands. Men have resources of torture which are rarely exposed in our most sense tional criminal trials. With the wide lati tude allowed them they may systematically commit offenges against propriety and even decency without the condomnation of society. They have the husiness centers, the clubs and the theatres to which they can resort , but according to those rules which society has prescribed as almost inexorable the wife must remain at home. There is no uncap for her. The limitations of her lot forbid Her troubles are stifled in her diversion. Bhe dare not utter even one loud bosom. ery of brokenhearted agony and despair.

And it must be admitted that, as a rule, these patient martyrs bear their fate right nobly. The tortures of jealousy, the cool ness, perhaps the cruelty, the long and aux-ious watching for her lord who comes not, are borne with a meckness and long suffering which no one but a woman could endure Yet they utter no murmur or complaint to the world. With something stronger and more loyal than the martial spirit of the who buttons his coat to conceal the fatal shot, these noble wives of ours are ever ready to deny our faults and hale the scars Like doves, the truest and genwe leave. flest of birds, they close their wings over their wounds, and it is only when the life blood is seen dripping from their plumage that the world learns something of their suffering.-New York Star.

Accidental Playthings.

The very word toy implies something that is intended to amuse. Very many of the most elaborate and costly toys only do this for a short time, as long as they are new, while some article that by accident the child has become possessed of is a daily source of pice

As I write my little girl of 2 sits on the floor with a button hook in her hand trying to button and unbutton her little boots. She is not playing, rather she is working; but she is interested in what she is doing, her | second ones make their appearance. The

A Child's Memory.

It is strange that people reflect not more on how deeply storms, injuries, vile or mean things sink into a child's memory. If this be thought of it is plain there is more loveliyess when no forgiveness is needful than "aen it is granted; nor shall you be able to seal by any sutreaty or by any means such . lesion of spirit as you may make in an instant in a young creature. I have heard of a little girl who, taking the dead hand of her brother, said: "This little hand never struck me." Surely a memory richer and Surely a memory richer and fairer than if she could recall a thousand repentances for blows! When this is not only negative but positive, so that one can sav: "These eves always beamed and showed a peace; these hands always labored for me; these feet were ready with service, and these cars had a merciful sense, full of attention which is sympathy"-this is a noon of memory to which recollections of repentance are but dim twilight, half dark .-- Cor. Globe-Democrat.

A Wonderful Instinct.

It is a wonderful instinct that tells youth of new, and teaches the child of 6 the weakness of the grandfather of 90. The tenderness and care that mere infants almost will display toward the old man whose span of life is nearly done make one of the most interesting and pleasant of studies. Children have a very clear and shrewd conception of the difference between people of different ages. It does not come down perhaps to a year or two, but decades make a difference. The child of 5 draws a decided distinction in many ways between the boy in his teens, the man of 30, the man of middle life and the gray haired grandfather, and part of the instinct which produces that develops the same distinction with regard to sex, and is even finer in application to women than to men. But it is curious how the child recognizes the nonogenarian, and makes a con panion and an equal of him, occasionally showing a wase of superiority,-San Fran-cisco Chronicle "Undertones."

Teething Babies.

Between the fifth and seventh months, the two first lower tooth will make their apsurrance simultaneously. Prior to this wash baby's month out regularly every day with cold water in which is dissolved a little powdered borax. The latter is unnece aless there is sorecome in the mouth. When haby begins partaking of solid fooil a small tooth brush with very soft bristles should be used. As this is so rarely done, there are many who will criticise the suggestion. As the result of this practice he or she will possess two rows of sound white toeth until the

says that should be applied to the scalp and roots of the hair at night .- Atlanta Constitution.

Cure for Billiousness.

For billionsness the editor of The Boston Medical and Surgical Journal says a plain diet of bread, milk, oatmeal, vegetables and fruit, with lean meat and fresh fish, is best. Exercise in the open air. The victim of an acute attack will be righted by (1) abstinence; (2) porridge and milk; (3) tonst, a little meat and fish and ripe fruit, thus coming to solid food gradually.

