

HOME CIRCLE COLUMN

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

ROAD THAT LEADS TO HOME.

It's ho! for the road that leads to home
When my toil is done and the night draws
near;
What matter if bones and muscles ache
When I go to the refuge dear?

The welcoming lights from the windows gleam,
And a chubby face at the pane I see
As I hurry my steps with a quickening heart,
To the dear ones who wait for me.

And when I arrive—how they close me in!
I am showered with love, as the needs
require.
And laughing led to my easy chair
In the glow of the open fire.

There's a smile and a kiss from my chum and
wife.
And a love that she can't conceal
Comes shining out of her eyes to me
As we sit at our evening meal.

Then we read and chat of the day's events,
Till sleep comes to the eyes of blue,
And someone says, with a drowsy kiss,
"Good night, daddy, I love you!"

So it's ho! for the road that leads to home,
Dear land of the heart's desire,
To the loyal and loving ones who wait,
And my easy chair by the fire.

—BEATRICE MCCORMICK.

Children in a family should be treated as a garden care for his flowers. He realizes that they require different lights, soils, moisture, shade and attention. The treatment that would make a rose win a gold medal at a horticultural show, might kill an orchid. He studies the plants, their habits, needs, peculiarities and individuality. He seeks to discover how each grows naturally. He does not force his process on nature; but seeks humbly to follow her guidance and revelation. He realizes that Nature not only deals but leads. Parents do not always realize this lesson; they do not always realize that in showing us how children grow most naturally Nature is revealing to us the best method of training them.

God placed somewhere in the heart of each of us a tender memory, which enables us to touch with a gentle hand or soothing word the heart of the afflicted. What a comfort to know that for every heartache, there is somewhere in the universe a heaven inspired soul to comfort those downcast. Let us make our words as dew from heaven, touching with gentle hand the withered flowers, giving new vigor to the hardy.

The great American sin is profanity. The use of profane language is not

confined to the street loafers the thug and the sot; men who move in good society, business men of standing and reputation, young men and old men, and even boys of tender age, are addicted to this execrable habit and sin. There is nothing more disgusting than to hear a man punctuate his every utterance with lurid oaths.

If you have a home and are out of debt, don't fret and worry yourself and your good wife into the grave for the sake of making money. You have but one life to live and it is brief at best. Take a little pleasure and comfort as you go day by day, and try to do a little good to others. A morbid, insatiable desire to possess the earth, to grab everything in sight, is at the foundation of more misery than almost any one thing. Wealth alone will never keep your memory green after you are gone; a good life and kind actions will.

Never choose a friend who would urge you to pull out a single thread from the warp of character. Never choose for a friend one that you feel you have lowered your standard of purity and right one single inch to gain. If you cannot step up in your friendships you need not step down. Raise your standard and stand by it.

The best society for the oppression of pernicious literature is the family. The best legislature that can be passed for the prevention of the sale of vile literature can be passed by the father and mother. Daily teaching to love and study good and useful things will bring the boys and girls to detest the opposite.

Show us a family with the stamp of labor upon their foreheads, gathered around the family circle, thanking God for His protection over them through the day has just passed, with a bright hope for the future, not only in this world, but also in the world to come and we will show you a happy family.

The house and home require a head the same as any other business. No study is of greater importance to a girl; after marriage she often wishes she knew more of cooking and less of Latin. Money and love combined does not form a safeguard where there is domestic incapacity. A woman who is capable of filling her home in every sense of the word is worthy of more true applause than if she possessed many accomplishments.

BANISH PIMPLES AND ERUPTIONS

In the Spring Most People Need a Tonic Medicine.

One of the surest signs that the blood is out of order is the pimples, unsightly eruptions and eczema that come frequently with the change from winter to spring. These prove that the long indoor life of winter has had its effects upon the blood, and that a tonic medicine is needed to put it right. Indeed there are few people who do not need a tonic at this season. Bad blood does not merely show itself in disfiguring eruptions. To this same condition is due attacks of rheumatism and lumbago; the sharp stabbing pains of sciatica and neuralgia; poor appetite and a desire to avoid exertion. You cannot expect troubles by the use of purgative medicines—you need a tonic, and a tonic only, and among all medicines there is none can equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for their tonic, life-giving, nerve-restoring powers. Every dose of this medicine makes new, rich blood which drives out impurities, stimulates every organ and brings a feeling of new health and energy to weak, tired, ailing men, women and children. If you are out of sorts give this medicine a trial and see how quickly it will restore the appetite, revive drooping spirits, and fill your veins with new, health-giving blood.

