

"LINCOLN'S WAY."

Large and loving, rudely tender, with a heart that knew no fear, Stern as granite for a principle, yet melting at a tear-Father Abraham, they called him, this sublime yet simple man, In whose veins the ardent humanhood of Old Kentucky ran

Dear to him the cause of Freedom, for the black man as the white; Dear to him the common soldier who was with him in his fight; But if one perchance should falter, with his life he must atone; He was past all human pardon, save the President's alone.

Now a father, poor and aged, bowed alke with years and woe Crushed by all the pain and sorrow that a parent's heart can know, Brought, despairing, his petition; he would plead in Lincoln's ear; And he prayed to heaven for mercy, that, through God's love, man might hear

"My two sons, my only children, to the Union's cause I gave; One lies buried in Virginia in an unknown soldier's grave. And the other, last and dearest—for what error, I know not— Is condemned as a deserter, and is sentenced to be shot.

"My old friend," said Lincoln, kindly, "there has inquiry been made And the execution, meanwhile, I have caused to be delayed, Until further orders from me. This one fact at least, I know: young man can serve us better here above ground than below."

"God be thanked!" the old man, trembling, cried, "and blessing on your name! But—but—what if they should execute him when your orders came? "Never fear! before I order that," said Lincoln, grim and sage— "Well, your son will beat Methuselah, or die of sheer old age!" -Henry Tyrrell, in Collier's Weekly,



all away and in the secrecy of social

[Mr. Whitney was an intimate | and chronology of emancipation were friend of Lincoln from 1859 till the subjected to the same rigorous law. latter's death. His "Life on the Cir-cuit With Lincoln" and "Lincoln's Last Speech" are among his best known works. He is a lawyer by profession and has held several political offices.-Editor.]

On May 27, 1856, Mr. Lincoln and minor matter; the house-divided- then insignificant little village. I were staying over night at Decatur, against-itself speech was incubated the public square, and when we had silence and secrecy of social isolafying it, he said, partly to himself his most ardent friend stay its adand partly to me, "Here, on this exvent. act spot, twenty-six years ago, I stood alone by our wagon, which contained all that my father and I owned in the world." This incident, and his manner of viewing it, was typical and symbolical of his entire career; for, although his life was largely hedged in by crowds and his career and destiny wrought out in co-operation with others, yet his essential self, the find the junior partner for the symisolation.

so as to lighten his discomfiture. I abused him, as being the cause of his and his friends' undoing.

And I can never forget the sad and spiritless way in which he defended himself from my attacks. We sat together in the cheerless, dismal office till after dark, when he went with me to my hotel, and, in fact, remained with me till a late hour. said with bitterness: "I expect every one to desert me."

Mr. Lincoln was a model citizen, in the sense of being a citizen of the whole State, and ultimately of the whole Nation, although, at the outset of his career, his affiliations were purely local and quadrated with Sangamon alone. Yet, with larger experiences, his social and political horizon expanded and enlarged, and he was no more intimately in touch with the people of Springfield or Sangamon County than with those of Logan or Champaign. He deemed himself to be as much obligated to the people of any other village in the bestowment of official or other favors as to those at his immediate home.

And in his entire administration at Washington it was, in principle, the same; he really wanted a Cabinet Minister-Judd-from his own State, but he considered that his State had had enough consideration in his own election. He had no more regard, in the matter of executive favors, for Illinois than for Maine. Geographical propinquity and social propinquity had no alliance in his mind; his social area embraced the whole State and ultimately the entire Nation. His field was the world. He dwelt in principles and institutions. To him men were but agents or media, to originate, promulgate or enforce principles, and a man's locality had naught to do with his efficiency in that respect; and the acme and high-water mark of such social pastimes as he allowed himself was achieved on the circuit with the "boys" (as we were called) during

court-time. This catholicity (as contradistinguished from anything special) of as-

