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Home Life.

One marked difference between ani-
mate and inanimate objects is the need of
the former for a home. Even the most
minute insects have their homes, the
birds their nests, the beasts their lairs;
every animal left to itself, finds a home
in which it enjoys happiness. Most of
all is this necessity manifest in the
human race; and the greater the civil-
ization, the more tenacious is this
clinging to home, and the more profuse
are the means brought to bear to per-
fect its arrangements. The wandering
Arab may content himself by pitching
his tent from time to time; but the
civilized man longs for some permanent
spot, however humble, sacredly guarded
from the outer world, where he may
gather his family around him and en-
joy the blessings of home life.

When the young are suddenly re-
moved from the restraints and influ-
ences of their early homes, and are no
longer under the eye of those they have
been accustomed to respect, then comes
their chief time of trial and danger.
Travel, with all its advantages of en-
larging the mind, is not without its
risks in the character. Many who are
exemplary at home are reckless and
dissipated abroad. While expansion of
mind is gained, the powers of concen-
tration are often impaired, and though
useful as an exceptional refreshment
and invigoration, a life of constant
travel would be no more beneficial to
the soul than the substitution of tonics
for food would be for the body. The
effects of hotel life are equally injuri-
ous; and all experience proves that the
true family resting place, the home,
where parents and children blend in
loving union, is indispensable to the
well being of society, and the happiness
of the individual.

If this need of home be so inherent
in our nature, and so important to our
welfare, it becomes the duty of all to
see to it that they contribute their
share to its establishment and perpetu-
ation. This obligation, in some of its
many forms, rests upon everyone. The
father who maintains the household,
the mother who directs it, the children
who are its joy, are all active and re-
sponsible agents in making home the
centre of their truest life, the birth-
place of noble aspirations and generous
affections, and the spot to which the
memory of future years will cling most
fondly. These blessings need not be
confined only to those who are near of
kin. There are many who, from vari-
ous circumstances, have become tempo-
rarily homeless. They have, perhaps,
cut loose from family ties, and have
come to the city to engage in the eager
struggle of life; but they have no
haven of rest for their moral and social
refreshment—they have no home. It
is a noble and a worthy deed to wel-
come them to some degree of participa-
tion in the pleasures of our own house-
holds. Many a young person has been
saved from ruin, and rescued from evil
companions, by the simple welcome of a
friend, to share in the innocent enjoy-
ments of the family fireside. A home-
less life is a desolate and sorrowful thing.

The conception of the felicity possi-
ble to be realized by true home life falls
usually far short of a true standard.
The means of happiness within the
reach of every household are greater
than they are aware of, and lie more
closely within their reach. Riches may
purchase luxuries, but can never buy
the sweet content and satisfaction that
flow over the humblest household where
affection and order reign supreme. In
the world, the selfish principle gathers
depth and intensity from the very
nature of the struggle. But home re-
scues us from utter selfishness. Here we
learn the beauty of generosity, the
depth of affection, the self-abnegation
that only love can teach. Let us, then,
cherish our homes as the most sacred
treasures, guarding them jealously from
all that can embitter or defile, yet gen-
erously opening them to cheer and com-
fort those who are less highly favored.
—Philadelphia Ledger.

What Genius may do with Paper.

Our forefathers would have been
astonished and incredulous had they
been told that in 1871 men would have
imbibed the habit of making drinking-
cups out of old directories, or bread-
pans out of obsolete hymn books. It
might even now surprise some of the
publishers of the West to know that the
Sledge Hammer or the County
Bugle, which they publish is likely to
enter into the composition of a fancy
wash bowl, a milk pan or pail, or even
a spittoon, and return to them after
many days gaily enameled and deco-
rated, ready for other uses.

Yet these wonders are being per-
formed daily in our city, and we would
not be surprised to know that we are
destined to-morrow to eat dinner from
a copy of the Reporter which had
strayed into the mills of Jennings
Bros., and had been ground, baked and
decorated into a first-class household
utensil.

Messrs. Jennings, Bros. have shown
a great deal of enterprise in this mat-
ter. Their Japanese paper ware is now
selling in New York in such a lively
manner that the country will soon
know what it means.

The great advantage of the material
is that it is perfectly light and easily
handled, has no rough joints or ob-
structions, does not rust out, shrink,
leak or break, requires no repairs, and
is really superior to anything in wood or
metal, from the variety of purposes for
which it can be used.

The process of manufacture is kept,
of course, to some extent a secret. But
it is easily seen that the material is
tough, fibrous and elastic. In the en-
ameling process the articles are sub-
jected to extraordinary heat, which
virtually glazes them and makes them
able to resist acids and other destroying
agents which so readily enter the fibre
of wood or the pores of metal, to their
eventual destruction.

