

**THE ORPHANS' FRIEND.**

Wednesday, April 19, 1876.

**HEALTH OF THE ORPHANS.**

While there has been much sickness in Oxford and vicinity for the last few months, the health of the inmates of the Asylum has been remarkably good. There has been but one serious case of sickness this year—that of the little girl who died two weeks ago, and she was in ill health when she came to the Asylum.

The children have been astonishingly free from colds considering the frequent changes in the weather, and all have good appetites. But we do not know whether to consider that as a blessing or not, as it may during these hard times rather be a misfortune.

Rev. A. D. Betts, who has a hand in all good works, sent us a contribution last week, and now reminds others of their duty in the following:

**THE ORPHANS:**—Kind reader, these cold rainy days are hard on the orphans at Oxford.

Can't you send them something now? I watch the weekly donations.

Some of you have not lately sent them your blessings. In some cases, to neglect is to afflict. Ex. 22, 24.—*Christian Advocate.*

**An Arab Legend.**

The Arabs have a fable from which we may learn a lesson.

Once upon a time a miller, shortly after he had lain down for an afternoon's nap, was startled by a camel's nose being thrust in at the door of his house.

"It is very cold outside," said the camel; "I only wish to get my nose in."

The miller was an easy kind of a man, and so the nose was let in.

"The wind is very sharp," sighed the camel; pray allow me to get my neck inside."

This request was also allowed, and the neck was thrust in.

"How fast the rain begins to fall! I shall get wet through. Will you let me put my shoulders under cover?"

This, too, was granted; and so the camel asked for a little, and a little more, until he had pushed his whole body inside the house.

The miller soon began to be too much troubled by the rude companion he had got in his room, which was not large enough for both, and, as the rain was over, civilly asked him to depart.

"If you don't like it, you may leave," saucily replied the beast. "As for myself, I know when I am well off, and shall stay where I am."

This is a very good story; we hope the Arabs are all the wiser and better for it; but let us also try to learn it to a good account.

There is a camel knocking at the heart of us all, young and old, seeking to be let in; its name is sin. It comes silently and carefully, and knocks: "Let me in; only a very small part at first. So in comes the nose, and, it is not long before, little by little, it gains entire possession; like as it was with Achan of old: "I saw," "I coveted," "I took," "I hid," step by step, until he was "led captive by the devil." Once in possession, the master soon becomes the tyrant. Thus it is that bad thoughts enter the heart; then bad wishes arise, then wrong deeds; until evil habits rule us. The French say, "It is the first step that costs;" if the first step is not taken, the second will never be known.

Mr. W. H. G. Kington, in his book "On the Banks of the Amazon," gives the following account of the way the sap is extracted from the trees, and the process which it undergoes to convert it into rubber.

We found a number of Indians and a few blacks engaged in various ways; some in making gashes in the stems of trees, under each of which they placed a little clay cup or a shell, into which trickled the sap issuing from the wound. This sap we found was of the consistency of cream. And now we saw for the first time the india-rubber with which we had only before been acquainted when using it to rub out our pencil strokes when drawing at school. The trees which were thus treated had a bark and foliage not unlike that of the European ash, but the trunks were of great size, and shot up to an immense height before throwing off their branches. People with large bowls were going about from tree to tree, and emptying the contents of the little cups into them. From thence they were carried to their camp. Here we found large bowls full of the cream-like sap. The laborers were provided with a number of clay moulds of various shapes, though most of them were in the form of round bottles. These moulds were dipped into the liquid and then hung up to dry. As soon as one layer was dry, the mould was again dipped in, and thus coat after coat was put on. Pedro told us it took several days before the coating was considered sufficiently thick. It was then hard and white. This operation being finished, it was passed several times through a thick black smoke which issued from the fires. We found that this smoke was produced by burning the nuts of the inaja and other palm trees, by which means the dark color and softness are obtained. The process is now completed: and the moulds being broken, the clay is emptied out and the rubber is fit for sale.