some sort, the lack of that ardent sympathy for him at home which sometimes (and especially on election day in November, 1860) cropped out. The bitterness of partisan politics, especially on the part of those who deemed his anti-slavery sentiments as recusant to the land of his fathers, aided this feeling, and his omission to recognize his home neighbors sufficiently in the distribution of Federal offices all combined to engender a

considerable social alienation, and prevented him from being, as abstractly and on his individual merits Several of his generals, as well as he would have been, an ideally popu-others of his supporters, attempted to lar citizen. Not that he was unpopforestall him in this. He brushed ular, but he should have been popular to the verge of enthusiasm, as isolation matured and prombigated he was when news of the location of the final plan alone. To mention a the capital at Springfield reached the

He was a most rigid supporter of and in the evening we walked out to and brought forth, full-fledged, in the all laws, those which were conventional and unimportant, as well as reached a particular spot, after veri- tion; nor could the utmost efforts of those which were vital; paid his debts and taxes promptly; dld not

On January 5, 1859, the Legislathe delinquent list, nor violate or ture elected Senator Douglas to be his omit any other political duty. He own successor in the United States drank no liquor at any period of his Senate, over Lincoln, who was the life and did not visit a saloon (alcandidate of the opposition; after though it was a lawyer-like habit to which the Democrats proceeded to do so) on any pretense whatever; paint the city very red. neither did he obtrude advice or a

pertinacious temperance lecture on of Lincoln & Herndon, expecting to those who did so. We were once invited to visit a primitive vineyard in thinking part, was passed in social pathetic offices of condolence; but Vermillion County, and to taste the in many homes that one may hear found instead, Lincoln, alone and de- several varieties of home-made wine. the mistress of a household say to



Miss Anna Pritchett, of Louisville, Ky., has just been appointed to the chair of economics at Wellesley College. She has just passed her twenty-fifth birthday and is the youngest member of the Wellesley faculty .---New York Sun,

Small Salaries, Few Teachers. A shortage of 1200 school teachers is reported in Oklahoma. The cause is said to be the small salaries of women teachers. The club women declare that if the salaries of the women teachers were made to equal those of the men the shortage would cease to exist. In the meantime woapproves of the sale of her discarded men out of employment are looking gowns to royalty loving Americans to Oklahoma for places during the appears to be a moot question. Accoming school term .- New York Sun.

With Directoire Gowns.

head maid, who disposes of them, If directoire gowns really become with the Queen's knowledge, at semifashionable, it is hoped that other annual sales, from which she realizes about \$5000. Other reports have it extravagances of the same period will not also be revived. The beautiful that Margherita is much annoyed by Mme, Tallien, who led the fashions this scattering abroad of her cast-off at the time of the French directory, raiment and has dismissed two maids is said to have appeared with rings who were reaping a considerable revon her toes. Her silk stockings were enue from this source. The Queen's made with divisions like the fingers first knowledge of what was going of a glove, and she wore sandals on was obtained, it is said, six years studded with jewels. Mme. Tallien ago, when, on a shopping tour, she was, however, sensible enough to dissaw a woman enter the shop wearing card the fashionable flaxen wig and a gown that looked familiar to her. to wear her own black hair unpow-She scrutinized it carefully and found dered. Natural coiffures did not long a tiny spot on the hem of the skirt. remain simple, though. Under the The last vestige of doubt vanished Empire they became so elaborate that from her mind. The dress was one the ladies of the court had to have she had discarded a few days before their hair dressed the night before on account of that very spot. An in-Napoleon's cornation, and were then vestigation at the palace followed, propped upright in their chairs in with the result that a trusted maid order to sleep without damaging their was dismissed. A new maid, Adele, succeeded to the vacant place, and

Footmen Wait on Dogs at Table.

