

Believing that what is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander, I am going to give illustrations of four different classes in connection with this question, viz., good and bad mistresses, and good and bad servants. When I speak of good mistresses and good servants, I mean the majority of mistresses and servants, as I have reasons to believe that the majority of them treat each other fair and square. The surest way of finding how a mistress and her servant agree is to find out the length of service. A mistress that generally has the same girls for two or three years is generally an ordinarily good mistress, and a girl that generally stays two or three years in the same place is generally a good servant. Of course there are instances when girls and mistresses separate in good friends. Sometimes the girl might wish to get more wages than the mistress can afford to give, and sometimes the mistress might have more work to do than the girl would like to do. These are reasons on which mistress and servant may separate without any bad feeling, and why should they not? This is a free country and anyone has a right to go and come where he or she likes as long as they behave themselves properly.

This brings me in mind of a letter I saw in the *Witness*, some time ago, quoted from some American journal. Some mistresses think when they get a good girl that it is not right to be instrumental in any way of improving the girl's condition. No one should offer her higher wages than she is getting in her present situation, or in any other way better her condition without first telling the mistress of such intentions. The logic is that we should do to others as we would that others should do to us. Indeed!!

These ladies would not like anyone to take away their servants from them when they get good ones, therefore they say they should not offer a girl higher wages than she is getting in her present situation whether she deserves it or not. What is sauce for the goose is also sauce for the gander. Just carry this argument a little further, please. Supposing the husband of one of these ladies that have such notions of right and wrong was getting a certain salary from some company, and some other company found out that that man would really be worth more money to them than he was getting in his present situation. How would it