Household Duties Parceled Brings Contentment.

Every good thing in this world has its dark side, its shadow, and every shadow is brightened by some compensation-some rift in the clouds that still makes life worth living. The cook has quit, and I thought from the family talk that the bottom had dropped out, for she was a good cook and kept the kitchen as clean as a parlor, and the knives and the silverware always bright and the dishes shining, and there was a napkin spread at the head of the table to keep me from soiling the damask when I carved the chicken, or the steak, for I am a little careless about those things. She dident talk much, nor seem to be in a hurry, and she was kind to the grandchildren and made them little biscuits. the look good care of the cow and kept me in ice-cold butter-milk and mute enough butter to do us when we dident have company. Sometimes she brought us some green corn or some butterbeans from her own garden, and, take her all in all, she was the best ser-

You: we have had since the war.

But she has one fault. She will quit when she takes a notion-when the spirit moves her-and you never know when it is going to move her. She said she was tired and I reckon she was. She might come back in a week or two or she light not. So we centraded to go along without a cook for a few days and see how it was, and it is not so bad, after all. It nearly kills my wife to get up soon, but I like it. In fact, I can't lie abed after sunrise, and so we parcelled out the work to suit us all. William must fire up the stove and put on the hominy and grind the coffee and prepare the ham, or the breakfast bacon, or the beefsteak, and then call one of the girls to make the biscuit and fry the battercakes or bake the waffies. By the time breakfast is ready my wife is ready and we all enjoy it, and then her part comes in, for she had rather wash the dishes than do anything. She wants to be sure that they are clean. And then she churns to sure that the butter is clean. We cook dinner if we feel like it, and we don't if we don't. In fact it is a relief to cat a cold lunch these hot days. It saves work and saves time and expense and makes digestion easy. My opinion is that the average family has too much cooking done, and so if we have no cook and have to do the work ourselves, there will be less done and less to sarfeit ourselves with, and we will have better health and sleep better and snore less and feel brighter in the morning. This is the bright side of doing without a cook. Then, again I save \$2 a week in silver at 16 to 1, and if a penny saved is two pence gained, as Dr. Franklin says, then we are ahead at the rate of \$1 a week. That's a big lot of money now. I pay that over to my wife and daughter to keep them reconciled, but I verily believe that they would be glad to see Mrs. Sicily Mims back here tomorrow morning. They hired a colored neighbor to milk the cow and sometimes to kill and dress a chicken, and so we are getting along splendid while

running this independent line. But there is no independent line. It is carious and somewhat humiliating to think how dependent we are upon one another. If the Vanderbilts and Asters were wrecked at sea and cast on an island they would perish to death within a week. Dick Wilson wouldn't. for he was raised in the woods and would soon grabble up something. We are dependent on the butcher and beker and grocer for our daily sup-

1 and they are dependent upon the theurers who raise them and on their customers who buy them. Even the sait they sell us is an absolute neces. sity. Then there is the family doctor. How could we get along without him? It was only a few months ago when I oad to get up in the night and go half a tille for him in a fox trot, and I feared the little girl would die before American shores, I got back, but she didn't and he relieved her and relieved our great anxlety, too. There is no such thing as independence in this life, but it is approvidated by those who were raised to work. The boys who can chop wood and plow and fit an ax belve to an ax or repair a leak in the roof or get a tack out of a shoe, or take off part of the heel tap or mend a chair or a window blind, or lay a hearth or put In a pane of places, or do a hundred little things about the house and home, will save many a dollar where others girls who have learned to cut and fit and make their own garments, and those of their younger sisters and who can cook a good meal when it is necessary and hang a picture on the wall or make a firescreen or lampshade or a pillow for the sofa or even put a new and the danger is that if misfortune be irs later. comes in these perilous times and riches take wings and fly away these children of the rich will be utterly helpless.

The trouble with me now is that I am the only boy about the house and my legs don't obey me with that alscrity they used to. I fell up the steps this morning with an armful of stove wood, but it is better to fall up than down. The cow dident come home last night and our little grandchild said she reckened she was in the woods trying to find a calf. "Who said so?" I asked. "Sicily told me so," she said, "and I wish she would find one. A pretty little white one or a brown one would do." That cow has got over the dead line I'll bet and some farmer has taken her up, and it will cost me a dollar to get her back. Now, if I had a boy I could send bim after her, but they all deseried us long ago. If we had life to live over again we wouldent raise boys. They go too far away. I would like a little grandson to run about and wait on me, but there is none within reach. Our grandsons are mostly girls, and they are good children and comfort us all they can. I've planted some popcorn for them, and we will have some fun this winter, I was reading the other

day about happiness, and the writer said there was no such thing as present happiness, that when we are young it is just shead of us, and when we are old it is behind us. There is a good deal of melancholy truth in that, but it is not wholly true. It depends on how a man schools himself to bear the ills of life. He can be happy if he will or he can make himself miserable by brooding over little troubles. The world is bright and beautiful and full of blessings to those who try to see it So let Mrs. Mims stay away if she wants to and let the old cow keer on hunting for a calf and we will still be calm and serene. - BILL ARP in Atanta Constitution.

