

expressed wish of her hostess, was most inconsiderate, and it was this lack of consideration, which occasions the greater part of daily misery.

In some houses the whole quiet order of the day is interfered with by the continual late coming to breakfast of some person in the family who, to put it plainly, is too selfish to rise in time. Servants can not get on with their work, rooms can not be settled, and the domestic machinery is thrown out of gear by somebody, usually young and strong, who cares more for a late and lingering nap than for the comfort of the home. It behoves us, dear friends, to give more thought than we do to our duty in the little things of life.—Emily Van Blarcom, in the 'Intelligencer.'

### A Place for Everthing.

One of the greatest difficulties of the modern flats or furnished rooms is lack of space to put the numerous things that must accumulate. Once start out with confusion, and it will seem hard ever to create order. It is absolutely necessary to keep things in order, and to do so some things must be invented.

Bags will be found useful. Have two or three for soiled clothes. Another of different size and color can hold pieces of dress goods, etc. Smaller bags hold the small bits, only too often thrown away. These bags should be hung on heavy nails behind the door.

A soap-box neatly covered with dark muslin or paper and put in a corner, or even under the bed, will hold spare shoes and rubbers of different members of the family, which look so badly lying around.

If dresses have to hang in the room, be sure and have a curtain of muslin or calico to hang before them, both for looks and to keep them from the dust.

Bureau drawers have a great faculty of never being in order. How often have we gone all through one in a hurry, and have turned the whole contents upside down before we have found what we wanted; then have rushed off, saying, 'Oh, I will fix it later!' When does later come? I have myself done this so often, and I imagine you have too. Now I try to check myself, and stop a moment to put things back, one by one, as I search through them, and find it much less trouble.

Here are three good suggestions to learn and remember: A place for everything, even odds and ends. Put away everything as we use it. 'Could I find it again in the dark?' This last seems funny, but do you know why we have to rummage so often? It is because we forget where we put things. If we keep in mind looking for a thing in the dark, and try to think of where things go, we could say, with a young girl I know of, 'I think I could find everything of mine, even if I suddenly became blind.'—Grace Dodge.

### Selected Recipes.

**Apple Sherbet.**—Pare six medium-sized apples (they must be mellow and nice). Mash them with a heavy spoon, and when sugar has been added to help beat them, it must be used according to the tartness of the apples. Pour over the apples one quart sweet cream flavored to taste. Freeze and allow to set a few minutes before serving.

**Pumpkin Pudding.**—Pare half of a large pumpkin and cut into slices; boil until quite soft; drain off all the water and beat until fine; add a pint of milk, one-third of a cup of sugar, grated peel of a small lemon, two ounces of currants, washed and picked, and three

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well-beaten eggs. Whip the whole together a few minutes and then turn into a dish lined with good rich paste and bake in a moderate oven.

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