MIDOLLES

For Busy Households.

if we read nothing of contemporary literature we shall not keep up to the time in which we live. We would not, therefore, confine anybody to the classics. In books, as in other things, what pleases one does not another--nay, what nourishes one does not nourish another; and so the reading question must, in a great measure, regulate itself. However, a great deal depends upon

proper guidance when we are young in order to form our taste for good literature. The class of reading that does the most harm and which destroys all desire among boys, for sound works, is that known as dime novels. They are written in a very attractive style, and are replete with the most thrilling and impossible adventures that the inventive genius of the writer can describe. Formerly the adventures of Jesse James, Old Sleuth, and other such celebrities were the all-absorbing topics, but latterly, new fields have been discovered under the titles, names suggested by the late Spanish-American War, and the discovery of the gold fields. These works, written with n regard even to morality, instruction or grammar, are eagerly read by the average boy and thus is established in their minds a taste for vicious subjects and they consider everything else to be dry reading. Again, another class of books that can be greatly censured is the society povel which has many readers among the young women of to-day. These are equally as bad as the former, because the imaginative scandals, which are invariably their subjects, tend to corrupt the morals of the young.

The cause of the large circulation of such trash is principally laxity on the part of the parents in supervising the reading matter of their children; and if they would use more care in this matter, the younger folks would le forced to have better judgment in their selection. The establishment of free libraries has done much towards lessening the evil; as has also the great reduction in the works of standard authors. Books which were formerly beyond the reach of the average person can now be readily obtained. It is impossible to give a rule to govern the reader in his choice of books. The true reader, the initiated one, so to speak, remarks an authority, has a guide within his own breast which is far more certain than any outside experience. Give a peron the whole range of English literature, see what bloks he selects, and you can deter mine the character of his mind. It is classified. People choose their books very much as they choose their friends. Some are pleased with any book they chance to take up, and with any person they happen to meet. Others are more discriminative and more exclusive. Readers are in leed numerous, but they may be divided into numerous classes: and those who take an unaffeeted delight in the great masters of literature, but who cannot read everything that is printed, may congratulate themselves on belonging to an aristocracy more exclusive than that of wealth and more distinguished than that of family.

The field of the wage earning woman is constantly enlarging and is limited only by the capacity of the woman herself. Projudice against women in the professions and in the occupations formerly monopolized by men, is rapidly dying out.

The world has begun-to realize that, by the substitution for the handiwork ly. of women of such giant industries as cotton mills and woollen mills, factories for the making of garments by wholesale by expert labor and machinery, great canneries for the preserving of fruits, meats, vegetables and various articles of food, steam laundries in the large cities for the laundering of the garments of the household, etc., that work which was originally considered woman's work has been taken from her and put largely into the hands of men, and that in this new condition of economics, many women are forced into strange fields of labor.

It is interesting to know, from the reports of labor statistics as to the occupations of &omen, that there are several veterinary surgeons in the United States, three or four railroad and steamhoat engineers, an increasing number of architects and contractors, over two score chemists, assayists, metallurgiats, etc.

A writer in the New York "Post" dwells upon the importance of observing special anniversaries in the house-

The "coming of age" of young men brings an opportunity of joyous congratulation, he says, and though the boy may not have kept the promise of his earlier years, and shadows may lurk about his path, it is good to set fears aside and let this day be to the manhood just attained a new beginning. THE SINGER MANUFACTURING CO. Casting aside those things which are

Every age produces work that is des- behind," let the man feel that he has tined to last, remarks a writer; and turned his back on the waywardness

> At cost of effort and money the anniversaries which are especially important should be held as claims to be met with unselfish care; distant sons and daughters ought to count it a little thing to do to travel home for mother or father's birthday, or to keep the circle complete around the family table at Christmas. The sound of a child's voice, longed for through the year of separation, has a charm and aweetness no chime nor kindred , tone can equal, as it heartily calls out its greeting at the open door of home.

The lot of a patient in the public wards of some of our city hospitals is hard enough when it is considered that in each of the wards there are a number of patients. Yet despite this hardship it is said that a great many patients are being treated gratuitously who can well afford to pay.

A plano tuner, who says that planos frequently deteriorate because they are allowed to become too dry, prescribes this remedy, says the ludianapolis Journal:---

"Keep a growing plant in the room, and so long as your plant thrives your plane ought to, or else there's something wrong with it. Just try it, and see how much more water you will have to put in the flower put in the room where your plane is than you use in vase or urn, with a sopping wet sponge in it, near or under the piano, and keep it moistened, just as a cigar dealer keeps his stock. They keep this up all the time the fires are on."

House owners contemplating the joy of having a new roof may be glad of an expression of opinion from an expert as to the best roof from an economic standpoint. A gravel roof, says the one who knows, is unquestionably better and cheaper than tin. A tin roof costs eight or nine cents per square foot, and ought to be printed every year or two. A gravel roof c sts five cents a square foot and can be guaranteed for ten years at least. Besides this, says the same authority, the gravel roof is a non-conductor, and the rooms under it can be kept warmer in winter and cooler in aummer.

The life in a non-Catholic woman's college, where attention to the "evils of Popery" is more absorbing than in colleges for boys, remarks Dr. O'Malley, in his excellent article to the Catholic World Magazine upon the subject of College Work for Catholic Girls, is not the best atmosphere in the world for the growth of a Catholic girl's faith. The devotion to religion is often firmer in a girl's heart than in a boy's, but the girl in the non-Catholic College is exposed to stronger temptations than those :experienced by a Catholic boy in a similar position, because the emotional preacher is more potent in the girl's college than in the boys'.