### OUR ORIENTAL GUEST.

The Viceroy of China Royally Welcomed to America's Shore.

Li Hung Chang, Viceroy of China, ambassador to Russia and the world-renowned diplomat, arrived in New York Thursday and became the guest of the nation. The day was a perfect one. Bright sunlight overhead, an atmesphere clear as orgstal, with a tinge of autumn coolness in it, and a light breeze that ruffled the surface of the bay, combined to make the first view that Li Hung Chang had of the harbor of the metropolis a pleasing one. Added to its natural beauties was the imposing spectacle furnished by the presence of the finest fleet of warship. Uncle Sam has ever gathered together. They were the best of the new navy, and every vessel was painted and pol-lahed and made ready, Bristol fashion, for the reception of the honored guest. Maj. Gen. Thomas Ruger, commander of the Department of the East, as the personal representative of President Cleveland, with his two staff officers, Major George W. Davis and Captain Mills; Wm. K. Rockhill, First Assis-



test Secretary of State, representing his Desecretary; the Chinese consul, Sze, and a represontative of the Southern Associated Press, boarded the United States dispatch boat early in the morning and steamed down the bay to meet the ambassador.

LI HUNG CHANG.

The arrangement was to allow a clear vision of each man of war to the visiting Chinaman. The St. Louis was escorted through the lower bay by quite a fictilla of yachte, tugs and excursion boats. Whistles were blown, cannon fired and the people aboard the different craft shouted words of welcome to Li Hung Chang and his party. When the steamship was sighted by the warships the men were at once called to quarters on the quarter-deck, where they held their positions as a mark of respect to the Oriental visitor until the St. Louis had

After Gen. Ruger and party stepped aboard the St. Louis they went immediately to the aft drawing room, where they were met by Vice President Wright of the American Line. Id was in his state room, and word was sent to him that the government representatives were ready to meet him. About the big liner were gathered craft of every description prowded with people anxious to get a glimpse of the celebrated Chinamen. Whistles were kept going, yachts boomed cannon, and on ome of the tugs fire crackers were set off. Coming by Fort Wadsworth the St. Louis passed outside the warships and the flagship New York fired a salute of 19 guns, which is the English Lord High Admiral's official

Li llung Chang, after a delay of 15 minutes, was conducted to the drawing room by Vice President Wright, and his interpreter and secretary. He was at once presented to Gen. Ruger who said: "I am directed by the President of the United States to meet you and to extend to you the freedom of the nation. I bid you welcome.

The Viceroy bowed his head and said: " than't you for the courtesy." Li wore that highest of Chinese distinctions, the famous Yellow Jacket, with its accompanying ornament, the peacock feather.

When the steamer came to Castle William a salute was fired. The envoy asked what it was, and see ned pleased when told it was in crowds had gathered and cheer after cheer went up in honor of Li

It was 1:20 p. m. when the steamer touched he p.er. Li's sedan chair was gotten ready for nim, but he turned to the men and said: "I do not need it. I prefer to walk upon

At 1:00 p. m., accompanied by the officia party, he left 'he team'r by a private gangway, and was greeted by the naval militia who beat a welcoming tune upon drums. The party descended from the apper pier by ele-vator which was a aborately decorated with Chin se co.ors, to the floor below where anott r company of the naval reserves formed a cordon. Here eight carriages were in waiting for the foreigners. There was a delay of half an hour in getting away. In the antime sa immense crowd had gathered outs'se the America Line deck at the foot of Fultya street. A large force of police was on hand, and these had all they could do to restain the throng.

A detachment of the Sixth Cavalry, U. S would send for a man and lose it. The his suite to the Hotel Waldorf. A start was made at 2 p. m. In the first car iage was Li Hung Chang, his sec . tary and interpreter, Gen. Ruger and Mr. Rockhill. The rest of his suite followed in the other carriage. soor as Li's carringe came off the pier into

West street, half of the cavaly detachment ell in and presed d the procession. The per har join-d in behind the last carriage, and in this order the march to the Waldorf court of paint on the mantle will make Fotel was beg n. The route was down West good wives and good mothers. You won't street to bowling Green thence to Broad find many of these boys and girls in over to Fifth avenue and through that street high life nor in what is called society, | 3 the hetel, where they arrived severa

All along the route large crowds were gathered. The name of Li Hung Chang was upon everyore's lips, and he received a great ovation, probably the like of which was never endered a foreig or in this country. The streets were jammed all the way with a chreing multirate.

