### HOUSE AND HOUSEHOLD.

STAR OF THE SEA.

BY EUGENE DAVIS.

Star of the Sea! when on the pliant tide Reigns an undappled caim, thou watchest o'er The poor frail barks that unuspecting gilde Near the grim rec's that edge the smilling hore, and when the billows rush in speed athwart The foam-capped main, and souls cry out to thee.

The thing, light guides them unerringly Unto the welcome shelter of a port. So be thou with us in our hour of calm, And more than ever with us in our dree—Bless'd though we be with the victorious palm, Or crowned with forrow's thorns, we cry to the;
And let this be the burden of our psalm; "Be thou our light and love, Star of the Sea!"

—The Rosary.

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#### Use and Abuse of the Needle.

Have you never seen a pair of hands silently folded in death, and then thought afterward of how busy that right hand had been making the flashing steel needle go in and out the fine cambric, the delicate lawn, or the pretty silk? Haven't you thought that perhaps the many hours spent in the sewing chair, near the light, but not always in the sunshine, may have shortened the life of this woman? And haven't you said in your heart that you would never let anybody you loved sew in that way? Women have, from the very beginning, abused the needle. They have wrought stitches where they were not necessary;

her kitchen garden or a grand dame having worldly lore at her tongue's end and finger tips, it is the same.

"She likes to imagine herself a nerson they have made fine frocks when simpler time with the persistent desire to partial little more embroidery on the gown or cloak of a baby than was on that of the rival baby in the family. Nowadays, around your little finger by a judicious around your little finger by a judicious rival baby in the family. Nowadays, thank God, our children and our babies are dressed sensibly and simply; embroidery done by hand is out of vogue, and the most loving mother does not need to devote all her hours to making the little frocks and decorating the be longings of Master Baby and his older

sister.

Needlework is essentially a womanly occupation, and of its use not a word can be said. Just now we seem more likely to abuse it in the way of making the wonderful pieces of fancy work to serve as clever coll-ctors of dust than in any other way. As an apostle of high art once said; "Dust is the bloom of time," it may be that the blossoms of the years will be appreciated. But this is what I want to say, my dear woman, you who are my friend, and whom I dearly love, do sewing that is necessary. Have a bit of fancy work about you if you wish; but remember that the end and aim of your life is not to thread a needle with various shades of brown and green, and work out a conventional flower, but it is to go out into the sunshine -- to find the real sunshine of life, and to make your girls and boys, and that biggest boy of all your husband, share part of it with you. Let a book be in the basket with the fancy work; let pleasant thoughts be sewn in the muslin or the stuff that is used for the belongings of all the household, but don't make yourself a slave to the needle, even in high art work. You think this is impossible. Look at some of your neighbors-make them your looking-glass, and see how important a matter is a piece of art needlework, and of how little importance is the gaining of the confidence of your boy or girl. To spend hours deciding on the exact shade of the chrysanthemum in fancy silks, the perfect outline of the leaf in crewel, and to give no passing thought to those around you, is an evidence of an absolute lack of heart. Do you want your children to judge you from that standpoint? The systematic woman is the one who rules her needle; the woman who makes no rules for her life is the one who is governed by the sharp-pointed little individual who, while he keeps only one eye on her, sees that her service is as entire as it is unnecessary.

### Scandal is Vulgar.

It has come to be more and more a maxim of good manners, not to mention an accident of the place, and not as one either to the manner born, or who has manner born, hear gossip and scandal, and perhaps lend to them a too willing ear; but it is in privacy, in the depths of boudoir or chamber, vice paying its wellknown tribute there to virtue in the hypocrisy that whispers it in the dark, as it were, and will not listen to it more publicly. And it is to be confessed that of the two evils, the indiscriminate en-couragement of evil-speaking is the greater, for the hypocrisy injures one's self, but the opposite course injures one's self, and many others besides.

