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THE HOME.

Restless and unsatisfied. "Of what use is life?" I cried; "All my wishes are denied."

"All my duties trivial seem; I have energies, I deem; What I could be—oh! I dream."

"Yet I cannot see my way From this spot where I stay; So hope I might say by day."

Then a voice was at my side; "Let the conduct be thy guide." 'Twas His voice, the Crucified.

"Thirty years unknown I trod Gallies' sequestered road; But my life was known to God."

"Daily work at Joseph's call, Daily I should duties all, Yet I was the Lord of all."

"Daughter, if thy life be true, Thou a blessed work shalt do, Though unseen to mortal view."

"I shall know it, I shall see, With willing heart and free, Though obedient art to me."

"All thy duties I will know, For I planned it long ago; Wouldst thou that it were not so?"

"I have given all for thee, Live thy duty to the end; So I shall transcend thee."

Now on these sweet words I rest, And have ceased my anxious quest, For the Master knows best.

Being a Woman. It is a dreadful bother to be a woman and do the business of a good shape.

It is a dreadful bother to be a woman and do the business of a good shape. In the first place, you've got to look well or else your nobody. A man may be ever so homely and still be popular.

It is a dreadful bother to be a woman and do the business of a good shape. A woman must always be in good order. Her hair must always be frizzled and banged, as fashion demands, and she must powder it she has a shining hair, and she must manage to look sweet, no matter how sour she may feel.

It is a dreadful bother to be a woman and do the business of a good shape. She can't wear out, alone, because ladies must be presentable. She can't wear out, alone, because ladies must be presentable. When it rains, because her hair isn't frizzled and she'll get mad on her petticoats and things she can't be a Freeman, because she would tell their secrets and everybody would know all about the goat and griddle; she can't smoke, because that would be unbecoming; she can't go courting, because that would be unbecoming.

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having the headache. And if she is "serenely" enough to find anybody about the door any quieter, and nobody tucks her on the lounge with a shawl over her or cuddles her to death as a man has to be cuddled under such circumstances.

We might go on indefinitely with the troubles of being a woman, and if there is a man who thinks a woman has an easy time of it, why, just let him pin on a pound of false hair and get inside a pair of corsets, and put on a pull-back overcoat, and be a woman himself and see how he likes it—Lorett Times.

THE FARM. Cows in Dark Stables. It is injurious to cows to keep them closely confined in dark stables. While barn basements make warm and comfortable quarters for stock, there is reason for giving milk cows some exercise in the open yard every day, and on sunny winter days, for a considerable length of time. It will increase the flow and value of the milk product, and will also help the cow to prepare for bringing forth a healthy calf in the spring.

Soil for House Plants. "Fibrous loam" is the best soil for growing house plants, according to an authority on gardening. It is prepared by procuring manure and peatmoss in equal quantities, and mixing them together. The manure should be of the best quality, and the peatmoss should be of the best quality. The mixture should be made up of two parts of manure and one part of peatmoss.

Jersey and Guernsey Cows. An authority says that the Jersey has hereditary qualities in the direction of milk rich in cream. The Guernsey is bred selected from the same general line of ancestry, is larger, a deeper milker, and comes next in the Jersey in the butter (fat) quality of the milk. Individual Jersey cows have produced the largest quantity of butter, on special feeding, in a given time of any breed known.

Most Valuable Crops. The nature of fowls contains their urine, as a solid excrement. It may be recognized by its white color, and constitutes the most valuable portion of their droppings. The manure of broods under a poultry house, if smoothed and close, with glass around the space upon which the manure will fall. Dry earth, and sand, mixed with lead plaster, or sprinkled over after sweeping with a broom of soft hair, will keep the manure from being scattered. The manure should be removed every day, and the whole should be cleaned out and fresh earth added every week. The proportion of earth to be added should be two thirds of the quantity of the manure. It should be placed in a heap under a cover, on a cement surface, or clay floor, where it may be covered over with manure, and sweeping of the house, feathers, broken eggs, dead chickens, or rats, or other small animals, and such refuse generally, including old hen's nests. It must be kept moist, and in case there is any odor, either of decomposition or ammonia, this must be removed by sprinkling with copious water, scattering plaster over the surface, or by the addition of more earth. The best earth for a poultry house, in good, rich, loamy soil. It should be prepared in hot, dry days, by sifting upon a floor of boards, or dry, and sifting it over until thoroughly dry. The manure, when dry, should be put in the crates of the poultry house preserved in this way, will be the course of a few months become nearly homogeneous, and a fine fertilizer for field and garden use.—American Agriculturist.

TEMPERANCE. The Deacon's Sunday-School Sermon. BY JAMES GLENNY ANDREWS.

