

THE SETTLING UP IS CERTAIN.

You may take the world as it comes and goes.
 And you will be sure to find
 That fate will square the account alas
 Whoover comes out behind;
 And all things bad that man has done,
 By whatsoever induced,
 Return at last to him, one by one,
 As the chickens come home to roost.
 You may scrape and toil and pinch and save
 While your hoarded wealth expands,
 Till the cold, dark shadow of the grave,
 Is nearing your life's last sands;
 You will find your balances struck some night,
 And you'll find your hoard reduced,
 You'd view your life in another light
 When the chickens come home to roost.
 You can't stint your soul and starve your heart
 With the husks of a barren creed,
 But that will know if you play a part,
 Will know in your hour of need!
 If it were as good for death to come
 What hops who there be deduced
 From a creed alone? You will lie there dumb,
 While your chickens come home to roost.
 Sow as you will, there's a time to reap,
 For the good and the bad as well;
 And conscience, whether we wake or sleep,
 Is either a heaven or hell;
 And every wrong will find its place,
 And every passion loosed;
 Drifts back and strikes you face to face,
 When the chickens come home to roost.
 Whether you're over or under the soil,
 The result will be the same;
 You cannot escape the hand of God,
 You must bear your sin or shame;
 No matter what's carved on a marble slab,
 When the items are all produced
 You'll find that St. Peter was keeping tab,
 And that chickens come home to roost.

MISCELLANEOUS RULES OF ETIQUETTE.

Scolding and snarling are exceedingly ill-bred.
 Be prompt and punctual in all your engagements.
 Never read the letters of other people, unless invited to do so.
 Never turn the misfortunes of others into ridicule.
 Never leave home with unkind words on your lips.
 Never write your own remarks in a borrowed book.
 Never lend a borrowed book, unless special permission has been given.
 A lady should never speak of a gentleman by his surname, without a prefix.
 Beware of answering "Personals."
 What seems sport may turn out very distressing.
 It is impolite to speak of persons with whom you are but slightly acquainted, by their first name.
 Never look over the shoulder of another person who is reading or writing.
 When in company, do not try to attract the attention of one by signals, a cough, a poke, or a nudge.
 Do not examine the cards in a card receiver, when you are calling.
 Spitting, when in company, is as vulgar as it is disgusting.
 Loud talking and laughing, by ladies, is at all times unbecoming.
 It is impolite to assume a lounging attitude in company.
 Gentlemen should never allude to conquests over the other sex.
 The man who will insult a social inferior is nothing better than a boor.
 Keep your own performances, or achievements, to the background.
 To answer a civil question rudely is a gross breach of etiquette.
 Gentlemen should never stand on the hearth-rug, with their backs to the fire at home or abroad.
 The man who makes remarks in disparagement of a woman is deserving a rebuke.
 Too great familiarity towards a new acquaintance is in bad taste.
 To swing the foot, to tap monotonously with the feet, or to drum with

the fingers on a table or a window, are all breaches of decorum.
 It is extremely rude, and a most dangerous experiment, to recommend refreshment to persons who are under the care of a physician.
 An invalid, an elderly person, or a lady, must be given the most comfortable chair in the room, and must be allowed to select the light and temperature.
 It is a breach of good manners, and a violation of common sense, to laugh at your own wit.
 Gentlemen and Ladies will never be guilty of either the most reprehensible or the most unbecoming remark.
 No gentleman will assume to dictate to a lady, as to the gentlemen who are permitted to attend her.
 Gentlemen and ladies of true culture will be careful of their deportment in all places, and at all times.
 Their urbanity will appear at home, as uniformly as among strangers.
 Quiet, unassuming behavior, is indicative of cultivation.
 A loud, boisterous manner belongs to the rustic bore.
 There is no surer sign of ill-breeding than rancorous dependents.
 It is not a sensible principle of democracy to be rude and dirty.
 In this country, the means of education are extended to all.
 Hence, Americans should be exceptionally intelligent and polite.
 The aristocracy of older countries have no social culture.
 Well-bred persons avoid being conspicuous, either in dress or behavior.
 The use of slang words and phrases should never be indulged in either in public or private.
 Fussy people are social nuisances.
 The individual who polities himself in the habitual observance of the golden rule. Do to others, as you would have them do to you.
 You cannot seek to be comfortable and happy, and you will rarely be deemed impolite.

