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A LITTLE HOUSEKEEPER.

'Only a fancy sketch,' some one says. Well, perhaps this particular one is. But how many real ones have we without the mob cap and kerchief just as young and dainty and sweet, whose ambition is to grow up to be just as 'capable' a housekeeper as are the mothers who are training them. When we get a few more of these same wise mothers and aunts on our school boards we will then have hopes of

seeing the art of housekeeping raised to a science. Then will our girls be taught that to broil a steak for father's breakfast as it should be done, and have it sharp on time, is just as important as to work out quickly and correctly an example in the rule of three; and that to be able to have the potatoes mealy, and the pudding light, and the bread—well, perfect—is more important than to be able to go

through the sixth book of geometry without a blunder or all the binomial theorem you could work out in a month. Let our schools establish genuine housekeeping departments, not mere 'kitchen gardens' for the babies, where genuine housekeeping science is carefully taught, and so raise housekeeping to the dignity of the profession of nursing. The 'servant' question will then be nearer a settlement.