

THE ORPHANS' FRIEND

Wednesday, July 12, 1876.

NOW READY.

The Charters, Seal, Secretary's Books, Treasurer's Books, the books of the Constitution and Ritual, prepared for subordinate Orphan Aid Societies, are now ready for delivery. Wherever the people think the orphan work can be promoted by such an organization, let them send \$5 and the books will be promptly furnished; but do not organize such a Society unless it is needed and has the prospect of a successful career.

No report this week from the Asheville Asylum.

The health of the orphans is comparatively good at present. A few are slightly indisposed.

We regret exceedingly to hear of the death of that distinguished christian soldier, Bishop Cummins, of Baltimore county, Md.

Mrs. M. A. Stadley will open the fall term of her school on the first Monday in August. Her skill and experience as a teacher are too widely known to require comment. See advertisement in another column.

We like the tone of this letter: *J. H. Mills, Esq.*—Dear Sir:—I herewith enclose five dollars, the monthly contribution of Clinton Lodge, No. 107, to the Orphan Asylum at Oxford.

Yours fraternally,
N. M. ROAN, Sec.

And of this also:

MR. MILLS, Sir:—Enclosed please find one dollar for the Orphans' Friend now sent to Miss Eugenia Bumpass, Greensboro, N. C., and also one dollar for use of the orphans. God bless and provide for them, and cheer you in your arduous labors.

A FRIEND.

HARRELLEVILLE, N. C., }
July 3rd, 1876. }

MR. J. H. MILLS—DEAR BRO:—Enclosed please find two dollars and fifty cents for the Orphan House. Amount collected by my "Silent Pleader" which is placed on my counter. The "Silent Pleader" is nothing more or less than a little bronzed statue of a man sitting in a chair with his open hand extended. And when a penny is placed in his hand he passes it gracefully to his left side and puts it in his pocket. Making at the same time a very polite bow. I have a little card over him upon which is written, "Learn a lesson from the Silent Pleader I'll thank you, for only one penny for the poor Orphan children at the Oxford Orphan House. Can you refuse? He has attracted considerable attention and the amount enclosed is what he has taken in, penny at a time, for the past 40 days. I hope to make him much more useful in the future. You will find 50 cts for my own contribution for the month of June. I hope you and all are well.

Your friend,
N. L. Shaw.

Thanks to Mr. Shaw for his skill in erecting the "Pleader." Let others take example of the act.

A GEM.—Nothing on earth can smile but a human being. Gems may flash reflected light, but what is a diamond's flash compared with an eye flash and a mirth flash? A face that can not smile is like a bud that cannot blossom, and dries upon the stalk. Laughter is day, and sobriety is night, and a smile is the twilight that hovers gently between them both, and more bewitching than either.

THE OBEYENT BOY.

A certain man in Prussia, whom they called a pointsman, whose work it is to see that all the switches along the railway were right, found that he had just a moment to turn a switch, so that two trains coming from different directions might not run together on the same. Just then he saw his little son playing right in the way of the coming engine. There was time enough to spring forward and snatch him away. But should he do this, the father knew the trains would run together and that hundreds of lives should be lost. So he cried to his boy to, "Lie down!" while he himself ran to make the switch all right.

"The child did exactly as he was told, and the great heavy train of cars passed over him; he was between the rails and not harmed. Suppose he had stopped a moment, or even stood up to ask, "Why must I lie down, father?" he would then have been crushed to death. He was saved only through instant obedience. "The King of Prussia sent for the man to come and see him, and he gave him a beautiful medal for doing his duty so nobly." But I think the obedience of his little son must have given him more pleasure than the medal. The father commanded his son to lie down because he loved him, and knew it was the only way in which he could be saved.

Our parents love us and they want us to obey their commands, for they know better than we do what is good for us. To wonder and wait and want to do something different is the same as disobedience.

TRUE PRIDE OF BIRTH.

Nothing exhibits the weakness of a person's character so quickly or so effectually as a desire to hide a humble parentage. No lad of spirit and good sense will ever be afraid or ashamed to have the world know that his father is a wood-sawyer, or his mother a seamstress. And a companion who will ill-naturedly taunt a play-fellow with his situation in life in this respect, ought to be shunned like the plague. As long as you behave well, it makes no sort of difference how humble your birth may have been.

In England, the children of the lower classes labor under great difficulties. It is hard for a son or daughter of indigent parents to rise. Birth is looked upon as indispensable to success, though I believe it is becoming less and less every year. The same prejudice, in fact, prevails here, but to a very limited extent. Nobody whose good will you need value as a button, will think any less of you because your parents don't happen to be rich or powerful.

Bonapart once asked one of his officers, General Maison, whether he was descended from the ancient French family of that name. "No, sire," he replied, "my father is a peasant." A noble answer, uttered by a brave and noble man, in whose estimation an honest parentage was of more value than the chance of a noble birth or elevated position alone, which like the laurel crown sits gracefully upon a hero's brow, without adding to his worth or renown. General Maison afterwards became a great favorite with the Emperor.—Exchange.