Something to Be Considered.

The women of ancient Greece used to place the most beautiful statues in their sleeping apartments, and they reared a race of men famous through all time for their matchless symmetry of face and figure. The society adies of the present day keep constantly with them their pet pugs and terriers, and the result may be seen in a generation of dudes.-Lowell Citizen.

Domestic Economy in College.

The trustees of Purdue university, in Indiana, have decided to establish a course of lomestic economy there in connection with the regular course of study. If this means that the young women of the university are to be taught housekeeping, their future hus bands are to be congratulated .- New York Sun.

Training a Morning Glory.

There is Lut one flower more beautiful than the morning glory on the outside of the buy window, and that is a morning glory trained up on the inside of the window and in full bloom while the winter storms are raging and the thermometer indicates zero. It can be grown with very little trouble.

Hints to a Guest.

A truly polite guest will try to be equally agreeable to each member of the family and by noticing some awh and or shy child may do much toward developing her. Never allow an aged, infirm or otherwise unfortanate person to feel that you are not interested in him .- Ladies' Home Journal.

To Cure a Bad Breath.

A bad breath may be cured as follows, no matter what the cause: Three hours after breakinst a tenspoonful of the following mixture: Chiorate of potash, two drams; sweetened water, four ounces; wash the mouth occasionally with the mixture and the breath will be as sweet as an infant's.

The Model Husband.

The model husband does not assume that he is a pattern man, that he is all wise, and that his word must be law, but recognizes the married state as a republic wherein each is entitled to an opinion and the expression of it, and where each will regard the wishes of the other.

Making Buttonholes.

In Chicago are two or three women who arn a living by making buttonholes for ; other women who have neither the patience nor skill to do this branch of sewing. They charge 25 cents a dozen, and can earn from \$1 to \$1.50 a day .- New York Sun.

Tin ware washed in soda water will look

and "ben the hoose." "Ben the poore hoose" is what the old time Vankees used to call the keepin' room. "But the hoose" is where all the living seems to be done. For the mother's short bed with its cotton curtains stands in one corner, the tall, old eightday clock stands silent at its foot, as if, having ticked at the death and birth of Bobbie Eurns, it had done its life work and stopped. For these old Scotch clocks never wear out There was a well filled dresser in another corner, and from the crane in the great open fireplace some black pots still hung. There were some old tables and chairs which Bobble had mutilated with his own unconscious poet's hand, and the sinking stone floor was the same over which his baby feet toddled long before any one could know of his divine gift.

THE BIG RELIC ROOM.

The big relic room is filled with mementos of Burns, many of them so slight that only the most loving hand would have collected them, for what mementos could there be in the short and simple annals of a peasant's life? Being a poet, his manuscripts are his chief relies, and many of them are here under glass. There are quantities of poems to Burns, many of them-the best of them, indeed-by American poets. Srangely enough, the poet by Fitz Greene Halleckone of the best Burns poems ever written, though it seems to be an unfamiliar onenot in the collection. The chairs occupied by Tam O'Shanter and Souter Johnny upon hat melancholy occasion when they "boored at the nappy," occupy a raised dais at th end of the room, and no one less immortal than this worthy twain has ever been allowed to occupy them since these gentlemen passed into verse.

The cottage keeper, a shrewd, rosy Scotch man, with as merry an eye as ever twinkled, finding us an enthusiastic group, read "Tam O'Shanter" to us from the original manuscript. How deliciously it sounded, rolling freshly from the lips of a native Scotchman there upon its very own ground and with the very own handwriting of the poet before our eyes, with Alloway and the banks o Doon just out the window, and all the pretty country that he enchanted rising up around He had a turn for bumor, our Scotch 115. reader, and when he came to those pas which in these days would be called Swinburneian, but in those days were only Burnian, he rolled his merry eyes drolly, to see if, being but stupid Americans, we took the point.-"Beisy B." in The Argonaut.

Fifteenth Army Corps Badge.

