

INTERESTING THINGS FOR WOMEN READERS

Home and Other Helps with the Latest Notions
in Dress from the Near-by Metropolis

'Tis Always Morning

'Tis always morning somewhere in the world.
Somewhere the Dawn leaps up, with flush of rose.
Strong-limbed and beautiful and thrilled with hope
The wine of youth and joy within his veins.
And courage for the labor of the day.
'Tis always morning somewhere in the world.
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A fresh breeze from Islands far away.
The dew of meadows and the song of birds.
Laughter of little children, open-eyed,
And toil to prove the mettle of a man.
'Tis always morning somewhere in the world.
'Tis always morning somewhere in the world.
Somewhere the elfin morning laughter-tipped,
Is hiding neath the dripping wayside leaves;
Somewhere, beyond another stretch of dark,
Thine own lost youth awaits thee, clad in light.
'Tis always morning somewhere in the world.
'Tis always morning—and 'tis also night,
For some, long shadows of the afternoon
Creep over toil unfinished, limbs that fail;
To some night come h, in her bosom, rest;
Some one takes up their tasks on hills of dawn.
'Tis always morning somewhere in the world.

—Carroll B. Fisher.

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

During the last year a movement has been started in Montreal regarding the treatment of delinquent children by a well conducted Children's Aid Society, and an organized Juvenile Court; and although as yet the latter has not been established as the Federal Law has provided for, the rescue work of the Aid Society has been carried on in a very successful manner, as shown by the information given at the first annual meeting of that Society which was held at the High School, Peel Street, Montreal, October thirtieth.

As one who is brought into daily intimate contact with children, I have every sympathy with the noble men and women who are trying to help our boys and girls; who are trying to establish a system whereby the juvenile offenders of the law of this prosperous country of our Dominion may be helped to lives that may fulfil the Law of the loving Saviour of sinners when He said: "Neither do I condemn thee; go and sin no more."

From my study of children for a number of years I am ever more and more convinced that they need help—wise, loving counsel; guidance especially in our homes and school, to enable them to go forth into the World with a strength of character to support the right in whatever sphere they may be called; and in order to develop noble ideas and instincts in any child's mind we must not place him in the midst of older offenders whose very looks and

language bespeak the unholy life they have followed, and whose influence can be for only further demoralization of a mind in all probability already discoloured by impure thoughts, when he has committed offences worth of bringing him into Court that the misdemeanors may be further investigated and the offenders punished if necessary.

Let us have Juvenile Courts, and the very best of the kind to be obtained. Let us watch our children as Christian men and women and not be sparing of the kind helpful words and deeds that we may bestow upon them. Let us look into their lives and determine the motives that causes the young offenders to act as they do. Let us give them kind helpful encouragement and trust that even one victory over sin may be the means of changing the course of a whole life, and that perhaps even one life from the numbers under our notice may be reclaimed from a downward course of vice and crime to a bright wholesome purity.

We have only to read the papers and magazines to understand something of the startling needs of our children if the knowledge cannot be gained by personal experience; and no thoughtful men or women with children whom God has entrusted to their care help but be interested in the welfare of children whose lives are surrounded with anything but good and pure influences. Children whose homes are poor and unhappy, gloomy and sad; children who steal because they are hungry, lie because they fear to face the truth, break the law because they are unaware that a law exists, and become corrupt in numerous ways until they grow to glory in the notoriety which their appearance in public excites.

I repeat again that our boys and girls need help. They need true wise, practical teaching; not a few guarded words veiled with false modesty, and a shrinking of speaking upon subjects which may be distasteful to ourselves, when we know that a few clear true sentences may aid a hesitating boy or girl at just the time he or she needs it.

We are all aware of the truth of the proverb, "Prevention is better than cure," and today when our boys and girls are engaged in their several duties both in and out of home and the fond father and mother are watching their career with loving anxious eyes, let it be their aim above all others to keep the minds of their children pure clean and healthy. Help them to develop a true, strong sense of purity that they may be able to come into contact with the ignorance and vice of lives less favoured than their own and still remain uncontaminated by the association. Help them to face the plain facts of life that must be learned, in a generous sympathetic way, and as you are true and pure with them teach them to be true and pure with others. Prevent any inroads of impurity and vice by storing the mind and heart of the child you are training with truth, purity and love; and just as you have trusted them to fulfil their mission as boys and girls grown up with nothing untrue or impure in their past, so you can trust them in their mission in life with minds and hearts strong in the influence that they will have on the lives of those around them as men and women of mature years. Men and women with a noble purpose in life quite unafraid to search into the needs and sorrows of the poor and neglected about them to the end that they may bring some light and happiness to the very beings for whom the men and women of sterling worth in Montreal are labouring, and I trust not in vain.

