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DEDICATION.

To the memory of my mother, to whom I owe my earliest aspirations towards
house-keeping and home-making.

PREFACE.

SOLOMON says of a *virtuous woman*, "She openeth her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue is the law of kindness; she looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness." To open the mouth with wisdom one must know a thing well herself, and then only can she direct others. When engaging a woman to help in the household, know well yourself what you expect of her and state clearly—are you willing to do such and such work for so much? It is a business agreement—the one who accepts the situation is bound to perform the work, and the one who engages her is bound to pay. The method of performing the work varies in different families, so, until the routine is understood, the housekeeper, with "the law of kindness," should be willing to direct and show the way she wishes the work done. If the one employed proves herself *mistress of the situation* (not servant, or serving her work, but mastering it for the housekeeper, therefor), a helper, the machinery of the house will run smoothly, and there will also be time for rest and recreation. If the one employed cannot accomplish that which is expected (observing still "the law of kindness") she should be dismissed, or resign the situation and look for another where there is not so much expected, and where, doing faithfully as far as she does know, she will fit herself gradually for a more advanced position; and housekeepers should do all in their power to develop the latent talent of their working sisters, and to encourage them to right thinking and so to right acting.

Trusting this little book will be a help to the inexperienced housekeeper and waitress, I send it forth "In His Name."

A "KING'S DAUGHTER."