

'THE IDEAL GIRL'

Eloquent Discourse by Rev. Mr. Malott on the Model Member of the Gentler Sex

An immense congregation assembled at Victoria avenue Methodist church Sunday night to hear Rev. F. E. Malott's sermon on "The Ideal Girl." Before the service began every seat was taken, but through-out the entire service everyone gave the closest attention. The Rev. Dr. Hanson opened the service with prayer. Without preliminary announcement Mr. Malott gave out his text and began the discussion of his theme. The text was taken from Proverbs 31, 29: "Many daughters have done virtuously but thou excellest them all." These are the closing words of the description of the ideal woman given in the book of Proverbs. The picture given here is in pleasing contrast to the darker sketches of woman given in the earlier chapters of this book.

Many writers, both ancient and modern, have depicted the ideal woman, and what may be said of the ideal woman may nearly all be said of the ideal girl, for the girl is mother to the woman. What girls would like to be when they have stepped over the border line between girlhood and womanhood they should aim at being.

A rapid review of the writings of the great poets, dramatists and novelists revealed the fact that literature abounds in pictures of ideal women and girls, but there are almost no male characters in these same writings that are entirely heroic. So that the girl who wants to be an ideal girl will have no lack of models if she reads the best literature. Mr. Malott then named and dwelt upon some of the qualities of the ideal girl.

1. She will be industrious. All the Greek and Hebrew writers depict the ideal woman as a model of industry. It is said of the woman of the text that "she worketh willingly with her hands." It is interesting to note that "wife" originally meant weaver and "spinster" meant spinner pointing back to the time when spinning and weaving were a part of the household duties of the mother and her daughters. Times have changed but the household problem is the same to day, and the ideal girl will not leave all the work for her mother. While many lines of work are open to women and girls to-day—and it is to their credit that so many are earning their living—nothing should keep a girl from learning the noble art of housekeeping.

2. The ideal girl will put character before clothes. Clothes are important, and the value of being well dressed was not underestimated by the speaker, but in the great importance of cultivating those qualities of character that are the truest ornaments of a girl or woman, "Strength and dignity are her clothing," says the writer of Proverbs.

3. The ideal girl will be a lady. Lady meant originally "loaf-kneader," then "loaf-giver." The wife of the Lord of the manor was the bread maker and the bread dispenser, giving food not only to her own household but to the poor. Of the ideal woman of the text it is said:

"She spreadeth out her hand to the poor, She reacheth forth her hand to the needy."

The first mark of a true lady is kindness. And her tongue will be in league with her hand. "In her tongue is the law of kindness." Tennyson says of Isabel, his ideal girl, that "the summer calm of golden charity was on her lips, she was right to the heart and brain and a hate of gossip, parlance crowned her through all her placid life." Another mark of a lady is modesty. Mrs. Mahood writing in The Nineteenth Century, declares "the extreme want of reserve, dignity and self respect," which in her opinion so largely characterize the girls of to-day. Whether she is right or not in her estimate, modesty is one mark of a lady. Another mark of a true lady is dignity. Natural dignity and grace learned in nature's school.

In closing Mr. Malott said the ideal girl will be a Christian. He dwelt on what Christianity has done for woman, and said that if any one ought to be a Christian a girl ought. The sermon was rich in illustration, drawn from literature and every day life, and almost universal praise of the sermon was given by the people as the large audience left the church.

The music was good. The special numbers being the ladies' quartette by Miss Jackson, Miss Clements, Miss Dyer and Miss Craft, and the chorus by Miss Ella Groves' class that was exceedingly well given.

DESERVED TRIBUTE

The following is clipped from The Canadian Churchman, published in Toronto, of Jan. 4th, and refers to the Christmas held in Holy Trinity Church:

Holy Trinity, Chatham.—This church was very tastefully decorated by the Chatham Guild for the Christmas service. The chancel drapes were white, and festoons of evergreen and holly were prominent, with large Christmas bells. The services on both Sunday and Monday were well attended, and the singing of the choir, under the leadership of Mrs. R. V. Bray, was much appreciated. Two celebrations of the Holy Communion were held, and over seventy partook of that sacred feast. The rector, the Rev. J. W. Hodgins, preached a splendid sermon on the "Angels Song," asking all to strive for its fulfillment, and so help on the work which Christ came to perform.

Harry McGarvin left for New York yesterday afternoon. Mr. McGarvin will probably locate in business in Detroit.

