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I have often failed, and I have often been discouraged, and might have given up were it not for the help I received at my worst times from our minister and Mrs. Murray, who often saved me from despair.'

A sudden flush tinged the grave, beautiful face of the minister's young wife. A light filled her eyes as the master said these words, for she remembered days when the young man's pain was almost greater than he could bear, and when he was near to giving up.

When the master ceased, the minister spoke a few words in appreciation of the work he had done in the school, and in the whole Section, during his three years' stay among them, and expressed his conviction that many a young lad would grow into a better young man because he had known Archibald Munro, and some of them would never forget what he had done for them.

By this time all the big girls and many of the visitors were openly weeping. The boys were looking straight in front of them, their faces set in an appearance of savage

I have done what I most wished to gloom, for they knew well how near they were to "acting like the

> After a short prayer by the minister, the children filed out past the master, who stood at the door and shook hands with them one by one. When the big boys, and the young men who had gone to school in the winter months, came to say good bye, they shook hands silently, and then stood close about him as if hating to let him go. He had caught for them in many a close baseball match; he had saved their goal in many a fierce shinny fight with the Front; and while he had ruled them with an iron rule, he had always treated them fairly. He had never failed them; he had never weakened; he had always been a man among them. No wonder they stood close about him and hated to lose him. Suddenly big Bob Fraser called out in a husky voice, "Three cheers for the captain!" and everyone was glad of the chance to let himself out in a roar. And that was the last of the farewells.

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HEALTH IN THE HOME. 6 By a Trained Nurse

Trays.

Food should—in fact, must—be presented to the sick in as attractive a that description, or plain hot milk, form as possible. Use the whitest linen and the daintiest china available, and do not forget to add a flower if there is one to be had; even a spray of green leaves will impart a sense of freshness that is not easily obtained in any other way, and the sick person is pleased by the appearance of the tray, and he forgets that it represents food. Do not offer much at a time when the appetite is capricious. Make small slices of toast; have them a nice light brown, and cut the crusts off evenly all round. If meat is allowed, put a little small piece of the best upon the plate, and garnish with a sprig of parsley. Many people are tempted to eat more by the addition of some condiments as a relish, and the doctor will often allow a little for the sake of getting down the solid food. Homemade condiments are the kind to use, because it is known of what they are made, and that particular one can be used which is known not to contain anything the patient may not have These things are so often adulterated that it is a great mistake to give anything but the homemade article to the sick. Some people find that a little jelly helps considerably in getting down cold meats, and it also adds to the appearance of the tray. It is always safe to give plain vanilla ice cream, unless solid food is entirely prohibited. Baked potatoes are allowed before potatoes prepared in any other way, and should be served hot, and very thoroughly cooked. Butter must be cold and hard, or one glance will proba- should never have any fat upon it. bly settle the patient's chances for a and will not if made correctly. Cut meal. All food not intended to be cold must be really hot, and cold things really cold, unless the doctor has prohibited all but lukewarm food for some special reason. Never let a patient see you taste his food, and never on any account taste it with his spoon or any utensil intended for his use. This is a very disgusting thought to many sick people, and they will never enjoy a meal unless quite satisfied as to your care and daintiness in preparing it. out anything but the meat, which It is a small thing, perhaps, in the estimation of some, but it is a point ishment to be found in beef tea is of honor. Sick people are at the contained in the little brown flakes. mercy of those who wait on them, and if it has been boiled they are and it is an uncomfortable position practically of ro use as food. Beef unless there is absolute confidence tea, then, amounts only to a warmabout such matters. Persons whose ing and stimulating drink. It can appetite is not good enough to ensure be taken cold if the patient prefers enough food being taken through the it.

day, should have something during the night—a cup of good strong malted milk, or any of the foods of or cocoa if it agrees with them. Oyster and clam broth often appeal to poor appetites, though clams are indigestible, and should be taken out after the broth is made. squares of toast are a pleasant addition. Old people, even if they are not sick, are benefited by a cup of something hot before going to bed; they will sleep better, and have better sleep because of it. If only a little food can be taken at a time, it must be taken oftener. Coaxing a sick person to eat is of very little He does not care, very often, whether it is good for him or not. Everything must be presented so as, if possible, to make it appear less than it really is. A patient will often eat two small pieces of toast when he would not look at one large one at all, and a small bunch of grapes will appeal when the mere sight of a large one will turn the patient quite against them. Sick people are not, of course, all like this. Water, and cold at that, need never be refused to a patient, unless the doctor has forbidden it for some special reason, which very seldom happens. Oranges are usually allowed, and there is a nice way of preparing them so that nothing but the pulp and juice is served. the orange on a fork, peel it like an apple, and cut down between the pulp and skin of each section, so that the fibrous part remains on the fork, while the juice and pulp fall into a dish.

Broths should be thoroughly skimmed of fat before using. Beef tea up the beef into small pieces, rejecting every bit of fat and skin, and but it into a granite or enamelled kettle with salt, and cover with cold water. Put it at the back of the stove, and let it get hot by degrees, leaving it there as long as possible, but never allowing it to boil or simmer. When you take it off re-move the scum from the top before stirring it at all, and then strain into a clean pitcher, not straining will be almost white. All the nour-A. G. OWEN.



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