

HOME INTERESTS.

Conducted by HELENE.

The obligation lying on parents of not giving bad example to their young children is of the strictest nature, says the pastoral letter which has been issued by the plenary council of Australia...

HOW TO RUIN A FAMILY.

One way of hurting a child is by abusing his confidence. There are homes in which children are afraid to confide in their parents, through fear that they will tell the other children...

ward in the lightest manner with the crumbs. Do not cross or go upward. The dirt of the paper and the crumbs will fall together.

THE HOME DOCTOR.

Puncture wounds caused by a pin or black lead pencil should be sucked to extract any poisonous matter.

When the heel becomes blistered it will be remedied by applying a little yellow laundry soap scraped and mixed to a paste with water.

To remove a wart dampen it and rub with a piece of common salt. Do this three or four times a day for a month...

A quarter of a teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda taken in a cup of hot water after meals will relieve severe indigestion or without soda it will allay pains in the stomach if drunk at that time.

When a person has accidentally swallowed glass it is a mistake to administer a purgative. Instead allow plenty of crackers to be eaten or thick oatmeal gruel or anything similar, so as to protect the intestines.

AFTERNOON TEA.

Some years ago every well regulated family boasted of its low tea table in the drawing room, with a dozen or so of dainty little cups and saucers...

The chafing dish is as popular as ever, and it is too useful to be dispensed with. New accessories are continually coming out—really good ones, too—which lessen the work and worry of the chafing dish hostess.

KITCHEN PAINTS.

Kitchen paints will soon acquire a shabby, dull look from the frequent cleaning that is necessary in this room. The use of soap only increases the difficulty, especially if the paints are varnished.

HINTS.

Water as hot as can be endured will take the itch and swelling out of toes and fingers, and a quick change to cold water will help to fortify them against the weather.

To mend granite ware, hold the pan over the fire and turn in a little shellac. Let it cook on hard. It will last as though it was new.

After cutting onions hold the knife and your fingers under running cold water. This will quickly remove the onion juice, which hot water would cause to stick.

To produce an abundant growth in house plants water the plants once every week with lukewarm water with the addition of a few drops of ammonia to each pint.

Piano keys can be cleaned, as can

any old ivory, by being rubbed with muslin dipped in alcohol. If very yellow, use a piece of flannel moistened with cologne water.

RECIPES.

Ham Fritters.—One cup of cold minced ham, one egg, a teaspoonful of Worcestershire sauce, a tablespoonful of butter and one of flour. Heat the stock to boiling point and thicken with butter and flour rubbed together; stir into it the ham with seasoning; add the beaten egg. Let boil for a minute, remove from the fire to cool.

Sausage Tartlets.—Cut stale bread into rather thick slices, then into circles; spread each circle with sausage meat half an inch thick and dust lightly with grated parmesan and cayenne. Melt one tablespoonful of butter in a frying-pan; when hot put the tartlets in meat side downwards until brown, then turn and brown the bread. Drain and serve garnished with cress.

Buttered Carrots.—Scrape and cut into cubes enough carrots to make one quart. Put these into a saucepan containing three pints of boiling water and cook until they are nearly tender. Then drain off all the water and add one cup of stock, a teaspoonful of sugar and some salt and pepper. Cook rapidly until the stock has almost boiled away, add a large tablespoonful of butter and shake the pan so that the butter and remaining liquid will mix and adhere to the carrots, coating them.

Celery Purée.—This is a nice sauce to serve with chicken, partridge or quail. Boil the white stalks of celery until tender, pass through a sieve and mix with enough cream to make a thick sauce, season with salt and white pepper and serve hot.

FUNNY SAYINGS.

The Chinese sense of honor is said to be strong. There is a Chinese story of a man who had three dogs. When he came home one evening he found them asleep on his couch of oakwood and marble. He whipped them and drove them forth.

HOW SHE FOUND THEM.

The rector of a parish called one day on an old woman whom he had not seen at church for some time, and asked her if she had a Bible.

The Bible was brought down, wrapped up in a newspaper to preserve the binding, and the old woman opening it at random, cried out: "Oh sir, how glad I am you spoke about the Bible; here are my spectacles which I have been looking for these six months."

The teacher was teaching a class in the infant Sabbath school room and was making her pupils finish

DYSPEPSIA AND STOMACH DISORDERS MAY BE QUICKLY AND PERMANENTLY CURED BY BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS.

