

HOUSEHOLD.

The Bird's Lullaby.

(Blanche M. Channing, in the 'Congregationalist'.)

'Hush! hush! hush!'
Sings the beautiful big brown thrush
To his drowsy mate on the nest,
With the warm eggs under her breast.
'Hush! hush! hush!'
Sings the beautiful big brown thrush.

'Hark! hark! hark!'
How the bright brook runs in the dark!
It will not stop nor stay,
It never will lose its way—
'Hark! hark! hark!'
How the bright brook runs in the dark!

'Still, still, still,'
The white moon sits on the hill.
Her face is kind and fair
In the mist of her silver hair.
'Still, still, still,'
The white moon sits on the hill.

'Sleep, sleep, sleep,
Till the young day comes to peep,
Till his rosy fingers touch
The nest that I love so much,
Till the young day comes to peep—
Sleep, sleep, sleep!'

The Refreshment of Change.

It has passed into a truism that the real holiday is not so much idleness as change. Even a little change is a great refreshment.

A charming old lady who was socially inclined, but who was kept rather closely at home by the pressure of many cares, used sometimes to exclaim, 'I do love to drink out of somebody else's teacups!'

A fitting pendant to this agreeable anecdote is another of a little girl whose supper invariably consisted of bread and butter, milk and stewed apples—a monotonous diet, of which she frequently complained.

One day she was asked out to supper at a neighbor's. At a late hour the hostess found that no stewed apples had been prepared for the little guest, so she sent one of the maids to the child's home for a supply.

The little girl on returning to her mother, was enthusiastic about the delightful visit, and particularly about the beautiful supper, 'when she had been allowed to pour milk and cream for herself from the daintiest little pitchers.

'And, oh, such good stewed apples, mother, the best I ever tasted!'—'Christian Age.'

Selected Recipes.

BUTTERMILK GRIDDLE CAKES.—To make the cakes light and in perfection the buttermilk must not be strained, but should have the little particles of butter floating in it. To a pint of buttermilk allow a scant half-pint of clabbered milk; mix, stirring in flour enough to make a stiff batter; beat well and until the lumps are all out; then add a half-teaspoonful of salt and a teaspoonful of soda finely powdered and thor-



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oughly stirred into a gill of flour. Beat well into the batter; then add enough buttermilk to make it of the consistency of buckwheat cakes. Bake on a hot griddle and serve a griddleful at a time as soon as baked.

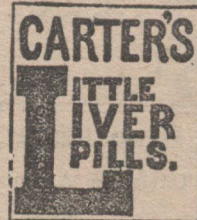
CHOCOLATE CREAM MOUSSE.—Stir into a pint of thick sweet cream half a cupful of granulated sugar and a teaspoonful of vanilla. Put a layer of the cream in a deep dish, sprinkle thickly with very finely grated sweet chocolate, then another layer of the cream, next a layer of chopped nuts and raisins. Alternate in this fashion until the dish is full; then pack in salt and ice, and allow it to stand for four or five hours. The raisins should be kept in boiling water for half an hour before using.

Religious Notes.

A rare virtue attaches to the protest of Mrs. Mary Schaulfer Labaree against the action of the United States Government in exacting an indemnity of \$50,000 from Persia for the killing of her husband, a missionary, by native religious fanatics. Recognizing her right as an American citizen to such indemnity, she preferred to waive it for the sake of the mission cause, which is as dear to her as it was to her murdered husband. The matter, she pointed out, would not be understood by the Persians, who would speak of it as 'blood money'; and this forcible extortion by the United States of payment might thus do 'serious and lasting injury' to Christian missions in Persia.

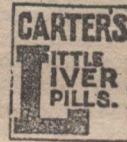
We extend our sincere sympathy to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions in the death of the Rev. Judson Smith, D.D., who for more than twenty years served with marked efficiency as corresponding secretary. Dr. Smith was a man whose breadth of scholarship and depth of sympathy and perception made him easily a leader among men. His splendid

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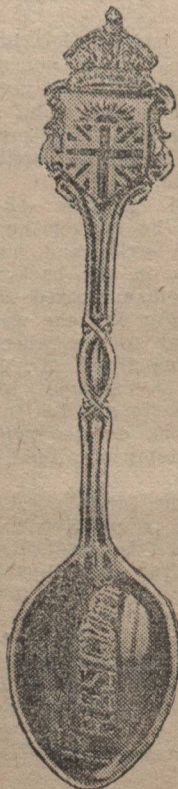
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service to the cause of foreign missions was not limited to his own denomination. Personal observation of mission work in Turkey, Japan and China enabled him to speak with authority, and he will be greatly missed in our large missionary convocations, where his devout spirit rendered his words an inspiration and his sound judgment made his counsel invaluable.

In connection with the annual meeting of the Western Turkey Mission of the American Board this year the seventy-fifth anniversary of the beginning of work in Constantinople was appropriately celebrated on May 21.

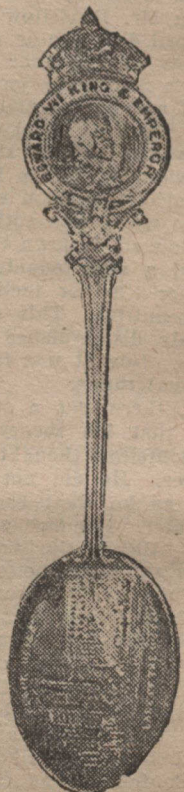
A veteran missionary from China tells of a Chinaman who had read the whole New Testament three times. He was not an avowed Christian, but when asked what most struck him in his reading, he replied, 'The most wonderful thing I read was that it is possible for us men to become temples of the Holy Ghost.'

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