Farm and Home Council.

but is good to work. When we were first married he did not want to obey me, but generally obeys me now. I try to do to him as I would have anybody do to my children, if I had any, and I want him to treat me as he would want other boys to treat his mother if she was living. I think from the letter written by Two Stepdaughters that they don't treat their stepmother as they would want their mother treated. There are always two sales to a story. There are always two sides to a story and anyone who is not a stepmother knows nothing about it, or how much a knows nothing about it, or how much a stepmether has to contend with. If a stepmether corrects a child, she is abusing it. A mother can do the same thing and it is all right. My husband and I darted about even financially, so there is nothing of that sort to make a disturbance, and I am glad of it. I have as good a husband as any woman ever had and we get along together as well as any family I know of Yet being a stepmether is no fun, for there is always somehody to find fault and make a disturbance.—[A Stepmether.

Ties the Knot I see you have no priest who writes to your page, but a good many 'preachers,' therefore I write you this letter. Water Lily, if you get stuck on that young teacher, remember that I can be almost any kind of a knot. Perhaps there's another chance to earn a few deliars if Aveline tells the truth in her letter Now I say, continue to write about your beaux and sweethearts if you like to, for my business is to the knot after Cupid has thrown his dart—[Bishop.

Not Big Feeling I am a graduate of Lovas first class high



schools and am not thing feeling" over it, cither, for I worked for my board and can appreciate what little elucation I have. am going to teach this winter and expect to give my money to my parents, for I. too, think there is no place

parents, for I. too, think there is no place think there is no place 11ke h o me. So ur Seventeen. I do not agree with you on your favorite authors. My favorite English author is Shakespeare, What is grander than Hamlet's sollloquy, "To be, or not to be, etc. Tennyson is also fine. John G. Whittier is my favorite of American writers. Holmes also stands high in my favor Yes, Kittle Dillion, I have read Ramona. I enjoyed it, although I do not think a very good book for a person of a sympathetic nature to read, because it makes them nervous. I prefer something with more photosophy in it. But when I am tired and don't want to think I read Marietta Hollev's works. It seems to me there is a great deal of passion written in these columns. Kemmember, we should respect each other, not abuse. Girls, command the respect of the boys. You will enjoy their company three tims a sa mach. Perhaps you think I am a person who never is jolly or witt. But in my circle of friends I am noted for my wit and cheerfulness. I am always ready for a joke, who ther it is for me or not I am a farmat s daught and an not afraid of any kind of work the occasion may demand.—¡Persistent Iowa Girl. of any kind of work the occasion demand.—¡Persistent Iowa Girl.

THE DEAREST TIE. "We are citizens to-morrow," My comrade said to me.
"The ship is only waiting
To bear us over sea
Over sea and homeward bound!
No more of soldler's fare,
But home life and the dear ones
Are waiting for us there."

And then they brought a letter.
I broke the seal and read.
"Prepare to hear sad tidings. Trepare to hear sad tidings.
Dear Charlie, mother a dead "
The ship will sail without me,
A wanderer I shall roam;
The dearest tie is broken That bound my heart to home B. N. G.

Model of Perfection - I am wondering if Water Lily will ever have courage to write again, But then, I know a girl exactly like her who got a hus-

band, and they are living happily for all I know. But for myself, I am going to pick out one that has not been kissed and hugged by all the boys in the country. I am keeping company with just such a one and I respect her all the more for not allowing such things. I consider her a model of perfection. Of course a "fast girl" seems to be pleasant company, but I think the older one gets, the more he or she learns that the time so spent was spent in sowing wild onts.—[Jasonius Albus.

Friend-I wonder if Lena Webster knows what the word friend means.



Inquiring Friends-S. H. Gill, Sheldon's Corners, N Y, wants to know where carpet reeds can be obtained.— Mrs H. B. B., directions for infants' knit shirt were given in our Oct 1, '98, Mrs H. B. B., directions for infants' knit shirt were given in our Oct 1, '98, issue.—Neva H., 'at fine" in music means to the end, or go back and play to the end —Mrs C. J. D. we have printed many patterns of floor mats and rugs, what kind do you want to be referred to?—Mrs E. L. Armsby, Council Grove, Kan, wants information about the oil stoves without wicks.—Mrs W. W. H. and others, we don't furnish doily or any other fancy work patterns.—George R., yes, 'editors know a good deal about the world," but second-class telegraph operators are not in such demand that we can step out and find situations for you.—O. H. R., we don't know the "adopted flower" of each principal country.—Mrs E. F., we suppose by sticking plaster you mean porous plaster for medicinal purposes. We know of no reliable recipe for home making.—J. M. C., "our doctor" says wash perspiring feet daily with a strong tea of oak bark, but we think wiping occasionally with a soft cloth saturated with listerire will produce pleasing results; this drug is used freely externally and internally in

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