CORNER

HOME INTERESTS

HELENE Conducted

One of Chicago's pioneer clubwo men. Mrs. Frances Norton, strenuously advocates the granting of pensions to mothers by the State. She holds that the state owes a duty to the mother and that as each child is a prospective citizen its entrance into the world should be marked by a bounty from the state which would free the needy mother from dependence on an unskilled or unwilling husband and give her time to rear her children. Mrs. Norton brought the proposition to the petition stage before the Austin Woman's Club re cently. This petition is to be followed by others at the different Chicago clubs and will end with a petition which will be sent to the proper authorities for consideration The idea, which is not worked out in detail as yet, takes a somber view of the subject. The rich will have children, the speaker said, and therefore it behooves the state to make it possible for those who have children and are in need to rear the children in a way to make good citizens of them. France has met this necessity and pensioned parents; also there was a fund for educating the seventh son at the government expense in some cases. "The condition which made this necessary, although not yet upon us." Mrs. Norton added. "is coming." Mrs Norton's plan provides that the mother be paid a certain amount per child for its care until it reaches fourteen. "This," said Mrs. Norton, "is the only practical way to make the antirace suicide theory effective. The money which could be saved from the expenses of the courts by giving each child a chance for a home and material care would be enough to pay for the work of pensioning mo therhood. There would be criminals if the children and their parents had a better chance."

** ** ** NEATNESS.

We all have among our acquaintances the girl, who, without being in the least good-looking, always manages to look neat and well Perhaps she has only small allowance for dress, but whenever you meet her, she is sure smart and attractive, while other girls, with a great deal more money at their command, look shab by and ill-dressed. The reason simply and solely that the first gir has the true secret of correctness and smartness in dress, that of having a place for everything and everything in its place.

Then, too, there is a vast diffe the manner in which girls Some girls put on their clothes. have a sort of knack of putting their clothes on neatly, and with a cer tain effectiveness, which shows itself in a plain shirt waist as in a more fashionable gown. Attention to de tail helps to a large extent, and afthe selection of becoming colors and frills makes artistic dress ing plain sailing to many girls whose pocketbook boasts of no extraordin ary amount of money

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BLESSED VIRGIN'S INFLUENCE ON DOMESTIC LIFE

Of the sentiments which in all ages have distinguished the gentleman from the churl, the first is that reverence for womanhood, which even through all the cruelties of the middle ages, developed itself with increasing power until the thirteenth century and became consummated in the Madonna, the imagination of which ruled over all the highest arts and purest thoughts of that age.

he dignities ascribed to the Madonna have always been a violent offense They are one of the parts of the Ca tholic faith open to reasonable dispute and least comprehensive by the average, realist and materialist temper of the Reformation.

But after the most careful exami nation, neither as adversary nor as friend of the influences of Catholicity for good and evil, I am per suaded that the honor paid to th Madonna has been one of the noblest and most vital graces, and has never been otherwise than productive true holiness of life and purity I do not enter into any question as to the truth or the fallacy of the idea I no more wish to defend the historical or theological position of the Madonna than of St. Michael or St. Christopher; but I am certain that to the habit reverent belief in, and contemplation of the character ascribed to the heahierarchies we must ascribe venly the highest results achieved in human

There has probably not been nnocent cottage home throughout the length and breadth during the whole period of vital Christianity in which the imaged presence of the Madonna has given sanctity to the humblest duties and comfort to the sorest trials the lives of women; and every brightest and loftiest achievement of arts and strength of manhood been the fulfilment of the assured prophecy of the Israelite maiden: 'He that is mighty hath magnified me; and holy is His name."-John Ruskin

++ ++ ++ THE IRONY OF IT.

An Atchison woman whose hu oand has a small salary and who helps all she can by doing her own work and keeping down expenses nad a note lately from an old friend and would like to see the Atchison voman. The old school friend had married and was living elegantly The Atchison woman was anxious to make a showing before her, and she had two weeks to get ready, de voted her entire time to plans and work for the 6 o'clock dinner her friend. She borrowed several Turkish rugs and silver and cut glass from friends whom she took her confidence. She told her husband she would give up her suit and spend the money on the dinner. He thought Mary was acting rather foolish, but let her way. She hired a first-class cook to get a nine-course dinner, and a pretty young colored girl and deck ed her out in a white cap and apron to act as nurse for the children for that one evening. She took one of her old trousseau dresses and fixed it up for a dinner gown, and when night came, put it on, and squeezed her husband into a dress suit he had worn when he was married. The friend came and everything went off beautifully. After dinner the nurse brought the children, in starched dresses and gay sashes, into the par lor to see "Mamma's friend." were speechless with wonder the magnificence of "papa" in dress suit, and "mamma" in a party dress, but they had been coache did not betray any surprise. Finally the grand guest came to the saying of good-bye to her hostess and said The beauty of my visit with you, Mary, is that you have not taken the slightest trouble, but have given

