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I

A BIRTHDAY GIFT

MISS EMELINE PARLOW carefully wrung out her dish-cloth, wiped the last drop of moisture from her shining dish-pan, and stepped across the room to hang it methodically on the nail consecrated to its use between "the little spider" and the long iron spoon. An empty nail at the right of the sink seemed more convenient, but that had belonged for years to the saucepan now drying on the stove, so of course it was not to be thought of. If you had pressed her for information, Miss Emeline would doubtless have admitted that there are worse possible crimes in the world than hanging your possessions elsewhere than on the hereditary nail; but from her daily walk and conversation you would never have guessed that fact.

As she turned to the sink, her glance fell upon the advertising calendar which simpered incongruously beneath an austere kitchen clock.

"Humph," she ejaculated, seizing her sink cloth and beginning to polish the surface of her sink with great vigor. Even under ordinary circumstances, Miss Emeline would quite as soon have gone to