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Toronto, June 6th, 1905

I take great satisfaction in writing to you and telling you of the splendid condition of health that I am now in, which was brought about entirely by taking your Gin Pills.

For years my kidneys have been my weak spot and kept me unhealthy, and although I knew the cause, I could not get relief. Six weeks ago I heard that Gin Pills were being widely sold in Ontario, and I concluded to try them, though I did not believe that they could entirely cure me, but they have, and I am now sure that my kidney trouble has disappeared.

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Local Briefs

Skates sharpened at Briscoes'. Frank Tschirhart spent yesterday in Detroit.

P. A. Goher, of Tilbury, was a visitor in the city on Sunday.

N. M. Campbell, of Blenheim, was in the city on Sunday.

S. P. Sturgis and W. T. Cochrane, of Dresden, were visitors in the city on Saturday.

Tom E. Boden and E. J. Campbell, of Blenheim, were registered at the Rankin House on Sunday.

The design work turned out by the Victoria Ave. Green Houses always pleases, as particular attention is paid to that part of the business.

The many friends of Mr. Wickham, formerly of the Northwest Mounted Police, are congratulating him upon the arrival of a son and heir.

Mrs. J. L. Wilson is spending a few weeks visit with friends and relatives in Inlay City, Adrian and Detroit.

Wanted—Comfortable rooms and board for a gentleman and his son and daughter, who are attending Collegiate Institute. Address C. J. care Planet Office.

Harry S. Pritchard returned on Sunday to Osgoode Hall, Toronto, after spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pritchard, Queen street.

The break in the fire alarm system was found Saturday afternoon at four o'clock. One of the wires was broken at box 13, corner of St. Clair street and Wilson avenue. It has been repaired and the system is now in working order.

Better than Spanking

Spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box 4, Windsor, Ont., will send free to any mother her "Successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her to-day if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child; the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

WAS INJURED

Mrs. William Cook, who keeps a grocery store on Park Ave., met with a serious and painful accident on King St. near Ald. Massey's grocery store, on Saturday. She attempted to cross the street, when a man in a buggy came driving along at a fast pace. She did not see the approaching horse and, as a result, she was knocked down, and before the driver could get the animal under control Mrs. Cook was badly injured. Her ankle and wrist were sprained and the side of her face was cut.

She was taken to Dr. Rutherford's office, where her injuries were attended to. No serious results are anticipated. Horsemen should be very careful while driving on King street.

BRUSHES

Eighty per cent. of all the brushes sold in Canada are Bock's goods. The best equipped factories in the whole country, the most skilled workmen on the continent and the best materials money can buy combine to produce this result. Reliable dealers always recommend

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THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At The Grand—Arrival of Kitty—Jan. 10.

The Way of the Transgressor—Jan. 12.

Devil's Auction—Jan. 15.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents).

KITTY ARRIVES AND PLEASES IMMENSELY.

Grand Opera House Holds Large Audiences.

From London Free Press, Tuesday, December 26, 1905: "The Arrival of Kitty, played to capacity houses and the Grand yesterday afternoon and evening, and it would be putting it mildly to state that the audiences were well pleased."

The piece is a farce-comedy, built along the lines of "Charlie's Aunt," and throughout the three acts, laughter, loud and long, greeted the exuberantly funny situations.

The plot is conceived from the old, but always popular, basis of "mistaken identity," and Hal Johnston, as the disguised "Kitty," is a Canadian of more than ordinary merit.

Miss Doty DeVore, as Jane, noted and sang with an unctuous personality that was irresistible, and Fred Wren, as the much entangled uncle, was a host in himself.

Good specialties were interpolated throughout the performance, which proved itself a merry Christmas attraction.

"THE WAY OF THE TRANSGRESSOR."

"The Way of the Transgressor," which comes to the Grand on Friday Jan. 12th, tells a good story and tells it well. It teaches a moral by forcible example, not by deduction or through insane talk. It is strenuous, virile and at all times life-like.

Its comedy is not buffonery or burlesques on any nationality or creed, but the apt portrayal of quaint characters that you will recognize in a moment. To compress the salient points of the intricate plot into a newspaper article is impossible.

That task would be as difficult as boiling down a novel into a column. All that can be said about it is that it is a masterpiece of arch villainy, who assumes the name of Jack Harris, to secure the fortune of Romp Henderson are frustrated by her natural shrewdness and honesty of purpose.

