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### When the Doctor Comes.

A Chinese physician has a hard time of it when he is called to treat a sick monarch. Compare the story which follows with what an American physician would have done in the same case.

The London Times describes the visit of a celebrated doctor named Chen upon the Emperor of China. He was commanded to appear, and 6,000 taels (about \$4,500) was paid to him in advance for his travelling expenses and fee. He was told that the emperor was suffering in his organs of breathing, from feverishness, and general weakness. He was not allowed to ask his patient a question, and, though admitted twice to his presence, he was compelled to cross the room upon his knees, keeping his eyes constantly upon the floor. The Empress described to the doctor the patient's symptoms, but he was not allowed to feel his pulse, though he might lay his flat hand upon the person of his sovereign. Dr. Chen is said to have remarked that, under these circumstances, one doctor was as good as another, and he petitioned that he might be allowed to return home on account of the sickness of his aged mother. This form of excuse is so common that the matter was inquired into, and Dr. Chen was able, by expending 180,000 taels, to prove that he had in fact an aged mother, and that she was sick, and so permission was given him to return home.

### Took Her Religion Along.

A beautiful instance of Christian integrity is given of a distinguished Christian lady who was spending a few weeks at a hotel at Long Beach.

An attempt was made to induce her to attend a dance in order that the affair might have the prestige bestowed by her presence, as she stood high in society. She declined all the importunities of her friends.

Finally, an honorable senator tried to persuade her to attend, saying: "Miss B—, this is quite a harmless affair, and we want the exceptional honor of your presence."  
"Senator," said the lady, "I cannot do it; I am a Christian. I never do anything in my summer vacation, or wherever I go, that will injure the influence I have over the girls of my Sunday School class."

The senator bowed, and said: "I honor you; if there were more Christians like you, more men like myself would become Christians."

### Snubbing the Child.

Grown people are singularly obtuse as to the impropriety of snubbing a child, who is forbidden to retort and can by no means make reprisals. All public reproving of children is an outrage, not on them alone, but on every spectator, and mothers who call attention to a child's faults or punish a child before any beholder, are greatly to blame. Snubbing is cruelty to any soul; but when we are grown, we may defend ourselves in some way while a child is absolutely weaponless and at the mercy of the snubber.  
—From "Talks with Fathers and Mothers," by Margaret E. Sangster.

A movement has been started in Indiana to combine the two enterprises of erecting a monument to Nancy Hanks, the mother of Abraham Lincoln, and of establishing a national school of domestic science. The proposition is, to quote: "to build a great training school for teachers of domestic science near the grave of the woman whose whole life was spent in the home and whose influence, so potent in the future history of the country, was exerted in the home."

A TEACHER asked a class to write an essay on "The Result of Laziness," and one of the bright but lazy boys in the class handed in as his composition a blank sheet of paper.

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