++ ++ ++ HOW SOME PARENTS REAR

me a glimpse of your simple, every-

to have thought that I had made

tle family dinner was delicious."-

Atchison Globe.

e, but your simple lit-

day life. I would have felt terribl

THEIR CHILDREN.

Believing that good parentage and good home training are the potent factors for the production of the right sort of men and women for this world and the next, we avail ourselves of this suggestive query from the Atchison Globe: "An Atchison girl of fifteen gets up in the morning, eats breakfast, which her To the common non-Catholic mind takes care of her room, and then goes down town, sometimes taking two hours to buy a spool of thread. She eats dinner, which her mother has prepared, wears clothes her mo ther has made, spends the afternoon reading story books or gadding with her friends, eats supper her mothe

has prepared, and with her girl frien nothing wicked all day, and mother is satisfied that she is br ing her up right. But is she?"

"Too prim and too formal" is the ment of Cardinal Gib oons on the homes of many Amerimake a visitor feel und The Cardinal has noted that average American parlor is too pany-like." Everything is set tights, and it is obviously a place. He says every ro happy home should have the air being occupied and enjoyed. should be lying around, and flowers be seen. Books are the index of the life of household, says the prelate, and the

44 44 44 STEAMING HER FACE

Mrs. George R. McLane's complex on is the despair of all other trons who have seen it. "All due to washing my face in steam." she ex-"I open the valve and place my face as close to it as the will permit and lie there for a quarter of an hour. The effect is lovely. The roughest skin will become oft as velvet in a few trials. I wonder why all themselves. The hot towel on the face I abominate."-New York Press.

++ ++ ++ BRIGHTENING CARPETS.

Although there are many new quids for freshening and brightening carpets, nothing will do the work better than ox gall. Use one gill to a gallon of cold soft water, stirring the ox gall into the water with stick. With a soft brush rub carpet, making a white lather. Two persons should do this work, one following the other and washing the lather off with clear water. The water should be changed often, and saying she would pass through town then the carpet should be rubbed with clean cloths until dry.

44 44 44 TIMELY HINTS.

Do not leave scrubbing brushes with the bristles turned up or dampness from them will run into the body of the brush and loosen the bristles in their sockets.

When housecleaning the bedroom wash the toilet ware with soap and water, and then fill the vessels with boiling hot soda water; put them out in the air and leave them filled for half a day until thoroughly dis

Never put summer clothes away in a soiled condition. They may needed in a hurry when the first warm days of spring occur, and ther there is much discomfort. Linen and muslins should be packed away unstarched, however, to prevent their

A glass decanter may be cleaned b breaking up egg shells into small pieces, putting them into the decanter, which is half filled with water and thoroughly shaken.

Ordinary writing ink may be moved from carpet or colored stuffs Soak up as much ' as as follows: possible with a blotter, then apply milk with a soft, clean rag, allowing the milk to soak thoroughly into the stain. It will draw out the ink most successfully

Wicker furniture which has be varnished will not take enamel until with boiling water, in which there the south is a little washing soda. After it and adaptability of his students by dries rub it thoroughly with a piece sending them into the pulpit of flannel dipped in turpentine, and a sealed envelope containing a text after this has been aired for 24 hours, rub with sandpaper, after ed offhand. On one such occasion which the wicker may be either the student, on opening his paper, painted or dyed satisfactorily.

water and a soft brush

appeared.

until every speck and spot have dis-++ ++ ++ RECIPES.