Mr. F. A. Leblanc, Manizaki, Que., writes as follows: "I desire to thank you for your wonderful cure, Burdock Blood Bitters. Three years ago I had a very severe attack of Dyspepsia. I tried five of the best doctors I could find but they could do me no good. I was advised by a friend to try Burdock Blood Bitters and to my great surprise, after taking two bottles, I was so perfectly cured that I have not had a sign of Dyspepsia since. I cannot praise it too highly to all sufferers. In my experience it is the best I ever used. Nothing for me like B.B.B. Don't accept a substitute for Burdock Blood Bitters. There is nothing 'just as good.'"

each sentence to show that they understood her. "The idol had eyes," the teacher said, "but it could not—"

The lesson was from the "Prodigal Son," and the Sunday school teacher was dwelling on the character of the elder brother. "But amidst all the rejoicing," he said, "there was one to whom the preparation of the feast brought no joy, to whom the prodigal's return gave no pleasure, but only bitterness; one who did not approve of the feast being held, and had no wish to attend it. Now, can any of you tell who this was?"

A fashionably dressed woman and a pet pug dog sailed into the Western Union office. She had been in the office about ten minutes before, and her second appearance was the cause of some little surprise.

"Oh," she said; "let me have that telegram I wrote just now. I forgot something very important. I wanted to underline the words 'perfectly lovely' in acknowledging the receipt of that bracelet. Will it cost anything extra?"

WORRIED MOTHERS.

Much of the worry which every mother of young children undergoes, would be spared if the mother kept Baby's Own Tablets on hand, and gave an occasional dose when the child was fretful, cross or feverish. Nearly all the ailments of childhood can be traced to the stomach, bowels or teething. For these troubles no medicine can equal Baby's Own Tablets, and the mother has the guarantee of a government analyst that this medicine is absolutely safe.

SHARP WITTED WITNESS.

An old lady about to be sworn in a Scotch court was requested to remove her veil so as to be heard better. She replied that she could not remove her veil without removing her hat. The judge mildly suggested that she might do that also, but was rather taken aback when the old lady said: "Na, na, there's nae law to compel a woman to take off her hat." Rather nettled, the judge said: "My good woman, you should come up here on the bench and teach us the law."

MORE COURAGE.

A little more persistence, courage, vim! Success will dawn o'er fortune's cloudy rim. Then take this honey for the bitterest cup; There is no real failure save in giving up. No real fail as long as one still tries, For seeming setbacks made the strong man wise, There's no defeat in truth, save from within; Unless you're beaten there, you're bound to win. —Henry Austin.

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Protest Against Sale of Old Abbey

A cry of protest has been raised by the Parisian press over the prospective sale of the "Liquidator" of the ancient Benedictine abbey of Solesmes. The Abbey is rich in statues and ornaments, which alone would bring enormous prices from amateurs, a single statue having been appraised by an American dealer at \$100,000.

The abbey was built in the twelfth century and has been occupied by the Benedictine order until the recent laws against religious associations compelled the Benedictines to leave France. Then the government appointed an administrator, who will now sell the whole place at auction.

Among the most valuable works of art contained in the church adjoining the convent are the choir, in carved mahogany work of the thirteenth century; the marble group of the burial of Christ, the statue of the Madeline, which Cardinal Richelieu wished to bring to Paris for the Louvre museum, and the bas-relief of the "Massacre of the Innocents," also in marble. In fact, there is enough art in the church at Solesmes to fill a museum.

The popular indignation over the proposed sale may impel the ministry to postpone it.

Be There a Will Wisdom Points the Way.—The sick man pines for relief, but he dislikes sending for the doctor, which means bottles of drugs never consumed. He has not the resolution to load his stomach with compounds which smell villainously and taste worse. But if he have the will to deal himself with his ailment, wisdom will direct his attention to Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, which, as a specific for indigestion and disorders of the digestive organs, have no equal.

Two American priests recently visited Shanghai, China, when returning from the Philippines. Passing from the European into the Chinese quarter, their attention was suddenly drawn to a cross glittering on the top of a building. They entered the courtyard which led to the office, and found a Catholic school in operation with a Chinese Brother as teacher. The priests, upon whom many pairs of almond eyes were focused, blessed themselves, and the little fellows responded immediately by a similar sign of Christian unity.

As the priests turned to go, another teacher approached them, dressed in Chinese apparel from the quaint shoes to the shaven head with its long hanging queues. He spoke a few words in English and one of the American priests, making further inquiries, was quite overcome when this good Chinese Catholic answered, "My name is Kennedy and I come from Cork." He was an Irish Jesuit.

The Poet's Corner.

DOMIDUCA. The goddess who watches over one's safe coming home.—Marius. Lead home, for now the light descends the skies; Lead home, O goddess of the evening eyes— And voice of whisper dying off the leaves— And touch of velvet air on flowers that sleep (To-morrow to be slain amid the sheaves)!

OUR... Dear Girls and Boys: Well, I have been pretty gotten this week. Mimi... Dear Aunt Becky: Just a few lines to tell the items of news. Our... Little pink feet That have trotted all day Wee dimpled hands That are tired of play, And teeth white as pearls And tousled gold curls, You're dad's queen of girls To-night and always.