

GOOD AND BAD HOUSEWIFERY.

Ill housewifery lieth till nine of the clock;
Good housewifery trieth to rise with the cock.

Ill housewifery trusteth to him and to her,
Good housewifery hasteth herself for to stir.

Ill housewifery careth for this nor for that;
Good housewifery spareth for fear ye wot what.

Ill housewifery pricketh herself up in pride;
Good housewifery tricketh her home as a bride.

Ill housewifery one thing or other must crave;
Good housewifery noth.ing but needful will have.

Ill housewifery moveth with gossip to spend;
Good housewifery loveth her household to tend.

Ill housewifery booketh mad toys in her head;
Good housewifery looketh that all things be fed.

Ill housewifery bringeth her shillings to naught;
Good housewifery singeth her coffers full fraught.

Ill housewifery rendeth and casteth aside;
Good housewifery mendeth, else would it go wide.

Ill housewifery craveth in secret to borrow;
Good housewifery saveth to-day for to-morrow.

Ill housewifery pineth (not having to eat);
Good housewifery dineth with plenty of meat.

Ill housewifery letteth the devil take all;
Good housewifery setteth good store of a small.

Childrens' Confidence — How they should be treated.

The annexed article (copied from *Life Illustrated*) we commend to the perusal of parents. It contains good practical advice, and we are sure it will be read with interest and benefit by many of the readers of the *Deseret News*:

"Do you want to learn how to make the children love you? Do you want the key that will unlock the innermost recesses of their natures? Then sympathize with them always. Never allow yourself to ridicule any of their little secrets. Never say, 'Oh, pshaw!' when they come to show you a new kite or marvelous top, and 'I can't be troubled,' when the hard knot won't be untied, and two and two obstinately refuse to make four on their little slates. Kites and knots are only the precursors of older thoughts and deeper trials which the parents may one day plead in vain to share!

Don't laugh at any of a child's ideas, however odd or absurd they may seem to you; let them find your sympathy ready in all their wonderments and aspirations. Is there any man so wise in his own conceit as to have forgotten that there was a time once when he, also, was a child? The little folks are too much crowded out in this world; people generally seem to think they can be put in anywhere, or made to eat anything, or crammed into any out-of-the-way corner, to amuse themselves anyhow.

We don't agree with these cross-grained wisacres. Children have just as much right to the car window and easy seat as anybody. It don't take much to make a child love you and trust in you, and the benefits to him are absolutely incalculable.

Oh, how much better it is for children to bring all their cares and troubles and temptations under the gentle eye of a wise parent! What a safeguard it is for them to feel that there is always a kind ear to listen to their doubts and griefs, and a gentle shoulder for their little heads to nestle against! Respect their rights; never think you can say bitter things in their presence, or do unjust actions. They are the finest discriminators of fair and unfair in the world.

Somebody says: 'When you are inclined to be cross with children for being slow to learn, just try a moment to write with your left hand. See how awkward it proves, and then remember that with children it is all left hand!'

Preserve us from those precocious infants who spring up ready-made philosophers and casuists; cherry-cheeked little blockheads are infinitely preferable. Above all, do not be ashamed to let them know that you love them. Remember, they will be men and women some day, and the slightest word which may influence their future lives should become a thing of moment in your eyes."

Old Women's Petition.

The following curious document was lately found among other records preserved from the days of the American revolution:

"The Petition of divers Old Women of the city of Philadelphia, humbly sheweth:—That your petitioners, as well spinsters as married, having been long accustomed to the drinking of tea, fear it will be utterly impossible for them to exhibit so much patriotism as wholly to disuse it.

Your petitioners beg leave to observe, that having already done all possible injury to their nerves and health with this delectable herb, they shall think it extremely hard not to enjoy it for the remainder of their lives.

Your petitioners would further represent, that coffee and chocolate, or any other substitute hitherto proposed, they humbly apprehend, from their heaviness, must destroy that brilliancy of fancy, and fluency of expression, usually found at tea tables, when they are handling the conduct or character of their absent acquaintances.