Cinnamon cakes without eggs, as given by "Martha" in the Chicago Record-Herald," will be when the hens are niggardly in laying. Dissolve one teaspoonful of baking soda in a little hot water; baking soda in a little hot water; add to it half a cupful of molasses, half a pint of sour cream, half a pound of brown sugar, the grated zest of half a lemon, one rounding tablespoonful of cinnamon, a pinch of allspice and mace, three cupsful of sifted flour; finally one pound of seeded raisins, cut fine and lightly flavored. Bake in loaf or gem pans in a moderate oven.



is left dry. Chill this also and ar two fruits on a roun range the platter on a little lettuce, the cher ries alternating in color and grapefruit in the middle in a pyra When ready to serve pour French dressing over all or the cher ries may be served by othemselves o lettuce hearts

For pickled onions use the silv skin variety. Place them in water to protect the eyes while peeling them. Put into brine for hours, boil up, strain off the brine and dry. Then bottle, covering with vinegar. Use white vinegar if wish to retain the white color. Add some whole peppers, bruised ginger and a little sliced horseradish.

Beet Salad.-Take one-half a cupful of sugar, two or three cloves, teaspoonful of white mustard seed an inch stick of mace and a pint and a half of vinegar. Boil until reduc ed one-half. Add medium sized cold boiled beets, and cook for twenty When cold pour cold water minutes. over the beets and wipe them dry Serve on lettuce leaves with French dressing.

44 44 44 **FUNNY SAYINGS**

THIS WAY OUT.

A short time ago a self-made man who was trying to show off befor others, came to grief.

It happened at a travelling show which visited his local town, which he was (in his own estima tion, at least) a very prominent cha racter. He was taking his family and several friends around and plaining in a very bombastic manne histories of all the animals and birds in the show. When they walked through the exhibition, came upon a notice on which Was painted in large letters: "To

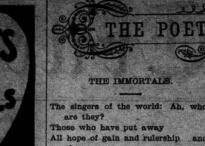
Thinking to improve the situation, the self-made man looked round and said grandiloquently to those in his wake: "I suppose very few of you know what an egress is. I will now proceed to explain the points of this bird to you. Follow me." walking through the door to which the notice pointed, he found himself -in the street! ** ** **

According to Harper's Weekly, the varnish has been washed off head of a theological seminary in boiling water, in which there the south tests the self-possession read these instructions: "Apply the Wash white marbles with clear story of Zaccheus to your own cirvater and a soft brush.

Clean mirrors carefully, rubbing cumstances and your call to the ministry." The student, cleverly enough, delivered himself of the fol-lowing: "Brethren, the subject on which I address you is a reference to my qualifications for the pulpit. The first thing we read of Zaccheus is that he was small of stature. never felt so small as I do the second place, we read that Zaccheus was up a tree, which is very much my position at present. Thirdly, it is related that Zaccheus made haste to come down, and in this I gladly and provided the second company of the second company. gladly and promptly follow his example."—London Tribune.

* ** ** ** TOLD OUT OF SCHOOL.

The infant terrible is always with us, and in making trouble runs a close race with the wagging tongue of scandal. Accompanied by her young hopeful, a woman was calling on a friend who happened to live



years were past

dress.

All hope of gain and rulership go, despised, on the up

THE IMMORTALS

in twilights, stars eauty Beauty in sea-wings flashed

gray capes, cloud-shapes, snowdrifts, pools

seauty in laughter and in living Onward unresting over crag stream Chasing the flying Dream

Till the white equities of m stars, Sowing their light afar Lead on their feet to kingdoms waiting long

Where, young glad with song. The poets of the earth-they canno

Their music men will cherish Their songs build dawn as the large suns grow light: They are the morning-makers of

Great kings of melody forever hymning and love, with jocund eyes

clear-brimming. The races rise and rule and pass, but they Immutable and glad like strong gods

In cool green places where the years are young And hearts of lovers hold the strains

they've sung. Deathless tho' dead, they have petual youth And Beauty know as Truth;

Priests of white hope they urge men's souls still on

To tracts of fairer dawn; And it is always April where they wait.

Secure in morn that nevermor

-Charles J. O'Malley, in New World ** ** ** OLD AGE.

It is too late! Ah, nothing is too Till the tired heart shall cease palpitate Cato learned Greek at eighty; Sopho cles

Wrote his grand Oepidus, and Si-Bore off the prize of verse from his compeers

When each had numbered more than four-score years: And Theophrastus at four-score and Had but begun his "Characters

Men." Chaucer at Woodstock, with nightingales,

mistake. Do you ever have difficulty, my dear ? "Oh, no," replied the little fiend

breaking in unexpectedly. "Ma says she can always tell your house the dirty windows.