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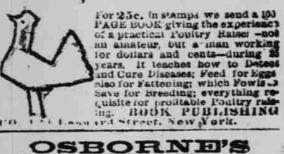
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FIRED UPON THE ARKS.

Fierce Attact on a "Sanctified Band"

Near Montrose. One of the most violent demonstrations of the populace seen in Eastern North Carolina within a generation occurred recently on the Chawan river, near Montrose, forty miles from Suffolk, Va. It was an attack from a mob of about 150 people, heavily armed, upon a colony of believers, styled, "the Sanctified Band," living in boats about fifty yards from the shore. One woman, whose name is unknown, was reported killed, and it is thought that several men were wounded.

"The Sanctified Band" had been

located at Montrose for several

weeks, and members have been

conducting meetings throughout the surrounding country fer many miles. The result was that their religion was gaining a considerable following, hundreds of men and women renouncing their allegiance, to other churches and accepting the doctrine of the sanctified people. It is claimed that the moral teachings of the band were of a baleful character, husbands and wives having been separated by it. The charm exerted by the preachers and some of their followers became so attractive that parents feared for their sons and daughters. These are some of the causes which originated an attempt to banish the band from the confines of the county. The attack was made at midnight. The sanctified people, who are said to number 103, had been warned by local converts, and had moved their four arks in which they live, off into the stream, that they might be less exposed to intrusion. The crowd of citizens came with a rush, and when their commander called for a halt at the river bank there was a rattling of guns and knives. As volley after volley was poured into the river craft the bullets could be crashing into the arks' sides. The inhabitants disappeared from view, and it is supposed that they got below the water line, else more would have been killed. After a time a committee of citizens started out to propose terms to the band, but they were ordered back by hose on the arks, who, hovever, are said not to have fired a shot. The committee's return was a signal for another fusilade. The firing continued until the ammunition was exhausted, and the mob dispersed to their homes. It is claimed that some of the leading citizens and a part of the officers in the county sympathize with the men who resorted to the use of arms to force from the community a class of people whom they considered deleterious to its interest. If the band docs not leave as ordered it is thought that another attack will follow. Sadie Col lins and a man named Lynch are said to lead the band. They preach holi ness and sanctification.

A Joint, Canvas.

Chairman Manly, of the Democratic Executive committee, and Chairman Ayer, of the Populists committee, have arranged the dates and places for the joint canvass between Cyrus B. Watson, Democratic nominee for Govenor, and W. A. Guthrie, Populist nominee. They are as follows:

Rutherfordton, Friday, Sept. 4th. Shelby, Saturday. Sept. 5th. Salisbury, Friday, Sept. 11th. Concord, Saturday, Sept. 12th.

Hendersonville, Monday, Cept Bryson City, Wednesday, Sept. 16th. Waynesville, Sept. 17th. Marshall, Friday, Sept. 18th.

Asheville, Saturday, Sept. 19th. Taylorsville, Monday, Sept. 21st. Wilkesboro, Tuesday, Sept. 22nd. Judge Russell, the Republican candidate for Governor, has been invited to speak at all these appointments.

CLEMENT MANLY, Chm'n. State Dem. Ex. Com. HAL W. AYER. Chm'n People's Party Ex: Com. A Large Table.

Secretary Nichols has had built at the State Fair ground, in Raleigh, what is probably the largest table ever built in the State. It is eight feet wide and one hundred feet long. This enermous table is prepared for the exhibit of Mr. George Vanderbilt. Biltmore estate will be represented here in nearly every department. This hundred feet of floor space is only for farm, fruit and garden products. The finest exhibit of poultry ever made in the State will be shown in the coops along "Poultry Row." Fine cattle of blood royal will be on exhibit.

Wife Murderer Arrested.

Nathaniel Moore, white, who murdered his wife near Fremont a month ago by cutting her throat, and for whose arrest a reward of \$200 was offered by the Governor, has been captured at his mother's home near the scene of the murder, locked up in an old kitchen, by a sheriff's posse of six, headed by ex Sheriff D. A. Grantham, and carried to Goldsboro and jailed.

THE SEABOARD RESTRAINED. Injunction Granted By Judge Robinson Which Enjoined the Seaboard to Carry Express on Sundays.

The Southern Express Company has

brought an action against the Seaboard Air Line in order to fight the decision of the Asheville magistrate, that no express matter save perishable articles can be transported in North Carolina on trains on Sunday. The Seaboard Air Line and Southern Ballway have both issued notices to the Southern Express Company that orders had been issued forbidding the carrying of such express matter. Last Sunday this order went into effect and was rigidly carried out. Judge Robinson has upon application of F. G. Dubignon, of Georgia, and F. H. Busbee, of Raleigh, N. C., attorneys for the Southern Express Company, granted an order restraining the Seaboard Air Line from refusing to carry express matter on Sundays. refusing to carry express matter on Sundays
It is set forth in the express company's plea
for a restraining order that it has a contract
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