## **ELMINA'S LIVING OUT**

By ELSIE S'NGMASTER.

"Elmina, hurry yourself. It is five were when I was young," she said to herself. "I wouldn't dast to sass my Elmina stirred, then opened her eyes.
"All right, Mom, I'm coming."
"Remember it is baking day, Elbeater with an energy which threatened to demolish both beater and bowl.

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"And, Elmina, don't let nothing in from the garden. Her face with a dull scarlet, even under her sun bon-

ina made a face at her pretty reflection in the glass.

"It is plenty apples fallen from the trees for a couple apple-pies. Do you hear me, Elmina?"

"Yes, Mom, I hear you."

Flimina slipped quickly into her clothes and ran down to the kitchen.

The leaves are less than the trees are a suddenly in the cake, Elmina?"

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"Hand me once a basin water out here. Elmina's he said. "I am too dirty to come on the porch."

Elmina swiftly obeyed.

"Have you baked the pies, Elmina?"

"Did you burn the cake, Elmina?"

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Elmina slipped quickly into her clothes and ran down to the kitchen. She knew as well as her mother that there were six pans of rusk, at least half a dozen pies, and a fine cake to be baked that morning. Her mother had made the fire before she marted out to weed the garden beds, and the rusk was soon in the oven. Then she ran out to sweep the porches and the pavement. As she came back she heard a shrill call from the garden. "Elmina! Elmina! Don't let nothing burn."

Her lip curled angrily as she put the optatoes and ham on to fry. Then she covered the table with a red cloth and put the breakfast dishes on it, and replaced the cakes in the oven with a fresh batch. Presently her mother came in from the garden. A stranger would scarcely have noticed the resemblance between them. Elmina was straight and slender, her mother was stout, and her bent shoulders showed plainly the weight of years of strenuous house-keeping. Elmina's skin was fresh and was fresh a

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night.

"It is something wrong at places where so much money is paid," she said to herself. "But if it isn't everything all right, Elmina will come home pretty quick."

In the morning she would not let Elmina help get the breakfast "Suppose you should cut you with the knife or get grease at your dress. You would look fine to go in Phil'delphy!"

"Yes, mom."

Elmina started across the porch, her eyes blinded by tears. She had not even said good-by to her "company girl." Linnie Kurtz. She almost wished that she were not going.

"Elmina! Elmina!" came a loud call from behind. "Mind you do your work right. And don't you go in no se-ater, and go always in the new Baptist Church. Mind you work like I learned you." "Did you burn the cake, Elmina?" Elmina appeared suddenly in the

tiently.

Mrs. Fatzinger went slowly back to the kitchen. There the first plate which she touched slipped from her

hands.

"Now when that was china like some, it would 'a' broke into a thousand pieces," she said to herself as she picked it up. "Ach, I don't know why Elmina had to go to Phil'delphy!"

Elmina found Mantana waiting for her at the train.

"Ach, Mantana!" she cried. "What am I so glad to see you! I didn't know it was so many people in the world like I saw this morning already. And streets and houses and trolleys! It is five times bigger than Allentown!"

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"Well, you can. But I dare in the more, I guess."

Mantana paused, the bouill shaking in her hand.

"Elmina, do you think we destruct the mentance of course. Where else we eat?"

"We daren't eat with them we, them, not good enough?"

Mantana did not stop to answer.

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"Mantana says that you are a capable girl. Can you sweep?"
"Yes, ma'am. I did always the
sweeping at home."
"And wait on the table?"
"Yes, ma'am." Who in the world

She paid close attention to Mrs. Alexander's directions.

"Here is the linen, and here is the silver. The glass is in that cupboard and the china in the pantry. Here is the slide opening jeto the kitchen." She pushed back a little slide, and Elmina saw Mantana stirring something on the stove. "Now, if you need any help, ask Mantana. You will have time to dust the dining-room before you set the table."

Elmina set about her work at once. As she wiped the chairs and tables, she began to feel uneasy. Would any one pay her such high wages for such easy work? Well, if her wages were not forthcoming, she would go straight back to Millerstown. Presently she opened the door into the kitchen."

"Hello, Mantana!"

"Well, I guess not!"

"Mill right," said Mantana, half-offended.

Elmina shut the door and went bus-

ily to work.

"Here is nothing but tidies," she said as she opened the first drawer, which contained Mrs. Alexander's luncheon dollies. In the next she found a table-cloth, and, spreading it, laid the first plates that she could find, face downward upon it. "Now knives and forks. Whew! Silver ones. My, but they are dull! Now I hunt the napkins. I wonder if they use, every day, napkins."