TRIFLES.—The world is made up of trifles. The grand movements of great events, and the changes of Empires, are founded in courses, very generally, which would be pronounced trifles by the world. Yes, 'trifles light as air' have led to some of the most important discoveries we have. The fall of an apple gave Newton the clue to gravitation; the rising up of the lid of a tea-kettle gave us our rail-roads, steamboats, ocean steamers, and a thousand other things, not to speak of the press—that, combined, put the world centuries ahead in the mysteries of the universe and the purpose of God. To the observation of a flower dimly pictured on a stone, we owe to the philosophical researches in chemistry, and light which ultimately gave us the daguerreotype.

A man's associates make his world. As he grows old, they change with him and he is apt to think that the world has changed, when it is only his world that has changed.

Contributions to the Orphan Asylum at Oxford for the week ending July 11th 1876.

IN CASH.

- Paid \$66.00, Masons & Citizens of Mt. Airy.
- " 28.50, Hiram & Wm G Hill Lodge.
- " 25.00, Hon B F Moore.
- " 23.00, Collection at Albemarle on 24th of June.
- " 13.00, Orphans' Friend.
- " 12.20, Collection at Roxobel.
- " 11.60, Shiloh Church by committee of Widow's Son Lodge, No. 75.
- " 11.00, John Nichols, P. M.
- " 8.65, Balfour Lodge, No. 188.
- " 6.00, J W Hunter.
- " 5.30, Fayetteville Lodge, No. 329.
- " 5.00 each, Clinton Lodge 107, Black Creek Lodge 330.
- " 5.00, N. F. Reid Lodge, No. 344.
- " 4.85, Mt Energy Lodge No. 140.
- " 4.00, Miss M F Jordan.
- " 2.75, White Stone Lodge No 155.
- " 2.50, Shaw's "Silent Pleader."
- " 1.00, A Friend.
- " 50 cts each, N L Shaw Dr. Sam Heuley.

IN KIND.

- Turner & Curran, 3 qrs lamb.
- St Stephens Aid Society, 6 dresses, 4 prs stockings, 2 prs drawers, 2 skirts.
- Dr. S D Booth, 1 1/2 bu wheat.
- A C Hege, L C Haines and others in Lexington 6 bags flour.

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

- C H Fowler, G W Brabble, R H Baxter, W T Cabo, W H Sawyer, G W Daniels, G W Watson, Miss Ella Howerton, Miss Eugenia Bumpass, H H Munson, A C Hege, Williams & Bryan, T T Hicks.

THE LEGISLATURE AND THE ORPHANS.

Correspondents so often ask what the Legislature has done for the orphans, that we find it necessary to keep a standing answer to the inquiry. The Constitution of North Carolina says:

"There shall also, as soon as practicable, be measures devised by the State for the establishment of one or more Orphan Houses, where destitute orphans may be cared for, educated and taught some business or trade."

Every member of the Legislature, before taking his seat, solemnly swears, "that he will support the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of North Carolina, and will faithfully discharge his duty as a member of the Senate, or House of Representatives."

Both political parties have been in power since the present Constitution was adopted, and the only appropriation made to the orphan work was the gift of the crape used at the funeral of Governor Caldwell. 10-tf.

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 receive such preparatory training and education as will prepare them for useful occupations and for the usual business transactions of life.

Adopted Dec. 5th 1875:

Resolved, That the Superintendent of the said Orphan Asylum shall report at each Annual Communication an account of his official acts, receipts, disbursement, 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 societies, 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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" Weldon.....	3.50 p. m.
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" 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.
Leave Weldon daily.....	7.00 p. m.
Arrive at Rocky Mount.....	9.00 p. m.
" Goldsboro.....	12.50 a. m.
" Union Depot.....	6.30 a. m.

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JOHN DIVINE,
General Superintendent.

SEABOARD & ROANOKE RAIL ROAD.

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On and after this date, trains of this Road will leave Weldon daily, Sundays excepted as follows:

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No. 2 Freight train.....	at 8 a. m.
Tuesdays and Fridays at.....	at 8 a. m.

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No. 1 Freight train.....	at 12. Noon.
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E. G. GHIO,
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Arrives at Weldon.....	3.30 p. m.
Leaves Weldon.....	10.00 a. m.
Arrives at Raleigh.....	3.30 p. m.

ACCOMMODATION TRAIN.

Leaves Raleigh.....	5.00 a. m.
Arrives at Weldon.....	5.25 p. m.
Leaves Weldon.....	5.15 a. m.
Arrives at Raleigh.....	5.40 p. m.

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JNO. C. WINDER, Gen. Supt.

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MAIL TRAIN.

Train leaves Raleigh.....	3.40 p. m.
Arrives at Sanford.....	8.19 p. m.
Arrives at Cameron.....	9.20 p. m.
Train leaves Cameron.....	4.15 a. m.
Leaves Sanford.....	5.10 a. m.
Arrives at Raleigh.....	9.45 a. m.

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