The forbidding of the enjoyment of scandal in public is, at any rate, an acknowledgment of its vulgarity if not of its wickedness. It proclaims, too, the fact that society thinks well of itself and its intentions, and has a standard of some loftiness up to which it endeavors to live, and that it recognizes an interest in the possible ill-doings of fallen mor-tals as something intrinsically low and coarse and calculated to hurt its own structure, an interest in such facts anyway as indicative of an order of taste not to be desired, and its possessor a person not to be associated with. It may be simply as a sybaritic precaution, ease and pleasure being so much surer when no uncomfortable suggestion thrusts in an ugly head, that unpleasant topics of an unwholesome nature are tabooed in the conversation of the finest drawing room. But whether this is so or not, it is plain that good society would like to be optimistic, it would believe in no evil and would speak no evil; it has found that the essence of good manners is also the essence of the golden rule, and as the voice of scandal violates all its notions, it has laid upon such utterances within its borders the penalty of ostracism.

Especially is this true of our land, where one is up to-day and down to-morrow, and vice versa. The wisest woman is she who trustsin a to-morrow, but never looks for it. To sit down and wish that this might be, that that would be different, does a woman no good. It does her harm in that it makes her dissatisfied with her-self, unpleasant to her friends, and makes her old before her time. Happiness is not always increased in proportion to enlarged success. This may sound like an old saw, and I think it is, but there is a world of wisdom in many an old proverb just the same. Contentment is a wonderful thing to cultivate. There would be fewer premature-old women in the world if it were given more of a trial and it became a more universal quality in womanhood.

#### A Woman of the World.

"Do you know," said a man the other day, "there is one phrase of words which when applied to a woman seems to please her more than anything else in the English language which you can call her? And that phrase is a woman of the world.' Of course, I use that term in its best sense. I never saw the woman who didn't involuntarily bridle and smirk if

you called her that. "Be she peasant or princess, an old country dame knowing nothing outside her kitchen garden or a grand dame

She likes to imagine herself a person of great experience and unlimited knowones would have been in better taste, and they have grown bent and old in time with the persistent desire to put a may subject. She likes you to think that

use of those five little words. You can get any favor granted by beginning. Now you as a woman of the world will understand exactly what I am going to ask,'etc. Young and old, they swallow at that bit of flattery greedily. The younger women bite more eagerly, perhaps, but the older ones are not far behind."

And the woman to whom all this nonand the woman to whom at this holi-sense was told, listened with polite but firm dishelief, and then said: "Now, in return for your information, I'll tell you how to manage a man. Ask his advice; first, last and always ask his advice Nothing delights a man so much as to have a woman defer to his opinions and accept his statements with an air of profound relief. He likes to dommeer, and giving his advice is a species of donn-

neering.
"If you want to have him think you're the most sensible woman on the face of the earth consult him as to what you shall do about everything. If you break the mainspring of your watch, ask him to recommend a jeweder. If you have a e dd in your head let bim prescribe. If you're buying a new trock, by all means give him the delight of designing the costume. It you acquire a new hat, put it on and ask him what he thinks of it. Never mind how ridiculous his advice is nor how absurd his criticisms. aren't obliged to abide by them. Say nothing back, but do as you please. But Sunday, Monday and every other day in the week continue diligently to seek after his opinions.

"So shad you carry palms forever and your star have no descent !

And they called it half a day and quit -N. Y. Recorder.

### YOUTH'S DEPARTMENT.

#### Hearing a Fly's Footsteps,

"These scientific chaps are a queer lot," said a hotel clerk last evening. "They are all the while trying to see things whose very existence is entirely unknown to ordinary mortals, and listening to sounds so minute and delicate as to defy and completely put to shame the keen st-eated Indian scout herethat ever delighted the hearts of the readers of dime-novel literature.

