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How will I e'er get through it?

Dinner to get for six or more,
No loaf left o'er from Sunday;
And baby cross as he can live—
He's always so on Monday.

'Tis time the meat was in the pot,
The bread was worked for baking,
The clothes were taken from the boil—
Oh dear! the baby's wailing!

Hush, baby, dear! there's hush-sh-h!
I wish he'd sleep a little,
Till I could run and get some wood,
To hurry up the kettle.

Oh dear! oh dear! if I—comes home
And finds things in this ponder,
He'll just begin and tell me all
About his tidy mother!

How nice her kitchen used to be,
Her dinner always ready
Exactly when the noon bell rang—
Hush, hush, dear little Freddy!

And then will come the busy words
Right out before I'm thinking—
They say that busy words from wives
Set sober men to thinking.

Now is not that a great idea,
That men should take to stanning,
Because a weary, half-sick wife,
Can't always smile so winning?

When I was young I used to earn
My living with noot trouble,
Had clothes and pocket money, too,
And hours of leisure double.

I never dreamed of such a fate,
When I a-las! was courted—
Wife, mother, nurse, seamstress, cook,
Housekeeper, chambermaid, laundress,
Dairywoman and scrub general—
—doing the work of a dozen!

For sake of being supported!

Boll Weevil Not Checked.

The following report was sent out from Washington a few days ago concerning the tests now being made concerning the boll weevil:

"Some significant official predictions regarding the ravages of the cotton weevil are made in a report soon to be issued by the department of agriculture, and written by W. D. Hunter, who has charge of the entomological part of the boll weevil investigation, in which half a hundred experts are now engaged. Mr. Hunter says that unless contingencies, at present unexpected, occur, the pest soon will cause an increase in the price of cotton throughout the world. By living within the fruit of the plant, the weevil is well protected from any poisons that might be applied, it occupies but fourteen days for development from egg to adult and the progeny of a single pair in a season may reach 134,000,000 individuals; it adapts itself to climatic conditions and is remarkably free from parasites and diseases, all combining to make efforts at control difficult.

"The report estimates that the presence of the weevil practically doubles the area of land required to produce a bale of cotton, and that the weevil caused the Texas planters a loss of about \$15,000,000 in 1903, assuming \$500,000,000 as the value of the normal cotton crop of the country. Mr. Hunter says the probable ultimate damage, when the pest has become spread over the entire belt, would approximate \$250,000,000 annually, provided nothing were done to check it. Planters, however, are adopting changes in methods that tend to avoid so much damage. The report predicts that the weevil eventually will be distributed all over the cotton belt, advancing into new territory at the rate of approximately 500 miles a decade, and it probably always will be as destructive in a series of years, as it has been in Texas since 1894. The report suggests that the probabilities of its being carried to West Africa or elsewhere abroad is not at all remote.

"In case the seed happens to be sacked, or even shipped in bulk, there is nothing to prevent the weevil from being carried long distances on ship board, as they are able to adapt themselves successfully to climatic conditions. It is pointed out, however, that the danger could be avoided by fumigation or by leaving the seed sacked in store rooms, isolated from new cotton for a year previous to shipment."

People Who Helped Themselves.

Junior Endeavor World.

David Livingstone said, on graduating at Glasgow: "He used to carry his Latin book to his loom and study. Yet he was buried in Westminster Abbey, and on the sight of his hut in the heart of Africa's jungles is now a large town, with electric lights and a railway.

Frances Willard and her brother Oliver started a paper at fourteen. They used to talk to each other about what they would do when they were grown up. Frances often went hungry and walked long distances, because she had no money to buy bread or pay car fare; but she came to occupy a foremost place among women.

Lucy Stone, the great champion of higher education for women, made up her mind when a tiny bit of a girl that she would go to college. She picked berries and nuts and sold them to buy books; she lived on fifty cents a week, and at last she did graduate from Oberlin College.

Mary A. Livermore taught school for a little money to fit herself for life's work.

Lincoln studied by the light of pine knots.

Emerson sawed wood to help himself through Harvard College.

Rev. Charles M. Sheldon worked as a waiter in a summer hotel to get money to complete his education.

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AN OPEN LETTER.

From the Chapin, S. C. News: Early in the spring my wife and I were taken with diarrhoea and so severe were the pains that we called in a physician who prescribed for us, but his medicines failed to give any relief. A friend who had a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy on hand gave each of us a dose and we at once felt the effects. I procured a bottle and before using the entire contents were entirely cured. It is a wonderful remedy and should be found in every household. H. C. Bailey, Editor. This remedy is for sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co., Scotland Neck, and Leggett's Drug Store, Hobgood.

The New Rectory—You visit the playhouses, do you not? The Parliamenter—Yes. But I always get there late.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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On account of the World's Fair, St. Louis, Mo., the Seaboard Air Line Railway, in connection with the C. & O. Route via Richmond, and the N. C. & St. L. Route via Atlanta, will sell round trip tickets to St. Louis, Mo., at greatly reduced rates from all stations.

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Henderson via Atlanta	37 75	32 30	23 00
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Raleigh via Richmond	35 60	29 90	21 50
Raleigh via Atlanta	39 75	32 30	23 00
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Pauline—The people who won't understand us are so harassing. Penelope—Well, the people who think they understand us and don't are in it, too.—Indianapolis Journal.

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