

THEY LOVED CHILDREN.

Great Writers Who Won the Hearts of the Youngsters.

It is one of the most lovable traits in many of our greatest men that they are as skillful in winning the hearts of little children as in captivating the minds of their parents.

Was there ever a great man who did not love children? If there was, and we have never heard of him, his greatness was by so much the less. Even Sam Johnson relaxed his grimness into smiles of pleasure when Boswell's baby daughter held out her arms to him and pulled his hair when he was not sufficiently attentive to her.

Byron, whose own child life had been so saddened and embittered by a loveless mother, worshipped his little daughter Ada, with all his passionate soul, and history has no sweeter picture than that of Southey singing his child to sleep as he paced the floor with his "little burden of love" in his arms.

Lamb's great heart had many a warm corner for his child friends—all the heart, in fact, that his sister Mary did not fill—and when he took his river walk through Edmonton it was the signal for all the little children to flock to him for a kiss, a kind word, or better than all, to take his hands or coat tails and accompany him on his rambles.

It is little wonder that Charles Dickens, "the great hearted one," was idolized by the little ones; for there never was a more entertaining companion or one who could better "make himself a child again" for their delight. There are many staid men and women of today who, recall with pleasure and regret the romps they used to have with "Bo" in the famous nursery at Gads-hill.

Among great men of later days Mr. Lewis Carroll must be counted "king of the children's hearts." That solitary, lovable "mixture of a man," who was wedded to mathematics and to children, had few pleasures apart from one or the other. His study at Christ-church was a perpetual nursery, its corners and cupboards stuffed with toys and sweets and all that appeals to a child's heart, and here on a river picnic, surrounded by swarms of his young friends, the mathematical professor was always a boy, as full of fun and as ripe for mischief as the youngest of his guests. May his rest be sweet, this chief of children's lovers!

Oliver Wendell Holmes, most amiable of "autocrats," was a lifelong lover of children and could "skip back seventy years" at a moment's notice at a child's bidding. Could anything be sweeter than the letter he wrote acknowledging the photograph of one of his little girl friends? "My, those lips," he wrote, "speak what is pure and true; may those ears hear but what is good, and may those eyes always mirror a soul as beautiful as themselves."

Dodging a Lion Hunter.

The fondness that some people have for contact with notables is not always shared by the notables themselves. It is told by the late Baron Roddick that he once tried to obtain a seat next to a duke at the table d'hôte in a hotel where both were guests. That this proximity to the great man might be brought about the baron gave the waiter a sovereign. The servant proved a traitor, and an explanation being demanded, he confessed that the duke had given him two sovereigns not to give the baron the coveted seat.

Mexican Regias.

Mexico has many ancient ruins, particularly in the states of Oaxaca, Chiapas, Yucatan and Morelia. Those of Mitla, in Oaxaca; Palenque, in Chiapas; Uxmal, in Yucatan, and Xochimilco, in Morelia, are among the most famous and interesting. Some of them represent whole cities and are supposed to be from two to three thousand years old. They all show the most elaborate carvings, which closely resemble the Egyptian hieroglyphics.

It All Depends.

It is nothing that interests a woman so much as a man's love. She-Oh, I don't know. Sometimes there is nothing so disinteresting. He-For instance? She-When he happens to be in love with some other woman.