"An English chemist, who was hear good morals, says a writer in Harper's vesterday, exhibited a tittle unicrophone Bazanr, that scandal is never to be talked he had made which would render audible vesterday, exhibited a little microphone in the drawing-room. So thoroughly is the footsteps of a fly. It was only a this recognized that if a woman is heard small affair, and consisted of a box with in good society talking of unpleasant a sheet of thin straw paper stretched personalities, she is at once set down as lover the other side. By means of a little electrical device, consisting of two carbon pencils and a weak battery, the sheet been long enough with people of good of paper over the top of the box was breeding to acquire their repose and caused to produce vibration when a fly taste. Very likely many of these high-walked over it, strong enough to react bred people in question, who are to the energetically on an ordinary telephone transmitter when held close to the

#### The Sunflower.

The common tall sunflower is said to have derived its name from its resemblance to the radiant beams of the sun. This flower is turned to many economic uses. It furnishes the finest honey and When the seed is crushed as linwax. When the seed is crushed as lin-seed is it will produce the finest oil in larger quantities in proportion to any other seed for the table as well as the painter, particularly in mixing green and blue paints. The cake is superior to linseed for fattening cattle; the oil makes most excellent soap, very softening to the hands and face, and better than any other for shaving. Sheep, pigs, pigeons, rabbits and poultry of all sorts will fatten rapidly upon the seed, pheasant's in particular, becoming much glossier in plumage and plumper in body. And when shelled and ground it makes the finest kind of flour for bread, especially tea

#### The Shah's Museum.

Sir Henry Drummond Wolff obtained permission for Mrs. Bishop, the authoress, to view the Shah's "Museum," or treasure. She says of it :

The proportions of the room are perfect. The floor is of tine tiles of exquisite coloring, arranged as mosiac. A table is laid with beaten gold, and chairs in rows are treated in the same fashion. Glass cases round the room and on costly tables contain the fabulous treasures of the Shah and many of the crown jewels.

"Possibly the accumulated splendors of pearls, diamonds, rubics, emeralds, saphires, basins and vessels of solid gold. What Keeps Women Young.

A woman is happy just in proportion as she is content. The sun had a way of changing the spots upon which it shines.

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A moments (masculine solely) of every contains, 141 Frenchmen, 104 Germans, 152 English, 61 Australian, 253 English, 61 Australian, 264 English, 61 Australian, 265 English, 61 English

description, jeweled coats of mail, dating back to the reign of Shah Ismael, exquisite enamels of great antiquity, all in a profusion not to be described, have no counterpart on earth. They are a

dream of splendor not to be forgotten.
"Among the extraordinary lavish uses of gold and gems is a golden globe, twenty inches in diameter, turning on a frame of solid gold. The stand and meridian are of solid gold set with rubies. The equator and elliptics are of large diamonds. The countries are chiefly outlined in rubies, but Persia is in diamonds. The ocean is represented by emeralds. As if this were not enough, huge gold coins, each worth 33 sovereigns, are heaped round its base."

#### A Plea for the Roys.

Why can't the boys have their rights as well as other people? A friend (boy) has kindly handed me the following. I give it to you as a plea for the boys:

"I wonder now if any one In this broad land has heard, In favor of down trodden boys,

One solitary word? We hear enough of "Woman's rights," And "rights of workingmen."

Of "equal rights" and "nation's rights," But pray just tell us when

Why, we've become so used To being snubbed by every one, And slighted and abused; That when one is polite to us, We open wide our eyes, And stretch them in astonishment To nearly twice their size!

Boy's rights were ever spoken of?

Boys seldom dare to ask their friends To venture in the house; It don't come natural at all To creep round like a mouse, And if we should forget ourselves,

And make a little noise, Then ma or aunty, sure would say, "Oh! my! those dreadful boys The girls bang on the p'ano In peace, but if the boys

Attempt a tune with fife or drum,

Ivs "stop that horrid noise!" That horrid noise!" just think of it! When sister never fails To make a noise three times as bad With everlasting "scates."

Insulted thus we lose no time In beating a retreat;

So off we go to romp and tear, And scamper in the street. No wonder that so many boys

Such wicked men become: Twere better far to let them have Their games and plays at home. Perhaps that text the teacher quotes Sometimes-" Train up a child"

Means only train the little girls. And let the boys run wild, But patience and the time shall come When we will all be men: And when it does, I rather think, Wrongs will be righted then.

