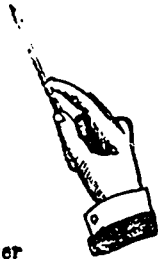


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The Chinese have a little book of short stories for the young. Mrs. Chalfant has sent a translation of one of them, in which a little boy teaches his father a lesson of honoring his parents.

The father of a very wealthy but stingy man died. You know when a man's father or mother dies in China, he must spend great sums of money on the funeral, even if it has to be borrowed. That is one of the ways by which parents there are honored.

This man could not have been a very good son, for although he had plenty of money he was not going to spend any of it that way. So he just wrapped his poor old father's body in a piece of matting, and, throwing him over his shoulder, went out at dark to bury him. His little son went with him. While his father was making the grave, the boy started home with the piece of matting. His father called after him to know what he was going to do with it.

"I will take it home and save it until you die, and then I will wrap you up in it."

His father did not like this prospect, so he took his parent's body home again, and in due time buried him in the proper way.

Table-Talk.

Our manners at the table are quite as important as the food provided for our guests. A lady, the word being used advisedly, is known by her gentle bearing and her consideration of the feelings of others. She is always a good listener, and never bores her neighbor with long tales of her own domestic troubles and vexations. It is clearly the duty of a guest to make herself as agreeable as she can when she is dining with friends. If she lapses into silence, and gives up to the mood of the moment, she is likely to become very stupid. One should be at one's best, and try to draw out the best in one's neighbours. Sometimes it is a very hard matter to make conversation; but there is no individual in the world who cannot talk on some one subject, and by a little effort one may be able to hit that subject. Men, as a rule, like to be listened to, and a clever woman can easily draw a man out, so that he thanks his hostess in his heart for a most delightful evening. There isn't a man in the world who would get the slightest atom of amusement or pleasure from hearing Mrs. A tell of how Charlie had the whooping cough, and what a dreadful time she was having with her cook. He would neither be amused, nor would he try to conceal his boredom. On the other hand, a woman smilingly and sympathetically listens to her neighbour, who talks for an hour about horses, of which she knows nothing. He, however, is sublimely unconscious that she is not more interested in horseflesh than in anything else in the world. So we women would do well to post ourselves in these subjects, if we wish to make ourselves agreeable in their society.



A Little Daughter

Of a Church of England minister cured of a distressing rash, by Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Mr. RICHARD BINKS, the well-known Druggist, 207 McGill st., Montreal, P. Q., says:

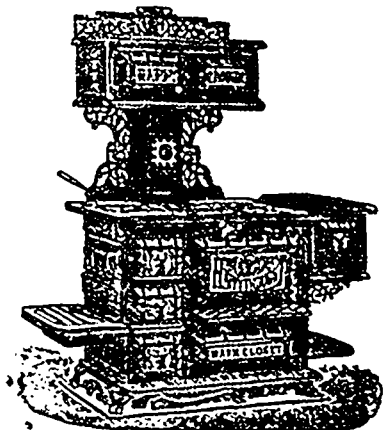
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performed by Ayer's Sarsaparilla, one in particular being that of a little daughter of a Church of England minister. The child was literally covered from head to foot with a red and exceedingly troublesome rash, from which she had suffered for two or three years, in spite of the best medical treatment available. Her father was in great distress about the case, and, at my recommendation, at last began to administer Ayer's Sarsaparilla, two bottles of which effected a complete cure, much to her relief and her father's delight. I am sure, were he here to-day, he would testify in the strongest terms as to the merits of

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