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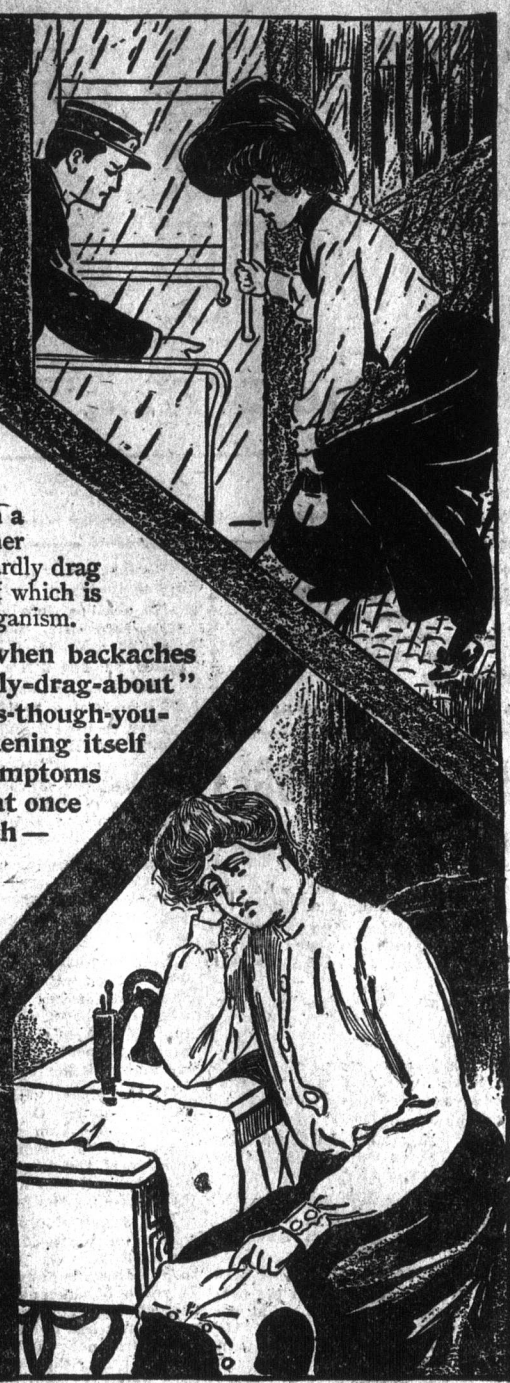
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"Whenever I hear of a woman suffering I tell her about my cure, for your medicine has helped me so much I knew it would help all suffering women. Women need not get so discouraged over their health, if they would take your advice and medicine."—MRS. BERTHA HEMMERS, 324 East 96th St., New York, N. Y.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I cannot tell you with pen and ink what good Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did for me, when suffering from the ill effects of the sex, extreme lassitude and that all-gone feeling. I would rise from my bed in the morning feeling more tired than when I went to bed, but before I had used two bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, I began to feel the buoyancy of my younger days returning, became regular, could do more work and not feel tired than I had ever been able to do before, so I continued to use it until I was restored to perfect health. It is indeed a boon to sick women and I heartily recommend it. Yours very truly, MRS. ROSA ADAMS, 819 12th St., Louisville, Ky."—Niece of the late General Roger Hanson, C. S. A.

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Finding by Intuition.

"A man asked the clerk of a big hotel in Fifth Avenue if a person whom he named was staying in the house. The clerk said he was, but he was not in at that moment. 'I had never seen the person for whom I had inquired,' said the man who tells this story. 'I had formed no idea as to what manner of man he is, as we often do in such cases. I took a seat in the corridor, intending to ask the clerk again later on. I read a newspaper for a half hour and started to the clerk's desk to repeat my inquiry when I bumped into an individual by accident. We both apologized. In a second I said to him, 'Are you not Mr. —?' 'I don't know what impelled me to make the inquiry, but as quickly as I had asked him as quickly did he reply that he was Mr. —, the very person whom I wished to see. I suppose Conan Doyle might explain it, but hanged if I can.'"

Tobacco Smoke and the Blood.

Two or three mouthfuls of tobacco smoke from a cigarette were shaken up with a few drops of blood diluted with water in a bottle. Almost immediately the blood assumed the pink color characteristic of blood containing monoxide gas, and further observations with the spectroscope confirmed the presence in the blood of carbon monoxide. Similarly a few mouthfuls of smoke from a pipe and a cigar were tried, and the results were even more marked. In this experiment we have some explanation in particular of the evil effects of cigarette smoking, for it is chiefly cigarette smoke that is inhaled, an indulgence by which the poisonous carbon monoxide is introduced directly into the blood. This effect of tobacco smoke upon the blood appears to us to be of considerable significance.—London Lancet.

Christmas Tree Legend.