#### RELIGIOUS NEWS ITEMS.

The Armenian Catholic Church has idopted the Georgian Calendar. A \$20,00 French Catholic Church is be built at Iron Mountain, Mich.

The French Lazarists have made within a brief period 30,000 converts in Abys-

opulation of 28,895,424, of which number 18.814.012 are Catholic. Monsignor Foschi, Archbishop of Peru-

Austria, exclusive of Hongay, has a

gia, succeeds Monsignor Boccah as auditor of the Holy Father. Monday, the 21st, being the festival of St. Benedict, patriarch of western Mon-asticism, and founder of the Order of St.

Benedict, was celebrated generally. By agreement between the Holy See and the Russian Government, Mgr. Koslowski has been nominated as metro-

politan of all the Catholics in Russia. A movement has been started with the

Pere Didon is preaching the Lenten Conference at the Madeleine, Paris. His subject is the Divinity of our Lord.

On Sunday hundreds waited in vain for

admission to the great church, every inch of space being filled long before the hour announced for the sermon. Father Robert Ross, S. J., who died ately at Beaumont, England, was an old University oar. He was one of the crew that won the boat race for Oxford in 1874. He was a Justice of the Peace and Depu-

ty Lieutenant for County Down, when he

gave up his property and position to enter the Jesuit novitiate. Vicar-General Walsh, Ogdensburg, has delivered to Bishop-elect Gabriels, Bishop Wadhams' ring. The ring is valued at the Commune his old parish was one of \$1200, and was bequeathed by the bishop the hotbeds of insurrection, but he reto his successor. Father Walsh also de-livered to the bishop-elect the ring of the late Bishop Bacon, of Portland, Me., which he bequeathed to the diocese of

Ogdensburg. The progress which the Catholic faith til the entry of the Versailles troops, continues to make in Rome is illustrated. He was entrusted with the organization by the fact that the Gregorian University, which in the scholastic year 1870-71 | Cardinal Guibert in 1875, and in 1880 he counted only 223 students in the two faculties—Theology and Philosophy— counts this year S61. In the catalogue lately issued, the students are placed in

12 Swiss, 3 Irish, 4 Spanish, 12 Hungarians. 1 Indian, 268 Italians, 2 from Luxemboug, 4 Dutch, 3 Portuguese. 32 Poles and 19 Scotch. The rector of the University is Rev. P. Emilio De Augustini, and the Prefect of Studies is Very Park Michele de Veria. Rev. Michele de Maria.

Mgr. d'Hulst, Rector of the Catholic 'niversity of Paris, has been elected TRUE WITNESS ] without opposition Deputy for Brest, or rather for the rural district round it, in the place of the late Bishop Frappel. He will be, like his predecessor, the only ecclesiastic in the Chamber. He is the Lenten preacher at Notre Dame, and was preaching there on Sunday while his election was going on in Brittany.

In the Basque region of Spain there is a farmous chapel dedicated to "Our Lady of Aranzazu." Amongst the various offerings lately presented to the priest was a gigantic candle. The sacristan endeavored to light it whilst the church was filled with people, but did not succeed. It was then closely examined and found to be a tube filled with gunpowder and containing two dynamite cartridges.

The Osservatore Cattolico is one of the ablest and most faithful advocates of the cause of the Church in Italy. Its editor the Abbe David Albestario, has had the honour of an interview of nigh an hour with the Holy Father, during which counsel was given and confidence exchanged on many vexed topics of the hour. "Your journal," said the Sover-eign Pontiff as he left, "is far above the ordinary level. Courageously persevere." Leo XIII. feels a deep interest in the honest press.

Washington's anniversary was cele-brated with due devotion at the American College. The rector was well supported by Archbishop Ireland and sixteen prominent citizens of the United States who are honoring Rome by their presence. St. Paul was equal to the occasion, and the glories, greatness, inde-pendence and liberty of the great continent thundered over poor, hungry, enslaved, decrepted old Rome like a tornado on the western prairies.

with the ultimatum of September, 1870. to lowed by breach of the Porta Fia, She implered God to give her father the grace to die like a Christian and herprayer was heard. Count Perza repenser

A movement has been started with the view of presenting a permanent memorial of the late Cardinai-Archbishop of Westminster to his old College, Balilo.

