

I WOULD RATHER.

BY LETTIE S. BIGLOW.

I would rather a single pansy hold
In my living hand, with a friend's kind thought
Greeting me out from the purple and gold.

THE FARM.

The prudent farmer will resort to almost any shift to keep his cattle in condition and the flow of milk good, rather than pasture the mowing fields.

THE HOME.

"Spoiling Children."
The worst injury any parent can inflict on society is to pet and spoil their children in such a way that when they grow up in the world they regret that they did not die in infancy.

THE FARM.

Prof. Tracy became satisfied that there is quite a difference in milkers, as to their inducing the cows to "give down." To test the matter, he puts five cows in the hands of a poor, slow milker, and weighed the product for two weeks; then he put the same cows in the hands of a good milker; and gained two hundred and twenty-four and one-half pounds of milk by the change, during the next two weeks.

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An Open Door.

It was the morning of a busy week-day. The windows—and the doors too—of a city church were open, and above the noise of wagons and carriages and the hum of trade, the notes of the organ rolled out, and for a moment a single clear voice filled the air.

An Open Door.

How peaceful and quiet the church was; she could go in and pray. She could look into her life, into her soul, hold account with God. She pulled the checkering. The carriage stopped; the footman opened the door. She hesitated. How many receptions she had to go to-day; and there were her spring gowns to design. "Drive on, William," she said.

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A hard featured merchant also heard the words of the hymn as he hurried by. He had a disagreeable work before him that morning; a sharp financial game, which would bring him in a vast sum. It was sharp even to the point of downright cheating; it would ruin his partners; and in the main he had heretofore been a man of ordinary business honesty.

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Where's There's Drink There's Danger. Write it on the liquor store, Write it on the school-boy's slate, Write it on the copy-book, Write it on the gin-shop sign, Write, ay, write this truthful line, "Where there's drink, there's danger."

Write it on the work-house gate, Write it on the school-boy's slate, Write it on the copy-book, Write that the young may at it look, "Where there's drink there's danger."

Write it on the Christian dome, Sixty thousand drunkards roan, Year by year, from God and right, Proving with resistless might, "Where there's drink, there's danger!"

Rigid Housekeeping. Yes, said Mrs. Benson, sinking into a chair, and fanning herself with slow movements of the palm-leaf as if too tired for even that small exertion.

My mother always swept the whole house every week, and I intend to do the same, persisted the little woman, quite unmoved by all the argument.

One's heart aches, though, at the absurdity of sacrifice so needless, at the narrowness of vitality so unnecessarily expended.

Management of Cream. The management of the cream is the most particular of all the special points in butter-making, both as regards the quantity and the quality of the butter.

Monopolies and Combines are a source of menace to the public welfare, and should be stamped out. Mr. J. Duncan, Maple Creek, N. W. T., says: Nasal Balm has done my catarrh good, more than all the numerous remedies I had previously tried combined.

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