Your petitioners are also informed, there

are several old women of the other sex, laboring under the like difficulties, who apprehend the above restriction will be wholly insupportable; and that it is a sacrifice infinitely too great to be made to save the lives, liberties, and privileges of any country whatever.

Your petitioners, therefore, humbly pray the premises may be taken into serious consideration, and that they may be excepted from the resolution adopted by the late Congress, wherein your petitioners conceive they were not represented; more especially as your petitioners only pray for an indulgence to those spinsters, whom age or infirmity have rendered desperate in the expectation of husbands; those of the married, whose infirmities and ill behavior have made their husbands long since tired of them, and those old women of the male gender who will most naturally be found in such company. And your petitioners, as in duty bound, shall ever pray, etc."

The Right Way for Women.

A thoughtful female writer has published the following reflections:—"After toiling all day, how refreshing to a weary man is the peaceful quiet of home! A woman ought to study, in everything, the comfort of those who are passing their days shut out from the pleasant green fields and shady lanes, toiling where the sunbeams cannot reach them, to cheer their sinking hearts; in order that she may live in comfort; such a thought should guide the actions of every mother, wife, and sister.

Cleanliness and a judicious expenditure of funds are most admirable qualifications in a wife, yet do not constitute entire happiness; they are only parts of the ingredients employed in forming domestic happiness. Many women never think of conversing on any subject beyond dress and flirtations, so the father, husband, or brother, goes out in search of a friend with whom he can discuss more interesting matters.

It is a great loss to females not to be able, on all occasions, to converse on general subjects. We are happy to state that children of the working classes are now, in many towns, amply provided with the means of securing an excellent education, despite pecuniary deficiency; an education that will fit them to hold, with credit, superior situations. They are taught to think and to reason upon all learned subjects as children, so that in the days of maturity they may enjoy and add to the enjoyment of an intelligent circle of friends."

—The Japanese have discovered that a few seconds previous to an earthquake, the magnet, temporarily loses its power, and have ingeniously constructed a light frame supporting a horse-shoe magnet beneath which is cub bell metal. To the armature is attached a weight, so that upon the magnet becoming paralysed, the weight drops, and striking the cup, gives the alarm. Every one in the house then seeks the open air for safety.

—Capt. L. A. Hardee, of Rural Home, Florida, has issued a hand-bill, in which he proposes to raise a "volunteer cavalry corps of 100 men, true to the South, her rights, her interests, and her institutions," whose services shall be "offered to the first Southern State that shall secede from a Union which exists only in name, and which stand repudiated upon the statute books of many of the Northern States."

—Five hundred and ninety seven cattle, credited to Missouri, but originally from Kansas and Pike's Peak, were sold at Bull's Head, New York a few weeks since. The *Post* says some of them were very old, and would make stout resistance at any attempt at eating their flesh.

—In the colleges at Rome, Paris, Carlow and All Hallows, Dublin, there are at present twenty young men pursuing their studies and who are intended to labor as Priests in California. As these students complete their education they are dispatched to San Francisco.

—The total number of members of Parliament unseated for bribery and treating, from the Parliament beginning 1847—'48, to the Parliament beginning 1857, was 57, of whom 11 were unseated for treating, 21 for bribery, and 25 for bribery and treating combined.

—The Spanish Government, through its Consul at Richmond, has advertised propositions for an immense amount of Virginia and Kentucky tobacco during the coming three years. The total amount wanted is about 40,000,000 pounds.

—News is received that twenty camels from Liberia will arrive at San Francisco about midsummer, and be used instead of mules for mountain express and freight business between California and Salt Lake.

—The Key West *Key of the Gulf* states that when the bark Wildfire left the African Coast there were fourteen American vessels waiting for cargoes of negroes.

—The new planet discovered at Bilk on March 24th, by M. Luther, has been named Concordia. It is the 57th or 58th now known to revolve between Mars and Jupiter.

—A man, named Brant, died in Somerset county, Pa., the other day, in consequence of eating twenty one boiled eggs at one meal.

—There is said to be 400,000 bushels of oats in Canada, in the hands of speculators, to be shipped to England at an early day.

