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## HOMESPUN PHILOSOPHY

BY THE CRICKET ON THE HEARTH.

that thy friend— crished bosom friend, faith is oft times sworn, human heart, l sadly prone; ike April's day, i's changeful day idly like thine own!

Hubbard, frankly middled comfortably unpretentious, e over with Bo Peep for a ernoon tea. "I'm so glad you if for me to-day," Mother d said with her broad, all emmile," for to-morrow would

little company stared, for olly had settled upon e of Mother Hubward, and, doleful expression made a fine

d lines of expression and a little half-hearted smile arners of her lipe.

that terrible old man who he rim of the tea cup. e spring before and the one t and-" But Mother Hub-

was as the finger of charlips and the College Girl

family. And why is it. ar old friends of They are the rudest, cople at all. Is it a pecies, a brother-

ne merry laughter, "Not i, at least," Bo Peep Plain Little Woman it out. We must make allowance

oitself," said the College Girl with the any price, "A sort of domestic parathat feeds upon families."

"Reep the pin right there!" the Country Pride laughed. "One of them descended upon mother last summer while I was away. Just a week later the old friend would have been welcome and mother would have been happy. But she is such an old family friend that she feels privileged to come at any time with never a thought of possible plans nor anything but her right to come. Well, you see there's not often any amusement of any sort out home, but it happened that a pretty decent sort of dramatic company had drifted out there and going to happen to-mor-motherly Woman asked know with the boys at school and me getting married dear old dad and mother never spend much for themselves. But the doctor had season tickis such ample room for ets and his wife was away, so he gave them to dad and he and mother were mightily set up over going. It was the afternoon of the very first evening that the family friend came. She was unstruggling valliantly with der the weather and had come to get well. Dad confided to mother his de termination to risk the expense and take the old friend to the show, but ast terrible old man who she's seen it in town and while it was ust spring?" the College Girl very good she never liked the same darkening the eye thing twice, and she was much too nervous to stay alone. She had, come, she said, for a quiet visit with mother and Dad and no show that ever was should spoil, it. But they missed a

said as if she had made an exhaustive study of the species," and they think they hate this ancient that their love for you ought to outweigh everything."

"Not always," the Motherly Woman sually such extremely said gently. "But there is great I have known a good danger that we may take advantage but we are sometimes required to do not saucers and spoons ago: "Without much candor and sympathy and making the best of e, suddenly woeful clety with mankind." That is as

s very much with us, the Quiet Man who asked the queswaited till tion." "yet verily i sthe man a mary

the weakness of those who love

friend who invades a house singly or in pairs or companies, who insists upon making his impression upon the life there and takes it for granted that his friendship is the biggest thing that ever happened to you, why that friend is a humbug. He is not a friend.

He destroys the peace of home." "The Gargener set his cup down, "In all the wide world," he said gravely, "there is not a more sacred place than a home. When a man and woman go away together from all the world and build wall and roof about themselves and shut in a little home, it is did once and the dear soul bore it a holy place. The angel of peace spreads her white wings over it and Love lives there. Men have always been praised for defending their terviewed the doctor and mapped out homes, but there are those who dare a new line of treatment, she whisperto intrude, uninvited, into the sanctity of a place like this. Those who think me to a rattling bone. The cook left, themselves kind when they criticise its equipment, who recognize no limit, who frankly point out the faults of the wife to the husband or open the love blinded eyes of the wife to weaknesses that she need never have seen. In the name of friendship many a home has been broken like a flower that opened a trusting heart to a storm."

"And it is from the confidential friend that we suffer most." the Plain Little Woman spoke with unusual fering agonies now because another woman was admitted too far into the sacred seclusions of her home. It is such a temptation to a woman, even glimpse of the family skeleton in her are ill." friend's closet, And after the glimpse there is such a thirst for knowledge and the woman who is trying to hide the skeleton is hungering so for sympathy, though the poor little skeleton may be perfectly dead and harmiess. But the curiosity of the one and the self pity of the other revivify the skeleton, exciting imagination, /magnify the whole matter and make a terrible thing of nothing. But when the familiar friend goes out from the closet equally dear the temptation to tell so new and fine a story cannot be resist-

who, bursting with the secret of King Midas' asses ears, made a little hole in the ground and whispered the roy-al secret there. But the roots told it to the stems and the stems revealed it to the winds and the winds whispered it everywhere. The confidential family friend is often a source or danger. Humanity and frailty are one. Your secret is a mere incident in your riend's day. It is an event in your

the friend must not be called to it. We naturally herd with our kind. We A home is sacred from one's friends are gregarious animals. There is, too, after one has traversed a certain disa seasoinng of sentiment in us all, tance. I must not use my friend's love But for straight up and down practi- for me, I must not rob his of his time cal purposes the familiar old family nor his money, nor his peace of mind.

"That is it," Bo Peep said quickly. "I know a little woman whose hours mean dellars to her, and yet her familiar friend robs her of them laughingly. She merely drops in at unseemly hours and chatters idly. You are always so busy. No, don't put your work aside, I'm only going to stay a moment, I won't disturb you.' Now I call that robbery."

