

## HOME CIRCLE COLUMN

Pleasant Evening Reveries dedicated to tired Mothers as they Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

### DANCING AWAY GOLDEN HOURS.

Our young people must be taught that "all is not gold that glitters" and that "fine dress does not make the man or woman." We must begin right if we expect to rear our children up to contentment and happiness. Teach them to be industrious and not idle away their life. There are so many young people to-day that are living only in the present, dancing away golden hours, when they should be thinking, studying and working. Girls should be taught how to manage and keep house while with mother. As she grows older, let the mantle gradually fall from mother's shoulders on to hers, when she is called to a home of her own she will not feel at a loss. She will know how and where to begin. We know there are mothers now toiling to keep grown girls from work and when they are able and would willingly do it, had they not been brought up with the idea instilled into their heads that young ladies must not harm their beauty by work. A girl can never have a better chance to show off her charms than by presiding over the home. A mother should teach her daughter that her place, when not at school, is at her mother's side, helping her provide comforts for the family, not in reading novels and riding bicycles. When our girls are brought up to be industrious, sensible women we will hear less complaint of having to work hard, and less complaint of their husbands. If a man is poor he is obliged to work hard to supply his family with substantial food and clothing, and if his wife is a true woman she will be his helpmate and the world will hear no complaint.

### MOTHER'S INFLUENCE.

We were somewhat startled the other day to hear a learned lawyer of matured years and wide influence say: "Every child is five-sixths mother and one-sixth father."

### How is that?

How can it be otherwise when you consider the closeness of the tie between the mother and the child? It is actually bone of her bone and flesh of her flesh. During the early formative period the child is most entirely under the influence and guidance of the mother. A wise observer of human development has said: "Give me a child during the first five years of his existence and I will make him what I please. It is in babyhood when the mind is soft and impressionable, that it receives the indelible marks for good or evil. The father is away from home busy with affairs, the bread winner earning by the sweat of his brow protection for his wife and means of educating them, while the mother is with them constantly, forming their minds, their disposition and establishing their principles permanently. The power of the mother over the child is almost

absolute. She may praise or punish as she will. In her home she is the dictator and may rule as a despot, exacting obedience from a rebellious horde or as an angel diffusing sweetness and light into every corner and cranny of her kingdom. Thus the power and influence of women, the quiet, secret, hidden, are the heart and homes of the land, is infinitely powerful and far reaching.

The following was written by a grandmother who highly appreciates our Home Circle Department. Her advice is certainly good and we gladly give it space. (Ed.)

As I am verging on the land of dotage and much of a child myself, if the children will follow me into my cool, roomy kitchen, we will have a social chat this lovely morning, and as boys have a talent for combining pleasure with business, they will excuse me if I air a few of my opinions while I string my beans for dinner and mould my butter for market. You know, boys, when sent to the spring for a pitcher of water, the reason you stay so long is you stop to poke the frog on the stone, yoke the lizards and chink the saucy squirrels, etc.

All children, from the tiny prattler to the blooming maiden and happy frolic, some young man, have a tender place in my heart. I have a great many friends among them. They are to me what the sun is to the flower, and what the flower is to the bee; and without them life would be as blank as a snow-capped mountain. I would love to take each one of you by the hand, and tell you how much I love you; but my pen will record the feeling of my heart.

Dear children, I hope you all realize what a treasure you have in the mother love that cares for you so tenderly. So many miss the deep, speechless love on which their lives have been nourished and hunger and thirst for it.

Father is tender in his solicitude, but there is not love like mother. If angels walk the earth and keep special eyes on little children, they must be sad when so many little ones call in vain for mamma.

Why don't you say "Let's try to get through with our work and go to the woods Saturday for a picnic?" You think you can't spare the time, eh? When your boys get disgusted and leave home to try city life, then perhaps you can see where you could have spent many a day with your family, or taken them into the city for a day.

We sometimes envy the wealthy the beautiful pictures that adorn their walls, and yet what is a sunset on a wall compared with a sunset hung in loops of fire in the heavens? Without money and without price we can all view the royal gallery of the noon-day heavens, the King's gallery of the midnight sky.