—The Hemp and wheat crops in Missouri are nearly ruined by the drouth,

CORRESPONDENCE.

FROM THE BRITISH MISSION.

BATH, ENGLAND, April 26, '60.

ED. NEWS—DEAR BRO:—

After an absence from your city of eight months, I thought perhaps my friends might wish to know how I am getting along in Old England, and occasionally wish they could hear from me.

Well, I will say to them that I am well and have chosen the *News* for a medium to let them know of my whereabouts and how things are progressing in this part of the world as I see them. I have been greatly prospered in all my labors and journeyings since I left the Valley, and the blessing of the Lord through His servants has, in many things, been fulfilled to the letter, and the rest will be. The Holy Spirit is my daily companion, and by it I have been able to bear a faithful testimony, and also to be, in my weak way, and I may add, imperfect manner, a representative of the Saints of God in the mountains.

In regard to the journey to this land, the improvements in locomotion have been so great in our day, that the first thing we knew, we were, by the help of mules and the power of steam, landed in Liverpool on the 13th day of November 1859, right in the field of our present labors, with the fruit already beginning to ripen for the harvest; and, as soon as we could, we went forth into the field—some to one side and some to the other. It fell to my lot to go to the ancient Britons, in South Wales, where I labored for a season, and the Lord bore testimony with the influence of His Spirit to the things which I declared to the people.

The Saints felt to rejoice much in seeing some messengers from Zion again, after their absence for the space of two years. I have had many take me by the hand and shed tears of joy, and thankfulness to God and President Young for sending the Elders last fall.

After leaving Wales I went to the southwest part of England and was received with joy by all who wished the prosperity of the good cause, and the rest, you know, I care nothing about.

On the 15th of January, I visited London in company with the balance of the American Elders, where we had a conference, after which I labored in company with Elder Jacob Gates in London and around that quarter after which we started for the south-west of England again, and the midland counties, where we labored until the 26th of March, then we went to Liverpool, and saw the ship Underwriter sail with nearly six hundred Saints for their home in the mountains.

Elder Gates and myself started again for Wales after the departure of the Saints, where we labored four weeks, held four conferences and heard the reports of the prosperity of the work. About forty had been baptized since I was there before.

We crossed the Bristol channel back into England on the 23d of April. After holding a meeting together in Bristol we parted again, that we might assist more of the Saints.

In relation to the world in commotion I will say that many are wanting to know what all the signs of the times mean. They say that Brigham Young has either got more sense naturally than the rulers of the nations, or that he is a prophet, which all Saints have the assurance that he is.

The enemies of the gospel begin to be waked up again, not to mob, but to write, and ask if there cannot be something done for the benefit of their countrymen, who are leaving them for the Mormon Empire, as many call it now. I have made a few suggestions to them for their comfort, as follows: Congratulating them on their wealth, and their education and, as they say, their friendly relations with each other, and as they have an abundance of means they had better have a national conference and commence at once, the building of a tower, get God dethroned, and then ask what shall be done; for nothing short of that will stop the progress of His kingdom set up in the nineteenth century, and it will stand forever.

I would say to the Saints who are dwelling in the mountains, whose friends live scattered abroad on the face of the earth, write to them and let them know that you live, if you are alive, as the Irishman said; "if not, answer by the next post."

In conclusion, I will say let the Elders have your united prayers of faith for their welfare and strength to fill the present mission. I will now close with my humble wishes for the triumph of truth throughout the world, and that the blessings of heaven may rest on all who favor the cause in every land.

Your fellow laborer in the gospel,
MILO ANDRUS.

—A Troy paper says that a stupid bass was caught just below that city on Thursday morning, which weighed 53 1-2 lbs. and measured 3 feet 10 inches in length and 14 inches wide. That is "some bass."

—The steamer Orb, of Pittsburgh, bound for the mouth of the Red River, with a cargo of railroad iron, snagged and sunk on May 18, ninety miles above Memphis, and was a total loss.

—A little boy died in Montreal not long since drinking a large quantity of liquor. The man who gave it to him should be tried for murder.

