

HOUSEHOLD.

A Praying Mother.

(The Rev. C. H. Wetherbe, in the 'Christian Intelligencer.')

Many a Christian mother, whose husband is an unconverted man, is doing a great work for her children by her prayers and her godly example. For the encouragement of such mothers I will narrate an instance. In the place where I reside there live a man and his wife. The husband is a respectable man, has good habits and is very industrious, but he is unconverted. So far as I know he is not skeptical in regard to Christianity. These people have five sons and two daughters, all of whom have grown to manhood and womanhood. The mother is a sterling Christian; she is, therefore, a praying mother. I have been told that all through the years when the children were growing up she constantly maintained family prayers in her household. Each day she read the Bible in the presence of the family and then offered prayer in behalf of husband, children and others.

She began this practice with the beginning of her married career and kept it up under all circumstances. It doubtless required a good deal of courage to do this, but she had all the courage that she needed for her duty. And what are some of the results of this praying mother's course? Three of the sons and both of the daughters entered the Christian life at an early age, and these children have ever honored their profession of Christ. Nearly all of them have pursued quite thorough literary courses, obtaining a liberal education. The eldest daughter and three of the sons have been graduated from a normal school, and the youngest daughter is now taking a university course. The eldest son is a physician of large practice. Two other sons are principals of high schools.

Can it be wondered at if this mother takes a modest pride in her children? Of course, the father is greatly pleased with such noble children. And ought he not to be a Christian, too? Yes, and we wonder why he did not become one long ago; but, strange as it may seem, many a husband of a praying wife refuses to be a Christian. But I want to urge those Christian mothers, whose husbands are unconverted, to imitate the powerful example of the mother that I have been describing. Hard though the task may seem to them to be, yet let them undertake the good work of maintaining special devotions in their families, day by day. If they will read only a few verses from the Bible and then offer a brief prayer, the service may go far towards directing the children, and perhaps the husbands, into the path of eternal life and Christian prosperity.

Hot Weather Hints.

Hot weather is now with us, and it time to be thinking about summer cookery. Do not give your family so much meat as they have been eating; provide eggs and fish. And have both perfectly fresh.

There are a great many women quite expert in the matter of selecting meats who are absolutely untaught when it comes to the ordeal of standing beside the fish stand and making a purchase.

Fish, no less than meat, have certain well-known infallible signs and symbols, which, if accurately read by the marketer, will conduce to the good health and the gastronomic pleasure of those to whom they are served as food.

Of course, the test of the eye of the fish is well known—if the eye be clear, its circles of color brightly outlined and the cornea full and rounded, the fish is prime. As to the gills—they must be vividly red—if pale pink and verging towards gray, bad condition may be almost certainly expected. Another credential to freshness is the glint on the scales, which must have a bright color running into prismatic hues when the scale is of the bright colored variety, while if it be dark the test comes in the 'moist' tint.

Judging fish by the scales requires much eye-practice, much the same as judging the

quality of meat by the color of the fat or the tone of the 'red.'

After the fish is served, which of course, is too late to remedy matters on that occasion, but not too late for a look to the future, a pretty sure test of fresh fish is given if the backbone leaves the flesh clean and white. If a shadowy line remains the fish has passed beyond its prime.—'Union Gospel News.'

Catsup Making.

Catsup is one of the most appetizing articles of diet for winter use, and is easily prepared. The tomato and cucumber are the best vegetables for the purpose, and may be used both ripe or green. They may be cooked and seasoned in a number of different ways or made in their raw state. Spices should be pure and so proportioned as to prevent any one prevailing to the exclusion of the others, cloves, allspice, mace and cinnamon being generally used. Onions, garlic, hoseradish, black and white mustard seed, celery seed, give to the mixture an excellent flavor. The vinegar used for catsup should be pure and strong. A porcelain-lined kettle is best for the cooking. After being made catsups should be bottled or put in glass jars, sealed and kept in a cool, dry place.

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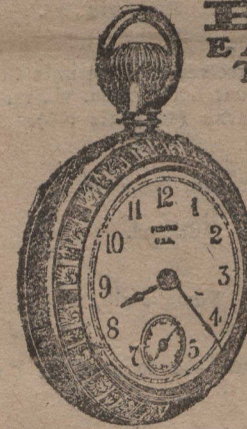
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