Not a week passes in my work but my attention is drawn to some one of the children who has displayed in some way or other a truly noble trait of character, and it is always my endeavour, in the multitude of little waifs open to a teacher to encourage by sympathy and commending words the underlying good motives I can perceive, and as is the case with many other teachers I have had the satisfaction of often seeing the "bad boy" or the "bad girl" prove the most satisfactory member of the class.

Let us as men and women with the spiritual and bodily welfare of our coming generations at heart, support with our heartiest sympathy a cause so far reaching in its endeavours to promote the welfare and uplifting of our deserv-

ing children; who are by force of unhappy circumstances compelled to live in the midst of poverty and vice. May we not after ascertaining the deserving boy or girl by investigating the case in a thorough manner give to the child all the help within our power, and because we know that "godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of; but the sorrow of the world worketh death" by a well conducted Children's Aid Society, and all the aid we can secure through Juvenile Courts extend to the young offender one more chance whereby he or she may realize a "repentance to salvation."—Contributed.

ORIGINAL COMPOSITIONS

Following are two original compositions by scholars in the Fordyce school, on a subject given by the teacher, Miss Tucker. To be fair, we give one by a girl and one by a boy. Compare them.

Faithful Until Death

A shepherd one night on counting his sheep found that two of them were missing. Having a faithful dog he went to the kennel where the dog and her little ones were. He spoke to the dog, and said, "Two of the sheep are lost; go!" The dog looked at her little ones then up into the face of her master, then started off and in a little while brought back one of the lost sheep.

The shepherd again spoke to the dog, and said, "It is getting very dark. Go out into the wilderness and find the other sheep that is lost."

The dog did this time the same as before, and again started off.

After a number of hours the shepherd thought he heard a scratching on the sheep-fold door. Upon opening it he found the faithful dog with the other sheep which she left at her master's feet then going slowly around to her kennel door she dropped dead.

—Nellie McCulloch, Grade II Model, aged 14 years, Fordyce school.

One night a shepherd came into his sheep-fold and found upon counting his sheep that two were of them were missing. He went to the kennel where his old dog lay with her puppies and said "Two sheep are gone, go!"

The dog looked first at her puppies, then at her master's face, and started off into the darkness. Soon she came back driving one sheep. Then she went and lay down with her puppies.

Soon her master came again and said "One more is missing, go!"

The dog once more started off into the darkness, after looking at her crying little ones.

Not long afterwards the shepherd heard a scratching at the fold door and upon opening it the dog lay the sheep at her master's feet, staggered around to the kennel door and dropped dead.

—Claude Tilson, Grade II, aged 13 years, Fordyce school.

WELL-TRIED RECIPES.

Potato Croquettes

To each cup of hot mashed potatoes allow one beaten egg. Whip the potatoes very light with the beaten eggs, a little melted butter, enough milk to make the mass of the right consistency to handle and salt and pepper to taste, then set aside to get cold.

When cold, form with floured hands, into small croquettes, being careful to have these uniform in size and shape, and roll into flour. Then set aside for an hour or more in the ice box. Fry to a golden brown in deep-boiling fat. Drain in a heated colander to free the croquettes from every bit of grease. Serve very hot.

Good Coffee

The following receipt for making good coffee is given by Marion Harland, whose authority on cooking is

HOW TO CURE A HEADACHE

To attempt to cure a headache by taking a "headache powder," is like trying to stop a leak in the roof by putting a pan under the dripping water. Chronic headaches are caused by poisoned blood. The blood is poisoned by tissue waste, undigested food and other impurities remaining too long in the system. These poisons are not promptly eliminated because of sick liver, bowels, skin or kidneys.

If the bowels do not move regularly—if there is pain in the back shing kidney trouble—if the skin is sallow or disfigured with pimples—it shows clearly what is causing the headache.

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questioned by no one. She stands at the head of her profession as a good cook.

