# HOUSE NO HOME

CONDUCTED BY HELENE.

JUNE BRIDES.

(From Union and Times.)

From time immemorial, as we count the stretch of memory, that is, count the stretch of memory, that is, for the last dozen years or so, happy, expectant girls have chosen the leafy month of June for their bridais. That is to say, if the man in the case, or mayhap the girl as well, has the option of "getting away" in June. If, however, there are isons in June. If, however, there are lions in the way of a June wedding, there are eleven other months in each year which will answer the purpose, counting out six week of Lent and four of Advent. But many and many a girl will write Mrs. before her name during the lovely month who is now in maiden meditation fancy free. Girls who look forward to taking matrimonial honors in July and August. as well as the June girls, who will rank them, may be interested in all pertaining to the ever-interesting subject.

heart. So she can countenance lav-ishness in that purchase. And for the first week or two, while every eye is on her and while her little affair is the talk of her set, flowers affair is the talk of her set, flowers and candy, auto and carriage excursions, theatre and concerts are permitted. But after the newness is a little worn off, the womanly common-sense, which always looks ahead asserts itself. She can wear her last year's hat and does not see why her flance cannot do the same. She can do without candy and he is encouraged to smoke a pipe. Presents must be purchased with an eye to the future, for an anniversary can as well be remembered by a triffe which will adont the future home. She can do without caudy and he is encouraged to smoke a pipe. Pre-sents must be purchased with an eye to the future, for an anniversary can as well be remembered by a trille which will adorn the future home. And the young woman is right And the young woman is right. She is looking forward to a state of life where every five dollars will be of use, where everything on hand will be worth considering. She begins to look wise as she hears of a bargain. and she spends every cent with thought for the time when two must live on the same sum which now

If she has saved one hundred dol-If she has saved one numeric uollars she can buy a pretty outlit for that sum. If she has two hundred she can do something toward her house-furnishing as well. For that extra hundred, she can buy all the house linens and bedding that she will need for some time. And that will be a far better way of using the And that extra money than to put it into a handsome wedding gown, a satindress and veil, which without doubt dress and veil, which without doubt she will never wear again. But if she has not saved so much as a hundred dollars, use fifty with good judgment and quite a respectable appearance can be made. And better buy the whole outfit for half that modest sum, even, than to make a hard-worked mother unhappy, than to graup a toll-your father, than to hard-worked mother umappy, than to cramp a toil-worn father, than to mar the happiness of the home which has sheltered her all these years, or to be so unwise as to run into debt. The bride who runs in debt and trust to luck to "save out" money from that to be given to live on the total propers. out money from that to be given her to live on, throttlesher happiness at the start. Better be frank about it and give up all idea of show if it cannot be afforded. Few men, who amount to anything, will insist on amount to anything, will insi a show wedding. So do not rvous about saying outright that such an affair cannot be afforded.

For, remember, the bride pays all the expenses of the wedding except the fee to the priest. She pays the sexton, the organist if there is to be music, hires the carriage in which the rest to the music, hires the carriage in which the rest to the west to be the rest to the res sexton, the organist if there is to be music, hires the carriage in which she goes to the church, although she goes from caurch in the groom's carriage in the prefers. But in simple weddings it often happens that the groom goes to the home of the bride and makes his start from there with and makes his start from there with and there is little talk of mine and thine as to the carriages.

selfishness is not quite dead, sameness wearies, that tears than worthless, that head and backaches do not get worse than worthless, that headaches and backaches do not get
much sympathy, not as much as formerly; in fact, they must grow together. If they want to be happy
and contented through storms and
sunshine, they must keep on enjoying
each other's society. They must be
chums and prefer to be together than
to have anyone, no matter who, in
their company. If they grow to be
joily comrades, the hard places of
life will be smoother than if they
take their sorrows separately.

