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EVENING MEETING.

After Mr. Noyes's late Talk, "The Happier Way," had been read Mr. Woolworth remarked: "I believe this is sound doctrine, and practical too. The spirit of God that has planted this Community leads right to that, if rightly carried out. I am sure of this from my own experience. It will lead every one of us toward that platform, and to Paul, if we are faithful to it. There should be no distraction in serving the Lord. I believe it is true that our happiness lies right here, in serving God with a single-eyed spirit, without distraction. This is not a mere matter of duty: our happiness and highest pleasure and satisfaction consist in it. I confess my union with Mr. Noyes on this platform of freedom from all distraction.

"I thought the Talk read last evening contained some very valuable advice and important suggestions; particularly about quitting, altogether, this talk concerning schemes and projects that we have not any capital to spend upon. I believe we have wasted, or squandered a good deal of time and life in talking over these impracticable projects. I think we ought to quit it. I believe it is true, as Mr. Noyes says, that it is the habit of the spendthrift. We shall not get rich till we get out of all these habits."

Mr. Woolworth's remarks were generally endorsed, and nearly all expressed a desire to serve the Lord without distraction—serve him with a pure heart.

W. P., March 26.—A few evenings ago the family discussed the expediency of buying some hens. The most serious objection to keeping these fowls was thought by one of the machinists to be that they would disturb the slumbers of the family and awaken persons at unseasonable hours by *crowing*. Another member thought that an economical way to keep hens, would be to keep them one night, and have them served up on the table next day. All objections were however overruled and to-day Myron bought twenty-six hens.

J. H. N. walked through the Trap and Silk shops this afternoon.

There was a ladies' meeting at 3 P. M. yesterday, held in the upper sitting-room. The object of the meeting was to discuss the subject of economy in clothing, time, and labor. All feel ambitious to cooperate with the men in getting rid of such hired help as we can, and feel good heart and courage to do the house cleaning, washing, and fruit-preserving, ourselves. With a resurrection spirit we can do double the work and feel it less. We desire a godly ambition for making money. It was thought to have a good effect—a wholesome restraint—for folks to keep an account of their expenses. Several have done so this year and said they had found it good for them.

After the meeting was closed, a large bundle of clothes that had been outgrown by the older children were distributed to the mothers for the smaller ones.

DEAR DAILY.—The appeal made through your sheet yesterday on the subject of *rubbish*, reminds me to say that it would help us wonderfully if our friends would only take a *negative* attitude in the matter, and avoid *scattering* the rubbish. You have no idea what a help it would be.

I have an amendment to offer to that appeal of yesterday. I should deprecate any *extension* of borders, until folks can take care of what they already have.

LAWN.

Mr. Bradley has had an evening Arithmetic class this winter with a few of the men boarding at the B. H. C. He says they have been very enthusiastic and eager to learn. A few days since he closed the class. As a token of their appreciation of his kindness to them they presented him with a paper sack containing thirty oranges and twenty-four lemons.

Another splendid morning and the children are reveling in the sunshine. Mr. Hatch says they are all well now, every one. After they are dressed in the morning, they are not unfrequently permitted to make a circuit round the brick house. This they enjoy immensely, and it gives them blooming cheeks and sparkling eyes, and a better relish for their breakfast.

Thank God for so many good and happy children.

Mr. Conant says the spring work is getting along

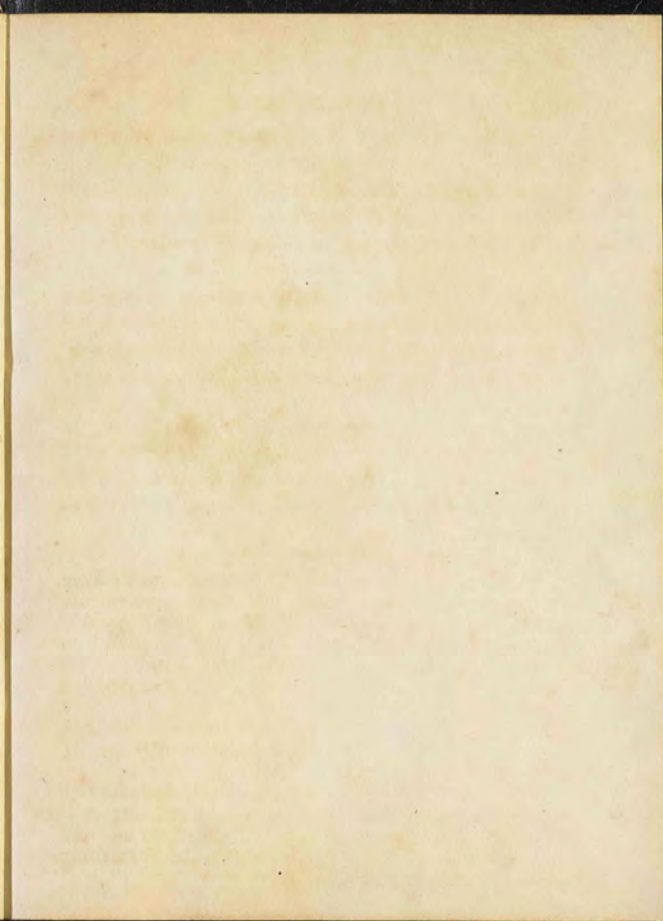
nicely. He has daily applications for work from men and boys. Some of them are so earnest in their entreaties for work that it is difficult to turn them away. He thinks we ought to have the job of hiring men to build a railroad. We should not have to advertise.