"If you wish to have really strong coffee, allow a cup of freshly ground coffee to a quart of boiling water. Put the coffee in a bowl and with half a cup of cold water stir in the shell and white of a raw egg, and turn into a clean newly-scalded coffee boiler. Shut down the top, and shake hard up and down half a dozen times before pouring in the boiling water. Set where it will boil hard, but not run over, for twenty minutes, draw to the side of the range, and check the boiling suddenly by pouring in the third of a cup of cold water. Let it stand three minutes to settle and pour off gently into the pot into which it is to be set on the table. Scald the milk to be drunk with the coffee, unless you can serve really rich cream with it.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

A Fuel Saver

A large hole in the grate of the kitchen range needed covering. As it was impossible to obtain a new grate until we went to the city, I took the wire netting from an old screen, doubled it, and fitted it over the grate as a makeshift. In a day or two I discovered that my fire kept nearly twice as long, and that the small live coals that usually fall through to the ash pan were saved. Although that was more than a year ago, and a new grate has replaced the old, yet I still cover the grate in the same way. The netting is a great fuel saver, and even the finest of coal can be used. One piece doubled has worn two or three weeks at a time.

Good Hangers

When about to discard a pair of hose supporters, use the elongated steels that slide over the button for hangers. They may be fastened to the top of a broomhandle by means of a matting hook, or can be sewed to stove holders, being better than ordinary loops. To use when travelling, make a loop of white tape, to which fasten both hook and button; then attach to the petticoat or other garment, thus making a real space saver, as several can be suspended on the same hook or nail.

A Useful Hint

Cut a clothes pin in two down the middle, sharpen the ends, and put a screw eye in the top of each piece. Up under the shades of the defective windows put a screw, and hang this fastener upon it. Now, when the wind comes up at night, there will be no more chasing around for something to slip between the two sashes to stop the rattling.

New Fudge Wrinkle

Boil maple-sugar fudge until a soft ball can be formed in water. Beat as usual until it can be easily handled. Then turn onto a slightly floured mixing board, and roll into a roll about the size of the wrist. Allow the mixture to cool, then cut into small slices. This method improves the candy greatly.

Good for Plants

Do not throw away the water in which a piece of meat has been washed, if you have plants. Water them with it. It is especially fine for geraniums, making the blossoms very large. A teaspoonful of castor oil poured on the soil at the roots of a dying palm or a forlorn asparagus fern will make it grow like magic.

To Cut Glass

Frequently a small piece of glass is needed for some purpose. It may be cut out by taking a deep pan or bowl with water, then put the hands, glass and scissors completely under the water, and hold them there while the cutting is done. Ordinary window glass can be cut in any shape desired, in this way.

Bluing Streaks

Any one using hard water for washing knows how hard it is to blue the clothes without the bluing streaking them. A cupful of milk added to the tub of bluing water will do away with this trouble.

Use for Charcoal

If a small piece of charcoal is placed in the kettle when cooking turnips, cabbage, cauliflower or other vegetables of disagreeable odors, the vegetable will not be injured, and the odor will be removed.

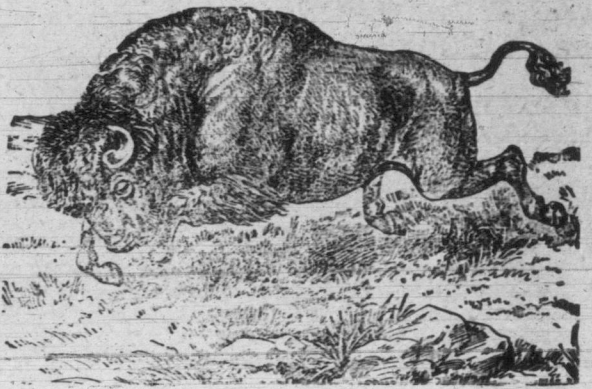
Pattern Hint

A cheese-cloth pattern need not be pinned to the material in cutting out, as it has just enough clinging qualities to keep its place admirably.

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PSALMS.

Psalms 18.

33 He maketh my feet like hinds' feet, and setteth me upon my high places.

34 He teacheth my hands to war, so that the bow of steel is broken by mine arms.

35 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation; and thy right hand hath holden me up, and thy gentleness hath made me great.

36 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, that my feet did not slip.

37 I have pursued mine enemies, and overtaken them; neither did I turn again till they were consumed.

38 I have wounded them, that they were not able to rise: they are fallen under my feet.

39 For thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast subdued under me those that rose up against me.

40 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me.

PROVERBS.

CHAPTER 10.

6 Blessings are upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

7 The memory of the just is blessed, but the name of the wicked shall rot.

8 The wise in heart will receive commandments: but a prating fool shall fall.

9 He that walketh uprightly walketh surely; but he that perverteth his ways shall be known.

10 He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating fool shall fall.

11 The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

12 Hatred stirreth up strife: but love covereth all sins.

13 In the lips of him that hath understanding wisdom is found: but a rod is for the back of him that is void of understanding.

14 Wise men lay up knowledge, but the mouth of the foolish is near destruction.

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