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Is it "good-bye," my friend? Ah well, good-bye.
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My quiet woman's life, so dull and slow.
Flows on unchanging: your's apart must lie:
My clinging hands but only fret you, dear;
You will not grieve to leave them folded here.

Nay, look not pained, God speed your going, friend.
You may not falter now for word of mine,
My life, my love will never color thine,
Though all my hopes go with you to the end.
My path lies straight—so straight and dull and groy—
But your's leads onward through the shining day.

And thus we part! Ah well, 'tis better so-Smooth down the page and fold it out of sight,
Kiss, and good-bye—and through the coming night
If I should sorrow that you wished to go,
I shall not blame you, dear—no, no, not you—
My heart alone shall answer for us two.

EMBY MCMANUS, in Week.

Mr. Mair, one of our Canadian poets, thus beautifully invokes the Genius of Canada, whom to personifies under the Indian name of Kanata:

"Dear genius of a virgin land—
Kanata: Sylph of northern skies:
Maid of the tender lip and hand,
And dark, yet hospitable, eyes:
Thou art our spirit of Romanes.
Our Fairie Queen, our Danusel lorn,
Who, framed by some mysterious chance,
In midiscovered woods wast born!
In days of love and life gone by,
Ere waned the light, ere ebbed the tide,
Wild singers sought thy company.
And supple forms from forests wide."

FOR THE CRITIC.

#### LETTERS TO COUSIN CARYL.

Dear Cousin Caryl: The question of ways and means has worn out more lives than disease ever did, but I cannot believe that with all your natural good sense you are going to fall a prey to this monster. No, I certainly should not have believed, but for your avowal of it, that even "a house full of worn-out carpets and forty ways for every penny" could have reduced you "to a state of despair." Why do you not break loose from this antiquated allegiance to carpets? Rugs are so much more beautiful than carpets, since where they are in use the house can be kept perfecctly than carpets, since where they are in use the house can be kept perfecctly clean; they are so much more economical, since they cost less at the start, and can be moved about to equalize the wear upon them; then they are so much more easily kept clean, and are withal so much more fashionable, it is strange that Aunt Sally should have clung to carpets thus long. no annual up-taking and down-putting of carpets to multiply the labors of spring-cleaning, mark you, where rugs are used, while the latter are cleaned so often and so thoroughly, buffalo bugs, moths and the like are given no resting place for their mischievous bodies. And—but I know you are convinced without my making my "little list" of virtues of rugs and vices of carpets any longer.

Just a word as to textures. There are rugs and rugs, just as there are carpets and carpets. I do not need to caution your artistic soul against the hideous hooked rugs showing impossible flowers and animals in the crudest colors But you may not know that canvas for rugs is sold now stamped in the artistic Persian designs, with the proper use of colors designated. These patterns accurately hooked make really handsome rugs. Then partly worn carpets may by judicious piecing, be made to do duty instead of the large art squares, by turning under the edges and adding a coarse fringe sold for the purpose, or that may be made by ravelling old carpet, if one has more time than movey. If the carpet thus made into a rug is Brussels or tapestry it will keep in place without further trouble. If it be 2 or 3 ply woollen sew a facing of burlap (bagging) along the edges on the underside. This will keep the rug flat. In the shops they coat the underside of rugs with a kind of paste to prevent them curling, but one cannot do this at home very

well, and the facing answers every purpose and is cheaper.

Now for the floors themselves. If one is building it is by far the better plan to lay hard-wood floors, but I will save my arguments on this point until your new house is under way. The floors you have now are probably all of soft wood and none too well laid. The first step is to clean them perfectly and the next to clean all arrels and smooth all uneven places with feetly, and the next to close all cracks, and smooth all uneven places with putty colored to match the stain that is to be applied. Then get an experienced pointer to mix the stain for you, and this may be black walnut in tone, or the color of California red-wood, or an olive tent. One's walls and general furnishings must be considered of course in selecting a color for the floor, and it is wise to remember that a very dark floor shows dust much quicker than a lighter one. The stain is to be rubbed into the floor with the grain of the wood. After this two coats of "hard" oil (commonly called varnish) will give a nice finish. If you do the work yourself the cost will be but about one dollar a floor. Where a large rug covers the centre of the grown only a doep border read be stained and siled about the four walls. In room only a deep border need be stained and oiled about the four walls. In the summer one naturally puts down only rugs enough to relieve the bare look, and to save marring the floor. In the winter the floor may be nearly or quite covered if one chooses. A long-handled floor brush and a patent mop-handle holding a woollen cloth barely moistened with kerosene oil will keep stained floors clean and bright, and all without a suggestion of odor. For the kitchen floor take up the "old rugs" that distress you so, and give it a generally coat of the common and choose sprace - valley point with a

give it a generous coat of the common and cheap spruce—yellow paint with a dash of red in it, and a good deal of Japan to make it dry with a gloss and