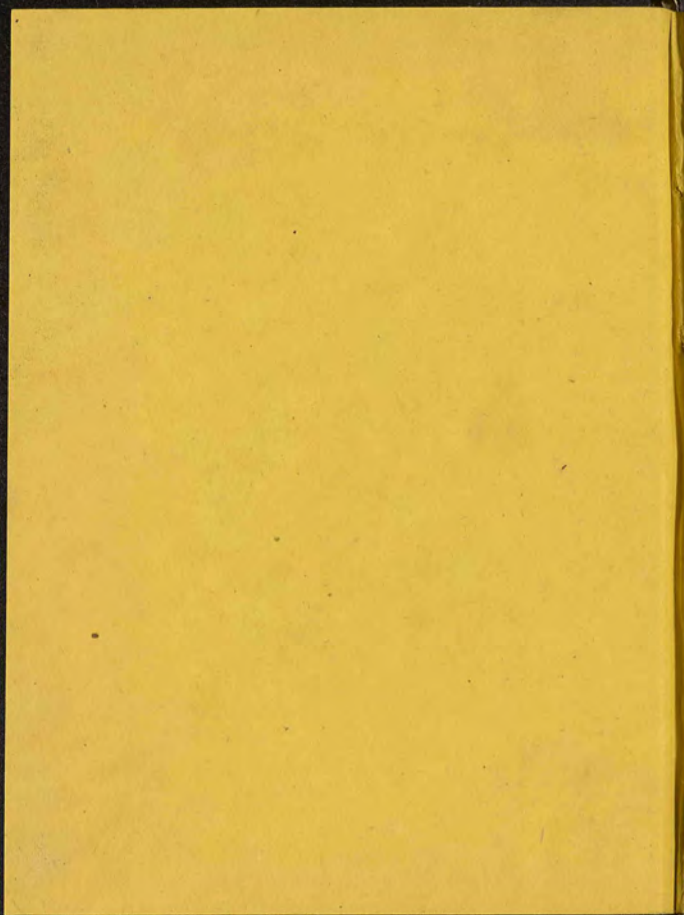
Mr. Nash continues to make progress. Yesterday he went to the wood-shed and split wood for some length of time. Of course he could wield the ax with only one hand, but he succeeded in demolishing quite a log.

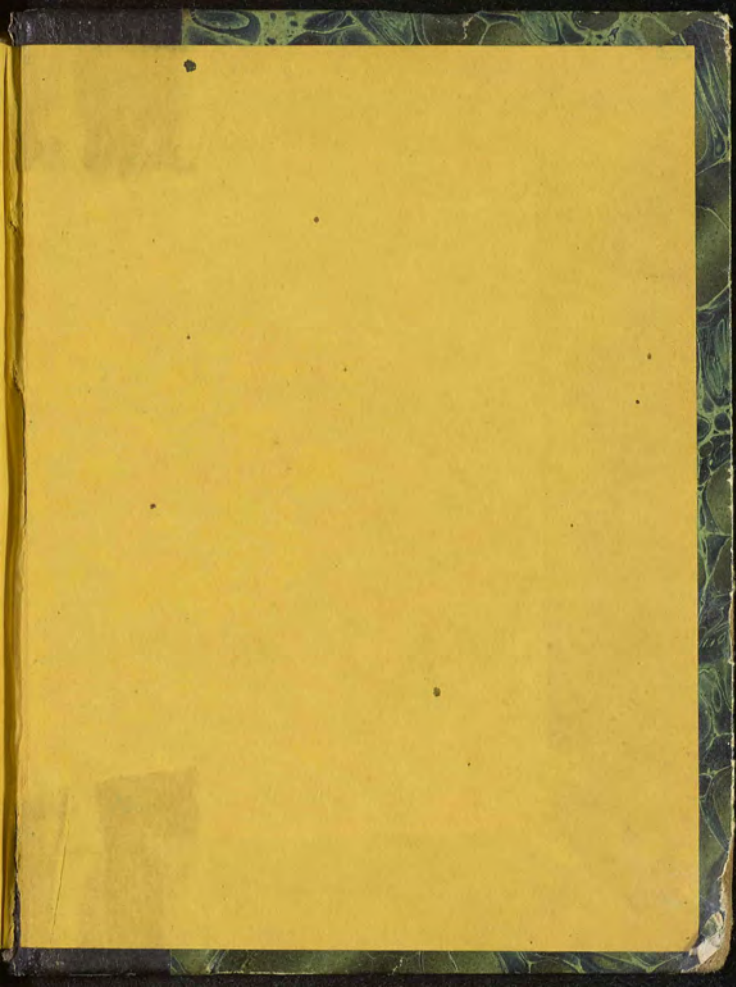
We have just heard that Mr. Noyes intends to leave for W. C. to night, taking Mrs. Skinner with him. We are thankful to have had them with us even for so short a time.

Yesterday, Mr. Noyes and Theodore were looking over the ground to see where we could concentrate and substitute our own folks for hired help. By discontinuing the DAILY it will throw four women into the work, and so dismiss three hired hands. This proposal met with hearty approval and it was decided to put it into execution at once. There will be a journal in manuscript sent to the different families, and we are much pleased to announce Mrs. S. B. Campbell as the journalist.

As we close to-day, we would like to express our gratitude for our friends' forbearance with our mistakes, the sympathy they have extended to us, and the kindness and willingness shown in furnishing items. Thanks to you all.









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