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heaven, but neither is it the other place, and we should be careful that in a moment of passing depression in annoyance, we do not write letters that in the days to come will rise up and reproach us with our lack of loyalty to the land of our birth or adoption. I speak to women especially in this matter, because on them has fallen the full burden of the minor discomforts and privations; they have not the stir of outdoor life that makes matters so much more tolerable to their husbands and sons, so the small aggravations wear the nerves until, in very truth, the molehill becomes a mountain. But, dear women readers, rest assured no one really respects or relies on a woman who runs down the country she is getting her living from.

Breaks by the Way.

I am afraid the intelligent compositor must have been trying a laugh at my expense in last month's issue of the Western Home Monthly when he made the motto read, "Sow thin," etc. It was not my intention to intimate that good deeds are too thick in the world, but quite the reverse. The line should have read "Sow thou the seed of better deed and thought." However, this is not half so bad as the mistake in the society column of one of the city dailies recently, when a hostess was announced as having entertained a body of distinguished Methodist divines to a "progressive euchre" party. When the paper came out there was something doing im-

Plant a Tree.

One of the joys of life is to watch things grow, and this is a joy that more often comes to the woman on the farm than the woman in the city. Of all things, in this land of wide open spaces, it is sweetest and most satisfactory to watch a tree grow.

A tree that is perfectly hardy in the West, and yet is not often planted is the Colorado blue spruce. It is a most beautiful tree, its rich blue green foliage is very literally "a sight for sore eyes." One of the people who has made a great success of growing these trees is A. P. Stevenson, of Nelson, Man., and a post card dropped to him would bring all the information about where these trees are to be got and when and how they should be planted. But whether or no you can get a blue spruce, plant a tree every year, even if it is only a cottonwood. And as you plant the tree repeat the old Scotch saw:

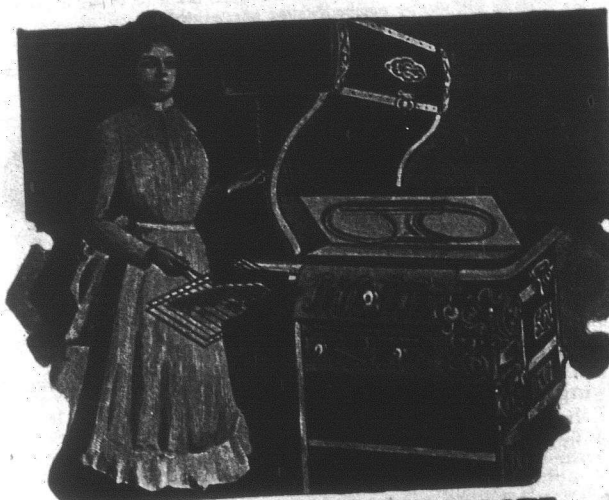
"Be aye stickin' in a tree it'll be growin' when ye're sleepin'."

Increase the Parks.

It is pleasing to note that a number of the towns in the West are moving along the line of securing property for park purposes. Winnipeg has lately secured over 200 acres for a suburban park. It cannot be said that this is done as a venture in the metropolis, for they have had a number of parks for years. Property that years ago was simply a waste or level prairie has been turned into

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Don't Shoot Hawks.

Why shoot the chicken hawk when it comes within range? Why shoot any hawk? True, we all do so, or

The first step to knowledge is to know that we are ignorant.—Cecil.
A proud man never shows his pride so much as when he is civil.—Greville.
It never occurs to fools that merit and good fortune are closely united.—Goethe.



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mediately and the wrath of that hostess was something to dream of. What she had given was a "progressive supper" party. Evidently the proofreader had never attended such a function, hence his mistake.

Progressive supper parties are really delightful forms of entertainment, especially if the guests are carefully chosen. There must be an equal number of ladies and gentlemen at each table, and four or five tables are sufficient. The ladies remain seated at the same table throughout the supper, but at the will of the hostess a bell is rung and on the instant every gentleman changes his table, and, of course, his partner. The point is not to break a course, but, if possible, to have the bell rung when every man is talking. He must not stop to finish his sentence to his partner, but must conclude it to the lady at the next table he goes to, and it is her business to guess what the first of the sentence was. The prizes, if any, are given for the most successful number of guesses made. It is hardly possible to conceive of a jollier supper party, and when the tables are cleared away the fun is still continued by a comparison of the subjects covered in conversation at the different tables. Any hostess who is in search of a new entertainment and has not tried this form of supper party will certainly find it a success. Be only careful in the selection of guests. Be sure that every man and woman has a sense of humor, and, if possible, see that all are in the uptake," as our Scotch say.

beauty spots. Grass plots and flower beds have been looked after in a nice manner. While it costs money to do the work it is money well spent. Portage la Prairie, Brandon and Saskatoon are moving in the same direction. Maple Creek has joined hands with the C. P. R. and the station grounds are to be fixed up along this line. This could be done at all the stations. Vice-president Whyte has more than once expressed his willingness to help along in this way; and we feel sure that the Canadian Northern authorities will be just as willing. Such improvements not only give pleasure to the residents of the place, but act as good advertisements with outsiders.

—E. C. H.

Sentence Sermons.

Kindness makes kin.

Faith gives fibre to life.

The sun that shines in the face arises in the heart.

A form of faith is apt to be a figure of speech.

God never visits one church in order to vanquish another.

Many prayers for blessings are but requests for burdens.

—O. O. O.—

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have done so. But why? For the most part, we fear, because we were simply savages out to slay; indeed, more savage than the savages, for the latter rarely killed animals which were not dangerous or which could not be used. Now, about the hawk, let us go once more to Uncle Sam, who is passing wise in many things. Uncle Sam has been studying hawks. Of 124 stomachs of marsh hawks which were examined, 45 per cent. of the hawks had been feeding on mice, 18 per cent. on other smaller mammals, 18 per cent. on reptiles, frogs and insects, and only a very low percentage on poultry and small birds. We do not find that this bird was so very destructive to quail and partridges after all; and it is under this latter supposition that most sportsmen shoot hawks when they find opportunity. Uncle Sam concludes that the march hawk is a beneficial bird and that its presence and increase should be encouraged in every possible way. Then why shoot it down, as it flies by, striving, in its own ancient and appointed way, to get on in the world, just as each of us is striving? We counsel each sportsman to think the matter over, and to remember that the results of scientific investigation are more conclusive than hasty suppositions.—Field and Stream.

Obstinacy is ever most positive when it is most in the wrong.—Mme. Necker.

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