Glints of Home Life. BY ANNIE I. JACK.

The March wind and April sunshine give a throb of pleasure-pain to the housekeeper. The winter is nearly over, and with the change comes the thought of spring work. We go to the preserve closet and find the supplies are getting low; jars of peaches and pears, cans of plums and strawborries, are easily counted, and we are tired of the regular tea without any change. If apples are still in the store room, they offer a change. "Comfort me with apples." Yes, they are a comfort, indeed, and should be freely given to childreen, either raw or cooked, as they contain sulphur in small quartity that helps to regulate the system, pesides being healthful in many ways. Cut into quarters and stewed without stirring, they are very nice; if tart, it is a good plan to take the core out of whole apples and put in a teaspoonful of sugar; place in an earthorn dish with a soupcon of water, and bake.

Talking over the coming change of season with a neighbor, she said, "I do not know what to do with the childrens' clothes. You have no idea how they grow: arms out of

what to do with the childrens clothes. You have no idea how they grow; arms out of sleeves, frocks to be lengthened, and everything in proportion. The younger girls grumble at taking the older one's clothing, and I am always fix, fixing." I told her I did know all about it and always felt a symmetry of the street of the st did know all about it and always felt asym-pathy for younger girls, who, however, should be taught not to grumble. If mothers made confidents of their daughters, telling them that they could not afford the waste of buying extra clothes when those too small for their sisters would answer, they would do a great deal for love's aweet sake, and it would take away the sting. It is a good plan in making childrens' dresses to keep plenty of the cloth, for lengthening and now sleeves. This often makes it possible to wear out a dress that would otherwise be cast asido.

The plants in our pleasant windows are beginning to blossom, but none give us so much pleasure as branches of maple and willow that have flowered in water in a fancy willow that have llowered in water in a lancy jar beside the table. Even since February we have had cherry blossoms in the same manner to the astonishment of the uniniti ated, "Will they bloom in water?" Yes, cut off a branch and try it. The yearly miracle is quite a pleasure to young and old, while the white blossoms on the bare brown stems are as fair and lovely as in May time.

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Habita of Birds.

The swallow, swift, and the night hawk are the guardians of the atmosphere. They check the increase of insects that would otherwise overload it. Woodpeckers, creepers, and chickadees are the guardians of the trunks of trees. Warblers and flycatchers protect the foliage. Blackbirds, thrushes, crows, and larks protect the surface of the soil; snipe and woodcock, the soil under the surface. Each tribe has its respective duties to perform in the economy of nature: and it is an undoubted fact that if the birds were all swept away from the earth, man could not live upon it; vegeta-tion would, wither and die, insects would become so numerous that no living thing could withstand their attacks. The wholesale dewithstand their attacks. The wholesale destruction occasioned by grasshoppers, which have lately devasted the West, is undoubtedly caused by the thinning out of the birds, such as grouse, prairio hens, etc., which feed upon them. The great and inestimable acrvice done to the farmer, gardener, and florist by the birds is only becoming known by sad experience. Spare the birds, and save your fruit; the litle corn and fruit taken by them is more then compensated by the vast quantities of noxious insects destroyed. The long persecuted crow has been found, by actual experiment, to do far more found, by actual experiment, to do far more good by the vast quantities of grubs and in-sects he devours, than the little harm he does in a few grains of corn he pulls up. He is one of the farmer's best friends.

A philosopher who went to a church where the people came in late said it was "the fashion there for nobody to go till everybody got there."

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