THE HOME CIRCLE.

Conducted by Miss HATTIE B CLARKE.

SALEM, FRIDAY, NOV. 2, 1877.

THE WOODMAN'S CRAFT.

O, the woodman's craft is a goodly craft, He sings through sun and showers; As strong and brown as his batchet's haft. As simple as the flowers; Of pleasure or toll he nothing lacks, As he carols his song and swings his ax

In spring decked forest bowers.

When all the winds of March are blown, And apple being be are building; When swallows from the south have flown

And that's cloudlets sendding
Across the sun, scarce dim his rays,
Pull merry and fair are the woodland ways When April streams are flooding. With throstlecocks the groves ring out;

Round but and byre and shieling. High, low, and near, and round about, The blue-backed birds are wheeling; And saucily boasting his robber name, The cuckoo pries, nor stints for shame, Where eggs are for the stealing. Beneath the ash, whose barren head Still looms all dark and frowning-

Beneath the gracious green and red That makes the young oak's crowning— Last Autumn's leaves can scarcely hide The tufts of primrose, morning eyed. With closk of Winter's browning.

Then merrily ring the axes keen Where stalwart arms are swinging;
And goodly shows the broad blade's sheen
The sunbeams backward flinging,
As thicket's marge and hidden glades Ring clearer than the ringing blades With woodmen's jovial singing. A goodly craft and a gentle craft,

And a craft no evil learing,
Is theirs who live by helve and haft
Where thickets are for clearing.
As the good man's batchet swings aloft, And the good wife sings from the binding croft, When Summer days are nearing.

My Visit to the Fair.

SALEM, Oct. 23, 1877.

MY DEAR MARY ANN: I got your letter yesterday and in

answer say that I shall continue to ions of matters and things in Oregon, as you seem to be so much interested.

I will keep on the subject of the State Fair, although I saw and heard so much I scarcely know where to begin again. The display of butter and cheese was not large, although all that I saw was nice, which is more than can be said of what I generally saw while traveling. Now, this seems to be a country uncommonly well adapted for lately found room in the Home Circle, dsiry purposes, and yet cheese is 25 we might reap more benefit. Suppose cents a pound, and butter 371, and will we advise each other in the cultivation be fifty in the winter.

thrifty families from our Eastern States like. If a woman has a kind true heart, where the women folks know how to and an earnest thoughtful m'nd, she is make good butter. Why, here you admired and loved a great deal more see plenty of it for sale, all patted out than if she had a faultiess form and and worked by hand, with finger marks all over it. It stands to reason that every particle or globule of butter that if she would cultivate her mind and approach such a worked with the head leavest more, and certanily it would be approach such a woman. Cheay jewelcomes in confact with the han I must be melted a little by the warmth, and better for her own happiness and those by the time the buttermilk is around her. Let us strive to keep our letter, cheap girls are nothing but the refuse; and the young men know it, and they will look in every direction "kneaded" out, the butter is soft and selves cheerful, agreeable, and ready waxy. I always use a wooden ladle, to lend a helping hand to the needy, and keep it and the butter bowl well and always be ready to listen to advice scalded. Perfect cleanliness is neces- if it be at all worthy our attention, and mry to make good, sweet, firm butter, cheerfully give advice when called and it is no more trouble to make it so, upon to do so. As for women doing if one is systematic about it, skimming men's work, it depends a great deal on and churning with regularity, than it what is called men's and women's is to make the bitter white stuff of work. If a woman has time and can which I am told tons is shipped to mar-ket. I talk of what I know, for your will be better and handsomer for it. had a mother, or home or anything to do. So be it. You will probably be Uucle John was proper proud of my Exercise in the open air brings color to worse than a shipwreck of yourself, butter and I always got the best price the cheek, brightness to the eyes, and

of jellies and canned fruit, not near so one as I had expected to see.

There was a mighty poor batch of of having a good exhibit of these and much harder to be good natured when other articles of home comfort and less not in good health, and it takes less to tellect. Who has not met with individof the fancy work department, though annoy. This, all who have been sick that is well enough in its way, of will agree to. The more we give way course. There would be one argument to angry feelings and words, the more in favor of these table comforts-they could not well be exhibited more than one year in succession. I am told that there are the same articles entered in the fancy department year after year, and regular attendants at the fair say they are sure of seeing the same old things hanging up; thus creating a regular bonanza for the owners, and levying tribute on the depleted purse of the Society, annually. Articles, too, that are really deserving but of so litthe real practical use that no one else not able to write as correctly as we came to enter into competition, and so drive it off the field. Time was when fine hand-sewing and stitching was considered a mark of skillfulness, and brought much credit to the seamstress. But be thankful, sisters, that time is But be thankful, sisters, that time is home education, and the fondness and now past, and your poor aching eyes often unwise indulgence of doating feand precious time and health need not male relatives, nineteen youths out of twenty enter life with a surplusage of be spent in such useless hemming and felling; for the sewing machine does it lieved the better. If in measuring quicker, and if it is not quite so neatly done on the wrong side, who carest than themselves, they discover that it Life is too short, and there are too many beautiful things to enjoy, to spend It with bowed head, thimble, and need-