Of course, the bride has sufficient
common-sense to hold her tongue
judiciously. Not that she should
have secrets from her husband, but
she should keep some things to herself—in the language of the times,
she ought to "keep him guessing."
Men like new things. If he finds
something new every day up to the
golden wedding, the wife will be a
happy woman. Far more important
than this, however, bushand that

debt. After a girl is engaged, atter the first made mystery of it all, if she is wise she decidedly discourages lavish expenditure. At first, she must have her ring, and it must be one she will not be ashamed of, and, too, it will last forever and the handed down to the eldest daughter or the son, perhaps, for biscourages. If he golden wedding, the wife will is happy woman. Far more important than this, however, is that should so honor her husband is she scorns to tell tales of him biscorns to tell tales of him the beauty of the trying arguments, the fond lovering the trying arguments, for all meaning new every day up to golden wedding, the wife will is happy woman. Far more important his park that this, however, is that should so honor her husband is he scorns to tell tales of him bis back. No matter how timate a friend she may have, the trying arguments, for all meaning new every day up to golden wedding, the wife will is happy woman. Far more important his park that the property of the pr t petty quarrels, the fond loverings, the trying arguments, for all men argue and an women hate it, the privy purse should be kept as house hold secrets and the old-time confidence kept to its proper limit. No story loses in the telling, and what can a friend do but take sides? So do not tell; and regret for unwise confidence will never cloud the domestic sky.

### INCONSISTENT.

It is a noticeable fact that melancholy individual who maintains that life is not worth living, always wears a chest-protector and goloshes

To have toiled upward through the barren years, To have had courage to contend with

And walked in silence when the vic tor's song Was justly thine, lest it should reach

Of the great grieving host of van-quished ones;

Showing Christ's mercy to the puny soul That would have kept thee from the longed-for goal—
All these are victories, oh, worthy

sons! But to have battled bravely, and have failed-

failing, stood undaunted to the Cheering the ones who on to vic-

tory passed Infusing hope to those by doubt as-Conquering self, beneath the chast-

ching rod—

chold a victor worthy of his God!

Behold a victor worthy of his God!

This is the tenth—thou shalt not chide,

But shalt by all her laws abide.

If to these ten she adds ten thous-

loves me, he that hates me, and he that is indifferent to me. Who loves me teaches me tenderness; who hates me caution; who is indifferent to me teaches me self-reliance.

### REFLECTIONS.

Some people would even like to ed too snugly

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and makes his start from there with her, and there is little talk of mine and thine as to the carriages.

Most girls have thought and thought about the wedding bourney. They have for years expected to go on such a trip, and a large part of their pleasant anticipations has clustered around that possible journey. But three days or so will be enough, or if the little home is ready, why not take the trip rater on and at once begin enjoying the delight of a new home, at once take the honors of a house mistress and of ownership? The hundred or so dollars that the trip will cost will be a nice little nest egg to lay aside for that rainy day so sure of coming. Whether or not it is due to the financial depression, but just such bridal trips as this, the one from the girl's home to that provided by her husband, seems to be in favor these days, these economy days when nobody is ashamed to say "we can't afford" many things less expensive than a bridal trip.

However, the great thing is not the wedding day, but the days and years that come after it. Young women know a great deal these days, a great deal more than their mothers have ever found out. They knows on much that they scorn hints and advice. They are married, and, therefore, of the greatest importance to the world. The bride and her flueband must get acquainted, must learn that neither is perfect, that temper is a common failing; that

ference to great emergencies, we are compelled to shape it with reference to the little rasps and disturbances of daily life. That is Lity's point of of daily life. That is Lily's point of view. Millicent's is—so far as. we can grasp it—that love is so great and powerful a thing that it makes us oblivious of petty annoyances. And in this Millicent is wholly wrong. We have to live from day to day, and our real feeling toward even those who love us and whom we love is built up of a multitude of even those who love us and whom we love is built up of a multitude of daily impressions. Millicent would miss Lily terribly, because she loves her sincerely. But she might be much susprised to know that with Lily's missing there would be mingled at least a little of relief. On the whole, love's partial payments are best for her who owes as well as her who receives. And they will increase rather than diminish readiness. if the need arises, to go through the fire on love's behalf.—The Congregational and Christian World. World.

GIVE ME THY PEACE. "A new heart will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you."

Jesus, on the foaming deep Thou once did walk, and all peace; Bid now my soul its quiet ke

Bid, in my heart, all tumult cease Thy Voice the angry waters stilled; sweeping waves knew instant

calm;
i, let my restless heart be filled
it, let my restless heart be filled balm.