Gen. Logan was responsible for the adop-tion of the "cartridge box and forty rounds" as the badge of the Fiftcenth army corps. At the buttle of Missionary Ridge the Eleventh and Twelfth corps had adopted badges, the former a crescent and the latter a star. A member of one of these corps sarcastically inquired of an Iristman belonging to the Fifteenth corps: "Say, Paddy, where is our corps badge!" The Irishman replied. slapping his cartridge box: "There, be jabers is me badge, with forty rounds in it." Logan heard of it, and by an order formally promulgated ordered the adoption of the artridge box marked forty rounds as the badge of his corps.-Philadelphia Times.

To clean furniture: One pint linsed oil, one pint vinegar, one-half pint wine or al-

Didn't Know How to Sleep.

Deputy United States Marshal Maurice H. Lundy was called to Juniata county last week on official business, and his first night there was spent at a tavern kept by a Pennsylvania Dutchman. He came, down stairs early in the morning shivering and shaking from cold and feeling very cross. The first person he saw was the landlord, to whom he savagely cried out:

"Say, Mr. Landlord, what kind of a hotel do you call this? Have you no bed covering in it? I almost froze to death last night!"

"Mine gracious," replied the proprietor. "you must be von mighty cold bloodes mans! Yy, ter ish two fedder beis on ter bed for you to sleep between."

About this time Lundy had taken in the true situation of affairs, and he fairly roated, as he exclaimed:

"Well, by all that is infernal! I lay all of last night between the top of the uppe feather bed and a sheet! Landlord, I bes your pardon. I'm going back again to get in between those two feather beds and do the thing right. Please call me at noon.' -Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin.

Four Hundred and Eight Princes.

The Christian and monarchial world counts among its combined reigning families 408 princes. If the female contingent was taken into account, this figure would almost be doubled .- New York Sun.

A Black Paper.

A peculiar black paper, made from the bark of certain trees, serves the purpose of slates in Siam and Burmah, the writing being erased by means of betel leaves instead of with a sponge,

Erlesson, the Inventor,

John Ericsson, the great inventor, is said to be in better health at 84 than he has been for ten years past. He averages ten or twelve hours of work a day .- Chicago Herald.

There is a dog at Magon, Que., that will mount the toboggan sled, go down the slide, draw the sled back and go down again as many times as the owner commands him.

The Hare and The Wolf.

A Wolf who had the misfortune to be caught in a Trap was soon espied by the Hare, who approached very closely and erclaimed:

"Ah! you Wretched Fellow! but for my Magnanimity of Character I would turn 10 and lick you within an Inch of your Life!"

The Wolf thereupon shed Bitter Tears, and the Hare taunted him with cowardice. "It isn't that?" quietly replied the Wolf.

but it is the Knowledge that I have let so nany Hares go Uncaten in the Past."

Moral: John L. will get trapped some day. Now is his time to knock 'em out.-Detroit Free Press.

Tennyson's New Volume.

Lord Tennyson's new volume sells more freely than anything he ever published The constantation of the critics is our weighed by the voice of fushion, and Lord Tennyson is as much the fashion now 15 ever.-Chicago Tribune.

A Merchant's Secret.

A Chicago merchant reveals the secret of the fact that while in cold weather other show windows are heavily frosted, his remain clear and transparent. He has his winlows rubbed twice each week with a cloth dipped in glycerine.

The Oldest Fresco.

The museum at Boulak, in Egypt, contains what has been called the oldest pictum in the world-a fresco from a tomb at May doom representing six geese,-Arkansa Traveler.

No mother should permit herself to become the slave of the family. The sweetest dir position must become soured under suchs strain and with it goes health and spirits.

To soften the hardest old boots or shost apply the fat from roast fowls with a cloth or brush.

Praise your housekeeper for her successful lishes and regard leniently her failures.

Lard, if applied at once, will remove the discoloration after a bruise.

Silver that is not in frequent use will not tarnish if rubbed in oatmeal

Fashionable note paper must have the air iress stamped upon it.