Every woman who desires to live a real, earnest, useful life should set before herself an ideal, and direct all her energies to the attrinment of the ideal. Now-a-days we do not want a Joan of Arc, but we want the qualities which such women showed. We want the courage to do right: we want an active interest in the well-being of others; we want a noble scorn of all that is mean, and cowardly, and false; we want a deep sense of the solemnity and reality of life; and we want resolution to do our duty. One hears and reads of heroic women. Every women and girl is heroic who strictly does her daily duty lovingly, tenderly, cheerful-

Women now-a-days attach too much interest to the development of their physical and mental powers, and not sufficient to their duties at home. They devote too much time to outside occupations and do not always exert the influence they possess to make the home happy and contented. What contributes most to the happiness of the

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home is the cheerfulness and good temper of the mother and slaters. It is an important duty for a mother of a family to acquaint herself with the interests of her children, and to cultivate the companionship between herself and her children which is so pleasant a feature of many homes, and so lamentably beking in others. Sisters should also be attentive to humor the whims of their more careless brothers, which action will help considerably to preserve the harmony of the family circle.

Talks to Boys And Cirls.

I'LL TAKE WHAT FATHER TAKES.

'Twas in the flowery month of June, The sun was in the west, When the merry, blithesome company Met at a public feast.

Around the room rich banners spread, And garlands fresh and gay; Friend greeting triend right joyously Upon that festal day.

The board was filled with choicest

fare; The guests sat down to dine: Some called for "bitter," some for "stout."

And some for rosy wine.

Among this j your company A modest youth appeared: Scarce sixteen summers had he seen, No specious share he feared.

An empty glass before the voith Soon drew the waiter near: What will you take, sir!" he enquir

"Stout, bitter, mild or clear?"

We've rich supplies of foreign part, We've first-class wine and cakes." The youth, with guileless look, replied. I'll take what father takes.

Swift as an arrow went the words Into his father's ears, And soon a conflict deep and strong, Awoke terrific fears.

The father looked upon his son, Then gazed upon the wine: 'O God," he thought, "were he to taste,

Who could the end di.ine:

Have I not seen the strongest fall? The fairest led astray? And shall I on my only son Bestow a curse this day:

No: God furbid: "Here, waiter, bring Bright water unto me. My son will take what father takes; My drink shall water be."

It is of vast importance to a boy or youth who has just left school and who is about to enter on a business career, that he should receive from his parents or guardians sufficient help and encouragement to make a right start in life. He should be taught that success is the reward of diligence an! a continual desire to advance his position in life should be carefully fostered. An e change pubiishes the following opinion of a successful business man of Boston, who attributes his success to the fact that

he made a right start in life. "If more fathers would take a curse with their sons similar to the one my father took with me," observed one of the leading business men of Beston, "the boys might think it hard at the time, but they'd thank him in after life."

"What sort of a course?" we asked. "Well, I was a young fellow of twenty-two, just out of college, and I felt myself of considerable importance. I knew my father was well off, and my head was full of fadish notions of having a good time and spending lots of money. Later on I expected father to start me in business, after I'd 'swelled' a while at clubs and with fine horse-flesh.

"Like a wise man, father saw through my folly, and resolved to prevent my self-destruction, if it were possible.

" 'If the boy's get the right stuff in him, let him prove it,' I heard father say to mother one day, I worked hard for my money, and I don't intend to let Ned squander it and ruin himself besides."

"That very day father came along" and handed me tifty dellars, remarking, 'Ned, take that money, spend it as you choose, but understand this much; it's the last dellar of my money you can have till you prove yourself capable of earning money and taking care of it on your ewn account."

"I took the money in a sort of dazed manner, and stammered out, 'I---why--

"'Business!' exclaimed the father contemptuously, "what do you know about managing the mercantile business? Get a clerkship and learn . the alphabet before you talk to me on business.' And father left me then to ponder on his words. And that fifty dollars was the last money my father ever gave me, till, at his death, I received my part of the property by

"I felt hard and bitter then, felt my father was a stingy old fogy, and mentally resolved to prove to him that I could live without his money.



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had roused my pride---just what he intended I suppose.

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"At the end of my first year I had

laid aside \$200 and the next year, my salary being raised \$100, I had \$500 laid by.

"One hundred cents meant more to me in those days than \$100 had previously.

"At the end of four years' clerking I went to my father with \$1,500 of my own, and asked him if he was willing to help me enter business. Even then he would only let me hire the money, \$2,000 at six per cent.

"To-day I am called a successful business man. And I have my father to thank for it. Those besors in selfdenial, self-respect and independence which he gave me-though hard at the time---put the manhood into me.

"Years afterward, father told me it life to be so hard with his boy. But he life to be so hard with his boy. But he felt it was the only course to make a man of me. Many a time we laughed heartily over that two-dollar boardbill."

ATTRACTIVE WOMEN.

Why is one woman attractive and another not? The most admirable and attractive thing about an attractive woman is her womanliness. Everybody admires a womanly woman. She must have health, of course, because without it she would lose the brightness of her eyes, the fullness of her cheeks and vivacity. Real health must mean that a woman is really a woman. That she is strong and perfect in a sexual way, as well as in every other. That she is capable of performing perfectly the duties of maternity. Some are born with what is called "constitutional weakness." Those who do not enjoy perfect health, need only take the pro per precautions and the proper remedy become perfectly well and strong. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription will cure any disarrangement of the distinctly feminine organism.

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