There is a legend in Germany that when Eve plucked the fatal apple immediately the leaves of the tree shriveled into needle points and its bright green turned dark. It changed its nature and became the evergreen. In all seasons preaching the story of man's fall. Only on Christmas does it bloom brightly with lights and become beautiful with love gifts—the curse is turned into a blessing at the coming of the Christ Child, and we have our Christmas tree.

Grows in the Clouds.

So far as is known, the highest elevation at which flowers are found growing is 17,000 feet above sea level. The homely little plant which has the distinction of being the loftiest grower in the world is found on the upper slopes of the Himalayan mountains, near the line of perpetual snow. The season during which vegetation may appear above the surface in this region is less than four months in length.

A trusting wife is one who unhesitatingly accepts her husband's explanation of how a long hair of different color from her own happened to be found on his coat.



Britain's stealthy move upon Tibet whilst Russia's hands are tied in the Far East by complications with Japan, is now the subject of much comment. The British claim that an arrangement with Tibet is necessary to the safeguarding of their Indian Empire.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

SOUTH BUXTON.

John Cairns, of Cairnduff, Assiniboia, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Hall, and is renewing old acquaintances here. His father, Rev. Cairns, was pastor of St. Andrew's church here for three years, and left for Manitoba twenty years ago. He was held in very high esteem by all who knew him, here and many will be pained to hear of his death which took place in 1898 at the ripe age of 63 years. Mrs. Cairns died last July at the age of 72. Three sons, John, Henry, and James, are successfully conducting their farm of 1,800 acres at Cairnduff, Assa. Mr. Cairns says that the past five years have been fine crop seasons out there, wheat averaging 25 bushels per acre; all kinds of grain but clover grew luxuriously, and some farmers have begun to grow fall wheat. The

outlook for young men in that section is bright. Mr. Cairns expects to spend two weeks more in Ontario and then return to his home. Mr. Cairns says he met with Rev. Manson, F. B. Stewart, and Rev. James Farquharson.

WARASH.

A number of our young people attended the dance at Charles Richards on Friday evening. Miss M. H. Pavey has returned home from an extended visit to Tupperville. Miss Jackson, who has been visiting Mrs. Fred Kelley, returned to her home in Dover last week. The school scholars gave a concert in the school room on Friday afternoon, and at the close a very nice luncheon was served. John Liberty and Robert Carrel, are cutting wood for Joe Anderson. Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Baxter, who have been visiting in the former's sister, Mrs. Sam Kelley, left for their home in the Northwest this week.

CALLED RHEUMATISM.



There is a great deal of pain and ache termed Rheumatism—sometimes called Kidney pain. The back aches, shoulders, side, and hips. A cold will cause pain and distress in the back, Kidney and Bladder trouble. In cases of this kind use Anti-Pain and see how quickly you will get relief. It acts on all the large glands of the body. Any one who doubts should write for a free sample to WILSON-FYLE Co., Niagara Falls, Ont.

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GLENWOOD.

Miss Louise Palmer was a city visitor on Saturday. Roy McLaren, of Highgate, spent Sunday at W. C. Estabrook's. Mrs. Wm. Vipond spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Chatham. W. C. Estabrook returned last Friday from attending the Grand Council of the E. T. of I., held in Toronto last week. Miss Susie Barker, of Merlin, was the guest of Miss May Foxton on Sunday. Miss A. E. Estabrook, of Tilbury, spent Saturday and Sunday under the parental roof. Albert Howe, of Erieau, who has engaged with John Horton for the summer, moved his family to the village last Saturday. Leo Barker, and sister, Mrs. Johnson, of Chatham, are visiting at Herbert Brown's this week. S. Hitchcock, lost a fine mare a few days ago, she was valued at \$175. She was kicked on the leg by her mate in the stable, and the bone was shattered. Gordon Gilhula is convalescing. Joel Smith is getting material on the ground for the building of a horse barn in the spring. Bernard Robins is preparing to erect 200 rods of wire fence in the spring. F. Park has given up farming and sold his stock and implements and Mr. A. Key has leased the farm that Mr. Park had—the King estate. James Flaherty has been suffering from the rupture of a blood vessel, and physicians from Chatham and Merlin have been in close attendance. His condition is critical.

