THE SERVANT GIRL.

The servant girl question must be met—It stares us in the face and housekeepers must try and substitute some new arrangement whereby we can dispense with the hired girl. There a e so many employments now-a days whereby these girls can get higher wages that they will not content themselves by doing house-work at low figures. Now what shall be done under this state of circumstances—I answer, let the entire household, wife, husband, children, dog and cat, take hold and do the housework themselves—In time, after a little discipline and little scolding, all will go along smoothly with less occasional family jars and jawings.

I am sorry to say we have no children and wife, who is a good house-keeper and cook has commenced the task of educating me to do the work usually done by a servant girl. It was new business to me—We had hired help until we came to this place, so I became an apprentice.

I was awkward in the beginning and did not know the names of the different dishes; of course I knew a knife and fork, a table spoon and a tea-spoon, could tell a saucer from a tea-cup, a tea-kettle from a tin-pan; beyond was an unknown land and I knew little about it. Well, I began work and I have continued helping wife, and I believe I know something about household duties—I perform the work of a common second girl of Irish extraction—I am regarded by wife as a fair "biddy"—I can't make a bed worth a cent, but I can empty the slops, pare the potatoes tolerably well, shell the beans in bean season, pare and core the apples, sweep the carpet, fix the lamps, make the fires, set the table after a fashion, watch the milk from boiling over, but occasionally it will slop over anyway when I look out the window. Wife says I do tolerably well for a man and that in time I will take the place of a first-class servant girl and get good wages. I feel encouraged and very hopeful—I won t hire out at present and no one need to try and get me away, for wife can't spare me now, but maybe she will bye and bye.

W. C. HOYT.

FRANKLIN FLUTTERING.

The latest craze in this vicinity was the nightly gatherings of some of our wealthy and young Americans on Bigelow s mill pond trying to appear graceful on skates. Mary says it is just too nice for anything, except falling on the ice, especially when she drops hard enough to splash the water over the dam. We overheard one of our tall strawberry blonds say as she was gently slid along by a Noble young man: "This is just too utterly too-too; I feel like singing 'Drifting Away' to beat four of a kind." As we had to catch a train it is impossible for us to give a full account of the many fair cases who used to indulge in this royal sport. But they say at the next run of skating they will have a race for the belt, which will be easily won by the head one of course.

Mrs. Gen. Sherman.

By the death of Mrs. Gen. Sherman that retired veteran, one of the very few survivors of the war of the rebellion who attained distinction, is bereft of an amiable, a devoted, and most exemplary wife. Mrs. Sherman was of distinguished lineage, her father having been the Ewing once illustrious in the whig party who was senator from Ohio, secretary of the treasury in the brief administration of William Henry Harrison, and secretary of the interior in the administration, little longer, of Zachary Taylor. From her mother Mrs. Gen Sherman inherited the devout Catholicism which she transmitted with the general's assent to her own children. Active in her own church circles and impatient of the lax usages of general society she never cared continuously to mingle in the circles to which her husband s distinguished rank or her own social gifts invited her. What duties of this kind fell to her she discharged, but while her nature was genial and lovable it was earnest to a degree which forbade tolerance of fashionable frivolities. She was especially marked in her objection to sensuous dancing which is a feature of social gaiety. Caring nothing for the triumphs of a merely fashionable existence Mrs. Sherman found her delight in a home wherein the example of her unostentatious virtue had commanded obedience and won deep and hallowed affection. The grim old soldier, who has been developing eccentric ways, will profoundly miss a stay and comfort such as his wife has been to him for more than forty years.—Chicago Times.

Personal Steam-Heaters.

