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A man too busy to take care of his health is like a mechanic too busy to take care of his tools.

Thin soup, according to an Irish mendicant, "is a quart of water boiled down to a pint to make it strong."

The conquerer is regarded with awe; the wise man commands our esteem; but it is the benevolent man who wins our affections.

Go out of doors and get the air. Ah, if you knew what was in the air. See what your robust neighbor who never feared to live in it has got from it; strength, cheerfulness, power to convince, heartiness and equality to each event.--[Emerson.

"You must not do that, my dear," said a mother to her four-year-old daughter. "Nice little girls never do so." "Yes they do, mammi, sometimes; didn't you just see me do it?" was the bright retort.

NOT EXACTLY ENGLISH, YOU KNOW.—An Englishman travelling on the continent had hired a smart servant, and on arriving at an inn in Anstria one evening, knowing well the stringency of the police regulations, he called for the usual register of travellers that he might du'y inscribe himself therein. His servant replied that he had anticipated his wishes, and had registered him in full form "as an Englishman of independent property." "But how have you put down my name? I have not told it to you." "I can't exactly pronounce it, but I copied it from monsieur's portmanteau." "But it is not there. Bring me the book." What was his amazement at finding, instead of a very plain English name of two y'ab'es, the following portentous entry of himself; "Monsieur Warrantedsolidleather."

A CAREFUL READER.—I happened in a Dakota settler's house one day while we were waiting for something and noticed the first volume of "—s Cyclopaedia" on a shelf, each volume of said work being about the size of one of the unabridged dictionaries and very closely printed. I casually suggested that it was a good thing to have in the house, or words to that effect. "Yes," he replied, "it's handy. I only got the first book." How does it happen you haven't the others?" "Why you see I got it of an agent when I was living down in Iowa, an' 'bout six months after round he come again an' knocked at the door an' I opened it an' says he: 'Mister, here's the secon' book of your cyclopedy. 'Git out!' says I, 'I ain't got the first one read yet!' and I made him go, too. Why, jes' think of it, that was nigh on to ten years ago, an' I ain't more'n two-thirds through this now, an' my wife is only jes' nicely started on the 'Bs'! It took a pile o' brains to make it; but for all that I don't mind sayin' that I think it's got it's dry streaks jes' like other books."—[Chicago Tribune.

Never Mind.

What's the use of always fretting
At the trials we shall find
Ever strewn along our pathway?
Travel on and never mind.

Travel onward, working, hoping,
Cast no lingering look behind
At the trials once encountered—
Look ahead and never mind.

What is past is past forever,
Let all fretting be resigned;
It will never help the matter—
Do your best and never mind.

And if those who might befriend you,
Whom the ties of nature bind,
Should refuse to do their duty,
Look to Heaven and never mind.

Friendly words are often spoken,
When the feelings are unkind;
Take them for their real value,
Pass them by and never mind.

Fates may threaten, clouds may lower,
Enemies may be combined;
If your trust in God is steadfast,
He will help you, never mind.

—H. B. S.

A Woman at Dinner.

"Who are the best companions at a dinner?"

"Women are almost invariably good company, but you should remember never to waste a good dinner on a woman. They have absolutely no idea of the delicacies and beauties of a thoroughly balanced dinner, and the younger they are the less able are they to appreciate the work of the accomplished chief. There is scarcely a woman in New York who would not rather put on a new gown and eat a wretched dinner amid the splendor of Delmonico's or the Brunswick than eat a capital one at a lowly restaurant. A man, on the other hand, had rather eat a good dinner in a hovel than a bad one in a palace. What the women like is lots of tinsel, gold, cut-glass, colored lights, gorgeous ice, graceful champagne glasses and strains of music. Give them these things and they don't care a rap for the rest. If you take a stupid friend to dinner you stand a very fair chance of having your meal spoiled, unless he is a very old friend. If you know him very well you may indulge in long periods of silence—the privilege of old friendship—and devote your entire attention to the dinner. In this case a stupid friend is often a blessing in disguise, for it is very annoying at times to be obliged to keep up a running fire of small talk when there is more important business at hand."—*New York Sun.*

WOODEN BOWLS.—In buying a new wooden bowl, it is well to remember that if you grease it well on the inside, and stand it near the fire where it will soak in, it will save it from cracking.

DANDRUFF.—J. B., Tompkins County, N. Y.: Dandruff is a scurfy matter which exfoliates from the skin. It is caused by a diseased condition, produced generally by uncleanness and the use of hair oils and grease on the head and by want of washing. To prevent it the head should be washed every morning with water and soap and rubbed dry with a towel. This will cure the trouble if persevered in. If any hair-dressing is used, a simple oil, as oil of almonds, mixed with an equal part of pure alcohol, or bay rum and a few drops of tincture of Spanish fly, may be rubbed on the hair and skin of the head immediately after the hair is rubbed dry. The rubbing is very beneficial to the skin.

In every human being there are many grains of gold. When one is down, even by indiscretions of his own, do not stoop to throw additional mud upon him. Strive rather to reach him a helping hand to extricate him from the mire in which he is wallowing. This is true manhood.

TO WASH BUCKSKIN GLOVES.—Make a suds and add a half a tablespoonful of the magical mixture to it and wash the gloves in it; or you may put them on your hands, taking a small piece of sponge or soft flannel and dipping it into the suds rub it over the gloves until they are cleansed, rinsing them with clear water. Hang where the wind will blow them dry, or pull them in shape and dry by the fire.

OATMEAL FLOUR BLANC MANGE.—Into one qt. of slightly salted boiling milk stir in 2½ large tablespoonfuls of oat flour, a piece of butter and a tablespoonful of sugar. Boil for twenty minutes and turn into a wetted mould, or it may be eaten warm. Cream and sugar form the best sauce. This is very nice for invalids or infants, being very light and easy of digestion.

A pretty receptacle for soiled handkerchiefs and laces is made by taking a palm leaf fan and covering it with cretonne plush or satin; make a pocket of one-fourth yard of the same material hemmed and shirred at the top to reach across the fan from the handle. Tack this across the bottom and trim. Trim all around with a pinked pleated edge of the same material, ribbon or lace. Tie a large bow on the handle, which is also covered with the same material as the rest, and fasten to the wall in dressing room.

COLORING WHITEWASH FOR INTERIOR WALLS.—Coloring matter may be stirred into whitewash to make any desired shade. Spanish brown will make a red-pink, more or less deep according to quantity used. Finely pulverized common clay mixed with Spanish brown makes a reddish stone color. Chrome yellow for yellow color, and if small quantity is used, a cream. Use indigo for different shades of blue, and indigo and chrome yellow for green. Green pigments cannot be safely used with lime, as the lime will injure the color, and the green will cause the wash to peel off. For different shades of red, mix Venetian red and Spanish brown in various proportions. Lampblack will give a pretty gray if used in proper proportions with the whitewash.

The aroma of red cedar is fatal to house moths; the aroma of black walnut leaves is fatal to fleas. It is a matter of common observation that persons engaged in the business of making shingles out of odoriferous cypress timber, in malarial districts, are rarely, if ever, affected by malarial diseases, and that persons engaged in distilling turpentine do not suffer from either malarial diseases or consumption. It is said when cholera was epidemic in Memphis, Tenn., persons working in livery stables were entirely exempt from it. It is affirmed that since the destruction of the clove trees on the Island of Ternate the colony has suffered from epidemics unknown before; and in times when cholera has prevailed in London and Paris, those employed in the perfumery factories have escaped its ravages.—[Boston Journal of Chemistry.

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