She contemplated the table with great satisfaction.

"That is first fine! I gues I call Mantana to see. No, I won't. She acts as when she was mad over me."

Mantana had not enjoyed having her advice declined.

"They think it is easy to hire out in Millerstown," she thought. "Now Elmina can see."

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Presently the sliding door opened.
"Is dinner ready?" Elmina demand-

"Is your table set?"
"Yes. Slide it in."
"You tell them that lunch is ready Elmina shut the slide with a bang.

'This was a funny place where you called folks before you put dinner on! She went out to the hall.
"Dinner!" she called, "Dinner!"
A sound near her made her turn. There in the parlor sat Mrs. Alexander, the little girl, and an old lady. Elmina smiled at them.
"I didn't know you were already here," she said.

going to work in a hotel?"

"No. It is only four people in the family."

"I have lived many years in this world, and I have never heard from such a place."

Mrs. Fatzinger did not sleep well that night.

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The eyes of the two ladies met. There were some things which the new maid would have to learn.

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Mrs. Alexander's eyes took in at a glance the turned-down plates, the crossed knives and forks. Then they returned to pretty Elmina.

"I think—" she began. "Will you send Mantana to me?" "Ain't it right?" demanded Elmina, springing to her feet. Had she put on the best table-cloth? Or, perhaps, they didn't use mapkins every day. "You shall come in," she said to Mantana. "They came and looked at the table and they act as when they were

Mantana glanced into the dining-

To Elmina it seened an hour until she returned.

"Perhaps you will not be so saucy again when I say 'Shall I show you how?' Go look at the table before I call them"

call them."

Elmin took a furtive peep.

"Tidies!" she exclaimed. "And no table-cloth! Well, come on." Elmina started toward the table."

"She said I should wait today on the table."

"Well you can But I dare eat din-

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Mantana paused, the bouillon cup shaking in her hand.
"Elmina, do you think we dare eat with them?"

"We deren't eat with them!"
eat afterwards here."
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"No Fatzinger has ever yet to learn anything from a Kemerer."
"But Mantana knows our ways. Now we will start afresh, and I will tell you about your work. We have breakfast at eight o'clock."
"I don't think you need—" Elmina paused. Breakfast at eight o'clock! She would like to hear more of these remarkable arrangements.
"But first I will show you your room"

room."
"I don't think you need to," said
Elmina. "I ain't going to stay in
Phil'delphy,"
"But Mantana said you were so anx-

ous to come."
"I was once. But it's here too high

"Too high up?"

"It is too stylish."

"Are you afraid you will have too nuch work?"

"Well, I guess not! You ought to

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"I am a practical farmer," he declared, "and I can tell the house that farmers are not worrying about protection. It is not higher tariffs that they want, but cheaper transportations. In all the judgment of the court below was sustained.

Elmina rose and held out her hand.
"I guess no Fatzinger ever had to
work out. I am now going back to
Milerstown. I will now say good-by,
Say good-by to Gran'mom and the little girl for me. And when you ever
come to Millerstown you must come come to Millerstown you must come to see us."

Mantana made no comment when Elmina said she was going home.
"I go along to the cars," she said.

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curtly.

"You needn't," responded Elmina
"Anybody what comes all the way to
Phil'delphy and goes the same day
home needs some one to look after
them," said Mantana grimly, as she
put on her hat.

She hurried Elmina along, dragging
her from before trolley cars, and bidding her "hurry yourself."

"It is easy seen that slow Millerstown is the only place for you," she
said pleasantly.

"What do you think the folks will
say when I tell them you are living
with folks what won't let you eat with
them?" asked Elmina.

"I haf four hundred and seventy-five
dollars in the bank. Millerstown may
say what it likes."

She bought Elmina's ticket, and had
her baggage rechecked.

"He will have a fine time this evening!"

"Mr. Alexander, when she tells him of the crazy one that was today here

from Millerstown."

The train started, and Elmina was denied the privilege of responding.

Mrs. Fatzinger washed the dishes very slowly that evening.

"I don't think I go this evening out on the front steps," she said to herself. "I go straight in my bed. No, I don't." She paused. "When I don't." don't." She paused. "When I don't go out, people will think something is wrong about Elmina's going away."
Linnie Kurtz joined her on the step.
"I think Elmina might 'a' told me she was going away," she said in an aggrieved tone, "I hope she comes soon back."
"Yes." said.

"Yes," said Mrs. Fatzinger. Then her lips set themselves in a firm line. She saw inquisitive Maria Kutz approaching.