Thou yet art near; Thou yet Thy mercy can all strife efface: And give from me desire for wrong And give me Thy protecting grace.

—Amadeus, O.S.F., in Union and

THE WIFE'S COMMANDMENTS

At early dawn thou To get up first and light the fire. Not any morning shalt thou miss wing on thy wife a kiss

If in the night the baby cries, Thou shalt the infant tranquilize Thou shalt take care thy wife car

Her pocketbook with bills well lined Thou shalt not criticise her cakes, Her cooking, or the bread she bakes Thou shalt not fail at Eastertide,

"Gentlemen, you are mistaken! I am neither Abraham, Isaac, nor Jacob, but Saul, the son of Kish, who was sent out to find his father's asses, and lo, he has found them!"

NOT SMITTEN.

They tell a story of Mrs. Mag Chicago, who visited Rome, while there was shown some of while there was shown some of the great marble masterpieces of the world, among others the Apollo Belevedere. They pointed it out to her as being the most perfect form of man that had ever been conceived by the brains of an artist, and the old woman walked all around it, looked at it from every point of view,

nd then said:
"That's the Apollo Belveders, is

'Yes,''
'Well, give me Maggs.'
'wagazi A public-school magazine contains editor will be very pleased to hear of the deaths of any of the old old No doubt the old boys will oblige the editor from time to time.

#### LEGAL EXCUSE.

"Rastus," said the neighbor, "I'd "Rastus," said the neighbor, "I'd like to borrow that mule of yours."
"Goodness sakes, boss," was the rejoinder, "I'd like to 'commodate you; but I's had some 'sperience wif de law. If a man is 'sponsible foh de acts of his agents an' I was to lend dat mule out it wouldn' be no time, befo. I was arrested for assaspime befo' I was arrested for assas sination?"—Washington Star.

A colored parson, calling upon one f his flock, found the object of his visit out in the back yard working among his hen coops. He n with surprise that there were

'Why, Brudder Johnson," he askwhy, Brudder Johnson, he ask l, "where are your chickens?" "Huh," grunted Johnson, without ed, "some fool niggah open and dey all went

KNEW HIS DICKENS.

A third form boy in a city school A third form boy in a city school belongs to a family of Dickens worshippers who have a kind of Dickens fellowship among themselves—read Dickens round the fireside in turns at night, quote Dickens in all sorts of little "family" catch phrases. The

congregations, etc., the Congregation of Rites settles liturgical matters, and conducts the processes of teatification and canonization, the Congregation for Extraordinary Ecclesiastical Affairs studies principally the many difficult and delicate subjects arising from the relations between the spiritual and the temporal power, the Congregation of Studies explains itself, and there are half a dozen other Roman congregations

the Eternal City.

Each of these congregations has its cardinal prefect, its board of cardinals (of whom there are always between twenty-five and thirty resident in Rome), its consulters, its officers, but it is in the nature of things that their machinery should in some instances have become somewhat mixed.

As a matter of fact, the business of one congregation sometimes overlaps that of another, and there are laps that of another, and the see laps that of another, and the see laps that of another are laps that of each of cardinal translate a solid book. The character of the popular fiction of the day is appopular book must be a moving picture or printed vaudeville, or, at times the resultant of this sort of readers are laps that of another are always between twenty-five and thirty resident turn or printed vaudeville, or, at times the resultant of this sort of readers are laps that of another are always between twenty-five and thirty resident turn or printed vaudeville, or, at times the resultant of this sort of readers are always between twenty-five and thirty resident turn or printed vaudeville, or, at times the resultant of this sort of readers that the resultant of this sort of readers. They accustom the mixed that the popular fiction of the day is a popular book must be a moving picture or printed vaudeville, or, at times the popular book must be a moving picture or printed vaudeville, or, at times the popular book must be a moving picture or printed vaudeville, or, at times the popular book must be a moving picture or printed vaudeville, or, at times the popular book must be a moving picture or printed vaudeville, or, at times the popular book must be a moving picture or printed vaudeville, or, at times the popular book must be a moving picture or printed vaudeville, or, at times the popular book must be a moving picture or printed vaudeville, or, at times the popular book must be a moving picture or printed vaudeville, or, at tim

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## The Modern Novel

And the Church.