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knew, until one day driving in the It was supposed by many unin-Via Tritoni, Her carriage was impedformed persons that the height of ed by the traffic, stopped near one in feminine idolatry for dogs had been which was seated an American woreached when dog cemeteries, dog man wearing a hat which only a few clothing and jeweled dog collars of days previous had adorned Marghergreat value appeared. But all these ita's own head. Another investigafads, ridiculous as they may seem, tion followed, and Adele lost her are as nothing to the spectacle of en- place. The inquiry showed that throned quadrupeds seen nowadays Adelo was reaping a yearly profit of

> Rummage Pickles .- If you are still a little short of relishes, gather up all the leftovers from garden or storeroom and make this very excellent pickle: Allow to two quarts green tomatoes one quart ripe tomatoes, one bunch celery, three large onions, one small cabbage, three green peppers, three red peppers and one large ripe cucumber. Put all through the meat chopper, add one cupful sait and let stand over night. In the morning drain, then add two quarts of vinegar, two pounds brown sugar, one tablespoonful pepper and cook an hour on the back of the stove.

in the homes of many of New York's; \$5000 by selling apparel which her socially elect. A dog may be buried, royal mistress had discarded. Her or clothed or be-collared with jewels preference, as to customers, was for without necessarily becoming one of Americans, and one condition she imhis mistress' family; but how can he posed on the purchasers was that sit at table with the family, in a nothing they bought should be worn special chair next to that of his ador- in Italy. But a woman from Buffalo er, be waited upon by a special footdisregarded the pledge and Adele was man and receive specially cooked found out .- New York Tribune.

food, without ranking as a full member of the household? Inconceivable as it may appear, the above situation RILLS is seen almost every day by those who have dog worshiping friends. In FASHIONE fact, it has become so usual a thing

> Black and white are as popular in designed for them

A 9999 399 19999 99999999999 HOUSEHOLD MATTERS.

For Care of Teeth 1-All surfaces of the teeth should

be thoroughly brushed after each meal. As far as possible, brush the gums toward the cutting edges of the teeth.

2-A tooth powder should be used in the brush. Tooth powder and brush can be obtained at the infirmary at a small cost.

3-Unless the teeth are regularly cleaned, it is impossible to keep the teeth and mouth in a healthy condition .- New Haven Register.

Talcum Powder Cases.

Dainty, inexpensive gifts that make nice prizes or birthday offerings for the school friend are boxes of violet scented talcum, covered with cretonne cases.

These cases are quite simply made, being nothing but two pieces of cretonne or heavy flowered ribbon, the exact size of the powder case. They may either be overcast together on the wrong side or the edges can be bound with a narrow gold galloon.

The cretonne case reaches to the upper edge of the powder can, where the holes are, and to it is attached a top that comes down an inch or more at the sides and is bound in gold galloon. These tops may be entirely separate from the bottom or they can be fastened to the case at the back .----New York World.

Hint For Papering.

In papering any room it should be remembered that light is the first consideration and that the paper must be chosen accordingly.

Pure white is the best choice when a specially light room is wanted, as it absorbs only about fifteen per cent. of the light thrown upon it. Dark green, on the other hand, is the greatest consumer of light, absorbing about eighty-five per cent.

Next to white as a light-producer are the soft pastel tints and light blues, which absorb from twenty to twenty-five per cent. of the light; then comes orange at thirty per cent.; apple and gray greens, almost fifty per cent., and the popular brown is almost as bad as dark green, as it takes up about sixty to seventy per cent. of the light it should throw out. -New York World.

Enlarging the Dinner Table. Necessity has ever been the mother of invention. Housekeepers have long wanted some other means of enlarging the seating capacity of their dining tables other than by the mere extension, especially in the case of round tables. Nothing here need be said of the joy of a round table, nor of its satisfaction in many ways, except when occasion demands its extension and the cordial round table becomes the oval "strung out" table, with guests feeling that they're not quite hearing all that is being said, missing delightful banter and wit. Now comes the manufacturer to the rescue and puts on the market a round extension table, that is all that tre name implies-round when small, round when large or extended. This table is made in sizes from forty-eight inches to sixty inches, and when extended is fifteen inches greater in diameter. The extension is made by adding four segments of wood to the outer edge of the original table. These segments can not be added to any table but the one especially

RELIGIOUS **R**EADING FOR THE QUIET HOUR.