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The Lanark Department of Agriculture will distribute this spring some 171 settings of hens' eggs to 57 schools in the county. Three settings go to each school for which the school pays 25 cents a setting, while the Department necessarily pays in the neighborhood of 80c and 90c to obtain good settings, and buys them locally as far as possible. Three pupils in each school are allotted the eggs for setting purposes and the chickens raised are shown at the school fairs in the fall. This distribution of first class settings of eggs by the department is done, of course, to promote the raising of pure bred chickens.

NOT ENOUGH CHILDREN

ever receive the proper balance of food to sufficiently nourish both body and brain during the growing period when nature's demands are greater than in mature life. This is shown in so many pale faces, lean bodies, frequent colds, and lack of ambition.

For all such children we say with unmistakable earnestness: They need Scott's Emulsion, and need it now. It possesses in concentrated form the very food elements to enrich their blood. It changes weakness to strength; it makes them sturdy and strong and active.

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Richard Harding Davis, the celebrated American war correspondent, is dead.

It is reported that the Turk authorities have ordered all Mohammedan civilians out of the city of Baghdad.

Archibald Cox, aged 20, of Parham, lost his right arm a few days ago as the result of the accidental discharge of a rifle. The bullet entered his forearm.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

FOR TRAVELERS.

Two Articles That the Girl Going South Will Like.

This workbag is made of Dresden ribbon, the strap of which is reinforced with silk braid and tassels. It is equipped with stocking darners. The



USEFUL FAVORITES.

box combines writing paper with all the necessary sewing utensils, thread, thimble, needles and scissors, with a pocket on the lid for odds and ends. It is compact, pretty, covered with leather and therefore durable.

The Daisy.

Did you ever hear the story of the daisy which looks like a star? Once upon a time there was a little star up in the sky that belonged in no group of stars at all, but just had to wander around by itself all the time. Every evening it watched the evening star, the new moon over the edge of the dark and envied it. It heard much talk among the other stars, some of them of less magnitude envying those of greater magnitude, and the little lone star thought to itself that no one saw it even to envy it. Down on the earth it looked so much easier to get into a group and have companions, so one day when the earth was swinging over from dark to daylight the little star did not try to preserve its equilibrium, but just dropped down, down, until it came to earth. It fell so far that it fell deep down into the earth, but some star seeds at its heels shot up from the earth, changed through the influence of the soil, and there stood a beautiful star flower, and never is it lacking for companions of its own kind.

Conventionality.

Woman is much less conventional than man. She does all the conventional things and attacks other women savagely for breaches of convention. But you will generally find that where a man may with impunity break a convention he will not do so, while if a woman is guaranteed a woman will please herself first and repeat only if necessary. It follows that a man is conventional because he respects convention, women conventional because she is afraid of what may happen if she does not obey convention. The typical Englishman of the world wrecked upon a desert island would get into his evening clothes as long as his shirts lasted; his wife alone in such circumstances would wear a low cut dress to take her meal of coconuts, even if her frock did up in front.—Atlantic.

Pencil and Notebook.

There is a satisfaction and a very certain educational value as well in being able to record one's impressions by rough notes and sketches and to show others one's ideas in the same manner. Every boy, even though he possesses no talent whatever for drawing, may learn to roughly sketch an outline if he properly develops a simple sense of proportions. The noting of interesting facts, read over often more than once later, fixes them in the memory and is good practice in expression if one tries constantly to set forth these notes clearly and correctly. Try it.

Frost Cracking Trees.

The traveler in the winter woods during extreme cold and especially after a nightfall is sometimes startled by sounds like pistol shots and as loud, near and far away. It is not difficult to locate these sounds as coming from the larger trees around, the frost so shrinking the wood as to cause the fibers to separate in the weakest places, and they do this in such a hurry as to resemble an explosion.

Poverty of Language.

Travelers tell us that there is a very wild tribe near the upper Amazon that possesses a language singularly devoid of needed words. For instance, they have nothing to express a number greater than three, but this word is one of nine syllables.

Cheerful Molly.

Oh, Molly put her bonnet on
And started up the street,
And who but Crippled Charlie was
The first one she did meet.
And Molly passed the time of day,
And Charlie said "Wie gehts,"
And never was more joyful pair
In these United States.