### THE WOMAN'S GAME

(London Pictorial)

Was there ever a game we did not share,  
Brother of mine?  
Or a day when I did not play you fair,  
Brother of mine?  
"As good as a boy," you used to say,  
And I was as eager for the fray,  
And as loath to cheer or to run away,  
Brother of mine!  
You are playing the game that is straight and true,  
Brother of mine,  
And I'd give my soul to stand next to you,  
Brother of mine.  
The spirit, indeed, is still the same;  
I should not shrink from the battle's flame,  
Yet here I stay—at the woman's game,  
Brother of mine!  
If the last price must needs be paid,  
Brother of mine,  
You will go forward, unafraid,  
Brother of mine.  
Death can so small a part destroy,  
You will have known the fuller joy—  
Ah! I would that I had been born a boy,  
Brother of mine!

### "Drums Afar"

War is the background for most of our thoughts to-day, and a novel without a war tinge would seem almost out of keeping. In "Drums Afar," the new novel by John Murray Gibbon, the war interest is kept subdued, till the latter part of the story, which indeed vibrates with echoes of the great conflict. Canada plays its part in this international romance, the author obtaining some vivid local color from a Patriotic Fund Campaign and from the sailing of the first Canadian Expeditionary Force. Described in a subtitle as an international romance, "Drums Afar" has as its hero a happy-go-lucky young Englishman who after three years of Oxford University with vacations in Germany and France, becomes director of an illustrated weekly newspaper in London. The charms of an American girl lead him to the United States, where he arrives just on the outbreak of the War. All through the pictures of life at Newport, Rhode Island at Chicago and at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, the drums of war are heard beating ever louder. On the one hand is the call of the Mother Country; on the other is the prospect of a luxurious ease in a country of mixed races, which at the time of the story was aiming to be neutral. It is the influence of Canada, however, which brings the hero to his great decision—a decision which first entangles and then disentangles the skeins of love woven into the story. "Drums Afar" is published in London and New York by John Lane, and in Toronto by S. B. Gundy of the Oxford University Press, who also published "Hearts & Faces," the well-known novel by the same author.

## TIME SHOULD BE CONSERVED

Good Way is to Work on Schedule, Doing the Tasks of the Day by Card System.

To do your various housewifely tasks—whether that includes working your own vacuum cleaner, making your own war bread and tending your own baby, or simply the more complicated task of directing ten servants—in any way but on a schedule—is a luxury and an extravagance, declares a student of home economics. You may like to do it without putting the work on a systematic basis. You may be too temperamental or too indolent to feel inclined to follow a schedule; but not to do so means to waste time, your own and other people's, and that is just what neither you nor anyone else has any right to do during these war days.

The housewife has her task of conserving food supervised and directed by the food administration, and she entrusts the task of providing her with enough coal to the fuel administration. The department of labor takes it upon itself to conserve infant life and through widespread educational work to cut down infant and child mortality. Trees are conserved and wheat is conserved and tin is conserved. Doesn't it seem as if there ought to be a time conservator? Time this summer is as precious as these other things we have been conserving. Without making the best use of our time we shall not have time to roll surgical dressings of which the Red Cross is in such dire need. You could not tend your war garden or do any of the dozen other extra duties you have taken upon yourself to do. Really every woman must be a time conservation department unto herself. The best way to make the best of your time is to work on a schedule and to make a wise schedule for all the people who work under your direction.

Such a schedule is easily kept if you write down each day's required tasks on a plain card. The seven cards can be fastened together and hung up in a convenient place, the cards to be turned back to the right place as the days go by as a constant reminder.

## FAVORITE MONTH FOR BRIDES

June Destined to Hold the Place Dear to the Heart of the Wife-to-Be—Bridal Gowns.

June has many glories, but no one that rivals its favor as a bridal month. That war should give its romance an added thrill may well invest its flowered splendor with a new significance dear to sentiment and vital to promoters of the picturesque. The bride has the center of the stage, particularly when she has a soldier beside her. His raiment is fixed by code. Her's has more latitude, yet fashion arrogantly prescribes methods for her also. Veils have their own vagaries, at the brow and in their length. Yet types are close, as every woman knows, to a prevailing ideal, as for example, in the persistent shortness of skirts no matter whether the veil be long or short. The result is to recall the quaint days of Watteau, when silppers played so pretty a part in the pictorial scheme of things. Eyes and smiles, it may be remarked, are still in fashion!

## IS HANDY FOR SUMMER WEAR



Rather distinctive besides utilitarian is this handy slip-on sweater. It is made of silk knit that is light enough for the hottest weather.

### Gingham Silks.

Because good ginghams have gone up in price, and because the cheaper ginghams are not desirable, cross bar and plaid volles are taking their places. The gingham silks, a mixture of silk and cotton, and in pattern like gingham, will do doubt become popular as the season advances.

