

## HOME CIRCLE COLUMN

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

Consider that your visitors come to see you, and not your pantry.

Let the children have a good time—childhood does not last long. Age is inseparable of the fine enthusiasm of youth.

A hovel is often more a home than a palace. If the spirit of congenial friendship links not the hearts of the inmates of a dwelling it is not home.

Times are not near so hard with some women when they want a plug of tobacco as when their wives ask for a pair of shoes.

In a world where God lets the sun shine, the birds sing and the flowers make happy love to each other, man should not be the only saddened object.

Let the path of life start whence it may, and let the way be steep and thorny if it must, there are sunny fields far up the heights for those who have faith and resolution to climb them.

Parents often say, "I live for my children." They should do more than that—they should live with their children, letting their boys and girls feel that their interests are their parents' interests also.

What is needed most of all in bringing up children is example. What they see and hear and take in by absorption in their young years, will, in most cases, become the ruling traits of their lives.

How many hungry hearts there are in the world hungering for recognition for a word of praise! The hungriest heart in this world is an unpraised woman whose husband never gives her a word of praise.

A man thinks he knows it all until a woman begins to enlighten him.

We often wonder why it is so many young men can be seen loafing upon our streets until a late hour of night. Many of them are from our best homes. The fathers of these young men, many of them at least, are numbered among our best citizens. If their cow or their horse or even their favorite dog was away from home after dark they would be out on a search, but their own children can roam the town all night with no effort being made to find them.

When young people go into an engagement for life as carelessly as they do to a picnic, they must expect to pay for their folly with their bitter experience.

### WINTERING IDLE HORSES CHEAPLY

Below are given some results obtained at the Experimental Station, Cap Rouge, Que., in the cheap wintering of idle horses. The methods followed and the feeds used were such as to make the plan applicable to, and worth a trial in practically all parts of the Dominion.

More horses are required—Help is scarce, high-priced, and oftentimes unreliable, so that larger implements and more working stock have to be employed. It is not always possible to buy a good team at a reasonable price in the spring, while it is often hard to get a decent figure for the same animals in autumn. It would thus seem advisable, when the ground freezes, to lay aside, as it were, for the winter, all horses which are not absolutely required and to feed them as cheaply as possible without impairing their future usefulness.

A cheap winter ration—To gather data upon this subject, an experiment was started at the Cap Rouge Station in 1911 and has been continued during five consecutive winters, with mares and geldings, some nervous, others quiet, aged five to eighteen years. It has been found that they fared well on a daily ration of one pound mixed hay, one pound oat straw, and one pound carrots or swedes for each one hundred pounds of their weight. Not only did they gain an average of twenty-nine pounds during the five months of the test, but they showed, the following season, that they had lost no vitality nor energy.

Changes must be gradual—The rule generally followed was to gradually cut down the work, also the feed, from November 1 until November 15 when the animals under test were placed in box stalls. They never went out, during the winter, with the exception of an occasional drive of a mile or so. On April 15, easy jobs were given to them and a small quantity of concentrates was allowed until by May they could be under harness ten hours a day and were on full feed. These are important points not to be forgotten; to lower and raise the ration little by little, and to leave the horses practically idle.

Details essential to success—If horses, due to a hard season's work, are in low condition, they should be fed up to their normal weight before being left aside for the winter, and enough exercise should be allowed during that period to prevent stocking. Another good thing is to give a purgative so as to clean out the system before the long rest. One should also remember that some animals are more restless than others and dis-

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With thousands, a marriage engagement is a matter of boyish or girlish caprice. If wise marriages are made in heaven, then the hasty, loose selfish sort are the handwork of the devil.

Henry Ward Beecher once said, "I think I am more grateful to God for mothers and sisters of the substantial integrity, purity and nobility of womanhood, than for almost anything else in this world. After a long life I can say that I have not lost faith in woman. The longer I live the more chivalric is my regard for them. I should look upon it as a fatal canker in my soul if I fell from my confidence in the general trustworthiness, honesty, honor and charity of womanhood. Therefore, when I hear young men, or men in middle life, or old men, cast gross aspersions on the character of women, I feel as if I were in a den of hissing serpents."