A Bridgeport (Conn) man has invented a neat thing in the way of a steam heater to carry about on the person. It is a small affair, consisting of a copper boiler, under which is a diminutive lamp, all encased in a nickel box and balanced something like a compass, so that, no matter what position the outside box is in, the boiler and lamp will always remain in the required vertical position. The entire apparatus is so small that it can be carried in the pocket. After the lamp is lighted the water in the boiler is heated, and circulated through rubber tubes, which run down the legs, around the back and back to the boiler. The circulation of the water keeps the body warm on the coldest day. A safety valve and escape for a higher pressure of steam than the affair is allowed to carry blows off at the back of the wearer's neck. Elaborate heaters are being constructed for ladies' wear. They can be worn inside the bustle and entirely obscure it. Before going out of the house the lady's maid can light the lamp, which, by the way, is gauged to run six, eight or ten hours.

A Blizzard of a Tune.

Mrs. Way Outweste (who is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Harvard of Cambridge: "That music just strikes my ears where they live, Celia. What's the tune?" Mrs. Harvard: "That's the Te Deum. Isn't it ecstatic, divine?" Mrs. Way Outweste: "Yes. Regular blizzard of a tune. Call it Te Deum because it relieves the te dium of the service. I s pose, don't they?"—Collapse of Mrs. Howard.—Cambridge Daily.

A New German Industry.

At Halle the skeleton-like, fibrous covering of a species of tropical cumcumber is now being converted into a substitute for sponge, and is already being exported in immense quantities to England and other countries. The curious substance is known as loofah. It is not only valuable as the juice of the bath, but is found useful for making inside soles for shoes, and is being applied to the under side of saddles to keep the horse's back cool.

A Railroad Wreck.

WILKESBARRE, PA., Nov. 21.—While running thirty miles an hour the head car of a passenger train on the Bloomsbury and Sullivan railroad jumped the track last night four miles from Bloomsbury, rolled down the embankment and caught fire and the twenty-five passengers, many of whom were slightly hurt, were rescued by being taken out of the windows.

An Expense of the Future.

Wealthy citizen (fifty years hence): "Yes, I am willing to subscribe to the campaign fund, but my money must not be used to corrupt voters." Ward statesman: "No, indeed, sir. It will be used in purchasing silk and velvet voting dresses for the ladies who support our ticket."—Philadelphia Record.

Family Pride.

New Haven storekeeper (to customer): "What decoration is that you are wearing, sir, on your breast?" Countryman (proudly): "That, sir! That is a medal our cow took at the cattle show."—Mrs. Grundy.

Lost Her Grip.

"Well, Uncle Cicero, what makes you look so grum?" "Well, sah, to tell you the truth my ole woman has begun to make buck wheat cakes and she hasn't got into the swing of it yet, sah."—New York World.

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All our $1 25 Silk Warp Henrietta, Reduced to 90c per yd.
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All our $1 25 and $1 50 Novelty Dress Goods, Reduced to 95c per yd.

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One Lot $1 85 Radzmun, Reduced to $1 25.
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50 pair all wool Blankets, were $4 a pair, Reduced to $3 75 a pair.
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18 pieces all wool Scarlet Flannel, was 37½c, Reduced to 21c.
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ANYONE having a house and lot for sale can advertise with us FREE OF CHARGE, if the sale is made. We make contracts to this effect and will always do our utmost to make a sale and benefit our patrons.

Bargain No. 4.
Two and a half acres, suitable for village lots, within five minutes walk of the post office, 2 feet front on Saginaw street, excellent land, flowing well on next lot. Title perfect, no incumbrance. Anyone having an idea of securing a home in this village cannot do better than to buy this property. Sidewalk built, running by the land, high, dry and convenient to the village. It has 80 rods of main drainage, besides numerous branches, making it thoroughly drained throughout. Inquire of Whitehead & Mitchell.

Bargain No. 5.
For sale or exchange for a piece of new land, a nice new dwelling house and two lots, each 50x150 feet, nicely situated, high and dry with excellent drainage, house finished in good style. Also a carpenter shop that can be used as a barn if desired. Coal house and all necessary out-buildings. Plenty of good water from a never failing well. Small fruit in abundance. Inquire of Whitehead & Mitchell.

