

A YOUNG MOTHER'S EXPERIENCE.

One of the Prettiest Things ever Written.

Florence Marryatt, in her novel now running through the English press, "My Own Child," gives the experience of a sixteen-year-old widow, whose husband had just died, and whose infant was about to be born.

everything is right, and you shall have it as soon as you have rested a little. "I cannot rest till I have seen it. Oh, doctor, nurse, do give me my baby!"

My agitation was rising. The nurse glanced at the doctor, and the doctor nodded at the nurse, and in another moment a bundle of flannel was laid on my left arm, and I trembled with eagerness as I pulled it open.

But I don't think I saw what she was like. I was experiencing that marvelous thrill that comes over a woman when the child of the man she loves is first placed in her arms, and in the unconscious little creature beside me I saw only Hugh's representative.

"Come, come, this will never do," said the doctor, as he hurriedly mixed some bland decoction in a glass.

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My wife is the smartest woman in town; she will do more work than a man any day. Beware, husband, nature will have her revenge, and if you want that "smart woman," take care for the overworking of the strained nerves, unless you desire to have another child.

Mothers, dress your children according to your means and ability. "If your friend's two years' old Susie is so sweet and pretty in her embroidered white dresses, don't try to excel, but let your two years' old Flosie wear her warm, dark woollen dresses, and her health will be cared for, and she will become a more sensible woman than Susie, whose mother's aim is for baby to be admired. I do not discard fashion when properly used.

If you cannot dress as your neighbor, without working far into the small hours of morning, wearing out brain and body, for your husband's sake, for your children's sake, make your dress with less bands and shirings, and save your strength. "As you commence, so you must go on," is an old saying. Make yourself a slave to fashion for a child, and assuredly, by the time she is sixteen, your bones will ache and your spirit quake over the endless work of her wardrobe.

If a person visits you for the amount of food he gets, let him stay at home before you worry yourself to almost desperation, neglect your babies, and many other duties, preparing "company fare." Let him content himself with such as would constitute the repast of your ordinary family.

Afterwards, my dear, afterwards you are not strong enough yet. Trust me,

unbrushed, for a while. Refreshed by your rest, those dishes will disappear rapidly, other chores be accomplished, and it will be a bright, cheerful face which greets the boys and girls on their return from school, and father from his day's labor.

THE EX-BANDIT.

Col. Frank James on Exhibition at a M. Society Fair.

Moberly, Mo., Special St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Frank James, known here as Col. James, arrived in Moberly last evening accompanied by his wife and son, and occupied a conspicuous position in the judge's stand at the Fair Grounds during the races. He did not start the horses, as advertised, but will officiate in that capacity during the remainder of the week.

Previous to the races many crowded about the office, gazing at the main attraction of the building with open-mouthed wonder. Fortunately the man who secured an introduction deemed himself, and the bandit's right arm must have grown quite tired shaking hands. He was very quiet and had little to say.

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Warm Place.

An old fireman who had just oiled his hair and got himself fixed up "so he looked young again," as he expressed it, was riding down town on the front platform of a Madison street car yesterday afternoon.

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Proverbs for Females.

Proverbs about women are common in every language, but particularly so in the East. In Japan they say, "Where the hen crows, the house goes to ruin," evidently an Eastern rendition of the gray mare; but in China, "A bustling woman and a cowering hen are neither fit for gods or men," while the Persians believe in adapting the means to the end, as indicated by the expression, "If you be a cock, crow; if a hen, lay eggs."

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