

present. What I think is needed is a training institution for young housekeepers who have never been taught by their mothers in the mysteries of housekeeping. I do not think anyone will deny that domestic servant girls make better housekeepers and better wives than shop or factory girls on an average. The only way that the factory or shop girls have the advantage over the servant girls is that they have a better opportunity of getting acquainted with young men, so that inferior articles get disposed of first on account of a better market.

Of course I do not mean that because a girl is a shop or factory girl she is not competent to be a housekeeper if she was fortunate enough to have had a mother that could teach her housekeeping. I am acquainted with several young ladies in business houses who would be quite insulted if anyone insinuated that they would ever have to do their own washing. The idea!! Some of them getting \$3 and \$4 a week and they have to hire a washerwoman once a week and give her a dollar or seventy-five cents a day and her three meals. That is the way to make money(?) Earn it in small handfuls and spend it in shovelfuls. When they get married they are going to get everything ready made. One thing they cannot get ready made, and that is knowledge. There is no royal road to learning, and if they do not know anything about housekeeping before they get married they will have to learn it by sore experience after they get married. Last winter I observed some ridiculous instances of pride among girls in business houses. I saw some girls shivering with cold with plenty of coal and kindling wood, paper and matches alongside of them, and they were too proud to make a fire for themselves in the absence of a male attendant. The Lord keep the young men of our city from joining in wedlock with such stylish ladies. Any one that has to work for a living I think the first lesson they should learn is how to help themselves. To those that have plenty means at their disposal I have nothing to say as long as they use in a proper way those that they engage to do their work. Whenever they abuse those that in God's providence are placed under them I would remind them that there is nothing so high that it cannot be brought down, and the higher the elevation the greater the fall.