

The Home

To Become a Fluent Talker.

Many a girl, intelligent, educated, as our ideas go, is mortified by her lack of ease in conversation.

There is one great reason for this lack of conversational power, in too many cases the art is never practised inside the home circle.

In many busy households the only general gathering of the family is at meal time—a time above all others when worry should be banished, if only for the sake of physical comfort.

Each member of the family should come to the table prepared to say something pleasant. Any bright little story or merry joke, or any bit of the world's news that will loosen the tongues and cause animated talk—how it will increase the brightness of a working day.

Now, there is one fact to note especially—he who wants topics of conversation must read the newspapers. There is no doubt that newspapers and periodicals are most useful in giving subjects for general conversation.

Music in the Home.

We do not have enough music in the home. Children who sing at their work will hardly quarrel; and parents who sing will find the burden of their task grow lighter.

I wish every mother could dream this dream. The world may spare her but her own may not. They are more responsive to a tie of blood than to a tie created by law.

Learn to do the most important things first, and if your strength ebbs, learn to let the minor things wait; sing inspiring songs. Try to get something out of life for all you put into it.

The charm of music is great. It hushes the infant to rest. At the family altar it lifts the soul in worship to God and heaven. In the home it fosters the home spirit and strengthens family ties.

Contentment.

"It ain't so hard to be contented with the things we have," said the old woman dolefully. "It's being contented with the things we haven't that's so tryin'."

"I don't know about that; I don't know," said Uncle Silas. "When we begin to look at the things our neighbors have and we haven't we always pick out just the things we want. They live in a nice house, we say, and we have only a little one. They have money, and we need to count every penny. They have an easy time and we have to work. We never say, 'They had the typhoid fever, but it did not come near us. They have a son in the insane asylum, but our brains are sound, staggering feet go into their grand door, but nothing worse than tired ones come home to ours at night. You see when we begin to call providence to account for the things that don't come to us it's only fair to take in all kinds of things.—Interior."

Mrs. Peter Brown and Her Brown Dress.

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Mrs. Peter Brown was a worthy and thrifty housewife, and though proud of her Brown family she got tired of browns—we refer to brown colors.

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