"SEARCH ME, O GOD."

Be Thou my Friend, and look upon my heart. Lord Jesus, Son of Man! Each seed of good or ill that there has

part. Do Thou in mercy scan. The burning springs there lurking, O Lord! Thou canst control, And each wild passion working Within my sinful soul.

Yes, be my Friend, and look upon my

heart, On all that's hidden there: The deeper guilt that stings me with its dart.

dart. The unknown sins I bear; The passions that distress me Let Thy pure presence slay; The sorrows that oppress me Before Thee flee away.

Oh, shine upon me with Thy holy light, When glittering doom I see. And leave me not in tribulation's night, But send sweet peace to me! The chains of sin dissever. Blind fancy's wildest play: Then, then, my Lord, forever Take grief and sin away! -Lange.

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Drawing and Holding.

There is much unwise talk about drawing preachers. We do not dis-parage the ability to draw a large congregation. It is an art well worth studying and acquiring. But it is not right to lay the entire responsibility for drawing the community into the church upon the preacher. Has the church no duty in the case? Are there not churches that cannot hold the people when they are drawn by the minister? Are there not by the minister? Are there not church members who do more scat-tering than drawing? We have known leading members to drive away some whom the minister had drawn to the house of the Lord.

Dr. Henry Van Dyke tells about a layman who came to his study, from ayman who came to his study, from one of the churches in the Murray Hill neighborhood, to inquire about a pastor to fill the vacant pulpit. He asked Dr. Van Dyke if he could rec-ommend someone. The doctor told him he could recommend a dozen. The gentleman seemed surprised at that, for he could hardly believe there were a dozen ministers in the land fit to minister to so important a congregation. Dr. Van Dyke named one after another: to each one the preacher-hunter made some objection. One had a weak voice, another wore a black cravat in the pulpit, and

another had a disagreeable delivery. At last the gentleman said: "What we want in our church is a minister that will draw." "Oh, no, my Chris-tian friend," said the doctor, "what you want is a church that will hold. You haven't got it. Twenty congre-gations have passed through your church because you have not had a church that will hold. You want a church that will hold the people when they get into it. The minister cannot hold them. Success depends not half so much upon the minister as upon you, the church."

Every church member should be a drawing card. By the magnetism of his spiritual personality, by the effi-cacy of his prayers, by the power of his sanctified effort, he should draw the people from all classes to the house of the Lord. "Let your light so shine that others may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven." Then shall the church of God prosper greatly and Mount Zion shall rejoice.—Christian Advocate.

Concerning the Bible.

It is impossible to govern the world without God .--- George Washington. The farther the ages advance in cultivation the more the Bible can be

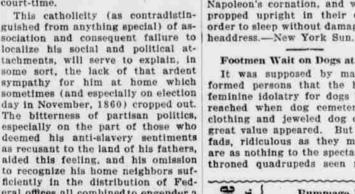
used .- Goethe. Christ proved that He was the Son

of the Elernal by His disregard of time.—Napoleon Bonaparte. A better knowledge of the Chris-tian religion is to be acquired by reading the Bible than in any other -Penjamin Rush. Water all the good from the Saviour of the world is communicated through But for this Book, we this Book. could not know right from wrong. All the things desirable to man are contained in it .--- Abraham Lincoln. the study of what other book By could children be so humanized? If Bible reading is not accompanied by restraint and solemnity I do not be lieve there is anything in which children take more pleasure.-Professor Hurley So great is my veneration for the Bible that the earlier my children be-gin to read it, the more confident will be my hope that they will prove use-ful citizens to their country, and respectable members of society .-- John Quincy Adams. Hold fast to the Bible as the sheet anchor to your liberties. Write its precepts on your hearts and practice them in your lives. To the influence of this Book we are indebted for the progress made in true civilization. and to this we must look as our guide in future .--- Ulysans S. Grant.