CLIPPINGS.

—The forty fourth anniversary of the American Bible Society was held in New York, on May 10. The total receipts for the year amounted to about \$436,000,000. The number of Bibles issued about 454,000. A large business in circulating the Scriptures which those engaged in the business, do not themselves believe.

—The London *Times*, in a leader, says that if the exodus from Ireland continues, she will soon become English, and the United States Irish, and that the New World is the true home of the Celtic race.

—The New York common council have adopted a resolution inviting the Prince of Wales to visit that city during his tour.

—At the Washoe silver mines it requires three pounds of silver to get one pound of flour. If gold and silver are the precious metals, wheat and maize are the yet more precious grains, says some one.

—A new sect has started among the Turks under the lead of a Doctor of Mahomedan theology and lecturer in a theological school, which holds doctrines closely resembling those of the Protestant Christians. The sect already numbers about 10,000, and many thousands sympathize with them who have not actually joined them.

—The Ohio *Farmer* says its information is favorable to good crops of all descriptions. The recent frosts, however, have undoubtedly cut off the fruit in some parts of that State, as in particular localities in Illinois, Iowa and Michigan.

—Mr. Secretary Cass, in reply to a question addressed to the Department of State, says:—"As a passport is substantially a certificate of citizenship, it cannot be issued to any person born abroad who has not been fully naturalized according to the laws of the United States."

—*Bell's Life in London* contains the following: "The Pope has adopted a new system of advertising. Not long since an advertisement was inserted in one of the Vienna papers, inviting young men of good health to apply for 'an engagement' at a certain address in one of the suburbs. Upon application, the 'young men in good health' discovered the advertiser to be the Pope, and the engagement a private's position in his army."

—Mrs. Mary Chestnut, mother of the Senator from South Carolina, now in her 86th year, and the Vice-Regent of the Ladies' Mount Vernon Association, is one of the six girls who, in the spring of 1798, strewed flowers in the path of Gen. Washington, and sang songs of welcome, on the occasion of his triumphal reception at Trenton.

—Dr. Charles Kraitzer, formerly a professor in the University of Virginia, died lately at Morrisiana, New York. He was a native of Hungary, and, having participated in the Polish revolution, fled to the United States in 1838.

—Edwin Price, of Boston, a noted pugilist, who lately beat "Australian Kelly," has challenged John Morrissey to fight him within six months for a stake of \$3,000.

—The spring wheat in Wisconsin was sowed at the usual time, but no rain had fallen since the first of April, and the farmers were anxious about the crops. Letters from Milwaukee of date of May 2d, say: "It has not rained in this city but three times since August 15, 1859. The country is suffering, and water to drink is scarce."

—A man worth over \$100,000 was under arrest in Ky., for stealing bacon!

—The winter has been colder and the spring later in England and France than for about 30 years. The season for sowing spring wheat was in a great measure lost, and oats, barley, &c., must be sown instead. Fall wheat has also been injured by frost. The wheat crop of Western Europe, therefore, is expected to be short, but the crop never looked better in Russia.

—Earthquakes have been very frequent of late. Two shocks were experienced at Lexington, Ga., on the evening of the 24th ult., the same day of the shock in Tennessee. One of the concussions was sufficient to "dash water out of a tumbler on the tea table, and rattle the crockery considerably on a side-board."

—One of the leading London papers says that the Armstrong battery, sent to China, has been so unskillfully shipped as to be useless, or nearly so.

—Mr. Wheelwright has proposed to the Government of Peru the formation of a railroad across the Andes, to unite Chili with the River Plate Provinces. The papers say that the surveys will probably soon be commenced. The Press of Santiago and Valparaiso occupies itself in discussing these two projects.

—Garibaldi, it is rumored, is going to Sicily, to aid the insurrectionists there. He has received the offer of the freedom of the town of Brescia.

—The total value of all beverages imported into the United States in 1859 was \$9,503,027. Of this amount, so far beyond the average of former years, the proportion of distilled spirits was fifty four and a half per cent.; of wine thirty four and a half per cent.; and of beer, ale and porter, eleven per cent.