# CHIT-CHAT AND CHUCKLES.

## CHEERING WORDS.

If any little word of mine
Can make some life the brighter,
If any little song of mine
May make some heart the lighter,
(fod help me speak that little word,
And take the song I'm singing
And bear it to some lonely dale
To sot the echoes ringing;
Echoes that thrill in j yous tone,
To some one comfort bringing.

BATHUS .- Ho -- How calm and still the coesn looks in the moonlight! She .- Do you want salt pork for breakfast or an omelette?

Instead of having "God bless our home" hung on the wall it might by m re practical just now to have a framed motto reading. "Do not sit down on the adhesive fly paper."

ROOM FOR SUSPICION .- Chappy .- I almost suspect Dickey of trying to cut me out with Liura, don't you know?

Penelope. - Why?

Chappy .- I saw him kies her last night.

The good-night kiss he gives her at the door He'd fain repeat, encore and still encore. Till she assures him; very firmly, that he's Mistaken if he thinks all farewells are like Patti's.

THE MODERN COUNTRY .- Barry .- Did you enjoy your trip to the coun-

Strangy.—No; I thought all I would need to wear would be old clothes, and as I didn't have my dress suit along I was unable to take part in any of the fun that was going on.

> A WARNING TO LITTLE BOYS. Now is the time when little boys,
> Partake of little round green apples,
> And little rural funerals
> Ensue from little rural chapels.

Mamma, to Edia, aged three and a half years, just home from her first morning at the kindergarten: "Well, Edie, how did you like it?" Edie; "I didn't like it a bit. The teacher put me on a chair, and told me to sit

A RECIPE.

Little drops of water, Little grains of sand, A millionaire's fair daughter Make a summer grand.

there for the present. And I sat and sat, and she never gave me the present !"

On, FICALE MAN .- At the sea ide. - Heroic Girl .- " What has become of that handsome man who cheered to loadly when I rescued the little boy from drowning?'

Friend - He is over there on the veranda proposing to the girl who screamed and fainted."

# HOME, SWEET HOME

She bought some gowns, expecting that In Europe she would roam. But when her husband paid for them They had to stay at home.

It was Smythe's wedding-day, and he was teasing his boy brother-in-law. "Well, Johnny," he said, "I'm going to take your sister away, and have her all to myself, and you won't see her any more." "No, really—ere you?" taid the boy curious y. "Yes, I am. What do you think of it?" "Nothing. I fancy I can stand it if you can."

"My mother-in-law never understands a joke," says a correspondent of a contemporary. "I finish a good story, and she always looks up and asks, Well, what did the other man say?" As she can't appreciate wit, I was surprised to receive a letter from her a few weeks after my little boy had swallswed a farthing, in which the last words were, 'Has Ernest got over his financial difficulties yet?"

GLAD TO GET HOME.

His linen coat he dons tc-day, Likewise his linen vest, And to the country takes his way 'To get a rest.

Two weeks hence to the town he hies, Denuded of his pelf. And two days on his bed he lies To rest himself.

OURSELVES AND OTHERS .- We cannot benefit ourselves without benefitting others also. If we are cheerful, happy, and well, we brighten and invigorate them; if we gain knowledge, we c mmunicate it; if we grow strong and coursgeous, we afford protection and infuse courage; if we are noble and true, others breathing our spiritual atmosphere become also nobler and ruer. Whether we intend it or not, we are always either helping or hurting others by our ur conscious influence. Thus we can never stand aloof; we can never say, "Though I do not help, neither will I hinder," for we are always doing one or the other. There is a self-indulgence, it is true, that is often yielded to at others' expense; but then it is also at our own. It may affl ct them, but it also degrades us.

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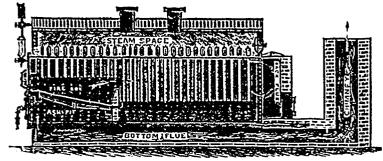
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