The milk pails manufactured by the
house will be particularly popular, be-
ing perfectly inodorous and non-con-
ductors. These, as well as house pails
of all descriptions, are, it should be
stated, entirely without hoops, and are
made from a single piece of material.
The paper, being pulped, is pressed to
shape, dried, enameled, and subjected
to a heat which would destroy some
utensils of the kind. Farmers will find
these goods particularly valuable from
the fact that they can lay them aside
after the busy season, and find them
again as good as new. There is no
moth to corrupt them, and nothing
upon which rust can fasten.—News-
paper Reporter.

A gentleman in Swanhill, Mass., has
recently imported from Europe a selec-
tion of poultry noted not only for their
serviceable and game qualities, but also
for their remarkable intelligence. At
the sound of a bell they skip up a lad-
der, and while awaiting their meal on
the second floor, preserve the utmost
decorum, standing in file, awaiting
further orders. The meal being placed
before them one at a time, is considered
inviolate until all are served, and even
then they remain abstinent until a
second sound of the bell gives the sig-
nal. During the meal there is no in-
terference with each other's portion;
the utmost propriety is observed, and,
as each finishes his repast, he stands
quietly awaiting the bell which an-
nounces that the meal is over, when, in
military style, the fowls proceed in
single file down the ladder to disport
themselves as they please.

The Philadelphia Press thinks
that the Khedive's edict, that women
should no longer cover their faces, will
cause great "wailing in Egypt." On
the contrary, it will cause great un-
wailing.

Thirty three Whaling Vessels Crushed in the Ice.

The steamship Moses Taylor arrived
from Honolulu and Australia, reports
having boarded the water-logged brig
Shelchoff, from San Francisco to Callao,
and found all dead except the captain,
who was saved, though hardly breath-
ing. He also reports a terrible disaster
to the arctic whaling fleet, caught in
the ice. Thirty three vessels were
crushed or abandoned. The captains
of the whalers Arctic, Gayhead, Mi-
nerva, Eliza Swift, Reindeer, Eugenia
and Lucia, who had arrived at Hono-
lulu, furnished the following details of
the loss of the whaling fleet:

"The vessels commenced arriving,"
says Capt. Thadius, on the 1st of May;
the 1st of June the ice opened and let
the fleet up within sight of Navarino,
the fleet working northward. Found
some whales crossing the sea of Ana-
deer, and in Behring sea more
plenty, but experienced much trouble
from the ice, and when the fleet arrived
at Cape Behring and Flower Bay, the
whales had passed through into the
Arctic Ocean, whither the fleet fol-
lowed, meeting with fair success, until
about the 1st of September, when ice-
floes and bergs to a great extent com-
menced drifting down, and by the 10th
a number of vessels had been sunk,
and the bulk of the remainder hemmed
in by the drifting ice, or driven ashore.
On the 2d of September the brig
Comet sunk. On the 7th the Roman
was drifted out to sea by two floes, and
crushed like an egg shell. The crew
narrowly escaped. The Florida and
Victoria of San Francisco were also
crushed.

The captains of the fleet, hemmed in
between Point Belcher and Wainwright
inlet held a meeting, and resolved to
abandon the vessels, in order to save
the lives of the crews. This was done,
and twelve hundred sailors took refuge
on board the remainder of the fleet
which had been fortunate enough to
escape outside before the ice closed in
the vessels. The vessels abandoned
are the Concordia, Gayhead, George,
John Wells, Massachusetts, J. D.
Thompson, Contest, G. Morgan, Cham-
pion, Henry Tabor, E. Swift, O.
Crocker, Navy, Reindeer, Fanny, Geo.
Howard, Pacia, Eugenia, Kaboola and
T. Dickinson. It is supposed that the
whole number lost will reach thirty-
three."

The vessels known to be safe with
the oil secured are as follows: Arctic,
with 480 barrels; Progress, 250 barrels;
Chance, 220 barrels sperm, and 280
whale; Daniel Webster, 250 barrels;
Lagoda, 725 barrels; Europa, 380
barrels; Midas, 450 barrels whale,
140 barrels sperm. All the abandoned
vessels, it is believed, will be a total
loss, there being little chance of recov-
ering even the cargoes in the spring.
The captain of the Florida arrived in
San Francisco by the steamer Moses
Taylor.—Chronicle.

THE WIVES' MISTAKE.

