

Cold Homes and Their Effect Upon the Rising Generation.

Upon the Rising Generation. 'My boys never seem to want to go out of evenings. I sometimes wish they were not such stay-at-homes,' said the happy mother of half a dozen of them. 'I'll tell ye why they don't,' said a bright-eyed lad of four-teen, who was, at the moment a guest in the house. 'There is always plenty of room, plenty of light, plenty to eat, and a good fire, A boy is like a cat, happiost when near a good fire. In many places where the boys go there is only a single lamp in the room, and that, maybe, is partly taken up by the father, who is reading, and must not be dis-turbed. The fire isn't very good, the rooms are cold, and sometimes the boys play games to get warm. Rooms should be 'toasty' warm, and there should be a light in every cerner, and the lamps fastened to the wall, which is a great thing for boys. No acci-dents, you know. I sometimes think boys cannot help being boisterous and romping a little, and it is such a comfort to know that they are not going to set the house on fire or risk somebody's life. If a few families in every neighborhood could only under-stand what it means to the boys to have a nice, warm, light place, where they must be gentlemen in order to be admitted, I am sure they would banish cold and darkness, and never would fill their houses with gloom and shadow.'

and never would fill their houses with gloom and shadow.' There is nothing in this world-wide crea-tion half so well worth saving as the boys and girls. And it is a sad truth that there are few valuable commodities that are so very badly cared for. The time is coming, however, when they will be looked after and duly appreciated, and when good and intelligent men and wo-men of all creeds, classes and climes will understand that it is a great deal easier to train a twig than to bend a tree. They will learn that it is altogether more practical and practicable to give boys a chance to grow up in the right way than it is to fur-nish houses to reform them after they have grown up wicked and depraved. Every school-house in the land might be always open and be a general meeting-place for young people, where light, warmth, good cheer, and a hearty welcome would await them.

Imagine a community of young people brought up with a pleasant meeting-place where they could spend their spare time in where they could spend their spare time in chatter, music, games, and the society of bright and intelligent people. A lecture this evening, a reading to-morrow afternoon, a stereopticon talk and views next week, and all along through the year incidents and things to look forward to, something to make the time pass agreeably, and to brighten the daily life of young people, to whom a dull workaday world is monotoneus and dis-piriting. piriting

piriting. Children and youth have not the strength of purpose or the understanding which will enable them to work without incentive. In-deed, their elders are quite likely to do much better if there is something to look forward to, something to cheer and encourage them. And if there were not who would wilfully remain blind to the great advantages to be derived from placing before growing chil-dren and boys and girls all of those advan-tages that make them brighter, before , dear

dren and boys and girls all of those advan-tages that make them brighter, better, clear-er-headed, warmer-hearted, and more intelli-gent men and women, more capable of filling their allotted places in the world, and in-finitely better equipped to be the ancestors of the generations to come.—N.Y. 'Ledger.'

Selected Recipes.

Venoise Pudding.—Five ounces of bread-crumbs, four ounces of sugar, three ounces of raisins, two ounces of citron, one tea-spoonful of vanilla, one half-pint of milk, the yolks of four eggs, one ounce of brown sugar. Add the milk to this, pour over the yolks, add the vanilla last, and steam one hour and twenty minutes.

Egg Puffs .-- Soften a tablespoonful of but Egg Puffs.—Soften a tablespoonful of but-ter to a creamy consistency by working it with a fork; beat three eggs to a froth and add them to the butter; add a level teaspoon-ful of salt, and six tablespoonfuls of flour. Beat all these ingredients together until they foam, then put them into buttered earthen cups or small tin pans, and bake in a hot oven for half an hour, or until they are cook-ed through and nicely browned.

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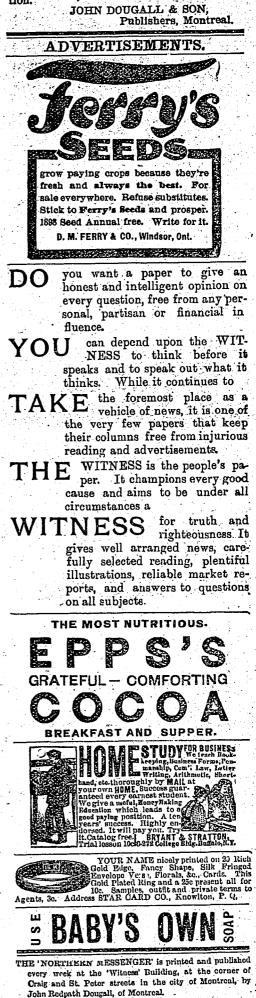
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