THE NEW BABY.

On Sunday evening the editor of the *Monetion Times* was made the happy possessor of his first baby, and this is the way he disconcerts: "This is the title of a new book recently published on our table by Dr. Ross, who handles such goods extensively. It is new to us, but it appears really to be a late edition of an old work, the original author being a gentleman by the name of Adams, who called his first production *Chin*. Many allusions have been inserted, and the original revised, enlarged and greatly improved.
 We have not had time to examine the work critically, but the observations that it is neatly bound in cloth and its particular friends claim that it is very valuable and that no family should be without a copy. We may add that there are no general canvassers for this work, and that every one desiring a copy must order through a specially selected agent this time in advance.

saved the most, and proved themselves masters of the situation. Circumstances seldom make men, unless the men themselves have first made the circumstances.

INCIDENTS IN THE LIFE OF A TEXAS JOURNALIST.

One of the most entertaining bits of autobiography we have ever read is the following account of his professional life, with its disappointments and rewards, by a Texas editor.

Been asked to drink..... 11,202
 Drank..... 11,202
 Requested to retract..... 416
 Did retract..... 416
 Invited to parties and receptions by persons fishing for puffs..... 3,333
 Took the hint..... 3,333
 Didn't take the hint..... 3,300
 Threatened to be whipped..... 170
 Been whipped..... 0
 Whipped the other..... 66
 Didn't come to time..... 165
 Been promised whiskey, gin, &c..... 5,610
 Expected to get gin &c..... 5,610
 Went after them..... 5,610
 Been asked "What's the news?"..... 300,000
 Told..... 32
 Didn't know..... 200,000
 Lied about it..... 98,977
 Been to church..... 2
 Changed politics..... 33
 Expected to change..... 26
 Gave for terror dog..... 25 dollars
 Cash on order..... 1 dollar
 We doubt if the editor of any one of our New York dailies could compress so much entertaining reminiscence into so little space.

Whether in the whole rank and file of New York newspapermen there will be found a thousandth part of the frankness displayed by a Texas brother in his graphic portrayal of those personal characteristics which go to make up the successful journalist of to-day.

AIR FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

A boy or girl cannot have too much exercise nor too much fresh air, not if he or she were out in all day and all night as well as on certain days, by visiting outdoor exercise after sunset, however, albeit there is not that danger to health from night air that our forefathers used to attribute to it. Night air used to be a terrible bogie, but the bogie is dead and gone, and need not trouble us any more. In a climate like ours, however, children must be a great deal indoors in summer as well as in winter. It is our boulder to see that they are in the rooms that they occupy by day and by night are kept thoroughly clean, and supplied with an abundance of pure air. Emanations from the skin, emanations from the curtains or carpets, and from the furniture itself, mixed together and bred sickliness, the seeds of disease, in fact, and if children constantly pent up in badly ventilated rooms actually escape severe illness, they are liable to suffer from blood deterioration. Even ventilation is not everything. A nursery should have nothing that will harbor impurities. In this respect it really should resemble a sick-room. The lighter the furniture the better; cushions, carpets, &c., should be banished, and the floor furnished with a good disinfecting soap. A regular plan of ventilation should be adopted. Opening the windows a little way when the children are out is of no practical use, but only a mischievous makeshift. Do not build with the plan of making children hardy by exposing their limbs and shoulders to every wind that may blow, but they are too often so miserably clad out of doors by being too heavily and cumbersome dressed. Let the clothing be warm and light, so that every limb may be free to play.
 Here are three things that go hand-in-hand in keeping children well and happy: exercise, gymnastics, and amusement. Amusement, I mean, must be combined with both or either, and all three must be taken or had in abundance, and at all the year round. Whenever exercise ceases to interest, it becomes that very instant a nuisance, and will do more harm than the best Doctor, in *"Cassell's Family Magazine."*

GEMS OF THOUGHT.

