

while the third room, larger than the rest, is used as a combination dining and living-room.

When money is more plentiful, or the growing family demands larger quarters, two more rooms and a wide porch are added to the front of the house, giving the household an extra bedroom and a large living-room. What was the front porch is now converted into a good-sized bath-room and hallway. A clothes closet is provided for the new bedroom, and a linen closet off the hall takes care of that particular phase of housekeeping.

As the original basement is of ample proportions, no excavating is done under the addition. Brick or concrete may be used for the foundation, and a fireplace can be built into the living room if so desired, at a nominal increase in the cost. Stained rustic siding makes a pretty finish for the outside of the house; and because it is not necessary to remove any portion of the old roof, it is an easy matter to join the roof of the new section to that of the first part built.

When the entire house is completed, it presents a very attractive appearance from the outside, as well as having a nicely arranged homelike interior.

#### SOME AUTOMOBILE RULES

In driving the automobile don't speed.

Don't run on the battery.

Don't let the clutch in suddenly.

Don't start the car with a jerk.

Don't advance the spark too quickly.

Don't run at a high speed in towns and cities.

Don't race the motor when shifting gears.

Don't violate the unwritten rules of the road.

Don't overwork the motor on hills—shift gears.

Don't abuse the brakes. Apply them gradually.

Don't shift into or out of reverse when car is moving.

Don't drive fast on wet pavements—the car is liable to skid.

Don't start on a trip without full gasoline tank and plenty of oil.

Don't descend extremely steep grades before shifting into one of the lower gears.

Don't fail to keep the brakes adjusted.

Don't use dirty water in your radiator.

Don't turn corners too rapidly. It is hard on tires.

Don't twist the steering wheel when the car is standing still.

Don't use dirty gasoline. It is well to strain all the gasoline you put in the tank.

Don't run the car if you detect some unusual sound—investigate.

Don't forget to examine the car carefully after hard run.

Don't get water into your

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carburetor or on the magneto gear when washing your car.

Don't use the brakes too much. Slow down the car by means of the clutch and throttle.

Don't let your steering rods connection loosen up to such an extent as to cause wobbling of the wheels.

#### THE STEERING GEAR

No part of the car is more closely connected with the safety of the occupants than the steering gear.

Any rattling in these parts is a sure sign of looseness in connections and should be attended to at once. It tends to excessive wear of the parts affected. In the steering wheel there should not be over a quarter of a turn play. There must be some play, otherwise each little jar of the road would be felt by the driver. But this play has its limits and it is almost as hard to drive a machine with excessive play in the wheel as it is one set too close. Either is dangerous, for

the utmost ease of control is essential.

The automobile being out of order, the head of the family took the children out in the old family carriage behind a nag that was in need of exercise. When the horse began to snort and cavort, the younger boy said:

"Pop, you'd better shut off the current and fix him. He's missing fire."