ments hanging up that I was told were | will may have been paramount at home; hung there at the first State Fair, and took the first premium for hand sew ing from that time till now, though for several years, the ladies of the awarding committee have protested that they ought to be ruled out; yet the men who manage these women's affairs insist on keeping them in. One sensible woman on that board of managers would "equalize" things im mensely. While I was enting dinner at the "Aurora" restaurant there was some la lies at the some table, discussing affairs, and they they said there was other women who of knowledge. just kept a lot of things ou hand to bring to the Fair every year; why, it's just like having something out at inter-

I heard about the "Aurora," and about the settlement of Germans on the rail road, and somehow Dutch folks and good eating always seemed to go together, but this time I was mistaken, for the only thing I liked was that the victuals was set on rather clean like, but the victuals themselves was miserable poor, and so was the tea and coffee. the chicken was tough, and so was the pie srust. seems to me fifty cents a meal was too much for such common doings. They have had their own way too long, no doubt their table was good once, but they have got slack. The old saying was, when I was a girl-"Get your name up and you can lie abed till the first night of their repose, saw the noon." I s y live and let live; you would not catch one of them Dutchmen payi g out a cent to anybody, why, they don't even take newspapers, I am told, which is the bone and sinew of the country. Then they work their poor women nearly to death. It did make me feel tired to see them wading give you, now and then, my impress- about in the kitchen in those heavy quilted petticoats,-no plump, rosy cheeks among those Dutch girls.

Well, good bye, for now.

CORRESPONDENCE.

AUNT HETTY.

DRAINS STATION, Oct. 15, 1877. I think if women would discuss sub jects of more importance than have of our minds, and do not devote all our Oregon needs an immigration of time to corsets, graceful forms, and the everything seems better, and health is charms are that once you thought There seemed to be a small showing more certainly secured. Being closely confined in the house is the cause of much sickness and ill temper, and many disagreeable and injurious effects bread on hand. I should think more could be traced to this one cause. It is use we find for them; and if we choke them back, and try to be cheerful it is easier next time to conquer, and happiness instead of misery is the result. and the rest of the Garden family? unflurried, because they dread nothing; Please give us your ideas. I am getting interested in the numerous letters that have been written for the FARMER. I purity of soul with fullness of health. think it a splendid paper and would Such are our best guarantees for feeting like to draw others out if possible. We at home in all society to which duty need not be backward even if we are could) wish, we can understand each least embarrassed by uncertainties. other and that does not matter so much. We hope ta gain benefit from our ex-

To TRAIN BOYS .- Owing to their is unwarranted, and get rid of it grace-fully and of their own accord, well and good; if not, it is desirable, for their own sakes, that it should be knocked le, stitch, stitch, stitchin.

I saw some very old fashioned gar-

change of ideas.

Mrs. J. BEET.

but school-boys are democratic in their ideas, and if arrogant, he is sure to be thrashed into a recognition of the golden rule. If worthy of being a leader, he will soon be installed into the posi-tion of a leader; if not, whatever his opinion of his abilities, he will be combelled to fall back into the rank and file. By the time that he has found his legitimate position, the probability is that some disagreeable traits of character will be softened down and worn away. Most likely the process of abrasion will be rough, but when it is all over, and he begins to see himself as others see him, and not as reflected in seemed well posted too, and it was the mirror of solutions the gauntlet, the mirror of self-conceit, he will be from their talk that I got these ideas; and arrived through by a rough road

Our Country's Origin.

Our fathers came hither from a land to which they were never to return. Hither they had brought, and here they were to fix their hopes, their at-tachments and their objects. Some natural tears they shed as they left the pleasant abodes of their fathers, and some emotions they suppressed when the white cliffs of their native country

grew dim in their sight. A new existence awaited them here: and when they saw these shores, rough cold, barbarous and barren, as they then were, they bebeld their country. Before they reached the shore they had established the elements of a social system, and at a much earlier peri-od had a tried their forms of religious worship. At the moment of their landing, therefore, they possessed institutions of government and those of religion. The morning that beamed on country. There were political institu-tions, and civil liberty, and religious worship. Poetry has fancied nothing in the wanderings of heroes so distinct and characteristic. Here was man, indeed, unprotected and unprovided for on the shore of a rude and fearful wilderness; but it was politie, intelligent and educated man. Everything was civilized but the physical world. Institutions containing in substance all that ages had done for human government were established in a forest. Cultivated mind was to act on uncultivated nature; and, more than all, a government and a country were to commence with the first foundations laid under the divine light of the Christian religion. Happy auspices of a happ futu-rity! Who woul 1 wish that his country's existence had otherwise begun? Who would desire the power of going back to the ages of fable? Who would wish for other emblazoning of his country's heraldry, or other ornaments of her genealogy, than to be able to say that her first existence was with inteliigence; her first breath the inspiration of liberty; her first principle the truth of divine religion.