Rev. Francis Scipens, for several years assistant paster of Holy Trimity Church. Evansyllie, Indiana, died March 18, at the residence of his parents in that city.

Bishop McGoldrick, of Duluth, has received from Dublin, Ireland, a beautiful chard and present workers; their writings embraced every subject of value and interest to humanity.

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Fourteen superiors of Houses of the Good Shepherd in this country, will said on April 23 for France, to attend the chapter for an election of a mother general to be held in May.

The chapter which will vote for the successor of Cardinal Manning will, it is said, meet this month. Once the result is known in Rome, we may look for something definite in this important matter.

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Further particulars as to the career of Mgr. d' Hulst, the successor of Mgr. Freppel in the French Chamber of Deputies, will be of interest to our readers. He was born in Paris in 1841, and counts among the ancestors of his mother's family the Quinoard du Rour, the famous Urban V., the last Pope but one who reigned at Avignon. Educated at the college of St. Stanislaus, at St. Sulpice, and subsequently at Rome, where he gained the degrees of doctor of theology and of Canon law, he was named curate at Saint-Ambroise, in named curate at saint-Amoroise, in Paris, the then parish priest of which is the present Cardinal Langenieux, of Riccims. We have already related the brave part he played in the war. During mained at his post. On the eve of the assa-sination of the Archbishop of Paris he was attending a dying parishioner, when the National Guards came to arrest am. A pious female concealed him unof the Catholic University founded by was appointed rector of that institution. He was named a Roman prelate when he accompanied the Cardinal to the Conclave where Cardinal Joachim Pecci

FARMERS' COLUMN.

(As the busy season is at hand and the farmers will pay more attention to the practice than the theory of farming, we will not overtax them with too much matter in this column. But the following may be of interest, at this season, to all who desire to have a flower garden and to cultivate beautiful specimens.—E0

#### A TALK ABOUT FLOWERS.

If you want to raise your own Dahllas from seed, which is very easily done, you will need to start them as early in April as possible so as to have them bloom in August. You would have to pay 10 or 20 cents each for tubers; a you would get in the autumn. You can buy packets of the beautiful single Dahila Gracillis, striped and vartegated; the Double Pompon, very fine, and the Double Large Flowering. You may sow the seed in a tin can—I prefer it to a pot—three seeds to each. They will come up in less than a week, good strong seedlings, if you keep the soft moist and the dish in the sun. When they show the second leaves they should be transplanted singly, or if put in a large pot, have them two hehes apart. They will grow nicely until ready to put in the ground, where they require rich soil and a sunny position.

Cosmos is another beautiful plant for the garden that needs to be started as early as April, for it is a late bloomer. The plants grow from 5to 7 feet in height and the folings is very ornamental as well as the flowers which are in colors of plak, crimson, white, etc., large and showy. Pansies for early summer should be sown in April; for autumn sow in June; for next spring sow in August; then they will be strong for the winter keeping, and bud beneath the snow.

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The annual Phloxes are among the "must havest" and need not be sown till May in boxes, or in the open ground as soon as all danger from frost is over. There are lovely varieties now sent out and of these we can specially commend Child's Jubilee with exceptional large flowers of every color and variegations. The Star Phloxes Fimbrian and Cuspidata are very attractive, quite unlike others in the form of the petals, toothed and star-shaped. They are in all shades and combinations of color. Be sure and have a bed of the Stars. Or course you must have a steel of the stars, or course you must have a feel growing, dwarf and pygnace, in the star afforded; tall growing, dwarf and pygnace, New Rose in colors of red, blue and white; Hartequin, currously striped and blotched; Comet with quilted petals; and White Wave, the most beautiful white aster grown.

on the western prairies.

