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have his way he would keep the best of

window curtains dragged up in a string

and tucked over a picture-frame. Dainty

colors, on the other hand, fluffy-ruffle

cushion - covers, spindle - legged Hepple

whites, and things that topple over, or

knock over, or stand in the way, give

him "the pip". (That's college slang,

so it will pass.-Will it ?) Blest is he,

then, should he chance to have fixed

upon a wife who is possessed of no in-

Of course, woman would not be woman

if she did not like pretty things, and

aside, she is wise who looks well to the

furnishing of her house at the very be-

ginning, choosing articles that are remarkable only for their good taste and

quietness, that are solid and honest and

worthy of being bequeathed to succeeding

generations. After all, it is a sensible

fad that values old things as well as

keep up to the "latest" in furnishings as

well as in clothes is about as brainless

an ambition as one could well be afflict-

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home proper.

"old friends, old times." To strive to

satiate craving for eternal change.

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All of which brings us to definite consideration of the subject upon which we set out : "The House and Its Furnish-THE DINING - ROOM AND LIVING-

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her to make the very best use of every faculty with which she has been endowed. the woman of the future will have no place for idiocies. It is inconceivable that she should go about one year in a skirt that trips her at every step, and the next in a voluminous balloon measuring five yards round. It is inconceivable that she should-as many women do to-day, you know them and so do Ispend hours of each day in bed to keep Price, postpaid themselves from looking old, and hours more in physical exercises, face massages. head rubbings, and all the other contrivances by which mere personal beauty is enhanced

> True, she will not be careless of her appearance; she will merely assign to it its right place in the balance of her life She will recognize that no woman can spend too much time on the merely physical without losing in intellectuality and becoming, just by so much, absorbed in self. To become a selfish woman will be her abhorrence. For the sake of the race and of her own usefulness, on the other hand, she will wish to be physical ly fit, but she will recognize that such fitness may be best gained by the expending of a certain proportion of time each day in useful physical labor, and in taking walks that mean inspiration to mind and morals, rather than in artificial exercises that are directed towards a purely selfish end. Nor in her clothing will she be careless. So careful will she be, indeed, that she will drive the freak ish and foolish in dress far from her, not will she submit to be led about by the nose by the manufacturers and costumer as are the women of to-day. Rather like the women in William Deans How-ells' dream of Altruria, she will have fixed upon models that are truly artistic and truly comfortable, and she will keep to them, trusting to beauty of coloring and textile for the "change" that the feminine heart craves.

nently, to accept such work. There are ashes on a bookshelf, and if he could people born with a talent for and liking for manual labor of every kind, and in those future days such talent will be glad to avail itself of the expert training that will be demanded, while liking for the work itself will increase with efficiency and with the model equipment with which all such public working-places will be supplied.

The woman of the future will realize that it is just as creditable to do one thing as another, provided it will be the thing that one loves. There will be no snobbery, and the elimination of snobbery will mean sisterhood to a degree that is to-day unknown and undreamed of.

What more can one wish for the Superwoman in addition to the attributes ascribed to "superfolk" generally in our discussion of last week ?-Alive, alert, kindly, progressive, possessed of good sense, making the very best of her time and talents in this world, giving to every duty-mental, domestic, and social-its fair proportion In her life, above all things "same," since sanity means so much in any woman's life;-what more could one ask ? Will she be a suffragist ?-No, for men will have so long since recognized women as humans and given them their right to speak on questions of government, that no one will think anything about that matter at all. The right to vote will encourage women to read questions of government, but better that than to be addicted to bridge or gossip or fancywork, things to be touched occasionally, perhaps, in a mild and harmless way, but not to become enslaved to.

. . . .

Whether a Jane Addams, or a Madame the center of the home-life and the most Curie, or a Dr. Montessori, whether a Rosa Bonheur, or a Lucy Kemp-Welch, or a Cornelia, the woman of the future will still be a broad-minded, noble human, esteeming herself not too highly, yet conscious of her power, a blessing and a benediction to her day and generation. And so we leave the thought of her Can we ever work up to her?

JUNIA

The Hikers.

We moved in last November And distinctly I remember 'Twas the steam heat that she wanted And she said She was crazy in addition For a dining-room in mission And the den was simply perfect, Being red.