"Now, look here, young man," said the editor to the your porter, "when you're writing these paragraphs you must always 'alleged,' else you'll soon get us into serious trouble." So when the young reporter was



ethe at Welmar, tolling to the apleted "Faust" eightv

Vhat, then? Shall we sit down and The night hath come; it is no long-The night hath not yet come: we are not quite

Cut off from labor by the failing light Something remains for us

Even the oldest trees some fruit may bear. For age is opportunity no less Than youth itself, though in another

The sky is filled with stars, invisible by day. Henry W. Longfellow

And as the evening twilight fades

MIZPAH.

The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another.-Gen. 81: 39.

Go thou thy way, and I go mine; Apart, vet not afar

Only a thin veil hangs between The pathways where we are, And "God keep watch 'tween thee and me."-

This is my prayer, He looks thy way, He looketh mine And keeps us near

I know not where thy road may lie, Or which way mine will be; If mine will lead through parehing sands

And thine beside the sea; Yet "God keep watch and me. So never fear He holds thy hand, He claspeth mine,

And keeps us near. Should wealth and fame, perchance, be thine,

And my lot lowly be; Or you be sad and sorrowful, And glory be for me, Yet "God keep watch 'tween thee

Both be His care. One arm 'round thee and one 'round

Will keep us near

I sigh, sometimes, to see thy face, But since this may not be, I'll leave thee to the care of Him, Who cares for thee and me.

'I'll keep thee both beneath my wings"_ This comforts, dear,

One wing o'er thee and one o'er me. So we are near. And though our paths be separate, And thy way is not mine. et coming to the mercy seat,

My soul will meet with thine And "God keep watch 'tween thee and me,"
I'll whisper there, He blesseth thee, He blesseth me,

And we are near.

wrote: "Mr. Brown, the alleged tenor, sang an alleged song, and duly responded to an alleged encore. No More Overcrowded

sent to do a concert that evening he

Street Cars. If the law would compel

every man, woman and child to use "Foot Elm" the public understanding would soon become so sound and healthy that people would think walking a pleasure. "Foot Elm" makes feet healthy and prevents sweating, chafing and blistering.

PAT GOT THE GOOSE.

An Irishman and a Hebrew were est in the woods. Half starved, they lost in the woods. Half starved, they itlled a single goose, which, not being enough for two, they decided to keep till the next morning, and the one having the most pleasant dream was to have it. "And what did ye dream?" asked Pat. "Oh, I had a beautiful dream," said the Hebrew. "I dreamed the angels were "Well. d thought

Dear Girls and Boys I am sure Annie O McC. must have had at the lawn party. has about a month to think the time ve glad to bid Maude our corner. She wr long letter. I hope much as sh Joseph is improving letter writing. I at delighted with the n cousins brought l what his papa will sees this letter. Ethe and stay as long as her grandmamma in must be a great pleas little ones go down t her. How kind Unc be to humor Ethel an he does, and what d they have had. Just times of Aunt Becky who are slowly wast and draw in some nic for them.

Vour loving AT ++ ++

Dear Aunt Becky : As my sister and I w Wednesday afternoon would write and tell we had. We did not very warm. As we of the children were the woods, where the swing to amuse the were in the swing par noon. Then we went supper in the woods n There is a lot of hay in the fields just at p raining pretty heavy l but no thunder or ligh berries are just about sister and I were out our last picking. We afternoon for a little my visits are nearly o

Your loving n

holidays are growing

dear Aunt Becky, as I

getting long I guess I

Lonsdale, Aug. 3. 4-4-4-4 Dear Aunt Becky:

As it is raining this having nothing to do s thought I would write harvest apples are ripe six trees of them. My aunties came home Sun I was glad to see brought me some present at a lawn party Tuesd There were about eight had tea out in the wo to go visiting my cous It will not be long unt ing to school again. teacher for our school hope we will get one, try the entrance next dear auntie, as I have tell this time, good-bye,

AG Lonsdale, Aug. 3. 11 11

Dear Aunt Becky: As this is my first a writing to you I will a make allowances for me ing the letters in the T took a fancy to write see my letter published School has finished, a forward once holidays. I have enjoy far and only hope they happily as they co parted for the from them fr the country in school co it was too qu few days. M her trip very deal of games of fun. We a to the circus. gust 4th. I circus in my forward to it