## PRESBYTERY MEETING

(Continued from Tuesday, last.)

At the opening of the afternoon session the Rev. Mr. MacLeod, of Lanark reported on behalf of Systematic Giving. He made a strong appeal for the increase of stipend for ministers receiving the minimum salary. He intimated that Synod had allocated \$29,400 as this Presbytery's share of the budget. He asked that a full campaign be inaugurated in line with recommendations of the Synod, and also a deputation of Presbytery should visit the several congregations. The motion arising out of the discussion was made to this effect: That a Committee be appointed to look into the high cost of living as it affected the ministers of this Presbytery and report the same at the next meeting of Presbytery.

The call from Park street church, Halifax, in favor of Rev. A. L. Fraser, of Smith's Falls, was then presented. It was well signed by members and adherents of that church and promised a stipend of \$2,000 with four weeks' holidays and free use of manse. Rev. J. C. MacLeod, of Lanark, and Rev. W. M. Grant, of Perth, prosecuted the call in behalf of the Presbytery of Halifax, and the congregation of Park street church respectively. Mr. MacLeod, in making his appeal for the translation of Mr. Fraser, pointed out the many advantages of living in the city of Halifax with all its historic associations. He also referred to the recent disaster in that city, and the necessity of reconstructive work in the congregation.

He believed that Park street church, which has always been favored in having ministers of outstanding ability in its pulpit, offered to Mr. Fraser a rare opportunity for his gifts as a preacher of Park street church said that he felt honored to be the spokesman for such a church, and assured the court of his intimate and organizer. The literary and musical advantages of the city with the accessibility of the university shall appeal to Mr. Fraser's family. Mr. Grant is speaking on behalf of the congregation of the congregation as a student, and on the occasions of recent visits to his father, who is an elder there. He believed the reputation of the pulpit of Park street church will be kept up and indeed enhanced should Mr. Fraser become the pastor. The opportunities are unique. The congregation is situated in the very centre of the university life and the ministers of that church would have a large influence upon the students during the most impressionable age of their lives. They want some one to put heart in them again after their recent misfortune. Mr. Fraser's experiences in Smith's Falls fits him for this.

Mr. Wm. Hyndman and Mr. J. H. Stewart spoke on behalf of the session of Smith's Falls. They both referred to the excellent work done by Mr. Fraser since he became pastor there four years ago. They thought his work was not completed and now Mr. Fraser was in a position to do better work in the future than had been done in the past. A large delegation of men spoke on behalf of the Management Committee and other organizations of the church. Mr. McDonald was of the opinion that the very same reasons advanced by Park street church for Mr. Fraser's translation were the very same reasons for Mr. Fraser remaining in Smith's Falls. Mr. George Frost, speaking more particularly on behalf of the young people, said that Mr. Fraser had a strong influence among the young people, was a good mixer and had especially interested himself in the Curling Club, and had taken a large place in the public life of the town. Mr. W. H. Frost, who has appeared no less than seven times on behalf of the Smith's Falls congregation at one time and another dating back to the Rev. Dr. Crombie's days said that it was a thing to him to have to come to advocate the retention of a minister and particularly of Mr. Fraser, who was so universally well liked. Westminister church was a difficult congregation to handle. It needed a man and Mr. Fraser was that man. How Mr. Frost could see the matter from other points of view and recognized that opportunities came to most men and if Mr. Fraser regarded this as his opportunity why the congregation must gracefully acquiesce. He raised a laugh when he quoted a maxim: "Go west, young man, go west," and believed Mr. Fraser would do better to go West than East. However if Mr. Fraser should choose to go to Halifax they would obtain one of the best men in Canada. Mr. J. A. McDonald believed Smith's Falls was the place for Mr. Fraser, and it would be a set back to Westminister which is only now properly united should it lose the services of its present pastor. Mr. P. Whitcomb made an eloquent plea for the retention of Mr. Fraser. He said it was providential for Westminister church that Mr. Fraser had come to them four years ago, and during that time the union then consummated has been made more binding. Missions have doubled and trebled. Speaking of Mr. Fraser's pulpit ability he paid high tribute to his inventive turn of mind, and said that all were delighted with the discourses of the able pastor. Mr. Grant, of Perth, when asked if he had anything further to say, remarked that Park street church authorized him to say that Mr. Fraser's expenses to Halifax would be paid.