CHEAP GIRLS.-A girl who makes herself too cheap is the one to be avoidfor a tife-long friend and companion before they will give a glance at the pinch cack stuff that tinkles at every tuan for fascinating the eye of any that will look. You think it quite the 'cor-rect thing' to talk loudly and coarsely, be boisterous and hoydenish in all public places; to make yourself so bold and forward and common-place, every-where, that people wonder if you ever you will begin to wonder where the yourself possessed of, and what evil spirit could have befooled you. Go on, out remember, cheap girls attract nobody but fools and raseals.

AT HOME. - The highest style of being at home grows out of a special state of the affections rather than of the inuals whose faces would be a passport to any society, and whose manners, the unstudied and spontaneous expressions of their inner selves, make them visibly welcome wherever they go, and attract unbounded confidence towards them in whatever they undertake. They are frank, because they have no-What do you think, Jennie Squash, natures overflow with benevolence; takes us, and in every occupation upon which it obliges us to enter. They who live least for themselves are also the

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RAISED CARE -One pound of butter, wo pounds of sugar, three pounds of cloves, one tablespoonful of cinnamon, one cup of yeast, one tenspoonful of soda, milk enough to make it as thick as you can stir it.

SPONGE CAKE .- Sift with four cups of flour two teaspoonfuls royal baking powder; beat six eggs, whites and yolks separately; stir in three cups of white sugar, one cup of cold water, the juice and grated rind of one lemon, and lastly the flour; mix all well together and bake in a quick oven.

Buns.-Two cups of milk, three cups of sugar, two cups of butter, two eggs, one-half teaspoonful of soda, one-half cup of yeast, a little nutmeg, and flour to make it stiff enough to roll; let it rise over night; in the morning rol, cut small, set them close together in a pan, let them stand and rise again. Bake in a moderrte oven.

SWEET APPLE PRESERVES .- Take part quinces and part apples, say about one-third quinces and two-thirds apples and white sugar the same as for other preserves, pound for pound, you will have a splendid sweetmeat. Cut the apples in halves, and the quinces the same, take the core out, boil them tender, first, in water enough to cover them, and dissolve the sugar in It before they are mixed; then add them together and boil thoroughly. They will keep well, and you will want to try it over again another fall if you have good success.

BREVITIES.

An evil nature wants an occasion.

Better the feet slip than the tongue. He begins to die who hath no desires. Few of us are fools always; all some-

A modest woman should often neither see nor hear.

Why this paragraphic war upon cats? It is pussy lanimous. It is only for a-mews-ment, you know; not from any desire to wound their fe-

A Clergyman of ordinary abilities asked for a license to preach. "I grant you permission" said his bishop, "but nature refuses it."

If your neighbor's hens are troublesome, and steal across the way, don't let your angry passions rise—fix a place

The most interesting thing in a Toledo golden wedding was a dance by the bridegroom's father, aged 166, and the old man's great-great-grand-daughter aged sixteen.

Many young people who fancy prose and poetry of lasting fame, can be pro-duced without days and weeks of carnest thought, need to be reminded that Goldsmith considered four lines a day good work, and was seven years beatg out the pure gold of the " Deserted Village."

Piths.

Eat slowly. Be conlent. Love lightens labor. Never start your fire with oil. It is fashionable to economize. Try lemon juice on eucumbers. Fruits are delicious for break fast. Use a cloth for washing potatoes. Quiet workers accomplish the most.

Variety is the very best culinary Air pillows in the wind, not in the

Use blue tissue-paper for wrapping up silver-ware.

The work-basket is often a spectacle for gods and men.

Rub your kitchen table with a ripe tomato to remove the grease. Make your home as bright and cheer-

ful as possible on rainy days. Do not use silver spoons to scrape kettles or silver forks to toast bread.

Neves starch napkins; they were intended to wipe the mouth, not to scratch It.

one pint of salt to two-thirds of a pail of water, and dry with a soft cloth. To sweeten a sour sponge; rub thor-

oughly in lemon juice, then rinse sev eral times in warm water. First boil ashes in a new iron kettle,

clean water and boil two or three hours. When servants do not wait upon the table, let the lady members of the family take turns in serving. It is much pleasanter than for this one, that one, is needed.

then scrub with sospand sand; fill with

FRIENDSHIP AND CIVILITY.-Be civil and obliging to all, dutifut where God and nature command you; but friend to one, and that friendship keep sacred, as the greatest upon earth, and be sure to ground it upon virtue; for no other is either happy or lasting.

The growth of a plant is simply the aggregate result of the enlargement and multiplication of the cells which compose it. In most cases the cells attain their full size in a short time. The continuous growth of plants de pends chiefly on the constant formation of new cells.

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> When the flowers are full of heavendescended dews, they always hang their heads; but men hold theirs the higher the more of the world they receive, getting proud as they get full.

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