

BALLADE OF LIGHT HOUSEKEEPING

A subtle yet suggestive phrase, that the simple soul who is turned thereby, will make a sorrow for many days.

COMIC COMMENTS.

—Stereos of the confessional: "Is it a sin, asks a fashionable lady of her spiritual director, for me to feel pleasure when a gentleman says I am handsome?"

—To young to wed the brash: "Friend (to young lady who wants to learn painting): 'How old are you?' Young lady: 'Twenty-one.' Artist: 'Only Twenty-one? Then I advise you to desist. You may still succeed in getting a husband.'"

—Not that kind of servility: Aristocrat: "I don't wish to flatter you, sir, and I say only what I think when I tell you that your painting proclaims you to be no servile follower of nature. Quite the contrary, sir; quite the contrary."—Boston Transcript.

—As good as the Joneses: "Ma," said Miss Parvato, "Jennie Jones has been presented at court in London." "That's nothing," replied Ma, "Why, I was in court two whole weeks when my sister was getting her divorce. We are just as good as the Joneses."—New York Mail and Express.

—Starting a newspaper: "I tell you what we will do," said Fenderson, "let's go into the newspaper business; you furnish the money and I'll furnish the brains." "Agreed," replied Fong; "if we both put in our whole capital we shall have the satisfaction to know that we can never lose anything."—Boston Transcript.

—A and affair: "Talking of delirium tremens," remarked a Brooklyn physician to a group of friends in a Fulton street pharmacy, "the worst case of the kind I ever saw was the case of a dog down in Kew-Forest." "How did you get it asked at once." "Why, he bit off and swallowed the nose of a Louisville collier."—Brooklyn Eagle.

—True charity: Boston girls never sacrifice the cause of culture to that of philanthropy. A tramp recently accosted one of them and asked her if she would be good enough to give him the price of a hamble for a dinner any time she saw it. "I can't," she said, "but if you'll come around to the house after tea returns home I'll get him to read you some pages of 'Paradise Lost.'"—Brooklyn Eagle.

—Unwilling to invest: "Will you please give me fifteen cents for my dinner?" asked a ragged boy of a business man. "Yes, if it's a good dinner. I'll give fifteen cents for a dinner any time you see it." "I can't," said the boy, "but if you'll give me fifteen cents, so that I can buy a dinner for myself?" "That's it, oh? I thought you had a dinner for sale. No, sir, I don't believe that I care to invest in dinner enterprises."—Arkansas Traveler.

—Like Honeysuckle: "I am like Honeysuckle in my manner of writing," said an Arkansas newspaper man to a friend. "Greedy, you know, while traveling on the train used to carry paper and write on the top of his plug hat. So do I." "Very natural," replied the man. "Why?" "You say that you used to write on your hat." "Yes," said the man, "but you know, would I ever write on a fool's cap?"—Arkansas Traveler.

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Great Exhibitions of Power, But Little Skill. There are at Tomioka several small temples, but of only local interest, and once a year, on the 15th of September, there is a grand festival or feast day, celebrated, when the doors of the temple are opened and services performed by the priests.

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At a recent meeting of the Associated Charities, the question how best to improve the condition of the working-women of the city was seriously discussed.

Among other things, it appears that good cooks are particularly scarce, and since people must eat to live there is no probability that the demand will very soon abate.

But while we advise the working-women to go into the kitchen instead of the workshop, we should like to advise the ladies themselves to go more into domestic service.

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