

## FIRE-SIDE SPARKS.

A doubled-faced female—Dupli-Kate.  
Good for soar rise—The eagle's pinions.

The girl who bangs her hair often makes the wife who bangs her husband.

A "squeeze in grain"—Treading on a man's corns.

A printer's wife always puts the baby in "small caps."

It is a poor speller who does not keep an i to business.

The real owe de Cologne—the debt on the Cathedral.

Never reproach a man with the faults of his relatives.

Turning the tables—Looking through Bradshaw.

Isn't it queer that contractors should be engaged to widen streets?

The fellow who picked up the hot penny originated the remark, "All that glitters is not gold."

A great part of our existence serves no other purpose than that of enabling us to enjoy the rest.

"I have got a bawl ticket," said neighbor John ruefully. It turned out there was a new baby in the family.

"The straighter a man takes his whiskey," said a temperance lecturer, "the crookeder it seems to make him."

An exchange asks, "What is it makes girls so attractive?" It is the money their fathers are supposed to have.

The most afflicted part of a house is the window. It is always full of panes—and who has not seen more than one window blind?

A Boston artist is credited with having painted an orange peel on the sidewalk so naturally that six fat men slipped down on it.

Some men are captivated by a woman's laugh, just as some men predict a pleasant day because the sun shines out clear for a moment. They forget the chances for squalls.

A railroad man accused of drinking lager-beer while on duty calmly assured the superintendent that he was the victim of color-blindness, and supposed he was drinking water.

A clergyman meeting an inebriated neighbor, exclaimed, "Drunk again, Wilkins!" to which Wilkins, in a semi-confidential tone, responded, "So am I, parson!"

"Dear sir," said an amateur farmer, just from the city, writing to the chairman of an agricultural society, "put me down on your list of cattle for a calf."

HINT FOR MAMMAS.—An old lady who has several unmarried daughters feeds them on fish diet, because it is rich in phosphorus, and phosphorus is the essential thing in making matches.

A lady who had quarrelled with her bald-headed lover said, in dismissing him, "What is delightful about you, my friend, is that I have not the trouble of sending you back any locks of hair."

"Why," some witer asks, "is a brilliant man less brilliant with his wife than with any one else?" Well, we suppose she asks him for money oftener than any one else. You take to borrowing money regularly and constantly of your dearest and most brilliant friend, and see what will become of his brilliancy in your presence.

Johnny's father is a professional jurymen, and talks about his business at the family table. Johnny goes to Sunday school. The other Sunday the teacher asked him what Cain did when God accused him of being his brother's murderer. "Ho didn't do nuffin' but fixed it with the jury," was the startling reply which struck the teacher's ear.—[Johnny's father has many followers.]

When a New York mother, the other morning, discovered her ten-year-old son turning flip-flaps, standing on his head, trying to kick flies off the ceiling and cutting up all kinds of monkey shins, she screamed, "Now, William, you've been to the circus again! and how dare you go without my permission?" And thus did the good little boy reply: "No, I wasn't at the circus, nuther. I was only down to hear Mr. Talmage preach last evening," and he jumped over the piano before his mother could prevent him.