

Selected Story.

A FEW BOARDERS.

"My dear," said Mr. Peter Pensico, to his wife, "don't you think it would be a good idea for us to take a few boarders?" "Boarders!" echoed Mrs. Peter Pensico. "What for?" "To turn an honest penny, my dear," said Mr. Pensico. "Pshaw!" said Mrs. Pensico. "Times are hard," said Mr. Pensico. "But you've got money enough," retorted his wife, with a toss of her curly head. "Sylvia," said Mr. Pensico, gravely, "do you know that nobody ever has money enough?" "No," said Mrs. Pensico, shelling away with great vigor at the pan of lima beans in her lap. "I don't know anything of the sort." "Just think how nice it would sound," said Mr. Peter Pensico, with his eyes half closed and his head on one side, "Select board for a few gentlemen, in a cottage on the Hudson—fine view—excellent boating—plenty of shade—milk and vegetables—terms moderate. I think I see it now in the columns of the paper." "I thought you erected this cottage to please me!" said Mrs. Pensico, raining down the emerald shower of lima beans at a double-click rate. "So I did, my dear—so I did," responded her husband. "But why shouldn't we please a few select boarders too?" "Mr. Pensico was a retired grocer, 'fat and forty,' if not 'fair.' Mrs. Pensico had been a pretty ward school-teacher, full twenty years younger than her husband, who had boarded at the same house as the dealer in nuts, spices and moist sugars. Love is like the whooping cough, a more dangerous disease the older you grow. Mr. Pensico took it very hard—so hard, indeed, that he married Sylvia Smith at the end of a fortnight's acquaintance, and took her to live in a pretty little cottage on the Hudson. "You are a jewel, my dear," said Mr. Peter Pensico; "and I mean to place you in an appropriate setting." But as the conflagration of his young love died into a more steady and uneven flame, Mr. Pensico's old spirit of thrift arose within him. Love in a cottage was all very charming, but the wages of cook, chambermaid and handyman counted up amazingly at the end of the month. A cow grazing in the meadow was picturesque, to be sure, but the feedbills were something to shudder at. Sylvia in white muslins was an adorable object; but it sometimes occurred to Mr. Pensico's perturbed brain that calicoes would have been more economical, viewed from the laundress' standpoint. In short, Love and Economy were as daggers drawn in the noble soul of the ex-grocery man. "Don't you think it's a good idea, my love?" persisted Mr. Pensico, brushing a fly away from the circular bald spot on the top of his head. "No, I don't," said Mrs. Pensico. "But why not?" "I don't like the idea of keeping a tavern," retorted the bride. "My dear," said Mr. Pensico, "you exaggerate. A few select boarders—" "A few select fiddlesticks!" interrupted Mrs. Pensico, as she rose up, flinging the lima bean pods all over the floor. Mr. Pensico looked at his wife with a calm and speculative eye. "She don't like boarders," pondered he. "And she don't like to submit, as a wife should, to her husband's authority. Good! I'll enforce both questions, or I'll know the reason why!" And Mr. Peter Pensico sat down to write the advertisement whose glowing periods had been floating in fragmentary radiance through his brain for the last five or ten minutes. "I won't take boarders!" said Sylvia. "My dear," said Peter, "you will do just precisely—as I think best." "We'll see!" cried out Mrs. Pensico. "A woman ought to be proud to have an opportunity of helping her husband on in the world," oracularly observed Mr. Pensico. "I believe the richest people in the world are always the meanest," said Sylvia, with a jerk of her pretty brown curls. "Economy, my dear—economy!" said Mr. Pensico. "Take care of the pence, and the pounds will take care of themselves." "A penny saved is a penny earned." "Money makes money." "And Mrs. Pensico, fairly overwhelmed by this cataract of proverbs, ceased her unavailing remonstrances. And, after all, what good would they do?"

(Conclusion in our next.)

A Garden Party—an old rake. It was George D. Prntice who declined to discuss the question of woman suffrage, because he had considered woman, from the creation, as a side issue. AT THE CATTLE SHOW.—Gentleman, with solemnity—"Miss Florence, do you love beasts?" Lady, with vivacity—"Am I to consider that as a proposal?"

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