Have you noticed how large a number of persons with whom you stop to have a little chat, speak of the dark blotches of human nature in the lives of someone? We will not expect the person of the highest moral standing in the community. Nine out of every ten persons in a ten minutes' talk will bring up the defects in some one's life, and one out of a hundred may possibly startle you by speaking of the good that may be found in most every individual. There is no life without its defect, neither without its excellencies, and what a different coloring it would give to humanity if the rule was reserved to what it is. And, reader, it rests with you and us to start the reform, and with such a good start as we may be able to give it, we are sure it will be contagious if we persevere. For when neighbors speak not of ill and only laud the good that is in us we will not be far from that glorious period dominated the millennium.

Don't let the sunshine in nature become cloudy since you are growing older.

The strength of a nation is in the intelligent and well-ordered homes of the people.

No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of it for another.

How much of your success do you owe to your wife? It is only just to own this fact before her day by day. It will make her happy and keep her youthful.

He is a selfish being who having trouble in his trade or calling or profession, always brings his troubles home for the purpose of making everyone else miserable.

sipate more energy, which means that more food will be required, so that the above mentioned quantities should be increased or decreased slightly, according to circumstances.

Notes on different roughages—Mixed hay, for this purpose can be of any grass or weed which horses will eat, must not be mouldy or musty, and should not be worth more than half of timothy. Roots may be carrots, mangles or swedes, though the first are always liked, and the two latter are sometimes refused at first, which requires skill on the part of the feeder to have enough eaten; if roots are not given, bran should form part of the ration, as animals at rest will soon get constipated and will not thrive very well on dry roughages alone. Oat straw should be used, as it is more palatable than other sorts.

How to feed—It would probably be well to chaff at least half the hay and straw, but as the idea is to lower expenses, there seems no doubt that the cost of cutting these roughages would be greater than that of the extra feed necessary to supply the energy used in masticating them. The roots were sliced, most of the time, for the experiments, and it seems better to give them thus, though it is not absolutely necessary, as long as they are not of such sizes as to be swallowed whole, when there may be danger of choking.

When to feed—It is noticed at Cap Rouge that the legs of horses kept in box stalls, and fed as previously described, did not stock up. If there is no box stall, it is advisable to turn the animals out every day, when the weather permits, so that they may take some exercise. In this case, it is probable that somewhat more feed will be needed, to make up for the lost energy and heat. As to the number of times to feed, it seems that twice a day is sufficient, and that about the same quantity can be given both morning and evening.

### One of the Side Tragedies.

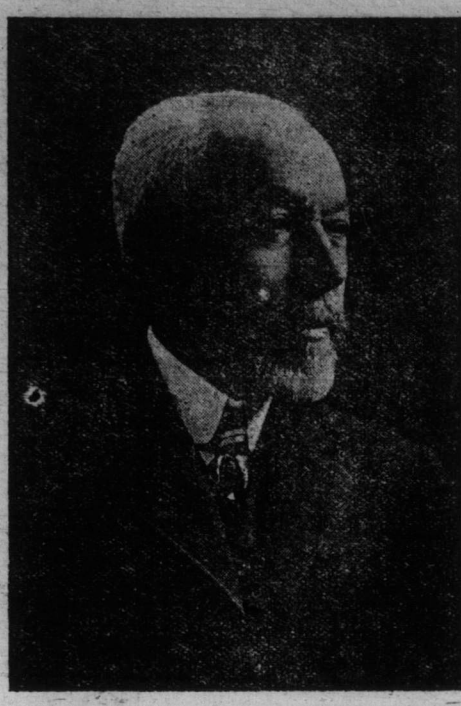
One of the side tragedies of the war occurred in New York the other day, when a French cook and his wife committed suicide. A son, at the age of 19, had recently been called to the colors in France, and the mother became impressed with the belief that he would never return. When the son wrote that his period of training was over and that he would soon be on the fighting line, the mother became more despondent than ever. The situation was aggravated by the fact that the father was out of work, and so the two old people decided to end it all by taking ether.

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## RAILWAY MAGNATE PASSES

Death of Mr. David McNicoll.

ONE of the most remarkable of the many famous men connected with the Canadian Pacific Railway passed away on Sunday with the death of Mr. David McNicoll at Guelph, Ont. From the day of his birth at Arbroath, Scotland, in 1852, up to the day of his death, the life of the late first vice-president of the C. P. R. is a fascinating study.



Many men have abilities high as those that were possessed by David McNicoll, but few men can apply themselves to the exertions that are needed for the development of abilities as he applied himself. At an early age he saw his life work before him as plainly as one might see a great ladder standing against a wall.

