

HOUSE AND HOUSEHOLD.

DON'T FORGOT FOR HUSBANDS.

Don't hang about the kitchen, with advice here and suggestion there, unless your wife has the same privilege at your place of work.

Don't require an itemized report of every dollar placed in her hands; even should she make an unwise expenditure, consider how many times you have given her the example.

Don't allow any family disagreements or differences of opinion to crop out before children or servants; let all such things be reserved for private discussion, with mutual confidence and kindness.

Don't use all your kindness and gallantry away from home, and let the unpleasantness manifest itself in the family circle; try the other course for a time and see how that will work.

Don't listen to a man who begins to disparage his wife and parade her real or fancied shortcomings to the world; advise him to settle those things in the privacy of his own home.

Don't make it necessary for any person to give you like advice.

Don't pay a dollar for a lunch 'downtown,' and half as much more for cigars, while you think up plans for greater economy in the family grocery bill.

Don't forget that members of the family have as good a right to a pleasant greeting when met, and will appreciate it as much as the business acquaintance next door.

Don't forget a kindly word for the poor or unfortunate with whom you come in contact; it costs nothing, while it sends a ray of sunshine into lives which have enough of hardship and gloom at the best.

Don't forget that the true gentleman never uses profane or vulgar language; that he does not speak hastily.

A SHREWD FATHER'S SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS TO MARRY OFF HIS DAUGHTERS.

'Brown, I don't know how it is that your girls marry off as soon as they get old enough, while none of mine can marry.'

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'But what is that principle? I never heard of it before.'

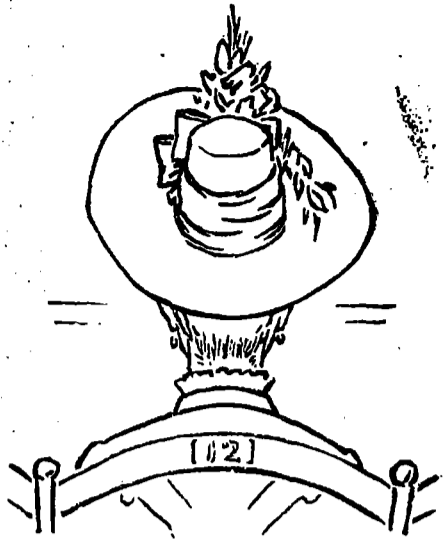
'Well, I used to raise a good deal of buckwheat, and it puzzled me to know how to get rid of the straw. Nothing would eat it, and it was a great bother to me. At last I thought of a plan. I stacked my buckwheat straw nicely and built a high rail fence around it. My cattle, of course, concluded that it was something good, and at once tore down the fence and began to eat the straw. I dogged them away and put up the fence a few times, but the more I drove them away the more anxious they became to eat the straw, and eat it they did, every bit of it. As I said, I marry my girls off on the same principle.'

'When a young man that I don't like begins calling on my girls I encourage him in every way I can. I tell him to come often and stay as late as he pleases, and I take pains to hint to the girls that I think they'd better set their caps for him. It works first rate. He don't make many calls, for the girls treat him as coolly as they can. But when a young fellow that I like comes around, a man that I think would suit me for a son-in-law, I don't let him make many calls before I give him to understand that he isn't wanted around my house. I tell the girls, too, that they shall not have anything to do with him, and give them orders never to speak to him again. This plan always works first rate. The young folks begin to pitch into each other and the next thing I know they are engaged to be married. When I see that they are determined to marry I always give in and pretend to make the best of it. That's the way I manage it.'

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