Recipe -Cut-out I =

allow his little real estate to get on

I repaired at once to the law-office





start a round of laughter, which stings. I often wish I was back in my Western home. We might not have been what you call 'smart' there, but at least we were sincere and appreciative." Every hostess in New York society knows how this young woman feels. It is the experience of

all women who take trouble to please their guests. Our society has been satiated with good things, and Indifference is the natural result .- New York Press.

Selling a Queen's Gowns. Whether or not the Queen of Italy

cording to one report, these garments

are the perquisites of her majesty's

all went well, so far as the Queen

his life on the circuit, or when he desired to make an extra effort he would hide somewhere, and in silence, isolation and secrecy, by reflection and self-introspection, mature his plans. Nor would he have any stated or especial place to conceal himself: the unused back-room of a law office, or an obscure corner of a clerk's, treasurer's or sheriff's office -or a lonely bedroom of some of the traveling bar-the obscure streets of the village, or the woods or country roads; each and all were alike and serviceable, and equally put in requi sition by him; and by lonely drill and mental discipline, he would grasp and comprehend the whole scope and plan, and all essential details of the case within the compass of his mind in an orderly manner.

As a law student (if his sparse efforts in that line may warrant such designation), it was the same; he would perch himself on top of a wood-pile in the shade, and, as the sun intruded, would grind around in the shade. One day Russell Godby, an irreverant farmer (whom Lincoln used to habitually help in hogkilling time) saw him on top of wood-pile, with a book in his hand. He was astonished at the spectacle. "Mawnin', Abe!" "Mawnin'! 'What's yer readin'?" said he, curiously. "I hain't a readin' - I'm studyin' "-was replied. "What's yer studyin'?" asked Godby. "Law, said Abe, inconically. Godby was almost paralyzed: "Good God Almighty!" gasped he.

His conception, scheme, method

Lincoln's Love of Solitude.

He was not polite or polished exteriorly; his grace and amenities style and pretensions as well. Evi- ing his Bible. client. Upon my return i found him man; let him run the carving.

ill at ease, a very personification of awkwardness and bashfulness. His legs and arms seemed to be in the way; they appeared to be committing was a skeptic. He had tried hard to

a social offense by being there. But be a believer, but his reason could it was seldom that he went into so- not grasp and solve the great probciety anywhere; he preferred the so-ciety of his boon companions of the circuit, or frank solitude. During the might live to see every hope fail, but sitting of the Bloomington Conven- no Christian could live to see his fall, thereupon were guests at Judge when life ended. . . . The only disitors paid the families discovered that these visitors paid the tenants two cents absence. Lincoln was perfectly fa- the summer before he was killed. I milliar with all present, including our was invited out to the Soldiers' house by his unit, including our was invited out to the Soldiers' Home to spend the night. As I anou, in 1856, several of us attendant because fulfilment could only come

When he had a difficult case to de-velop and mature he would be miss-litical defeat. I regret to remember, did affect him: "Fellers, I'm getting that Panky's steak is better cooked. ing; this was more especially true of that, instead of condoling with him. drunk," said he, comically.