"Good evening," said Maria. "Is it so that Elmina has gone off?"

"Why, yes."
"Is it pretty sudden, this going off?"
Linnie Kurtz saw Mrs. Fatzinger's 'Well, Maria," she said, "didn't you "Well, Maria," she said, "didn't you know she was going? Has something happened for once that you didn't know?" Linnie was conscious of the gratitude in Mrs. Kurtz's eyes. "And"—the color in Linnie's cheeks deepened; she seemed to look through old Maria and down the street—"and Elmina said if she didn't like it she was coming right aways home."

Mrs. Fatzinger sighed. If only Lin-

mgnt aways nome."

Mrs. Fatzinger sighed. If only Linnie's kind invention were true! If only — Then Mrs. Fatzinger leaned forward, her face brightening to all her daughter's youthful charm.

"Well, Elmina!" she cried. "Did you come home?"

"Hello, Mom," said Elmina cheerful-

When Maria had gone home Eimina told her story. Linnie Kurtz was there, and "Mom" Fackenthal and Mrs. Billy Knerr.
"Tidies on the table for to eat of off!" repeated Mrs. Billy.
"And no table cloth," said Mrs. Fatz-

nger. "And Mantana wears a little cap "And Mantana wears a little cap with lace at it."

"That does lots good!" said Elmina's mother. "Give me a sun-bonnet.

"Ach, it isn't for sun. It is for style. And"—Elmina had kept the most astounding news for the last—"she darn't sit down with the folks to eat. She stands and holds a little waiter."

There was a chorus of incredulous exclamations.

"It is for sure true," asseverated El-"Well, I wouldn't stay at such a place. I give you right to come home," said Mom Fackenthal, as she rose. "And I," said Mrs. Billy and Linnie

together.
When they had gone Mrs. Fatzinger laughed uneasily.
"I guess you will sink your Mom is a poor housekeeper. My schnitz and kopf, what I made, I fed to the chick-

kopf, what I made, I red to the chick-ens, and there is a grease spot on the floor like the dish pan."
"Ach, I guess not quite so big," an-swered Elmina. "What am I so glad to get back to clean Millerstown! And what am I so tired of travelling round all day doing nothing!"

# ITS WEARY WAY

OTTAWA, April 23.—In the commons today the budget debate dragged its weary way through its fourth day of the Hansard filling process and the end is not yet. Nearly a score of members have signified their anxiety to speak before the debate closes and the house will have to listen at least for another day to a repetition of arguments already adduced before it can resume actual business of legislation.

At the opening session two government bills were introduced by Hon. L. P. Brodeur one to extend the provisions of navigable waters protection act the other to enlarge the jurisdiction of the harbor commissioners of Montreal. The former bill provides that the government may take immediate steps to salvage or remove and wrecked vessel which might prove a menace to navigation, the cost of work being a first lein on the cargo.

The debate was resumed by Mr. Nesbitt of North Oxford, who in dealing with government loans of the past few yeams, showed that Canada's credit in the money markets of the world had been in no wise impaired. Canadian

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WINNIPEG, Man., April 23.—Investigations by the police today of the circumstances surrounding the death of Mrs. Lewis James, whose body was found in a lonely shack by her husband last evening on his return from work, show that one of the most brutal and revolting crimes in recent years in the west was committed. She had been assaulted and then murdered by some men, who has escaped without leaving any clue on which pursuit at present seems possible. The murderer also stole her watch and a small sum of money which was in the house.

An autopey was performed today and revealed the fact that the skull had been fractured by a blow on the fore head with a short dub, which is now in the hands of the police, and was found today outside the little home. In a hurried examination of the body last night medical men were of the opinion that the wound on the head might have been caused by the dead woman faling in a fit, as it was learned she was subject to such seizures. It was not until this morning that the terrible crime was revealed in all its revolting features. She had mentioned the fact to her husband the day before that a vicious looking tramp had frightened her very badly by looking in the window. She gave him a description of the man, but so far no trace of him has been secured.

Public opinion is considerably excited and there was an angry demonstration at the C. P. R. station when the acquitted prisoners left town. While the solicitor general was technically correct that the crown had not made out a case inasmuch as the consumer secured men's confession was not corroborated, the impression is general that sufficient effort was not made to discover corroborating evidence.

Not only here but throughout the county the same indignation prevails, and to quote one group of prominent citizens, Victoria county will not soon forget what his trial cost him about six thousand dollars. The crown's action may have been legally justifable, but the majority of the people of the county feel that they cannot and will not concur i

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