

WOMEN AND HOME.

HOW FASHIONABLE LADIES RESIST KITCHEN TYRANNY.

Impertinence of Men—How to be Agreeable—Rushing the Fashions—A Woman's Experience—A Fainting Bride. Helps in the Kitchen.

The cooking school was only born to the world a half dozen years ago. Now they have become so popular that they are almost as common in New York as the "drug store" is in a provincial state.

"It sounds a little odd," remarked the fair director of one of these institutions, "to say that no young lady is considered to have finished her education and to be ready for society until she has taken a course in cooking. Nevertheless, that is getting to be the fact. It is beginning to be realized that a knowledge of bread making is of at least as much importance as a knowledge of Greek roots."

"The same practical spirit which has developed the cooking school in the kind of instruction popular which a few years ago would have been frowned upon. Great numbers of young women of wealthy families and social rank are now learning millinery and dressmaking. Indeed, I understand that some fashionable modistes draw no inconsiderable revenue from the instruction which they regularly give classes of such pupils."

**Rushing the Fashions.** The room was filling fast when in stepped a pretty girl. She had the elastic tread of the clear skin, the bright eye, the blowing hair that belong to American young womanhood, but nobody looked at her for these. Every eye was bent on gown, on hat, on wrap.

Mr. Thompson and the Fainting Bride. Assistant Secretary Thompson, of the treasury department is said to be an expert in reviving swooning persons, but not until last week did he have an opportunity to display his skill in that line for the benefit of his official associates.

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**How Monotypes are Made.** Monotypes are attracting considerable attention at Boston just now among artists, and many of them are experimenting in the process. The design is drawn in printer's ink on a smooth plate, and one impression is taken by means of an etching press.

chinery for himself and not for her he is guilty of that form of selfishness which is almost, if not quite, a crime.

Husband and wife are partners in the work of life, each having charge of a special department, and what each does in that department contributes to the general welfare and benefit of the "firm." Neither has the moral right to consult his or her interests alone. The interests of both should be regarded, and the kind and thoughtful husband will not care to monopolize all the benefits resulting from the labor of both.

**How to be Agreeable.** Very rarely, if ever, young persons acquire the ability to converse with ease and fluency. This implies, first of all, good ideas, clearly and sensibly expressed. An empty mind never made a good talker; remember, "you cannot draw water out of an empty well."

**How to Dust a Room.** The proper way to dust a room is to begin with the walls. First several thicknesses of cloth over a broom and sweep the walls down thoroughly, leaving at the same time all the doors and windows open.

**Woman's Suffrage Societies.** Ladies in New York interested in "suffrage for women" are, by means of different local societies, educating themselves in the question of the day as involved in politics and constitutional rights.

**Little Tot's Logic.** Bright and early the other day—so early that it seemed to be the head of the house that he had just fallen asleep—was awakened by a vision of a white flame might glow, a fair face above it, with falset hair encircling that, big blue eyes and a rosy mouth, with one white finger thrust favorably between the lips standing by his bedside.

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**A Thrilling Story.** I remember when I was young and not so conversant with the world, I was standing on the Central station steps discussing a banquet with another reporter. A man who had recently entered the profession endeavored to hear the conversation. Well, I made up my mind to do so, but just as I was about to do so, he turned and said to me, "I am your friend, but just load enough for the instant to hear. After hearing all the story you are rushing to the office of the paper he represented and—published it. He is my enemy to this day."

WHITE HOUSE DINNERS.

HOW THEY ARE PREPARED BY THE "STEWARDS OF THE HOUSEHOLD."

Management of an Entertainment Outside of the Established Routine of the Presidential Household—How the Various Bills are Paid.

The original organic act of the executive establishment, dating back almost a century, in designating the personnel of what was then the official household of the president, created the office of "steward of the household." The officer holding that place was by law intrusted with the custody of the plate and care of the furniture and effects of the United States kept in the executive mansion for the use of the president.

When Washington inaugurated his "official household" in New York under the act of 1789, he made Samuel Faunce, a local celebrity as a landlord and caterer, the "steward of his household." Faunce during a portion of the Revolution was the only person who had been named as a "steward of the household."

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THE "BOB VEAL" TRADE.

How the Traffic is Conducted in the Vicinity of New York.

March and April are the busiest months of the season in the bob veal and jerked beef traffic. During these months the calf butchers, so called, swarm throughout the dairy districts, collecting of the farmers their green calves, seldom more than twenty-four hours old, and their skinny, worn out and tottering cows, that are past giving milk on account of old age, or of the exhaustion and decrepitude of the breed.

In pursuing the traffic each calf butcher has his territory, through which he makes regular semi-weekly rounds during the calving season, or from February 1 to June 1. This part of the business is carried on in all of the dairy districts within 150 miles of New York, without any attempt at concealment by the traffickers, or any interference by the local authorities.

Concerning the extent of the traffic, it may be stated that in the height of the season from seven to ten meat cars are run into Jersey City every night, each car loaded with several tons of the unwholesome meat. Occasionally a car load or a wagon load is seized and destroyed by the health officers, but the business goes on well in the long run that the butcher or the city dealer can lose one shipment out of three and still not a handsome profit from the traffic.

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OUR COAST INDIANS.

MARRIAGEABLE MAIDENS SOLD TO THE HIGHEST BIDDERS.

What a Dusky Young Wife Can Do Bought For—Indian Women on the Klamath Absolutely Slaves—Impoverishment of the Law.

"I have been teaching school among the Indians," said a pedagogic to a reporter the other day, "and speak from what has fallen under my personal observation. You are aware that there is a reservation located at the mouth of the Klamath for the accommodation of tribes living in northern California, but very few of the Klamath Indians are disposed to leave the white settlements scattered along the river and adjacent territory, where whisky is easily obtained for 'dry' districts on the borders of the ocean."

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