No one who observes the signs of the times can fail to note the change that has come over novel writing in the past twenty-five years with regard to the Catholic Church. Time was, and that not long ago, when the Church was rarely mentioned except as a time-honored example of the power of superstition, was carefully denominated as "Popish" and no Catholic character appeared in the pages of contemporary fiction except as miserable victims of "priesteraft." The mythical to down," but this is fast becoming a wanhing quantity.

Though most of the popular novels have won lasting popular favor. Marching the care written by non-Catholics, a relatively large number of Catholics are written by non-Catholics, a relatively large number of Catholics are written by non-Catholics, a relatively large number of Catholics and provided and particular to constitute the page of the company of the pages of contemporary fiction occupied and the pages of contemporary fiction occupied and provided a the pages of contemporary fiction corrected many misapprehensions that except as miserable victims of othermise would have lingered long 'priestcraft.'' The mythical Jesuit was an indispensable adjunct of every well stocked property room of the novel writer.

Now, however, another atmosphere by no means impervious to an un-

may almost be said to pervade the popular novels. The writers are not always accurate and their portraits are often far from the reality. Lut generally there is evidence of good feeling, or, at least, there is little trace of a decided animosty, the Faith. Singularly beautiful tributes to Catholic holiness and nobility may be found in the books of writers who are far from being Catholics, and the underlying Catholic has been accomplished by the Catholic tone and gentle moral of "The law on conduct and morals is formulated by authors who recognize its justice and strength. This may be considered an optimistic view of the considered an optimistic view of the case, but there are examples in juscians, but the little ones, because they appeal to the average reader and be can understand their drift.

While the Church imparates, the Truth.

Who can estimate the good that has been accomplished by the Catholic tone and gentle moral of "The great books that do the work but the little ones, because they appeal to the average reader and be can understand their drift. of a decided animosity against aith. Singularly beautiful tritrace considered an optimistic view of the case, but there are examples in justification of it, and at all events the treatment of things Catholic in contemporary fiction is in grateful contrast with the methods of thirty years ago.

This is a significant fact, for the

ephemeral novel constitutes the pracephemeral novel constitutes the practical encyclopaedia of a great many readers. As O'Connell, taking the sentiment of one or the upbuilders of ancient Greece, declared that he cared little who wrote the laws of a land if he could write its songs, so the man who wishes to sway public opinion may say he rocks little who man who wishes to swav public opinion may say he recks little who writes the solid books of the day if the can have the monopoly of the fiction output.

What do people read? Novels. If anyone doubts this let him consult the librarians and booksellers. People have not time for serious read-

ple have not time for serious reading, and the tendency of modern life unfits the mind for serious and close reading. Real education is far more uncommon than the advocates of the public school would have us believe. public school would have us believe. and morals that make for righteous-The average boy or girl passes ness.—The Pilot.

through the elementary and grammar courses and then into professional or mercantile life. Work is "so engrossing and activity so may ed that when people take up at is to seek amusement, not ledge or profit. The truth of mental feebleness may be averaged. er, the Congregation of Studies explains itself, and there are half a dozen other Roman congregations of ecclesiastical organization centered in the Eternal City.

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sound "piu pia "zita tu Bianca, brielle, and b Blanche."

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It is therefore of very great portance that of the thousands of books that are sold in the bookstalls

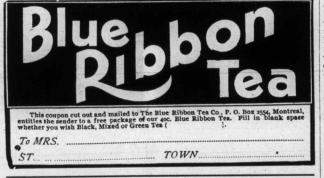
books that are sold in the bookstalls and sent out by the ton so few are anti-Catholic and so many are written in a tone sympathetic towards the Church, its priests and members.

There is, of course, a rancid and strong-lunged minority which demands an anti-Catholic brand of fiction, that, like the liquor of the backwoodsman, "will burn its way down," but this is fast becoming a vanishing quantity.

conscious assimilation thought and feeling that in the sultant constitute a distinct gain for the Church and render the work of her representatives much easier. Every man who by fair means can be brought to survey the Catholic Church impartially or with sympa-

close her eyes that Catholic novelists have merited well of her and that the good feeling and sympathy which pervade the ephemeral fiction of the period are something to be thankful for.