A dear old deacon in my State was cured of a high license pulpit, but was so loyal to the church that he took his gospel all that fell from the desk. So, when his pastor pushed high license, he, as a superintendent of the Sunday-school, said: "Such is the children as the trees are bent to the wind, so the people are bent to the wine. If you will, let me be the twig should be inclined." So in his homely way he turned the sermons into language the children could understand, and made a talk for high license before the Sunday-school.

Dear boys and girls, let me tell you, 'you know life very naughtily to drink beer and whiskey. So, too, it's naughtily to sell them without a license, or with a cheap license, and the town makes every saloon keeper pay it \$500 out of what he gets for making drinks. It's naughtily to sell longer to sell beer and whiskey, but a real nice, respectable business, like selling sugar or kyan books. And your blessed paper don't like to have a \$500 saloon close by their store, but with a \$400 one each, they know that a good people will like to buy their beer. So, when you men get drunk and sweat and fight and roll into the gutter before the five hundred dollar saloon, your high license pal's know that's a blessing, and they must thank God every day that blessings fall so thickly about them.

For all that clear, don't you, children? If not, you must be patient and remember your eyes will grow bigger, like 'peas, some day. Of course, too, your fine manmas never visit the wife of the fifty dollar rumeller; but quick as he grows so good and respectable that he pays his town \$500 a year, as the share of what he gets by making drinks and drinkers' wives and children, and the old law-keepers put him on the back, why then, of course, your fine manmas go right off and visit his wife, and find her just lovely, and ask her to see how they do. You know, an advance of \$450 in license works a great change of heart and manners in the saloon keeper; all his family, when he pays \$500 he's a gentleman.

If you keep on seeing it, don't you, children? Why, though, you can't see why, if it's awful wicked for a fifty dollar license to fall a man's boots with make and his head with the crazy, and turn his hands into double fists, and send him home to knock down his wife and kick his little boy and girl into the street—it is a dreadful wicked, maybe you can't quite see why, it's all right, and respectable for a five hundred dollar license to do the same thing. But it'll come clear to you when you grow up and read the Bible the way lots of men do now. Then you'll see that what's all wrong with selling alone, is all right when it's \$500.

"Maybe, too, put lams, you don't now quite see how, if it's wrong to drink liquor as high license, it's right as can be to sell them at any license, coaxing men to drink them. But what you get big and hear men talk who know a pious lot about high license. Then you'll see that the words in the Lord's prayer—'Lead us not into temptation'—don't mean anything now, the world's got to be so smart. And when the license preachers get up a new version of the Testament, I suppose they'll leave out all that nonsense.

"One thing more, sweet ones: Don't forget what a high license is to poor towns. Why, quite often it builds a new jail—and fills it. Isn't that real good of it? So, if any of you die drunkards, or drunkards' wives, it'll be a warm comfort to you to remember that, by living drunk, or with a drunkard, you've paid, to support your town's taxes, almost one-tenth of what they've paid to kill you.

"You must remember, too, that it's because temperance is wrong that high license is right. It's so much, you see, like Prohibition; for you can easily see that 'a hair loaf's better'n no bread,' if it's poison.

"Now, good-by, children; and if ever you want to be a constable, or go to Congress, and want the taxes collected in a tumbler, don't object to being damned, only charge high for it.

The Sunday schoolers laughed and called the deacon crazy, their fathers got to thinking, and the pastor got into a passion, but was afterward converted and became a good man.—The Voice.

To Make a Happy Home.

- 1. Learn to govern yourselves, and to be gentle and patient.
2. Guard your tempers, especially in seasons of ill-health, irritation and trouble, and soften them by prayers and a sense of your own shortcomings and errors.
3. Never speak to a child in anger until you have prayed over your words or acts, and conclude that Christ would have done so in your place.
4. Remember that, valuable as is the gift of speech, silence is often more valuable.
5. Do not expect too much from others, but remember that all have an evil nature, whose development we must expect, and which we should forbear and forgive, as we often desire forbearance and forgiveness ourselves.
6. Never retort a sharp or angry word. It is the second word that makes the quarrel.
7. Beware of the first disagreement.
8. Learn to speak in a gentle tone of voice.
9. Learn to say kind and pleasant things whenever an opportunity offers.
10. Study the character of each, and sympathize with all in their troubles, however small.
11. Do not neglect little things, if they can affect the comfort of others in the most trifling degree.
12. Avoid moods and pets, and fits of sulks.
13. Learn to deny yourself, and to prefer others.
14. Beware of meddlers and tale-bearers.
15. Never charge a bad motive, if a good one is conceivable.
16. Be gentle but firm with children.
17. Do not allow your children to be away from home at night without knowing where they are to sleep.
18. Do not allow them to go where they please on the Sabbath.
19. Do not furnish them with much spending money.
20. Remember the grave, the judgment-seat of sternity, and so order your home on earth that you shall have one in heaven.—Pres. Chronicle.

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