**Contributions to the Asheville Orphan Asylum for the week ending April 11th 1876.**

**IN CASH.**  
 Paid \$13.05, Collection at Weaverville.  
 " 12.00, Rev. J. K. Kennelly.  
 " 10.00, Commissioners of Henderson county.  
 " 6.75, Prospect Lodge No. 311.  
 " 3.10, Misses Hattie Avery, Jessie Chambers, Alice Wilson, Lizzie Miller and Kate Sheetz, Morganton.  
 " 2.45, Ladies of Old Fort.  
 " 1.50, Unknown.  
 " 1.45, Contribution box, M. E. Church, Asheville.  
 " 1.00, Ladies of Marion.

**IN KIND.**  
 T. J. Harkins, 1 bacon ham.  
 G. N. Peuland, 1 piece side bacon.  
 Hyatt, Thrash & Co., 11 lbs bacon.  
 W. Y. Morgan, 1 bu corn.  
 Mrs. E. Morgan, 1 gal molasses, 1 pr pants, 1 coat, 1 shirt, 1 pr socks.  
 W. H. Jones, 1 bu wheat.  
 J. W. Rice, 1 bu corn.  
 Mrs. E. S. Guder, 1 ps side bacon, 1 gal beans.  
 W. G. Cudler, 48 lbs flour.  
 Wm Green, 1 bu corn.  
 Abner Morgan, 1 bacon ham.  
 R. L. F. Jones, 2 bu meal.  
 W. W. Crowell, 2 1/2 gals molasses, 15 lbs bacon.  
 J. P. Gaston, 1 side bacon, 1 bu wheat, 1 1/2 bu meal, 1 1/2 bu corn.  
 T. D. Britton, 1 shoulder bacon.  
 Mrs. Col Moore, 1 doz eggs.  
 W. E. Weaver, 1 bag flour.  
 Misses Hattie Avery, Jessie Chambers, Alice Wilson, Lizzie Miller and Kate Sheetz, Morganton, 4 pocket knives, lot buttons, lot thread, 1 doz small hdks, 5 ruffs, 3 cravats, 1 pr cuffs, 3 cakes soap, 2 boxes blacking, 6 prs drawers, 4 dresses, 1 waist, 1 corset, 1 apron, 1 skirt, 3 boys' jackets, 5 prs pants, 2 shirts, 4 vests, 4 prs stockings, 85 yds calico, 13 yds bleachings, 5 yds pant goods, 2 yds ribbon, 10 yds bro. shirting, 5 yds cottonade.  
 F. Raudall, lot milk pans and other tinware, shovels, dippers, cotton, grass matting, 2 quilts, 1 blanket, 1 sheet, 18 cords wood, 1 pillow.  
 E. Sluder, \$1.00 in garden seeds.  
 J. P. Sawyer, 50cts in garden seeds.  
 Rev. Mr. Jordan, 1 dress pattern.  
 Ladies of Old Fort, 2 boys' hats, 2 girls' hats, 2 prs shoes, 3 aprons, 1 gown, 9 dresses, 3 skirts, 2 prs socks, 4 prs drawers, 1 waterproof, 5 slips, 1 paper pins, 4 ruffs,

1 boys' suit, 2 pr pants, 1 vest, 3 yds shirting, 22 yds calico, 1 talma, 3 yds worsted goods, 3 prs gloves, 2 prs stockings.  
 Ladies of Marion, 15 prs stockings, 3 prs socks, 8 yds bleaching, 4 yds jeans, 13 yds calico, 4 waists, 3 dresses, 1 apron, 6 prs gloves, 1 lb tea, 1 bu dried apples.

**Contributions to the Orphan Asylum at Oxford for the week ending April 18th 1876.**

**IN CASH.**  
 Paid \$50.00, A Friend in Wilmington.  
 " 25.00, Hon. B. F. Moore.  
 " 18.05, Franklin Lodge, No. 199.  
 " 14.00, Orphans' Friend.  
 " 10.00, Kilwinning Lodge No. 61.  
 " 6.00, Prof. Tripp's Lecture.  
 " 5.00, Collection at St. John's Church, Williamsboro.  
 " 3.75, Goldsboro Lodge, No. 332.  
 " 2.00, Mt. Moriah Church, (Wake.)  
 " 1.25 each, Goldsboro Lodge, No. 6, I. O. O. F., Mt. Moriah Church.  
 " 1.00, Mrs. P. S. Perry.