Little is known of David McNicoll the child and schoolboy, but in 1866—the year the Fenians invaded Canada from the United States—we are told that the lad, then aged 14 years, took up the post of clerk with the North British Railway Company in Scotland and in 1873 he got a position as clerk with the North Midland Railway Company.

In 1874 the young railway clerk came to Canada, and a twenty-two-year-old young McNicoll was lucky enough to get a humble position on the Northern Railway, which ran from Toronto to Collingwood, in Ontario. At the latter mentioned little town he was billing clerk for a year, and then went to Toronto where he was installed as chief clerk in the office of the general manager of the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway. The year 1882 brought him another change, for then he became general freight and passenger agent. About this period the C. P. R. was laying steel across the Dominion of Canada and people were beginning to awaken to the wonderful possibilities of the Canadian Pacific. McNicoll was one of those who saw the great future of this railroad, and in 1883 he obtained an appointment in the service of the company as general freight and passenger agent for the Eastern and Ontario Division. Promotion came rapidly for in 1889 he was made General Passenger Agent for all the lines, both railroad and steamship. There was a still further recognition of his worth in 1896 when he took up the duties of Passenger Traffic Manager for the entire system. The height of his advancement was not attained even in 1899 when he was given the important role of Assistant General Manager, for the following year he found himself Second Vice-President and General Manager. The first vice-presidential was taken up by him in 1903, and in 1906 he was made a director. Owing to ill health in 1914 this distinguished railroad career was brought to a close, and Mr. David McNicoll retired, having left behind him a record that it would be difficult to beat.

Such is the story of the dates of the advancements of the man who is now no more. The first vice-president used to sit in a swivel chair which allowed him to change his pose as he changed the thoughts which he presented to those who came to speak with him. There was none of the swell about him; he was a plain man, usually wore dark clothes, and his attitude was always unostentatious. He was able to pack a large bundle of wisdom into a small sheaf of words, and he was as practical in his conversation as in his work. There were few questions with regard to the general details of the C. P. R. which he could not answer extempore.

David McNicoll did not sit brooding over the difficulties that came in his path; he surmounted them; his energy made his memorial stamped his eulogy on the chart of time. His remains were interred at Montreal on Tuesday.

### Hymenaeal.

A pretty wedding was solemnized in St. James church, Nov. 8th, when Lida K. Deaves, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Deaves, became the bride of Mr. James McClelland of Almonte. The bride, who was given away by Mr. W. C. Arnold of Smiths Falls, looked very pretty in a suit of navy blue serge opening over a beautiful blouse of pale yellow silk crepe-de-chene, with black velvet hat and white fox fur, the gift of the groom. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Elsie P. Devlin, and wore the groom's gift, a gold brooch with a solitary pearl setting. Mr. Stewart O'Hara, of Smiths Falls, was groomsmen. After the ceremony they drove to the home of the bride's parents, where a dainty supper was served. The bride received a large number of presents, amongst them a pretty souvenir from her girl friends of the Bates & Innes mill. Mr. and Mrs. McClelland will reside for the present at the home of the bride's parents.

### More New Inventions.

Canadian and American patents recently secured through the agency of Messrs. Marion & Marion, Patent Attorneys, Montreal and Washington: Canada—Alfred Langevain, Waterloo, Que., Tool chuck for wood turning lathes; Joseph R. Jannelle, Montreal Tread chain connector; Joseph R. Jannelle, Montreal, Exhibitor; Oskar Soder, Niederlenz, Switzerland, Cyclinder grinding mill; Napoleon Aubin, Montreal, Connecting link for chains; Samuel C. Davidson, Belfast, Ireland, Centrifugal fan and pump; John B. McLean, Callander, Ont., Reverse gear operating means for locomotives; Louis Potier, Yarmouth, N.S., Trawl tub. United States—Roland Jas. Murray, N.B., Locking rack for Indian clubs and the like; Joseph E. Gagnon, Victoriaville, Que., Combined churn and butter-worker.

Sir George E. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, has declared himself for woman suffrage.

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LANARK.

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An unfortunate accident happened to Mrs. Jas. C. Lutenan on Monday afternoon. While attending to her household duties about the woodshed she took a weak turn and fell, fracturing her right arm at the wrist.

Word reached relatives here on Saturday that Pte. Alex. Caldwell, of Caldwell's Mills, had succumbed to wounds received in action in France. Pte. Caldwell was only son of the late James Caldwell, and is a cousin of Mr. J. Boyd Caldwell of this village.