They that will not be counselled can not be saved.
 Little chips suffice to kindle a large fire, and little brooks grow into great rivers.
 An ounce of generous praise will do more to make a man your friend than a pound of fault-finding.
 He who receives a good turn should never forget it; he who does one should never enjoy it.
 To an honest mind the best requisites of place are the advantages it gives a man of doing good.
 People who fish for compliments do not need long lines. They will get their best bites in shallow water.
 Foresight is very wise; but fore-sorrow is very foolish; and eagles in the air are, at any rate, better than dangerous.
 The household is woman's kingdom, and all that pertains to it is under her jurisdiction and direction. By this name I mean not that the administrative regulation of details is hers, and that she should be left in the complete management of the household, and the responsibility and care.
 Sorrow, in some instances, hardens and narrows the mind; but in all well constituted characters it softens, enriches, enlarges.
 It is the man of unfinishing integrity who has the most faith in the general honesty of the community—a faith not based upon the occasional experience he meets of the reverse.
 Never fear to bring the sublimest motive into the smallest, and the most insignificant of our actions.
 There is no house so small that it has not room for love; there is no castle so large that it cannot be filled with it.
 The one who will be found in trial capable of great acts of love is ever the one who is always doing considerate small ones.
 A lady was lamenting the ill-fortune she was destined to suffer when a friend, wishing to console her, bade her look upon the bright side. "Oh," she sighed, "there seems to be no bright side." "Then polish up the dark ones," was the quick reply.
 Speak kindly of absent friends to those who are present, that they may not think you mindful of themselves when they are absent.
 A hundred times more trouble is caused by men who can get work but cannot do it than by men who want work but cannot get it.
 Be cheerful always. If in misery and pain, remember that it is a long road to heaven, and that when you get to that wearying you will be out of your trouble.
 Of all the dark traits that disgrace the human race, that of wishing to belittle or degrade the character of another is the lowest.
 Cherish your heart's best affections, indulge in the warm emotions of filial piety, fraternal love, and love of a neighbor is not a weakness. Love everything and everybody that is lovely. You cannot miss the corals of love too strong.
 If not sure, do not speak of it; it is inconvenient to go against it.
 Do the duty of the present and future duties will be provided for.
 While the gift of conversation proves a man to be the want of it is no proof of a dull one.
 If good people would but make goodness agreeable and smile, instead of frowning, the world would many would be won to the good cause.
 Youth and age have too little sympathy with each other. If the young would really see that they may be old, and the old remember that they have been young, the world would be happier.
 If misfortunes come into your house be patient and smile pleasantly, and it will stalk out again, for it can't bear cheerful company.
 A spitter break his thread twenty times readily, but he will mend it; and you may mend it to do a thing and you will do it. Fear not if troubles come into your house, keep up your spirits though the day be dark.
 A good word is an easy obligation; but not to speak ill requires only our silence, which costs us nothing.

LUCK AND LABOR.

We have always had our doubts as to the existence of what is generally termed "luck." It is a word which, under other circumstances or an unexplained freak of fortune, are always seeming to be favored, are termed "lucky," and it is very hard to see how they can be so favored. But here is a little excellent advice, which bears out our theory that "luck" is only a myth, and in reality it is only by our own personal exertions and efforts that we are ever really lucky: "If the boy who exclaims, 'I am a pen or ringer for my father,' he would say, 'Just my likeness!' or 'Just my intonation!' Mr. Cobden wrote proverbially about 'Luck and Labor.' It would be really to me to memorize them. Luck is waiting for something to turn up. Labor with keen eyes and strong will will turn up something. Luck lies best and wishes the postman would bring him news of a legacy. Labor turns out at six o'clock in the morning, with a ringing hammer, lays the foundation of a competency. Luck whines, labor whistles. Luck relies on chance, labor characterizes duty. Luck is born with indigence, labor upward to independence." Don't covet anyone their good fortunes; go to work and deserve it. Those men who are called "lucky" are those who worked the hardest,