Mr. Fraser, then called upon to express his mind, intimated his desire to accept the call because he believed it his duty both to himself and his family to go. It was a large work which was calling him. For some time now Mr. Fraser has been inclined to offer himself for work overseas. His duties at Halifax would be more of the nature of war work. Families, having suffered as a direct result of the war are needing consolation and encouragement in that direction he believed his duties tended.

Presbytery granted the translation to take effect after Sunday, September 22, and Mr. W. M. Grant, of Perth, to be the interim moderator of session. Mr. A. D. Fraser, of Appleton was appointed convener of Foreign Missions instead of Mr. A. L. Fraser. Presbytery was called upon by the moderator to spend a few minutes in prayer in behalf of the congregations affected, and Mr. Fraser.

A call was presented to the Rev. J. Houghton from Port Elmsley and Rideau Ferry. The call offered \$300.00

## LANARK

from the Krs.

The death occurred on Sunday, in the Smiths Falls General Hospital, of Sarah Louise Thrall, wife of Mr. William E. Wright of our village. The news came as a severe shock to friends and relatives. The deceased had not been in her usual health for the past year, and was taken seriously ill on Thursday last. On Saturday the doctor advised an immediate operation and Mrs. Wright was conveyed to Smiths Falls that evening. All aid was in vain as she passed away very peacefully at noon on Sunday. Sarah Louise Thrall was born in Mallorytown sixty one years ago. She was married to Wm. E. Wright forty-one years ago and has resided in Lanark for that time. Besides her husband, she leaves to mourn the loss of a loving mother, two daughters and four sons.

A quiet wedding took place in Toronto at the Dunn Avenue Methodist manse, on Friday, Sept. 6th, 1918, when Miss Ella V. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Boyle of Watson's Corners was united in marriage to Mr. William E. Tiffin of Thamesville, Ont., Rev. Young officiating.

The home of Mr. Jas. F. Robertson, Halls Mills, was the scene of a pleasant gathering on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 4th, when his youngest daughter, Mary E., was united in marriage with Mr. Joseph Jensen, by Rev. Wm. Merrilee.

## Given Warning

One of the up-north visitors to the Industrial Exhibition sat on the beach at the Island and watched a fat woman cavorting in the sea. The tide rose gradually, but he didn't know that such a thing as a tide existed.

So he sat there watching the fat woman with a superior smile, and the tide rose higher and higher, and finally a little wave splashed over his foot.

He hopped up and yelled: "Hey, there! Quite yer jumpin' up and down, ye fat lumpus. Do ye want to drown me?"

## The Man Who Complains

"Our food restrictions," said a Congressman, "are necessary and not onerous." The man who complains about them is more or less of a Wash White.

"Wash White, a hired hand on a North Carolina farm, said that the farmer's wife was too gosh-darned mean for him.

"Why, only this mornin'," he said the old skindint asked me if I knowed how many buckwheat cakes I'd eat.

"None," I says, "None, I don't count my mouthfuls," I says kind of sarcastic.

"Well, Washin'ton," says she, "that last cake o' yours was the eighty-seventh."

"Gee, gosh! but that made me mad!" said Wash. "Yep, it made me so mad I hopped up from the table and rushed out to work without my breakfast."

Government are investigating rubbers on fruit preserve jars, as there are indications that they are poisoned.

The first keel was laid at Victoria, B.C., on Monday of a contract for twenty ships for the French Government, and another vessel was launched.

Four firms at Montreal signed an agreement for the duration of the war guaranteeing that ship construction shall be uninterrupted by any labor difficulty.

per year and free use of manse and holidays.

Mr. Taylor presented the Home Mission report, four ordained ministers and two ladies within the bounds of Presbytery having served the Home Mission Board during the past summer. These were Rev. J. J. Monds, of Carleton Place; Rev. J. W. S. Lowry, of Franktown; Rev. W. M. Grant, of Perth, and the Rev. Mr. H. G. Steers, of White Lake, ministers, and Misses McLaren, of Knox church, Perth and Timm, of Beachburg. The Presbytery expressed its appreciation of the services of these people and also of the ministers, sessions and congregations which looked after the work during the absence of the missionaries.

Leave of absence was granted to Rev. Mr. McKenzie, of Pakenham, for four months services in Home Mission fields during the winter if suitable arrangements can be made, Mr. Cliff to be interim moderator.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in Carleton Place, Zion church, on October 23rd.

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Mr. A. M. Shepherd, of Smiths Falls, writes: "My stomach was in such bad condition that I could not eat anything without suffering. Before I had taken half a dozen doses of your remedy I felt fine, and could eat anything without being affected. I strongly recommend it for stomach trouble."

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