Mr. James Pepper, of the Victoria House, says he may yet be obliged to adopt the course taken by the proprietor of the Windsor Hotel, New Liskeard, who has decided to no longer keep his sheds open for the accommodation of the travelling public if the said public persists in patronizing other dining rooms, and is having signs placed in conspicuous places warning farmers and others that "The sheds are for the patrons of the hotel exclusively and not for patrons of restaurants."

An aged resident of this village, Lilian McCougall, relict of the late George Easton, passed away on Sunday, November 26th, in the 84th year of her age. She had been ailing for two years, being afflicted with dropsy. She was born in Dalhousie on March 26th, 1833, and sixty-two years ago (Nov. 16th, 1856) was married in the Presbyterian Manse, Lanark, to the late George Easton, the ceremony being performed by the late Rev. Thomas Fraser. They settled on the farm at Joe's Lake, where they resided for sixteen years, removing to Lanark in 1870, where Mr. Easton secured employment in the foundry of the late A. G. Dobbie and afterwards with Thomas Watt & Son. A large family of eleven children was born to them, all of whom are living except one.

The death occurred at Balderson yesterday evening of Mr. James F. Allan, one of the oldest and best known residents of that place. He had been laid up for about a month, his illness due to the infirmities incident to old age, being in his 83rd year. Mr. Allan was a native of Balderson, and was born on the farm on which he died. Forty-four years ago he was united in marriage to Catherine Montgomery, sister of Mr. William Montgomery of Drummond, who survives together with a family of nine children.

McLraith's school, Darling, was destroyed by fire on Wednesday evening last. When discovered by Mr. Wm. Craig of Brightside, who was passing by, the blaze had not gained much headway, but by the time he had procured assistance, the flames were breaking through the roof and beyond control. The school is perhaps the oldest in the township, having been erected over seventy years ago on Mr. Geo. McLraith's farm, Marble Bluff. It was constructed of pine logs, sided, and some years ago was modernized by a coat of clapboards.

The Annual District Dairy Meeting for the County of Lanark will be held in the village of Lanark on Thursday, Dec. 14th, under the auspices of the Provincial Department of Agriculture and the Dairywomen's Association of Eastern Ontario. Mr. G. G. Publow, Chief Dairy Instructor for Eastern Ontario; Mr. L. A. Zuffel, Supt. of the Dairy School, Kingston; Mr. Henry Glendinning, of Manilla, and the District Representative of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, will address the meeting.

Germany protested against the allies ordering the Teuton envoys out of Athens.

During a trial in a country village, the local blacksmith was required as a witness. A messenger having been dispatched to fetch him, he soon arrived, straight from his work, hot, dusty, and dirty.

The judge, a very fastidious man, noticed this, and remarked severely. "Look here, my man, what do you mean by coming into court in this state? How long do you wear your shirts?"

The smith flushed and answered surily, "Jist about down ter me knees, gov'nor. 'Ow long do you wear yours?"

### He Meant Well.

A gentleman who had married his cook was giving a dinner party and between the courses the good lady sat with her hands spread on the tablecloth.

Suddenly the buzz of conversation ceased, and in the silence that followed a young man on the right of his hostess said pleasantly:

"Awful pause!"

"Yes, they be," said the old-time cook, with heightened color; "and yours would be like them if you had done half my work."

### No Enemies.

You have no enemies, you say? Alas! my friend, the boast is poor; He who has mingled in the fray Of duty, that the brave endure, Must have made foes! If you have none, Small is the work that you have done, You've hit no traitor on the hip, You've dashed no cup from perjured lips, You've never turned the wrong to right, You've been a coward in the fight.

—CHAS. MACKAY.

### A Smart Retort.

Small Boy (to stout old lady who was hauling herself into the tram with difficulty): "If they'd given yer more yeast missus, when yer was young, you'd been able to rise better."

Stout Old Lady: "An' if they'd a-given you more yeast, my boy, you'd a-been better bred."

### The Good Old Days.

When we are told that a hundred years ago a dollar bought ten dozen eggs or three bushels of potatoes, we picture to ourselves a perfect state of society. Then we learn that the same dollar paid a man for two days' hard work on the farm, and we realize that the former generation had its own problems.—Youth's Companion.

The steamer Shenango has cleared from Duluth with 445,000 bushels of flax, worth \$1,368,260, the most valuable cargo, it is claimed, that ever sailed the Great Lakes.

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