There is explosive material in every
husband's disposition, and the wife
knows well where it lies, yet often
persists in dropping a spark just in that
very spot, and yet affirms that she is
not to blame. That very ammunition
might have been a defense against for-
eign enemies, and the safeguard of the
home which it has destroyed, had it
been wisely guarded. The wife who
does not give her husband a kindly
welcome after his city toil, does not
deserve any of the blessings which that
toil brings her. But they will say,
"The children and the servants worry
our lives out, and our husbands don't
know anything about what we have to
go through. Their work is easy com-
pared with that," etc. But stop my
dear friends—the troubles of household
affairs are of a very temporary nature.
Oh, wives! if you wish your husband's
intellect to be clear and sound in busi-
ness, keep them free from worry at
home. You have alleviations; you
have nurseries and nursemaids; the
children are out of doors a great part
of the time, and often sleep during the
day; you are quite at liberty to inflict
the non-cherubic punishment upon the
refractory little ones, and to give your
domestics a scolding if they really de-
serve it, or to dismiss them if they will
not mend; but for mercy's sake don't
vent your reasonable or unreasonable
irritation upon him who has to bear the
real burden and heat of the day. If
you do, you are filling away the chief
corner stone of your home, and will find
too late that you have been a female
Samson, and have pulled it all down
upon you.

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the ordinary markets, and going to the
expense of shipping his grain, etc., to
speculators.

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the fertility of the soil, and beets,
squashes and other vegetables can be
grown to feed with the barley, oats,
wheat, rye, peas, and hay and pastur-
age. Corn, sorghum and grain all
make good green feed for soiling. The
various grains should be coarsely
ground together and fed in limited
quantities. The stubble fields will
make good pasturage until the rains,
and by that time, or soon after, the
stock should be fattened for the mar-
ket. There is a better opening for a
business of this kind in this State than
in any other State or country that we
know of. The following from the
American Agriculturist, if we include
other grains with corn, is something to
the point:

"Railroads and canal boats are excel-
lent institutions, but I have never yet
found so good a way to send corn to
market as on the four legs of a well
fattened animal. A bullock or a hog
will pack away a few bushels of corn
more snugly than any freight master
could do, and it brings better prices,
after they have worked it over into
pork and beef than in the raw state.
With the exception of wheat, and per-
haps rye, I would not sell a peck of
grain from my farm, except for seed.
Along in the Summer, when pasture is
scarce, and plenty of cattle are to be
picked up, I secure enough to consume
all the corn I can spare over what will
be needed to fatten my hogs (these I
raise at home), and just before cool
weather commences, I set the beef fac-
tories to work. The chips give me
profits in the shape of manure, enough
to make the operation pay, even if I
could only get the price of grain as
before feeding it out, but there is a
gain here, too."

PROSPEROUS TIMES.

The average yield of wheat in the
Willamette Valley this year is about
thirty bushels to the acre, and the total
yield will be about one third more than
it was last year. The spring-sown wheat
has not been as productive as during
some former years.

The present season will be one of un-
usual prosperity for the farmers of Ore-
gon, who have heretofore sold their
wheat for from 50 to 60 cents per
bushel, while this year they will aver-
age more than \$1 a bushel; oats that
formerly sold for 25 cents now sell for
75; wool that in previous years sold for
15 and 20 cents, is now selling at from
30 to 40 cents. This advance in the
products of the farm will give an im-
mense impetus to farming in that
State, and the breadth of land sown
will be still largely increased in the
coming season. Much advantage will
also be derived from the establishment
of direct trade between the Columbia
River and the wheat markets abroad.
Some idea of the extent to which
wheat growing may be carried in Ore-
gon, with the world for a market, may
be inferred from the fact that the Wil-
lamette Valley alone, is capable of pro-
ducing 100,000,000 bushels per an-
num. A splendid future is in early
store for Oregon.—Pacific Rural
Press.

Fifteen women were indicted last
year in Prussia for poisoning their hus-
bands or other relatives. Nine were
convicted, but none of them were exe-
cuted. In France, in 1869, twenty-
nine married women were tried on simi-
lar charges, and fourteen convicted.
These fourteen were mostly sentenced
to very long terms of imprisonment. In
Sweden, seven were prosecuted in the
year 1870, for murdering persons by
administering poison to them; five of
them were convicted and sentenced to
the State-prison for life. The most
atrocious case of poisoning in Russia,
in the year 1869, was that of the widow
of a wealthy Russian landed proprietor
near Azov, who was prosecuted for hav-
ing caused, by administering poison to
them, the death of no less than eleven
persons, mostly relatives of her husband.
She was not convicted, but ordered to
leave the country.

It is never wise, says *Heartth and
Home* for a farmer to borrow money
rather than sell his crop. Farmers
who have money in hand can do as they
please; for all others it thinks it is
better to sell as soon as they can.

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