Bargain No. 6.
The new residence of Mr. Whitehead on Pierce street. Two-story frame house of six rooms, high ceilings, finely decorated, convenient in every particular, hard and soft water in the kitchen, ample woodshed, excellent cellar, closet in each bed-room, four rooms amply heated in ordinary weather with one stove, sidewalks, outbuildings, fences, etc., all new. In fact the house alone cannot be built for the low price asked for the entire premises. It is the best bargain on list. The premises can be inspected at any time.

Bargain No. 7.
Can be bought at a reasonable price. A trifle over eleven acres of land lying just east of the D., G. H. & M. R. R. City and can be platted into choice building lots for residences. It can be opened up at a small expense and is a wide awake, pushing sort of a place that will prove a bonanza.

Bargain No. 8.
Here is a chance for a home that will not remain long without a buyer. Situated on the west side of Saginaw street, the right side for living, finest thoroughfare in the village and the only place for sale on that side of the street. Two-story house in prime condition and well painted; two bedrooms up stairs, closets, attic, etc. First floor gives a good parlor, sitting room, dining room, bedroom and summer kitchen; good well and cistern and outbuildings in good repair; a barn and carriage house that cost $600; plenty of small fruits. Price only $1,600. Come to the real estate office if you mean business and we will show you the property.

BARGAIN NO. 9.
The Short Farm in the township of Avon, 7 miles from Pontiac, 2½ from Rochester, on good road, farm well watered, excellent soil, good buildings, two orchards, two barns, 130 acres, 30 in timber. Price very low and terms easy.

Bargain No. 11.
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Bargain No. 12.
Farm in Bloomfield, consisting of 100 acres, 3 miles south of Pontiac and 4½ miles northwest of Birmingham. Twelve acres good timbered land, two orchards, small fruits, etc. Dwelling in good repair. Farm well watered. The land is valued for raising all kinds of crops. Call at this office and we will go with you to see this farm. Price $4,000; one half down, balance on long time if desired.

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Bargain No. 4.
Twenty acres of excellent farming land with good house, barn and all necessary outbuildings in good repair, within five minutes walk of the village of Birmingham. A neat little farm for a little money. Call early.

PROBATE ORDER.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session of
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, } the Probate Court for the County of Oakland, held at the Probate Office, in the city of Pontiac, on the 21st day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine. Present, Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of William Gillespie, deceased. On reading and filing the petition praying for the allowance of his final account and for the allowance of the estate.

It is ordered, that Monday, the 18th day of February, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for hearing said petition; and that it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Oakland.

THOMAS L. PATTERSON,
(a true copy.) Judge of Probate.
Jan28Feb14

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session of
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, } the probate court for said county of Oakland, held at the probate office, in the city of Pontiac, on the 26th day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine. Present, Thomas L. Patterson, judge of probate. In the matter of the estate of Mary C. Hunter, deceased. On application of James O. Beattie, the executor, for the examination and allowance of his final account and the settlement of the estate.

It is ordered that Friday, the 1st day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be appointed for hearing said petition; and it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Oakland.

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RESOURCES.

Bills discounted	$506,946 45
Bonds and Mortgages	158,166 20
Furniture and Fixtures	675 40
Overdrafts	294 59
Cash in other banks	64,257 61
Cash on hand	51,529 64
Total	$781,868 89

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$100,000 00
Surplus and undivided profits	30,846 66
Interest and exchange	1,466 68
Deposits	650,555 21
Total	$781,868 89

I do solemnly swear that the above statement is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
EDWIN F. MACK, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this seventh day of January, 1889.
FRANK TILLOTSON,
Notary Public.

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It is ordered, that Monday, the 18th day of February, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be appointed for hearing said petition; and that it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Oakland.

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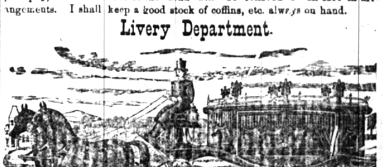

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