FLORENCE.

Miss Pickett, of Bothwell, is spending a few weeks with Mrs. H. Jerome. Charles Elsworth is seriously ill. Miss Edna Sweet is visiting in Detroit. Miss Sangster left on Saturday to attend the millinery openings in London. Mrs. Miller, of Dresden, is visiting friends in town. Mrs. Roberts has purchased the Law property. The family will move next month. Mrs. Hudson is very ill. Her daughter, Mrs. Munroe, of Woodstock, is with her. Miss Mabel McLevey has gone to Miss to Windsor, where she has obtained a good position. The Presbyterian W. F. M. S. held their annual social on Wednesday evening last at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Morrill. A splendid time was enjoyed by those present. The heirs of the late Wm. Walker have purchased the residence of Jas. A. Young. Mrs. Wm. Walker and Miss Ratta will move there in the spring. Last Tuesday evening the members of Babcock Lodge drove out to the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Morden, Oakdale. After partaking of an oyster supper an enjoyable evening was spent in music, games, etc., until the wee-small hours. Mrs. Marjorie Coultas, relict of the late Chas. Coultas, died on the 19th inst., at the advanced age of 91 years. The funeral services were preached in the Presbyterian church by Rev. Mr. Gentle, Sunday morning, after which the body was interred in St.

Matthew's Cemetery. Rev. Mr. Armstrong, pastor of the church, officiated at the grave.

CON. 8, RALEIGH.

The valentine social held last Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. George Jordan, under the auspices of Ladies' Aid, was an unqualified success. In spite of the frigid weather, a large crowd was present and an enjoyable evening spent. The proceeds amounted to nearly \$14. Mr. H. Aldis has sold his farm to Mr. Robert Bennett, of Harwich. Mrs. Chas. Kelly, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Barker, of Dresden, has returned home. Mr. George Ritchie, of Chatham, has purchased the 50 acres of Mr. Joseph Whitezel, of the eighth. The price paid was \$1,500. Mr. Hill Aldis has a serious growth on his upper lip. Miss Edna Reddick, of Chatham, spent Sunday the guest of Miss Gertrude Brown. Mrs. Fred Stover is on the sick list, suffering from the prevailing malady grip. Mr. George Edwards, of Monticello, Minnesota, is spending a few weeks with relatives here. Mr. Edwards, who left here over 40 years ago has returned, only once since—about 20 years ago.



A Nightmare

Gives point to the fact that excessive or irregular eating disturbs the digestion. Nightmare or night hag has its day time correspondence in the undue fullness after eating, with the belchings and sour or bitter rising so often experienced after too hasty or too hearty eating. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures dyspepsia and other diseases of the stomach and its allied organs of digestion and nutrition. When these diseases are cured, the whole body shares in the increased strength derived from food properly digested and perfectly assimilated. "Your 'Golden Medical Discovery' and Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy have been of great benefit to me," writes Prof. Pleasant A. Oliver, of Viola, Fulton Co., Ark. "Before I used the above mentioned remedies my sleep was not sound; digestion bad; a continued feeling of misery; I now feel like a new man. Any one in need of medical treatment for nasal catarrh could do no better than to take these remedies. Dr. R. V. Pierce. I know his medicines are all right in this class of diseases." Sometimes a dealer tempted by the little more profit paid on the sale of less meritorious medicines will offer the customer a substitute as being "just as good" as the "Discovery." It is better for him because it pays better, but it is not as good for you, if you want the medicine that has cured others, and which you believe will cure you. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cleanse the clogged system from accumulated impurities.

DENTAL.

A. A. HICKS, D. D. S.—Honor graduate of Philadelphia Dental College and Hospital of Oral Surgery, Philadelphia, Pa., also honor graduate of Royal College of Dental Surgeons, Toronto. Office, over Turner's drug store, 26 Rutherford Block.

LODGES.

WELLINGTON Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., G. R. C., meets on the first Monday of every month, in the Masonic Hall, Fifth St., at 7:30 p. m. Visiting brethren cordially welcomed. ALEX. GREGORY, Sec'y. GEORGE MASSEY, W. M.

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