### The Commoner.

## The Home Department.

#### LINCOLN. By Edwin Markham.

- When the Norn-mother saw the Whirlwind Hour,
- Greatening and darkening as it hurried on,
- She bent the stienuous heavens and came down
- To make a man to meet the mortal need.
- She took the tried clay of the common road-
- Dashed through it all a strain of prophecy;
- Then mixed a laughter with the serious stuff.
- It was a stuff to wear for centuries,
- A man that matched the mountains and compelled
- The stars to look our way and honer us.
- The color of the ground was in him, the red earth,
- The tang and odor of the primal things-
- The rectitude and patience of the rocks;
- The gladness of the wind that shakes the corn;
- The courage of the bird that dares the sea;
- The justice of the rain that loves all leaves;
- The pity of the snow that hides all scars;
- The loving kindness of the wayside well;
- The tolerance and equity of light,
- MEMORY FOOD.

- That gives as freely to the shrinking weed
- As to the great oak flaring to the wind—
- To the grave's low hill as to the Matterhorn
- That shoulders out the sky.

And so he came; From prairie cabin up to capitol, One fair Ideal led our chieftain on, Forevermore he burned to do his deed With the fine stroke and gesture of a king. He built the rail pile as he built the State,

- Pouring his splendid strength through every blow.
- The conscience of him testing every stroke.
- To make his deed the measure of a man.
- So came the Captain with the mighty heart
- And when the step of Earthquake shook the house,
- Wrenching the rafters from their ancient hold,
- He held the ridgepole up and spiked again
- The rafters of the Home. He held his place-
- Held the long purpose like a growing tree-
- Held on through blame, and faltered not at praise,
- And when he fell in whirlwind, he went down
- As when a kingly cedar green with boughs
- Goes down with a great shout upon

the rule, good, well-fitting and comfortable under-clothing first, then whatever can be afforded for externals. For grown women, it is always a safe rule, to spend most on shoes and gloves, for a woman well-shod and neatly gloved may wear exceedingly plain apparel, and still make a prosentable appearance.

If obliged to go out in all weathers, be careful to provide extra wraps, easily removable when entering a house. Women often take serious colds on leaving church, where they are apt to sit through a service with their "things" on, not taking off the closefitting jacket that is hard to discard without assistance. Going out from a heated audience room, into icy air, they are an easy prey to cold, and cold may herald pneumonia or pleurisy.— Christian Herald.

#### The Traveling Actress Baby.

"What about actress' children?" said pretty Henrietta Crossman, who made such a hit last season as "Nell Gwynne." Well, I think they have just as good a chance as other babies. I knew one actress (her eyes growing tender) who, in the days of her hardest struggle, when she was doing the most exacting one-night stands, was never separated from her baby, and, moreover, that child never slept in a strange bed. She spent her substance in getting tiny portable beds with bedding to fit, which grew larger as he grew. When that baby's sleepy time came, on train or boat or in hotel, he went to bed in his own crib as a properly managed baby should, tucked in by his mother's hands.

"Some years ago, when I was traveling through the west, we had in our company the jolliest, healthiest an I happiest baby I ever saw. He never cried or made a fuss, and when he wasn't entertaining members of the company he quietly doubled himself up and went to sleep. Everybody loved that child, and as it was his first

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the tedious wait a pleased and triumphant theatrical company landed in Denver after midnight with all s property, plus a good-sized Christmas tree. The toys were brought out by the basket full, the tree was trimmed, and the baby's health was drunk. We did all the things proper for the time and season, and when the fragments of that tree were gathered together we found that we had sufficient toys to give one to every baby in the children's hospital at Denver."—Sunny South.

#### The Household Heroine.

The woman behind the preserving pot Is certainly deserving of fame;

She's not like the man behind the gun, But she's getting there just the same. The here is trying to maim or kill, And great is his showing of nerve: But praise also goes to the women who Is using her skill to preserve.

#### A Case Where Memory was Strengthened

#### by Grape-Nuts.

Food that will actually help the memory as well as agree perfectly with a delicate stomach is worth knowing of.

A good wife out in Alta, Ia., who did not know which way to turn to get food that would agree with her husband who was left in a weakened condition after a serious illness and could scarcely retain any food in his stomach, was one day induced to try him on Grape-Nuts, the famous readycooked breakfast food, and from the first he began to improve rapidly. In three months he had gained 30 pounds.

She says that his stomach has recovered so completely that he can now eat any kind of food.

She mentions the boy of an intimate acquaintance, who was so delicate and thin that his appearance was pitlable and he had no appetite for any ordinary food. He was put on Grape-Nuts and liked the crispness and sweetish taste of the new food and took to it. His improvement began at once and he is now a healthy, plump boy.

"I know that Grape-Nuts will do more for weak stomachs than any medicine. The claim that it will build up and strengthen the brain has been proven to my certain knowledge. Sister, who writes for the press, and is compelled to memorize a great deal, has been using Grape-Nuts and says she is surprised at the result. There is a marked improvement in her memory and the brain works more perfectly and with better results.

Please do not publish my name." Name can be given by the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Michigan.

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#### the hills.

#### The Winter Wardrobe.

Only the other day we were busy over our summer clothes, and here are the cold winds, and wet roads, and dark skies, which precede winter. We must look out now for a garb that will protect us from the piercing blasts, and enable us to meet the rigors of the coming season with indifference.

Where shall we begin? The person who thinks first of show and display, naturally considers her outside garments before she plans for underwear. The proper order is, however, to give most thought and attention to the clothing worn next the skin, and, if one must exercise rigid economy; let that be excellent, even if the external clothing is plain and coarse. One finds it hard to impress this fact on the minds of those who regard dress as of supreme importance and who have little acquaintance with society. The cook and the housemaid often speud more in proportion to their means, on their gowns and hats, than does their employer, and I have often seen domestic servants very scantily supplied with night-dresses and stockings, when their best gown, worn proudly on their Sunday afternoon out, was of satin or silk.

In providing for children let this be

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Christmas, every individual member prepared to celebrate it with due pomp. The company baggage was gorged with toys. Of course, a Christmas tree was absolutely indispensable to a proper display of these treasures. Well, as luck would have it, we were snowed in some distance from Denver, with no prospect of being dug out before midnight. The company was in despair; after all the planning there would be no Christmas tree for that baby. 'Nonsense,' I said. 'The state of Colorado must grow some semblance of a Christmas tree.' I went out to consult the property man, who immediately disappeared into the storm with an ax and reappeared in due time with an evergreen tree.

"In spite of the snow blockade and

She gallantly stands at the firing line, Unmindful of heat and toil;

All flushed is her face and her eyes are strained

By watching the things that there boil.

Till weary in arms, back and feet; But bravely she stands till her work is done,

With never a thought of retreat.

She carefully gathers the stores of sweets

That she has so patiently made,

And soon the good things for the winter feasts

In jars, cans and crocks are arrayed. She thinks not of plaudits for triumph won,

Yet, while she no laurels will claim, The woman behind the preserving pot Is certainly worthy of fame. —Sunny South.

