#### · Mear.

I heard the words of the preacher, As he read that hyun so dear, Which mother sang at our cradle To the suctent tune of Mear,

And I felt her anger presenter, As song were those ble sed nords, My beart with rapture filling As expect as the sound of birds

onged for the land of bander: Life's River, with weters clear or the calm, sweet eyes of mother. Who se ig the old tune of Mear.

tale of the sherbeads watching Over their theche in the night! or the dour Lord, sending angels Enshrouded in glory bright!

story I fold in the Oriont To each wandering shepherd's ear; That story, sung by my mother To the hallowed tune of Mear To the hallowed tune of Mear.

D pure, white babe of the manger! Thy story shall ever run, Till redemption's work is finished, All souls to God's kingdom won!

To-day, that e'er welcome cadence Of song floated back to me; Over the paths of my childhood It lovingly came all free.

I thanked the good All-Father For this memory brightly clear; The saintly smile of my mother, And her low voice singing Mear. Ah me ! the father has rested

Many and many a year; The mother, who sang by our cradle Has gone to a higher sphere.

Brothers and sisters have parted, Some live in the Better Land, And some are waiting their summons, Sojourners yet on life's strand.

I feel when we meet up yonder Whore cometh no sigh nor fear, Our mother will softly sing us T: e grand old tune of Mear.

-Hartford Times.

#### "Miss in the Kitchen."

The following humorous . 'etch of a young 's first attempt at cooking is from a Ma Burton :-

Dinner, of course, represented the climax of my work for the day, and I looked be-bideringly over my materials for it. The id roased had a hungry gap on one side of caused by ravages at supper and break-times. The soup had simply to be ted. That was easy enough; but would

mot be better—in case of some unfore-teen, dreadful contingency, which indeed was impossible, almost, Henry having pro-bited faithfully to bring no chance friend to there—would it not be better to try ling after the manner of a pudding? the other food was in a fair way of ready, and I had peeled the pota-taken the best part off them, as my and had unt afterwards declared, and had hantly placed them on the top of a fire, and had stuck the soup in front her pan, I applied my mind to the tationof pudding. After due thought, id that a pudding was too great a emplicated an organism—to atmost and anggested to myself pancakes by a modification. There are three books in the house—"Soyers," Dod's," and a tattored, invaluable, loned one. I meant to consult them It, lest the receipts of the three erove something like "Too many oil the broth," I chose Soyer, and index carefully on the way to the

index carefully on the way to the pancakes," perusing devoutly an entitled, "Introducing to Frying-The directions for pancakes began Put the pan on the fire with a table of lard, let it melt, pour off all tot wanted." Lard! where could I ? and was dripping synonymous ? These were the questions which

? These were the questions which bed my soul. I came to the conhat dripping was lard, and behaved gly. No sooner had I placed a l of it in the frying pan than, in rible, unaccountable way, it blaced the manner of a conflagration. I deadlong for water, dashed it on the but, behold! an explosion ensued. hen I stood in momentary terror imney being set on fire. all grabsided and vanished, leaving the ace a little dirtier than before. Of ical cause of these appearances I thing, but they certainly gave me sthing, but they certainly gave me shock, and cast a gloomy foreyer the coming pancakes. I now fery small supply of lard, and while and simmered in the pan, went on with the following batter, as dry the admirable Soyer: "Break in a basin." After the breakage the conclusion that "against the ould have been a better wording. o teaspoonfuls of sugar, a little all well, mixing by degrees half milk." Instructions went on say-

thick batter; but, owing to my of the fact that the eggs should of the fact that the eggs should beaten first, the mixture consecuted a very queer appearance; by helping myself conveniently hen to a little more flour, somevery like a batter, but thick any rate, was attained. After judiciously with ginger, I combe serious operation of "firing," done-half of the contents of the configuration of orders.

ording to orders, into the frying as the surplus lard had not been

according to Soyer's command, lidating mans was quickly sury a dirty looking black rim, which d certainly looked exceedingly "When set, and one side says Soyer, "lay hold of the at the extremity of the handle—adden but slight jerk upwards, ake will turn over on the other is is what the lecturers on chemicall "a delicate test;" but I, ht fulfil the law, selzed the exthe handle and tried the sudden jerk upwards. The pancake bed; but, alas! turned itself out ig-pan into the fire, whence dex-

cream jug, which possessed attractive contents, and from which withdrawal was impossible, completed the spectacla of annucly and confusion by rushing about the kitchen in blind terror—the croam jug on its head—a most laughable sight, had not the jug been of the finest porcelain. As to the unfortunate pancakes, they were finally dished while the retreating cat was to be beheld perched on a tree in the hackgroon, glaring wildly, the jug now smashed, and its neck encircled by a jagged frill of china, the pre-sence of which caused its namietakeable disconfort. Luckily the final directions of Soyer covered all outward deficitudies— "Dish no with sitted sugar over." The Oyer covered an outward union new months of the only criticism which I received from an ungrateful household concerning this first attempt at cooking was that, if those pancakes had had more sugar and less lard, if the eggs had been beaten, and several other if's had been which were not, those pancakes would not have been so bad.