Now she's weary of the mission Dining-room. It's her ambition To serve ham and eggs in one with

aneled walls

Having disposed of the kitchen fairly well, in last issue, let us pass on from this, the work-room of the home to the First, the dining-room : This compartment, as mentioned before, need not be large, and it may be narrow if that will

give added space to the living-room, which should be, it goes without saying, important room in the house. It should, however, be wide enough to give plenty of space about the table for serving, when all the chairs are in use, and it should be long enough to give accommodation for the largest dinner-party which

may make demands upon it. Outside of table and chairs, which should be substantial, simple of line and guiltless of wood-carving-which entails extra work in dusting, and is atrocious if not of the best-the dining-room needs but little furniture. A group window at one side, with sash-curtains, of scrim, voile, raw silk, or heavy net, will supply one item of furnishing; the built-in china cabinet another; and there should be a serving-table. Plate-rails are quite out of favor, but there may be a buffet

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The woman of the future will take pains to find out what she is best fitted for, and she will do that and Be that. to the very best of her ability. Before marriage she will leave no talent undeveloped; while she is a mother with her in the truest sense of the word; when her children have gone out into the world and her hands are free from the long beloved duties connected with them, she will return again to the carrying out of her life as it is clear to her that it

Nor at any time will she be a mere household slave, for in her day the iouses will be so well and sensibly built, so perfect of size and equipment, that the demands of housework will have reached their minimum, and results will no means too unthinkable that every community may sometime possess, not kitchen from which meals may be ordered at will. Nor will this mean shifting a burden from one pair of shoulders to itemature nime. He isn't disturbed over grain, oatmeal, or cartridge, are always another, for there will always be a sup- a hole in the courn cover, or a shiny safe, and, if preferred, Japanese grass ply of folk ready, temporarily or perma- spot on an arachair ambation matching matching safe.

And she wants a bedroom pink,

And a wider kitchen sink,

And some blue and yellow paper In the halls

Every autumn, every spring, Just like birds we're on the wing. For a change in decorations We go hiking

And I'll gatuble when she dies That her mansion in the skies

Won't be finished just exactly To her liking.

-Detroit Free Press

The House and Its Furnishings.

The woman in "The Hikers," above, is She is very real, as many a poor man knows to his sorrow; she is an expensive luxury. True, the man who has vowed to take her "for room may be added at leisure. better or for worse, till death do us

Address Bark of Leconto Bidg., London, Can. ply of folk ready, temporarily or perma- spot on an aranchair upholstery, or cigar cloth or burlap, but there are some

taste, the buffet is decorated by nothing more striking than a fine jar or two for flowers, with doilies beneath, and the china-cabinet has the glories of its contents concealed by pretty curtains (inside the glass) of heavy net or silk in tones to suit the leading color note of the

if liked. If not actually needed, how-

ever, the buffet may be dispensed with,

for it is no longer considered in good

taste to make a lavish display of china

and silver, no matter how pretty they

may be. Indeed, in houses of the best

The latter, however, is very important Whatever be chosen, the general effect should be cheerful, and to attain that will depend most of all on the wallcovering, which is, in any room, the most important feature of all, forming, as it does, the background and setting of everything else. It pays, everywhere in the house except possibly in the bedrooms, where a cheaper paper will do, to sacrifice furniture, if necessary, to quality in the wall-covering. Get a good paper that is not likely to fade, one of which you will not tire quickly, then make it do for a considerable length of time. The other furnishings of the

Blue, in quiet old "Dutch" shades, has part"--and that is a large order---may be been much used for dining-rooms, but it suared the damages of the mark the been much used for dining-rooms, but it spared the dangers of monotony, but it is rather unsafe for any but very bright is safe enough to monotony. is safe enough to say that if there could rooms of "hot" exposure, south or weat be added one short paragraph to his for instance, and there it is likely to literate the model of the short paragraph to his for instance, and there it is likely to litany he would recite it with especial fade. Also, by the way, it should only Trona all these yearly upset- be ventured upon by fair women or dark tings, from all this raiding of depart- women with clear, bright complexion; a mental store that the second mental stores, from all these changes and sallow woman in a blue room is likely furbelows, from all this rockless casting to look a fright. Upon the whole tones forth of mer y, Good Lord deliver us !" of tobacco-brown, olive, dull-buff, or For man is a peaceful animal. Old quiet, old rose, are likely to give best furnishing states the melikeness to his satisfaction. Plain papers, in heavy inTruth ab for Ho

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