In all her marvellous adventures she is ably assisted by canine thespians, the marvellously educated Land-seer dogs who act with almost human intelligence.

HOCKEY LEAGUE

A hockey league has been formed between the Beavers, the C. B. O. the Chippewas and the Clerks, to contest for a silver trophy donated by Julius Perrot. Each team will play in six games.

DISTRICT DOINGS.**TILBURY**

Jan. 8.—Miss Daisy Sadler, of Gainsborough, Manitoba, is the guest of her aunt here, Mrs. S. Sloan.

Misses Anna Campbell, Olive and Laura Mathers and Flossie Bartley leave to-day to resume their studies in the Ursuline Academy, Chatham, after spending vacation at their homes here.

Mr. Holloway, of Merlin, conducted services in the English Church yesterday, Rev. Mr. Dobson taking the service at Merlin.

Miss Lulu Scriven returns to Toronto to-day to resume her studies at the Normal School.

This week being the week of prayer, special services will be held in the Methodist Church this evening and Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, and in the Presbyterian Church on Thursday and Friday evenings.

Mrs. H. Johnston and daughter Myrtle have returned from a visit with relatives in Toronto.

Miss Minnie Richardson leaves to-morrow to resume her studies in St. Margaret's College, Toronto.

DRESDEN

Jan. 4.—Miss Mae Peate, of Chatham, spent New Year's town.

Miss Elma King spent Sunday in the Maple City with her uncle, Rev. Mr. Hoyt.

Invitations are out for a New Year's ball to be given by the young bachelors of Dresden on Monday, 8th inst.

School opened on Wednesday morning, bringing back both teachers and pupils fresh after their holidays for a good term's work.

Miss Seymour, of Essex, arrived on Tuesday to fill the vacancy in Part II. Class made by Miss Campbell's resignation. Miss McColl, of town, is now Third Book teacher.

The hard time party given by Miss Eve Aikin was a decided success. While at dinner the guests in their amusing costumes were snapped by Mr. Weir, the photographer.

Mr. W. Forshee, of Florence, has purchased the stock of E. N. Smith and opens for business today.

Miss Mary Deacon has come nearer home to teach the young idea for the coming year, having been engaged as teacher at Armstrong's school.

Mrs. Blodgett, of Detroit, returned home Wednesday after a very

January Clearance Sale
COATS AND FURS

A combination of the most wonderful values and best styles in Garments and Furs that ever joined hands at this store. Those of our friends who have delayed buying, awaiting a special price opportunity need wait no longer, as we have made prices that will ensure a complete and prompt clearance of every garment. Come early—the size and style you want is here now, but may not be next week—so come early.

Ladies' Coats

Ladies' Coats at \$2.00 each—16 only furs, beaver and tweed coats, medium lengths, assorted styles, black, Oxford grey and mixtures, regular up to \$30.00 each.

Sale Price

\$2.00

Ladies' long coats \$7.50—29 only tweed, furs, beaver and covert coats, three-quarter lengths, up-to-date styles, assorted sizes, regular \$10.00, \$11.00, \$12.50 and \$13.50 each.

Sale Price

\$7.50

Ladies' coats at \$9.00—worth up to \$15.00 each—This season's best styles, in fawn covert, whippers, tweeds and kereyses, regular \$12.00, \$13.50 and \$15.00 values.

Sale Price

\$9.00

\$17.00 coats at \$12.00—11 only hand-some long coats in fine kereyses, navy tweeds, fawn covert and whippers, perfect fitting, loose, medium or close fitting, regular up to \$17.00 each.

Sale Price

\$12.00

\$18.00 coats at \$13.00—4 only extra quality fawn covert coats, long lengths, fitted styles, regular \$18.00 values.

Sale Price

\$13.00

\$22.00 coats at \$15.00—2 only fawn covert coats, extra quality, "Paddock" styles, long lengths, regular \$22.50 each.

Sale Price

\$15.00

Children's Coats

25 only, Children's and Misses' Coats, this season's styles, in assorted lengths colors and styles, regular \$3.50 to \$7.00 each.

Sale Price

\$2.89

9 only, Misses' Coats, natty tweed mixtures, long lengths, regular \$6.00 to \$8.00 each.

Sale Price

\$4.90

Ladies' Fur Coats**SPECIAL**

2 only, Near Seal, Jap. mink trimmed, regular \$45.00.

