

The HOME CIRCLE

THE SPARE BEDROOM HORROR. There's shams to be found in every clime...

There are shams that bring the tears to your eyes, There are shams that make you grin...

Take it up tenderly, handle with care; The look of it gives one the chills...

You see two ghosts between the bed-posts, Down from the bedside creep, Standing on edge 'nd bearing this legend...

THE STAY-AT-HOME WOMAN.

Is there a community free from the women who stay at home year in and year out...

Healthy Blood Best Germicide

YOU CAN PREVENT AS WELL AS CURE DISEASE BY KEEPING THE BLOOD PURE AND RICH WITH

Dr. Chase's NERVE FOOD

"Healthy blood is the most powerful germicide extant," said Sir William Collins recently...

The "stay-at-homes" are usually narrowminded and uncharitable, thinking every other woman neglects her duties...

EMBLEMS OF MARY.

One of the outward evidences of love for the Blessed Virgin is the practice of wearing or carrying about with us some little emblem or memorial of our Blessed Mother...

BE KIND TO THE OLD FOLK.

In the course of a sermon delivered in the Jesuit church, Dublin, by the Rev. Robert Kane, S.J., the preacher made this plea for consideration for the aged in the home...

THE ART OF NOT HEARING.

The art of not hearing should be learned by all. There are so many things which it is painful to hear, very many of which if heard will disturb the temper...

FATHER DOLLARD'S NEW CHURCH BLESSED.

His Grace the Archbishop will solemnly bless and open the fine new church of St. Columba, at Uptergrove, on Sunday, May 27th.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

A FAITHFUL DOG.

An interesting story of a dog has been told by a gentleman who was travelling in France during the late war with Germany...

OPEN THE DOOR OF YOUR HEART.

Open the door of your heart, my lad, To the angels of love and truth; When the world is full of unnumbered joys...

MINNIE'S JOURNEY.

The following incident is vouched for as being true, by the owner of the cat: Mrs. L., owned two cats, one of which was a female who was most peculiar...

USED MEN AT THE OFFICE UP AND TIRED OUT

Every day in the week and every week in the year men, women and children feel all used up and tired out. The strain of business, the care of home and social life...

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills

are indicated for all disease arising from a weak and debilitated condition of the heart or of the nerve centres. Mrs. Thos. Hall, Keldon, Ont., writes: "For the past two or three years I have been troubled with nervousness and heart failure..."

NO MISTAKE ABOUT THIS CASE

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS CURE A YOUNG MAN WHO HAD REACHED A VERY CRITICAL STAGE OF KIDNEY DISEASE.

His Case was More Serious than he thought, but thanks to Dodd's Kidney Pills he is well and strong now. St. Leon, Glo. Co., N.B., May 14. (Special.)—Mr. Patrick Downing, of this place, is a young man only twenty years of age...

her next family, two kittens were saved. Mrs. L. took Minnie and her two babies in a basket to her sister's house at Orchard Park.

GRUMBLE BOY.

Now Grumble-boy's a little lad That's just about as big as me, And sometimes, when the weather's bad, He comes at dawn and stays to tea...

THE REASON WHY.

"When I was at the party," Said Betty (aged just four), "A little girl fell off her chair, Right down upon the floor; And all the other little girls Began to laugh, but me—I didn't laugh a single bit," Said Betty, seriously...

HAPPY JAPANESE WOMEN.

The visitor to Japan is impressed by the unlined and happy faces of the women. Their devoted, gentle, simple lives are such that they do not fret and worry like other women, and they do not have to carry in their face the marks of years of distress and unhappiness.

LITTLE ARMS.

Little arms, so tightly clasped "Round my neck at dead of night. When some unexpected sound Wakes my darling in affright. Do you guess your magic power As each fear your mother calms? Do you know how strong you are, Little arms?"

taken round to the houses of those of Mrs. Doublet's friends who had not called that day. Eventually the thing developed into a commercial enterprise and the Hand-to-Hand News was sold to all who wanted it for six francs monthly or \$5 a year.

THE NAME "JOHN BULL."

John Bull, the mythical personage, supposed to represent the English people, was the invention of Dr. Arbuthnot, in one of his satirical sketches ridiculing the great Duke of Marlborough.

A STORY.

Bertha Chavanne, a young girl, poor but pious, lived for some years with her grandaunt, Mme. Berthon. The old lady died, and as no will was found, the property, it was declared, should be divided among her distant cousins.

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Little arms, if in the years, You should reach to her in vain If no loving touch responds...

A CURSE OF VILLAGE LIFE.

Malicious gossiping, in fact any kind of gossiping, is the most contemptible business a person can indulge in, and it is frequently one of the curses connected with village life.

WHAT NAMES MEAN.

Susan is Hebrew, a Lily. Alma is Latin, the Kindly. Guy is French, the Leader. Margaret is Greek, a Pearl. Paul is Latin, the Small One. Job is Hebrew, the Mourner. Rachel is Hebrew, the Lamb. Clara is Latin, the Bright One. Edwin is Saxon, a Conqueror. Lionel, Latin, is a Little Lion. Hugh is Dutch, the Lofty Man. Jacob is Hebrew, the Supplanter. Gilbert is Saxon, Bright as Gold. Eunice is Greek, the Fair Victory. Ernest is Greek, the Serious One. Martin is Latin, the Martial One. Lucius is Latin, the Shining One. Peter is of Latin origin, the Rock. Arabella is Latin, the Beautiful Altar. Brigid is Gaelic and means "fiery dart."

THE HUMAN TOUCH.

Haven't we all felt the need of it? A little girl, tucked up in bed all alone, began to cry. "I'm 'fraid," she said to her mother, who came to the rescue.

BRAVE MEN SCARCE.

In the spring of '64, when General N. B. Forrest had his command near Memphis, a couple of soldiers from the Union army were taken prisoners; and on account of the shortness of rations, and the difficulty of making changes, orders had been issued to take no prisoners, but execute them on the spot.

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