"But if the old familiar friend happens to come when one is III?" the Country Bride exclaimed. "Mother's better than Job bore the invasion of ed and pattered and tiptoed and wore the blues. Then the doctor picked the two of them up bodily and dragged them off and I had it out with the friend, who is really a good and lovable woman. But when I get old and capable, for you know I believe it comes on like broodiness to a hen who just wants to sit, well, when I get the familiar friend feeling, I mean to have mercy upon the afflicted, I won't becken the neighbors in a questioning line and shrill the doings of the day to the ever the pailings, I won't a nightmare to the suffering. You may all suffer agonies at my hands other times, but I will spare you when you

Mother Hubbard laughed in her comfortableway. "And yet a friend can be such a help at the right time. I'm sure I don't know what I shall do with the little Hubbards this year. They are growing up so and our friend has ideas, you know, on training the child. A friend with ideas is nearly always bad, but the sort that reaches out after your children and overturns your fireside gods! I honor the good old man, but -"

"Yes, but," the College Girl agreed with entire understanding. a blood-thirsty look in her eye. "He isn't a friend of the family who sets the members of it at variance one against another. They merely want a good place to air their convictions and test their theories and carry their points the same as a hunter wants a place to shoot partridges. I met that cousin of Tom Tucker's when I went to see Margery Daw the other day and she was buildozing Margery Daw right straight along, for she never liked her and spent hours trying to change Fom's mind about marrying her. And

## **Tanglewood**



This is (Cape of Massachusetts).

She put a small (Mount of Oregon) on her (City of central New York) hair, when she went to look at her Aunt (Island south of Massachusetts). 

"But the serpent in Paradise hasn't

always the form of an old meddlesome woman nor a trying elderly man, said Mother Hubbard gravely, "God pity any being who would lay one faintest shadow between two whom He has joined together. Friendship becomes a vile and wicked thing if in any way it permits one of its tendrils to find entrance between hearts that are bound as one. The danger is at the little crevice that nobody guards till the tide rushes in with death in its wake and destruction where once peace dwelt." And with undignified haste Mother Hubbard shook out her ample skirts and hurried over to the window, for a trail of little Hubbards streamed down the street. "He has arrived," Mother Hubbard said, "and the cook not coming till to-morrow -" She laughed, kissed a fat hand to a sympathetic company and trotted bravely toward one of the dilemmas for which the good soul is famous.

And the College Girl sang with Goldsmith's pessimistic Pilgrim:

"And what is friendship but a name,"
A charm that fulls to sleep,
A shade that follows wealth or fame
And leaves the wretch to weep."

to tell a far sweeter-story of friend-ship," said the motherly woman. "It

Mountains, Canada) just the color of her eyes—and ripped off half the flounce. So she complained of being poor \*\*\*\*\*\* (Lake of Nevada) and returned to the house, of Nevada) and returned to the house, gathering some lettuce as she came through the garden to feed her two servers. (Islands N. W. of Africa). She hand the cage standing on the server (Mountain near Cape Town), with her brothers servers and server (two Capes of Virginia) entered, followed by server (River of central Siberia) the servers (River of Mississippi) servers (Island of the Bahamas). He purred loudly, and winked a servers (Village of Minnesota) at the cage, which the girl quickly hung upon its hook in the celling. "Puss," she said servers (Mountains of New York) birds," answered both the boys at once. "If you ever touch mine," she continued, "I will give you a servers (River of Kentucky.) Whereupon, Puss sat down on the rug, and gave himself one, BIB.

154.-DECAPITATION. When a Zaparo finds the world too narrow To hold with comfort both himself and neighbor, He puts a drop of ONE upon his arrow, And finishes his foe with little labor.

Some write it "TWO," or, if you like them better, There FOUR some other spellings ever wilder; But taking off or putting on a letter Will never make the polson any milder.

As South America is distant, rather, The drug is THREE just here where I am staying; Strychnos toxifera I may not gather, Nor have I any arrows fit for slaying.

But if I had, I think it would be cleve To shoot that man whose "do FIVI forever, And nothing short of ONE will stop his

185.—AMERICAN NOVELS AND THEIR WRITERS.

(The blank stands for a writer, the initials for one of his books.)

1. She sat on the lawn under the bush telling the children stories; those T. T. T. of adventure and fairy, of which they never tire. 2. In the midst of the service he left the service he left the grew rapidly worse. The doctor thinks T. C. will come to-night. 3. Near the entrance gate stands a fine old while an avenue of firs leads through the plantation of T. H. B. T. C. 4. I went to a massquerade party at her house, and had an interview in one of the private

1. Put an insect in a c wild speech. 2. Put an the bottom of a ship. 3. I a wager and make a smal a station in a liquor and r missionary. 5. Put a part in a part of a chicken and punishment.

158.—A RIDDLE OF
To a quarter of four
Add a quarter of nine,
Then a quarter of five
You must lastly combine
Tick-Tock! What time says the clock

159.—DO YOU SE

1. If a pleasant drink shou she would have a useful of If a well-known insect shoul known fowl, we might lead wood" some things are common vehicle should see pised animal, we might have poor "body." 4. If I should tain antelope, it would no northern country.

Its parchment worn and That tells of other time To scholars of to-day. The boy had broken it in And spread thick jam b Then munched it, as such t With relish glad and keen

it sounded through the

145.-Gardener, et