

plifer some bright thing that he wants, and hide it lest you take it from him. I have seen this sort of thing crop out in a big boy, left to roam at will in his father's store with the same freedom he was wont to handle mamma's treasures. Next came the money-drawer, and so on in business after awhile. 'Oh! but,' you say, 'my boy could never be a thief—things like that come by heredity.' I grant you they do; but they sometimes come from bad training. You never deny your boy anything; and when he is older, begin to tighten the reins. Then comes the borrowing of small sums, the running up bills, and the common list of extravagances which he has not the will-power to resist.

The highest sense of honor is implanted by lessons of self-denial and self-control. Many a theft or forgery has sprung from the undisciplined heart, rather than from downright propensities for evil.

But the pitfall I began to warn you about in the beginning is the pernicious habit of displaying the accomplishments of your 'smartest baby in the world.' You keep him always performing before an audience, singing his praises in his own ears, and calling attention to him every minute. Fortunately for your 'amour propre,' you will never know what a bore this is to your friends or callers.

I have in mind a little girl who is an only child. She was from earliest babyhood an uncommonly bright, attractive child; and from the first dawns of her perceptions, no one else in the room could get in a word edgewise. In the midst of a sentence the speaker was nudged or called outright to look or listen, till now, at the age of six, the child is a nuisance to mother and friends. She is utterly unmanageable and wilful, is cross unless the object of attention, and her excited nerves have worn her to a shadow.

There was in her the making of a fine character, but applause and indulgence have ruined her till she is positively eery.

You hear a great deal said about controlling children and bringing them up in the right way, but these teachers rarely remind you where to begin. There is such a thing as crushing the spirit by brute force. This is not training. Make very few points with a little child; steer around the shoals. But the point made, it must be carried. Do not

let the baby become a tyrant. Smile and pet and reward him when he is good; but when you are displeased with him, let him see it. When he is naughty, punish him. I am no advocate of whipping after four years old.

Cedar Chests.

To be strictly truthful, they're mostly pine, being an odd lot of cracker and shoe boxes with covers cleated and hinged on. But they answer my purpose so well, I think it worth telling, says a writer.

First, catch your box, at the grocery or shoe store is a good place to look for it. Go over it, carefully tightening the nails and seeing that all are clenched down tight and smooth; brush them out well, have a dish of flour paste, newspaper and dark rich wall paper. If you have no small hinges for the picked all the laces dry and ironed the heavy, cloth, two inches wide and as long as your cover. Tack one edge of cloth to inside of box at top, the other edge to be tacked to inside of cover, this will form a continuous hinge. Another strip of cloth can be used as a strap or stay to prevent cover from falling too far back.

Now line the box throughout with newspapers, leaving it open to dry the paste out. Cover the outside of box with the wall paper; tack a loop of leather or braid to front of cover to lift by and the box is complete.

In storing garments we lay them in the boxes in long folds, placing here and there a sachet of homegrown lavender, or sheets of blotting paper which have been saturated with cologne water, this to do away with the musty smell which usually clings to anything stored in trunks and boxes. When the box is comfortably full, a single thickness of newspaper is cut the exact size of box, a little paste is brushed over the top edge and the newspaper is carefully fitted to and pressed down on the box; the cover is closed, and we have no fear of Mrs. Moth and her detestable relations.

All Around the House.

Besides making the bed of an invalid as comfortable as possible, special care should be exercised to have it thoroughly aired. The whole bed should be taken to pieces every morning and each piece of bed clothing, as well as the mattress, separately exposed to the action of the air.

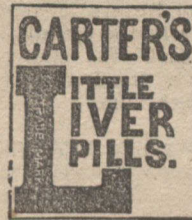
An attempt to revive the fashion of canopied bedsteads and bed curtains should be frowned upon. Such appurtenances may be 'artistic,' but they are unhygienic. The folding bed is also inconsistent with the most healthful conditions for sleep, although much can be said in its favor on the ground of economy of space.—'Congregationalist.'

Religious Notes.

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the San Francisco disaster is shown by the announcement that the beasts too were remembered, and a special contribution for their benefit was sent by the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The Rev. F. E. Clark has been asked to preach in St. Peter's Cathedral, Geneva, on the Convention Sunday. This is the church where Calvin, the great reformer, ministered during his lifetime.

From Shan-si, Mr. August Karlsson sends to 'China's Millions' an interesting account of a Bible-school recently held at Tso-uin, where from fifty to one hundred people gathered together twice daily for several days to receive instructions in the Word of God. Four converts were baptized. One of these came from a place 400 miles distant. He heard the Gospel fourteen years ago, and though he had not since had an opportunity of listening to it until three months ago, when he made this long journey to ob-

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