The vast majority of the unchurch ed, the heedless indifferents to reli-gion, never come within the scope of the priest; he has enough to do to hold his own and do his appointed work in the great parishes are growing up on all sides of us, with the ever present problem of misery and sin, but no one with the love of the Truth in his heart can help but say "God-speed" to those writers, albeit no geniuses or classics who have diffused through the reading world the sweet aroma of Catholic life, the picture of what the Church can do when men will allow Church can do when men wil her, and the sound lessons



To keep her with new hats supplied. A sacred duty thou shalt deem To treat her daily to ice cream.

Thou shalt not speak in temper rash If she desireth extra cash. Thou shalt not come home "full" at

night, With lame excuses for thy plight.

and more beside.

-Munsey's Weekly A FEW DON'TS ON DRESSING. If you don't want to be cross and make all of your would-be friends hate the sight of you

Don't wear a collar that is too Reform of Beauty isn't even skin-deep. Lots tight.

Don't wear hose supporters fasten-

ed too snugly.

Don't wear your corset too tight.

Don't, above all things, try to
crowd your feet into shoes that are
too small. It pays to spend a lain. able, comfortable and that look well. What woman's disposition would not be completely ruined if her toes are cramping her?

cramping her?
Don't wear hats that are loaded down with heavy trimmings, as it will give you a headache.
If you will avoid these errors in dressing you will be a wiser and a happier woman, and you will most assuredly be more beautiful.

### FUNNY SAYINGS.

ANANIAS' CALLING.

The Dentist—Now, open wide your mouth, and I won't hurt you a bit. The Patient (after the extraction).—Doctor, I know, what Ananias did for a living now.

HE FOUND THE ASSES.

While the late President, Mr. Hayes was a college student, he went out walking one day with two of his chums, and, happening to meet an old farmer coming along the road, they determined to have some fun at the old fellow's expense. Accordingly, as they approached him, the future President addressed him in this manner:

future President during this manner:

"Good morning, Father Isaac!"

Then his two friends spoke to the old tiller of the soil, one calling him Father Abraham and the other Father Jacob. With a sober face the old agriculturist looked up, and in a solemn voice said:

boy of nine took his place in boy of nine took his place in the Scripture class recently, the lesson had been on the story of Uriah the Hittite, and the form master was driving it home by close questioning. "And what," he asked, "was the name of Uriah's wife?" Dead pause; then the voice of the youthful Dickens scholar piped, "Please, sir, Heep!"—London Chronicle. KEEPING HIS WORD.

Mrs. Fogarty (in fashionable restaurant)—Now, fer goodness' sake, Mike, don't order Irish' stew. Mr. Fogarty-All right, I won't, dear. Waiter, fetch me another some Hiberman suey or Celtic goulash!

# Congregations.

It is not improbable, says Rome, that among the important papal documents of the present year, one of the next to be published will be the one dealing with a number of reforms in the Roman congregations.

The Holy Father has, during the last five years, made many notable changes in the working of some of the congregations, perfecting, their machinery, limiting or extending their attributes, re-organizing their finances, and so on, but if we are rightly informed, these have been merely temporary and tentative merely temporary and tentative steps in the direction of a more tho-

merely temporary and tentative steps in the direction of a more thorough and general reform.

The importance of the subject will be at once grasped when it is remembered that the Roman congregations serve, as it were, as the eyes and ears and arms of the Holy See in the government of the Church uniand morals. Thus the Congregation of the Holy Office, which has the Pope himself as prefect, is charged with all questions regarding the purity of the faith, the Congregation of the Index is charged with the elimination of books and writings dangerous to faith and morals, the Congregation of the Council, of which so much has been heard recently in connection with the new marriage legislation, expounds and interprets the logislation of the Church contained in the Council of Trent, the Congregation of Propaganda decides on all religious questions throughout the missionary part of the world—including all English-speaking countries, the Congregation of Bishops and Regulars decides the questions that come up for settlement in Oatholic countries, between different bishops, between bishops and their chaplains, the religious