ABRAHAM LINCOLN-By Augustus Saint Gaudens

oughly domestic lady of rare attain- | tered the room, near night, he was ments, but of extreme simplicity of sitting near a window intently read-Approaching him, 1 terioriy; his grace and affections; he dently there was no reason for con-was abashed and embarrased in the straint, but as we came into the din-presence of females—in fact, in any ing room the first time Lincoln profitably engaged. 'Well,' said L, 'if kind of genteel society of strangers. adroitly and prematurely sat at a side you have recovered from your skepti-We were once being entertained at of the table. "Why, Mr. Lincoln," clsm, I am sorry to say that I have a private house on the circuit, and said Mrs. Davis, "I expected you to not." Looking me earnestly in the three ladies and he and I were in the take Mr. Davis' place." "I thought | face, and placing his hand on my parlor; he took shelter beneath my so," said he, with a chuckle, "and shoulders, he said, 'You are wrong, wing and got along so-so until I was that's the reason that I hurried up Speed; take all of this Book upon called to the front door to see a and got here. Whitney's a young reason that you can, and the balance on faith, and you will live and die a

happier and better man.' "

Illustrating Thrift.

"I have heard a good many stories illustrating thrift," remarked a Bronx resident, "but the janitor of some new steam-heated flats told me one that beat them all. On Sundays the tenants have a great many visitors, and the janitar discovered that these visitors paid the tenants two cents

hats as at the first of the season. And don't forget to tell the cook An enormous ball of rhinestones is

pale gold.

scriptions.

wanted than last season.

lar is still in good style.

old Indian and cashmere shawls.

corners are no longer permitted.

stockings with instep worked in col-

not to serve any chicken for him this week. His indigestion just now is something awful!"-New York Press.

Helen Couldn't Say No.

Some women are so queer. An ver. East End woman received a morning call recently from an old and dear friend.

fects. "Helen," said the friend, "I want to ask a favor of you, and I don't know just how to do it." She paused again. and giggled slightly.

"Go on," said the other woman. "Well, it's this way, Helen. You

remember that lovely table ornament we saw the other day at Chrystal's, the one you said you'd like? Well, George and I have bought it for you for Christmas, Now, I'm going to have a little dinner Saturday night-George's brother Jim will be in town

-and I want you and Henry to come." "Well?" said the other woman.

"Yes. Well, you see, Helen, I've

just set my heart on using that table ornament Saturday night. And of course I wouldn't use it without your consent-and would you really care dear, if I used it-for, of course, it's really yours, and it couldn't hurt it any. I'm sure, and, and, anyway, you'd be there to see it you wouldn't object, would you?"

So Helen said she wouldn't object and the other woman went away in a cheerful frame of mind .--- Cleveland Plain Dealer.

There is a fringe effect upon the Bad Manners and Boredom Tire Her. newest purses of leather and suede, and it is a fad to have them of the One young woman who came a shade of the gown.

bride from a Western city less than a year ago, and who since then has A new style of petticoat that has occupied a fairly good place in society appeared is no larger at the hem than here, threatens to withdraw from all it is at the hops except for V's of social activity because of the common narrow pleating that are let in to lack of appreciation. "I came here make walking possible. just bubbling over with enthusiasm." Fillets come in different lengths, she said, "but I've lost my respect some to circle the head almost comfor New York society. I've spared pletely, others to circle it half way no expense or trouble in entertaining, and others to simply cross the crown and what has come out of it all? of the head .- New York Sun. ask a score of so called friends to It was at first thought that the redinner. They eat revenously as a turn of the long sleeve meant the rule, just as if they come only to be doom of the bracelet, but this favor-The little civilties, the unfailite of fashion has very happily adapting graciousness, to which I was used ed itself to changed conditions. at home, are missing here. It's all Ruchings figure as one of the most cut-and-dried, and the calls or little becoming fads of the season. They notes of thanks I receive are all stereotyped. I give a cotiliion, and my

are pleated very full and fall over favors are forgotten on the seats. the tops of the high collars, suggest-I've even seen the servants picking ing a picture from the Elizabethan them up from the floor and carrying ers. them off. What is one to do with a Blou on of colored net to wear with tailored suits are made over a spirit like that? I plan decorations

for a week, and there's never a complain lining, tucked all over, and finpliment. Everything is taken for ished off with collar and cuffs of granted. If there's any comment at pompadour silk in the same shade as all, it's criticism, made under the the net.

made in several designs and in oak. mission and mahogany. When not in the most popular hatpin ornament. use the segments are fitted in a crate Black hats must be intensely black and stored away.