**IN KIND.**  
 Mrs. Mary I. Davis, 2 flannel skirts, 3 bodies, 1 pr drawers, 1 pr shoes, 1 saccue.  
 W. B. Darden, one piece bacon.  
 J. D. Gatling, " " "  
 T. M. Parker, " " "  
 Susan Griffith, " " "  
 Ellen Parker, " " "  
 Epenetus Curle, " " "  
 Laura Maddy, " " "  
 Richard Carter, " " "  
 J. D. Parker, " " "  
 W. C. Parker, " " "  
 A. E. Griffith, " " "  
 Carrie W. Moore, 1 pr stockings.  
 Elizabeth Parker, aged 77, 2 prs socks.  
 Mr. Knott, 2 loads of straw.

The following persons have paid for THE ORPHANS' FRIEND for one year:

Mary E. Crews, Haden W. Crews, William Ball, Miss Etie Lane, Miss Emma L. Fife, W. T. Craig, Rev. John Mitchell, A. R. Slaughter, N. S. Hays, Wm Woodcott, Uzzle & Baker, Dr. J. B. Dunn, W. W. Hatchett, Misses M. & W. Weaver.

**Resolutions of the Grand Lodge.**

Adopted Dec 3d, 1875.

**Resolved, 1.** That St. John's College shall be made an asylum for the protection, training and education of indigent orphan children.

**2.** That this Grand Lodge will appropriate \$———annually for the support of the institution; but will not assume any additional pecuniary responsibility.

**3.** That this Grand Lodge elect a Superintendent who shall control the institution and solicit contributions for its support from all classes of our people.

**4.** That orphan children in the said Asylum shall be fed and clothed, and shall receive such preparatory training and education as will prepare them for useful occupations and for the usual business transactions of life.

Adopted Dec 5th 1872:

**Resolved,** That the Superintendent of the said Orphan Asylum shall report at each Annual Communication an account of his official acts, receipts, disbursements, number of pupils, &c. together with such suggestions as he may see fit to offer.

**Resolved,** That the Master of each subordinate Lodge appoint a Standing Committee upon raising funds for the Orphan Asylum, and require said committee to report in writing each month, and that said reports and the funds received be forwarded monthly to the Superintendent of the Asylum and that the support of the Orphan Asylum be a regular order of business in each subordinate Lodge at each Communication.

**4.** All churches and benevolent organizations are requested to cooperate with us in the orphan work and to collect and forward contributions through their own proper officers. Here are the resolutions:

**Resolved,** That the sincere thanks of this Grand Lodge are hereby tendered to many benevolent ladies and gentlemen, to the ministers of the gospel, to churches of various denominations, to Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Good Templars, Friends of Temperance, and other benevolent so-

cieties, whose hearty cooperation and liberal contributions have rendered timely and valuable assistance in the great work of ameliorating the condition of the orphan children of the State.

**Resolved,** That all benevolent societies and individuals are hereby cordially invited and requested to cooperate with us in providing funds and supplies for feeding clothing, and educating indigent and promising orphan children, at the Asylum in Oxford.

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" Rocky Mount..... 2.00 p. m.

" Weldon..... 3.50 p. m.

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Arrive at Rocky Mount..... 11.35 a. m.

" Goldsboro..... 1.37 p. m.

" Union Depot..... 6.05 p. m.

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" Rocky Mount..... 2.0 a. m.

" Weldon..... 6.00 a. m.

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Arrive at Rocky Mount..... 9.00 p. m.

" Goldsboro..... 12.50 a. m.

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Arrives at Raleigh..... 3.30 p. m.

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Leaves Sanford..... 5 10 am

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