Our missionaries in Africa will have another friend in the person of Mr. Richard Dorsey Mohum, of Washington, D. C., whom President Harrison, on the recommendation of Mr. Baine, has appointed commercial agent from the United States to Bomba in the Free States of the Congo, the head of which is time King of Belgium. Mr. Mohum, who is in very way qualified for the limportant position to which he has been appointed, is a grandson of Anna Hanson Dorsey, the well-known writer of stories.

A hally of a most beautiful and analytic disposition has passed away in the fittle. House of Divine Providence, at Furnighted States in the world, by the way) in the person of Sister Mary of the fine of the Conga disam Murtine. This meet hann of the Order of St. Vivicent de Paul was the daughter of fine statesman of the Revocation, who served Per Notro with the altimatum of September, 1870, to lowed by Jeren in of the Perna in the Perna in of the Perna in of the Perna in of the Perna in the Perna in

#### TRISH NEWS.

Private Blight Experiments.

prace to the line a Christian and her toraver was heard. Could Tedat tep instead was reconciled to the Church when he breathed his last. R.L.P.

The Holy Father is in the enjoyment of excellent hearth, for which could be thanked. Not is his bright intellerts it is dipreted of excellent hearth, for which could be thanked. Not is his bright intellerts it is dipreted of the dimness of dimess of age. His Holiness retains his benches ter Latin composition, and but the other cay water hymn, which was set to intelle to the composition, and but the other cay water hymn, which was set to intelle the by the Moestro Mustan, and sing with effect in the Sistine Chapal. The clarated are included in the sisting powder, only a conducted to his skillful Latin verses are quite versely as a patterns to the more advanced stadens in air Cathelie vedages.—Lead for Cuis of Chicago, "says the Catholic Tribune, "in a potter to the Car, suggests that an exhibit of the writings, manniscripts, works of att and

#### Census Returns.

#### Inquest in Carlow.

In Carlow, on Friday, February 26, the County Coroner resumed the inquest, adjourned from the previous Tuesday, touching the death of James Hawkins, a maive of the town, aged 24 years, which occurred in the police barrack carly the same morning. Buring the night of Sidurday, the 13th, Hawkins was arrested charged with an assault on a man named boyte, and was detained in the barracks till the following morning, when he was sent on remaind to Kitkenay jail, on the 20th, when he was brought up a second timo, a second remaind was obtained on the ground that the prisoner was seriously ill in the police barrack, From the evidence of appeared that some tobacco was found in Hawkins' clothes, when he was taken to Kitkenay jail, and for this and alleged assibordination he was put on "punishment died" for three days on brend and waler. The doctor visited him on the 21st, and promounced him its or tavel to Carlow. He was very slek on the journey and died in the Carlow police-barracks, shortly after having been attended ov Dr. O'Meara, who pronounced him to be suffering from influenza. The jury returned the following verdiet;—"That the deceased, James Hawkins, died at the police barrack, Carlow, on the 23rd ult, from influenza and congestion of the liver, and that the treatment he received in Kilkenny jail by being placed on punishement det for three days accelerated his death."

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With deep regret we have to announce the death of the Rev. Charles Montague, P. P., Ardboe, which look place at Brookend, on Friday, February 19th. Father Montague was born in the towniand of Attemboin, parish of Errigle-kerin, about the year 1866. Turing the days of his early boyhood he was remarkable for his anniability of manner, great humility, and shere plety, and showed a decided vocation for the Church. He entered Maynooth in the year

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1829, being a nephew to the famous Dr. Montague, president of that College. His appointment was to the curacy of Killasin, Castlebellingham, county Louth, where he labored for livyears, and afterwards was transferred to the village of Middletown, parish of Tynan, county Armagh. Subsequently he succeded the Rev. Father McKenna, P.P., Ardboe, and was appointed to that parish.

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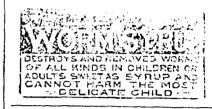
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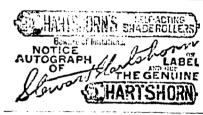


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