This table i

and white as purely white as possible. But the manufacturer has not stopped with this invention. He is Touches of copper are coming in offering another device for enlarging to rival the much used gold and sila table, called a banquet table top, which may be fastened to any kind of Grey net and chiffon tulle are in table, oblong, round or square in the height of fashion for tunic efshape. This top consists of eight segments which come in a crate fitted Heels, having risen almost to an with casters and may be stored away absurd height, are now coming down easily when not in use. The tops make practically the same sized tables Bronze is a new shade and looks as the kind described above, and are something like a copper touched with made in even more varieties of wood

-plain wood if a tablecloth is to be Flame color is much to the front used on it, fine or fancy wood if for gowns and trimmings of all dedoilies or lace mats are to be used. The prices for these tops and for the round extension tables are reasonable.

Fewer gauzy materials and more -New Haven Register. substantial weaves will probably be



Molasses Gingerbread .--- One cup straight up and down line; flaring good molasses, one-half cup sugar, one-half cup butter, one cup hot Pearled chiffons that looks as if water, one teaspoonful soda, one-half drops of dew had spattered them are teaspoonful ginger, one-half tea-spoonful salt. Bake in a shallow pan the newest designs for evening gowns. Among the novel Paris hosiery in a quick oven. there are black pure thread silk

Breakfast Cream .--- Beat the white of one egg very light, add to one quart of scalding water (not boiling) milk; add one teaspoonful of sugar. let stand over night. If you have guests at breakfast they will not dispute you when you pass the "cream."

Braised Beef .- Take three pounds of round steak and put in covered gcon. baking dish. Then add one cup cold water, two medium onions cut fine, a little salt. Lay two slices of salt pork on top. Bake three hours and when done thickes the gravy with a little flour and serve.

Green Pea and Rice Soup .--- Open a can of green yeas, put under a faucet and rinse thoroughly, then drain; boil one-half cup of rice in milk till soft, add stock, the peas, tablespoonful of butter and teaspoonfal sugar, little sait and pepper; if liked, a little flour mixed with milk and stirred in. Cook one-half hour altogether.

Egg and Cheese Salad .--- Slice ten hard-boiled eggs and place a layer on small lettuce leaves arranged on s platter. Grate over this a thick covering of cheese, then a few finely chopped pickles, then the eggs, cheese and so on until the eggs are used up. Put salad dressing over each mound and tablespoon of cheese on top of this.

Independent-or What?

There is no freedom in serving our own will. "I usually carry a cigar with me," sold a man who smokes but little, "as a sort of declaration of independence." He means, "as evidence that I am not ready to be in-dependent"-but he would not have liked to put it just that way. To by independent of self is the only independence that brings real freedom. But independence of self is possible ouly by genuine bondage to One who is bottor than self. "Free, as bond-servants," said Peter. Happy is the man who is independent enough to be the slave of Christ .-- Sunday-School Times.

A Good Rule.

When you hear an ill report about anyone, balve and quarter it and then cay nothing about the rest .- Spug-

Trouble With the Theatre.

The trouble with the theatre as a reacher is that the evil it has drowns the good that it says.

God is Love. 11'3 a solemn thing when the thought of our Judge has nothing but fear in it.

Morgan's Cigar Habit.

Here is a possible explanation of the strong predilection J. Plerpont Morgan has for cigars. According to the United States Tobacco Journal, the Chester School, of Water-bury, which the financier once attended, has sued a man in Hamden, Conn., for a year's board and tuition for his son. The defendant makes the answer for his refusal to pay that the school officials and teachers used tobacco in the presence of the pupils. thereby encouraging them to contract the habit.

"When I knew him, in early life, he

Speed on Lincoln's Religion.