Sale Price

\$34.00

1 only, Near Seal, No. 1 quality, regular \$50.00.

Sale Price

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1 only, Near Seal, satin lined, regular \$45.00.

Sale Price

\$34.90

4 only, Bulgarian Lamb Coats, 30 inches long, regular \$25.00.

Sale Price

\$16.90

1 only, Grey Lamb Coat, regular \$50.00.

Sale Price

\$29.50

1 only, Persian Lamb Coat, rich curl, regular \$100.00.

Sale Price

\$78.00

1 only, Persian Lamb Coat, No. 1 quality, regular \$125.00.

Sale Price

\$98.00

1 only, Persian Lamb Coat, bright curl, satin lined, regular \$60.00.

Sale Price

\$47.90

1 only, Greenland Seal Coat, regular \$35.00.

Sale Price

\$28.90

3 only, Russian Lamb Coats, regular \$50.00.

Sale Price

\$33.00

2 only, Pokharan Lamb Coats, regular \$37.50.

Sale Price

\$29.00

3 only, Ruffs, rich black Coney, regular \$1.50.

Sale Price

\$98c

2 only Ruffs, Columbia Sable, 68 inches long, 10 tails, regular \$15.

Sale Price

\$19.00

1 only Mink Stole, 68 inches long, 12 tails, regular \$15.

Sale Price

\$11.90

5 only Alaska Sable Ruffs, 50 in. long, 6 tails, regular \$10.

Sale Price

\$7.90

2 only Isabella Fox Scarfs, large head, tail and claws, regular \$10.

Sale Price

\$7.90

5 only Columbia Sable Ruffs, 50 inches long, 6 tails, regular \$7.

Sale Price

\$4.90

1 only Natural Fox Scarf, head, tail and claws, regular \$10.

Sale Price

\$7.90

1 only Alaska Sable Stole, grade, 34 inches long, 6 tails, ornaments, regular \$40.

Sale Price

\$31.90

2 only Thibet Boas, black, 48 inches long, regular \$4.

Sale Price

\$2.98

1 only Alaska Sable Ruff, 72 inches long, 6 tails and ornaments, regular \$25.

Sale Price

\$13.90

1 only Japanese Mink Stole, 72 in. long, 6 tails, cord and ornaments, regular \$12.50.

Sale Price

\$9.90

1 only Marmot Muff, large shape, regular \$7.50.

Sale Price

\$5.90

1 only Isabella Fox Muff, full shape, regular \$15.

Sale Price

\$10.90

2 only Grey Lamb Muffs, regular \$3.50.

Sale Price

\$2.89

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pleasant visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kaake.

Miss Currie, of Toronto, was the guest of Mrs. (Rev.) Lindsay during the holidays.

Mr. R. J. Dyer, accompanied by his wife and family, spent the past week with his brother, Mr. E. H. Dyer, returning to Detroit on Wednesday.

The various Women's Foreign Missionary Societies, of Dresden, held a union meeting Friday afternoon.

Each society outlined its special field of work and the meeting was felt to be one of profit and interest.

Mrs. John McVeigh's party on Friday evening was very successful.

Invitations are out for a party to be given by Misses Guthbert on Wednesday evening. Their sister, Mrs. Brewer, of Windsor, is at home on a brief visit.

A large and representative assembly of the townsmen met in the Opera House on Friday evening to discuss the wisdom of granting an \$18,000 bonus to a Fibre Company.

No definite decision was reached.

Miss Ida Grayhew, of Detroit, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Chas. Aikins.

Mrs. R. Kimmery returned home on Saturday.

Mrs. Lett, of Chatham, spent Saturday among her friends here.

Miss Irene Terrie, with her guest, Miss Baird, were Chatham visitors on Saturday.

On Friday evening the Public School Board for the past year held a meeting and completed the year's business. On the 17th the new board will assume its duties.

The Misses Potts, of Fingal, have been on a short visit at the Methodist parsonage.

Miss Alma Smith, of Chatham, is the guest of Miss Beatrice Radd.

Misses West and Miss Galbraith are visiting Mrs. (Dr.) Galbraith.

Messrs. J. Anderson and G. Barry, of Wallaceburg; Frank Dennis, of Blenheim Standard Bank; Mr. H. Dennis, druggist, and Dr. Smith, of Tilbury; Dr. Colville, of Euphrasie, and Dr. Fred Hall, of