#### Hints to Young Housekeepers.

SERVANTS.

There is no evading the fact that as a rule, servants are very trying. But perhaps we ought not to wonder at it, when we consider the ignorance in which many of them have been raised, and the inefficiency, of many of the people who employ them.

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We are anxious that our young house-keepkeepers should know how to manage their households well, and be able to direct their servants, and to teach them the best way of performing their duties.

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They must, however, remember that there is no royal road to housekeeping. It is a science which cannot be acquired without study and practice, but with all its trials and drawbacks, there is pleasure and satisfaction in its sequirement.

faction in its acquirement.

Good help makes housekeeping compara
tively easy, but that only falls to the lot of
the fortunate few, all the rest must do the
best they can, with the help they can get.

If you have an honest, clean, respectful

woman, who is willing and strong enough to do your work, you have a good founda-tion to build upon; but do not set your heart upon her, for after you have taught her all your ways and begin to trust her and depend upon her, she will probably got married, or will leave you for higher wages than you can afford to pay her. However, whether she approciates it or not, you must do your duty by her while she is with you. Take a real interest in her welfare, and endeavor by your example and teaching to make her better when she leaves you than when she came. No one can tell in this world how much influence for good they have had, even upon the most ungrateful

and stolid.

In selecting your house or apartments, do not take one where the kitchen is either damp and underground, or lighted by a well-hole. Such places are not fit for human beings to live in, and should be discountenanced by all conscioutions and house. nanced by all conscientious and humans

The servant has a hard time of it at the best (it may be, and most likely is, because of her ignorance and lack of skill and management, and ignorance always has to suffer) but do not let her, in your house, suffer from want of a comfortable, attractive place in which to do her work. We cannot proin which to do her work. We cannot promise that she will be in the least grateful for this, but that does not affect your duty. for this, but that does not affect your duty. You are to do right without hope of roward, because it is right. Your kitchen should be light and well ventilated, and furnished with the necessary utonsils. She may decline to accept the mechanical assistmay decline to accept the medianosi assistance afforded by the modern conveniences, but you must provide her with what you know to be good, and then exercise your influence or authority, if need be, to make her use them.

See that her room is comfortable and clean, and above all, provide for her a good bed. After her hard day's work she needs the comfort of a good night's rest, and you the comfort of a good night's rest, and you will sleep better yourself, if you know that you have done all in your power to secure it for her. Give her a bureau, a washstand and everything necessary to encourage her in neat and careful personal habits. A white cover for the bureau, a neat pincushion, a white quilt for her bed, and a square of white muslin hemmed to cover her pillow in the daytime costs but a trifle. and will go in the daytime costs but a trifle, and will go far to inspire her with an ambition to keep her room clean. Go in often yourself, and see if it be properly cared for, and give her

a word of praise if it looks neat and orderly.

Endeavor to teach her the best way of doing her work, and this, of course, includes first learning how yourself.

Perhaps you are longing for the time to come when you can afford to keep a number of servants. You think then you would be of servants. You think then you would be relieved from all care and responsibility, with nothing to do but to enjoy yourself; but our advice is, enjoy the present, pluck all the flowers you can by the way—and they do grow in the pathway of all, if we will ut see them. By and by when you have more servants, you must have increased area and greater triels. creased care and greater trials.

A lady of our acquaintance who, with her husband and baby, lives in a big house, and keeps six servants, told us that she soriously contemplated closing her doors on New Year's day, simply because she had such difficulty to get anything done for herself. Her kitchen tribe was like an army, con-suming enormous supplies and doing very little except for themselves. The greater part of the cooking, washing and ifoning was for them, and if either was to be neglected, it was not their own. She longed for the time to come when she could leave all the pomp and discomfort which she endured and live more independently, and be free from the tyranny of an establishment

#### of inefficient servants. Alcohol in Hot Weather.

The Lancet has rendered good service by calling attention to the evils arising

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