my affection when she was ill. One can wait on a sick person and think she is doing all she can, yet there will be something lacking. If hot cloths are to be applied and replaced, they should not be handled as though the patient had some infectious disease. Dirty dishes, spoons, etc., should not be left in the room, but can be quietly removed without being asked to do so. Anything that can be done without referring it to the sick one should be done. If it is the mother who is sick, no family discussion should be referred to her, as is usual when she is well. This is a good time for the children to practise relying on themselves, and not run to mother with every small trouble. If there is pain or distress in head, shoulders, chest, cold feet, etc., the hair can be gently brushed, which is very soothing to the nerves. Back or limbs can be rubbed with the hand, or better still, with a massage roller, and made much more comfortable. A hot-water bottle can be applied to the feet, and done with a kind and loving spirit and feeling, that will add much to the benefits conferred.—'Health Culture.'

'Inasmuch As Ye Did It Not.'

'Master, I have this day broken no law of

"Child, there stood one by thy side burdened with heavy tasks of lowly, earthly labor. For a little help, a little easing of the burden, he looked to thee. Thou hast time and strength."

'Master, I did not see.'
'Thine eye were turned within. There was an ignorant one crying from out his darkness, "Will none teach me?" I have given

an ignorant one crying from out his darkness, "Will none teach me?" I have given thee knowledge.'

'Master, I did not hear.'

'Thine ear was dull. There came a guest to seek thy converse, a human friend in quest of fellowship. I marked thy sigh, thy frown. Why was thy heart not glad?'

'I was reading. I hate to be disturbed to be called from great thoughts to krifting talk.'

'The children would have had thee some

'The children would have had thee some few moments in their play. Without thee they went wrong—how far wrong thou wilt not know. It is too late.'
'Child's play? But I was searching for a

hidden truth of spiritual import.'

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'Thou didst not turn aside to lift that lame one who had fallen by the way.'
'I was in haste to do what I had planned. I meant to help him when I should return.'
'Another lifted him. And shall I question further?'—Unknown further?'-Unknown.

Children's Study Hour.

Says a physician: I abominate night parties for children. I believe every physician does. It is not so much the exercise and the eating in the night and the bad associations formed, of a high-class sort possibly, but the breaking into the sleep habit. Equally bad is it for children to study in the evening. It gorges their brains with blood, and if they sleep they dream. I had a little patient of twelve years who was wasted and nervous, and whose dreams were filled with problems. It was a marvel and a pride to his parents that the youngster worked out hard problems in his sleep such as he failed to master when awake. But he came to his final problem. I in his sleep such as he failed to master when awake. But he came to his final problem. I locked up his books at four o'clock. He must not touch one after supper. He must play and romp, and then go to bed. He is now robust. You can not emphasize too strongly the mischief of children's night study.'—'The Morning Star.'

Selected Recipes.

Spiced Beef.—Mix together two ounces of brown sugar, four ounces of salt, one-quarter of an ounce of saltpetre, one-half of an ounce of black pepper, one-half of an ounce of ground all-spice, one-quarter of an ounce of cloves, one-quarter of an ounce of ginger. Trim and wipe a five-pound piece of round of beef, rub it well with half the mixture, put in an earthern dish and stand away in a cool place. Next day rub in the remainder of the spiced mixture and set away as before. Turn every other day for a fortnight then put all in a kettle, add sufficient boiling water to cover and simmer until tender Let stand in the liquor until cold, remove it and slice as needed Spiced Beef .- Mix together two ounces

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Ham and Eggs.—If you happen to have a little bit of cold boiled ham, you can with very little trouble contrive a dish of minced ham and eggs. Put into a saucepan some butter—say one ounce to four ounces of ham. When melted add one teaspoonful flour, and stir over the fire till brown. Add a little stock or ketchup and water, the ham minced very fine, and seasonings to taste. Stir till all is very hot. Have some fried or toasted bread on a platter; spread with the mince, and place the eggs on the top. The latter may either be poached, or dropped on raw, and put to set in the oven or in front of the fire.