—St. Louis-Globe Democrat.

So Thoughtful.

Tailor—How many pockets in your trousers? Customer—Only one, please. My wife is a busy woman, and I want to save her time when she goes through them.—Buffalo Courier.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

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THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, I Cor. xv, 1-28. Memory Verses, 3, 4—Golden Text, I Cor. xv, 20—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

It is a great privilege to have before us so constantly in the lessons of this year the great fact of a risen living Christ, so that we may be said to have many Easter lessons instead of, as in other years, only one in the year. The lesson chapter for today is pre-eminently the resurrection chapter, leading us on to the resurrection of the righteous Head and the translation of the righteous who shall then be alive and encouraging the saints to constant victory through our Lord Jesus Christ and to be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord (verses 50-58).

Let us notice first what the messenger says of himself. Although he has been forgiven, he cannot forget that he was, once a persecutor of the church of God, but he always magnifies the grace of God which saved such a sinner, and he calls himself the least of the apostles. Later he says that he is less than the least of all saints, and still later he calls himself the chief of sinners (verses 3, 10; Eph. iii, 8; I Tim. i, 15). That is true growth in grace, for as we learn to know our Lord better we cannot but sink lower in our own estimation. The whole world is guilty before God, and "sinner" is the only fit name for every one, without exception. But He came to save sinners, and only by His merits can any one be saved, so that it is never a question of what we are or what we can do, but only who is He and what can He do?

As to the message, the gospel by which we are saved, it is that Christ died for our sins, was buried and rose again the third day and was seen alive many times by His disciples and, last of all, by the writer of this epistle, who saw Him after He had ascended to heaven (verses 1-9). Paul did not think out these things, he received them and delivered them as he received them (verse 3). No minister of the gospel is expected to think out his own thoughts and put them into the form of a sermon or essay and give them to the people as bread from heaven. But the true messenger of God must receive the message from God and deliver it as such, not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power (I Cor. ii, 4). The prophets were to speak only what God told them, and even our Lord Jesus was told by His Father what to say (Jer. i, 7-9; Ezek. ii, 7; iii, 4; Deut. xviii, 18; John xii, 49, 50).

The messenger who speaks merely out of his own heart his own message is not a true messenger (Jer. xxiii, 16, 26). As well might Israel think to manufacture their own manna as for a preacher to get up or think out his own discourse. Then notice how Paul repeats the words, "According to the Scriptures" (verses 3, 4), and remember how the risen Christ opened and expounded the Scriptures by Moses and the prophets and also the Psalms (Luke xxiv, 27, 32, 44; Acts i, 3). There are four great truths which we cannot magnify enough—the supernatural birth of Christ by the Holy Spirit, His bearing our sins on the cross as our substitute, His resurrection from the dead and His coming again to set up His kingdom of righteousness and peace on this earth. Apart from His resurrection from the dead there is no forgiveness, no salvation, no glorious future for any one, but that great event secures all and enables us to see ourselves as risen with Christ and seated with Him in the heavens. He our life, our affection there and we waiting with Him for the completion of His body, the church (verses 14-20; Eph. ii, 4-6; Col. iii, 1-4).

Believers now being gathered from all nations to form His body must have their resurrection bodies in order to be fit companions for Him when He shall come to reign. Christ the first fruits rose from the dead three days after His crucifixion and forty days later ascended visibly to heaven, where He waits for His completed body, which the Holy Spirit is gathering. At His coming all the bodies of His redeemed shall be raised and the living believers changed, and all together meet Him in the air for the judgment seat of Christ and the marriage of the Lamb. Then He shall return with His saints to judge the living nations and to begin His reign, for He must reign till He shall have subdued all things unto Himself and conquered the last enemy—death (verses 23-26).

The "afterward" of verse 23 covers all the present age between the resurrection of Christ and that of His redeemed. The "then" of verse 24 covers all the millennial age when He, with His saints, shall be reigning and subduing all things unto Himself (verse 25; Rev. v, 9, 10; xx, 4). He will not begin His reign till we come back with Him in His glory. Then shall be fulfilled Isa. xxxii, 1, 17. All the discipline and the training of believers now is to fit us to reign with Him in His kingdom. The last clause of verse 28, "That God may be all in all," is the highest peak in Scripture.

SPRING SUITS

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