

The Orphans' Friend.

FRIDAY, --- OCTOBER 19, 1883.

The kind of a boy often shows us the man,
 For boys are the stuff men are made of,
 The boy who will do all the evil he can
 Makes the men we may well be afraid of.

The boy who delights to learn all that is good,
 And does it as far as he learns it,
 Will make such a man as gains honor of God
 And blessing of man as he earns it.

Then what kind of man are you going to be,
 A blessing or curse to your fellows?
 The day is approaching when many will see;
 But can you not even now tell us?

WINTER AND THE POOR.

In a recent volume entitled 'The Faiths of the World,' in the chapter on 'Religion of Persia,' we meet with the following:

'One of the sins severely visited in the next life is to refuse one's cast-off clothing to the poor.'

The sentiment is worthy of the Christian religion, and substantially belongs to it. The well being of the poor is by no means overlooked. Christ said: 'The poor ye have always with you, that whosoever ye will, ye may do them good.' It is one of his beatitudes: 'Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.' He regards whatsoever is done unto his poor and needy brethren, as done unto himself. One of his inspired disciples wrote: 'Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?'

There are various ways of befriending the poor. In order to do it, it is not essential that one should give money. There are other things that may be just as useful and acceptable. God, speaking to his ancient people of the fast that he had chosen, says: 'Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house; when thou seest the naked that thou cover him? Nor is it necessary that we cover him with new made clothing. In many a dwelling there is an abundance of second-hand, cast-off clothing that will answer just as well. Where these garments, that are useless to their owners, garments that they will never wear again, to be brought forth from their hiding-places and given to the poor, many an orphan's heart, and many a poor and needy person's heart would be made to sing for joy. There is clothing of this kind laid aside in numberless dwellings, that would well clothe thousands of poor and needy ones. There are thousands of moth-eaten garments that will testify against their owners in the great day. Some that may read these lines may be the possessors of cast-off clothing that lies useless in their well-furnished houses. Dear friends look and see, and hasten to make a wise distribution to the needy around you, who will rise up and call you blessed; and it shall be remembered to your joy in the great recording day.

H. S.

Mr. J. H. Hawkins, Ridgeway, N. C., says: 'I used Brown's Iron Bitters as a tonic and found it very beneficial.'

Colonel Moony remarked to his wife that a friend had 'plenty of grit.' 'Well, yes,' she replied, 'he looks as if he needed a bath.'

"PROUD OF MOTHER."

There are few eminent men who have not said that their success in life was largely owing to their mother's teaching, who have been proud to honor her. The following is an illustration to this truth:

The mother of John Quincy Adams said in a letter to him, written when he was only twelve years old,—
 "I would rather see you laid in a grave than to grow up a profane and graceless boy."

Not long before the death of Mr. Adams, a gentleman said to him,—
 "I have found out who made you."

"What do you mean?" asked Mr. A.

The gentleman replied,—
 "I have been reading the published letters of your mother."

"If," this gentleman relates, "I had spoken that dear name to some little boy who had been for weeks away from his mother, his eyes could not have flashed more brightly than did the eyes of that venerable old man when I pronounced the name of his mother."

He stood up in his peculiar manner and said,—

"Yes, sir, all that is good in me I owe to my mother, and I am proud of her."

It is only low mean natures, that are "ashamed of mother."

A drunken man on a revolving belt at Lawrence, Mass., on August 11th, was tortured for four hours before death ended his sufferings. He was forty years of age and a habitual drunkard. On the last day of his life, while intoxicated he entered the belt and boiler house of the Webster & Dustin building at Lawrence. He doubtless went into the boiler house with the intention of sleeping there, and in his dazed condition did not notice the belt, and fell upon it, being drawn by it against a pulley, where he was held fast. When found he was dead, and in two parts of his body the belts had eaten its way to the depth of three or four inches, showing that the man must have suffered terribly before death came to his relief. In his pockets was found his revolver, which was loaded, and twenty dollars in money, which showed that he had not been driven by poverty to sleep in so dangerous a place. There is a proverb current about a special providence watching over drunken men, but this incident does not illustrate it; it rather illustrates the scriptural warning (Prov. 23: 29, 30.)

HOW PETERS ARE MADE.

Mr. Oats said at one of his meetings: "Experience shows us that the cause of the declension of religious life among young men is neglect of God's Word. When I landed in New York, on my recent visit to America, I attended a meeting of young men, and afterward had some conversation with several. One told me that he left Glasgow with a letter of introduction from Mr. Moody, and thus had every chance of success in the land of his adoption. For a time he went on well, but soon the cares of this world and its enjoyments took up all his time, and he stopped reading the Bible "for want of time." Then his love for Christian work died out, and he became a back-slender from Christ who had redeemed him with His precious blood. There is reason, however, to believe that he is now 'doing his first works,' and has returned to the Shepherd and Bishop of his soul"

The Orphan Asylum

IS LOCATED AT OXFORD.

The County-seat of Granville, forty-five miles North of Raleigh; twelve miles from Henderson on the R. & G. R. R. The Orphan Asylum belongs to (and, of course, is conducted according to the regulations adopted by the Grand Lodge of Masons.

Its benefits are extended to the most needy orphans, without, ever asking whether their fathers were masons or not. Children are received between the ages of eight and twelve, and discharged between the ages of fourteen and sixteen.

The average cash expenses for each orphan is five dollars a month, but the sum required varies according to the seasons, and does not include what is spent for repairs, furniture and improvement of the premises. The Grand Lodge gives the building and grounds, and \$2000 a year. The State gives \$5000 a year. For the remainder of its support, and for enlargement, the Orphan Asylum is dependent on voluntary contributions from subordinate Lodges, churches of all denominations, benevolent societies, and charitable individuals; and their co-operation is earnestly solicited.

EXTRACTS FROM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MASONS:

The design of the Orphan Asylum shall be to protect, train and educate indigent and promising orphan children, to be received between the ages of 8 and 12 years, who have no parents, nor property, nor near relations able to assist them. They shall not be received for a shorter time than two years. In extraordinary cases the Superintendent may receive children outside the ages specified.

The larger girls shall assist in the ordinary house work, and in making and mending the bed clothes, their own clothes and the clothes of the boys. The larger boys shall assist in the preparation of fuel, the care of the stock, and the cultivation of the soil.

At least four religious denominations shall be represented among the officers of the Asylum, and the representatives of all religious creeds and of all political parties shall be treated alike.

The Institution shall be conducted on the cash system, and its operations enlarged or curtailed according to the funds received.

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.

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Grand Lodge are hereby tendered to many benevolent ladies and gentlemen, to ministers of the Gospel, to churches of various denominations, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Good Templars, Friends of Temperance and other benevolent societies whose hearty co-operation 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 co-operate with us in providing funds and supplies for feeding, clothing and educating indigent and promising orphan children at the Asylum in Oxford.

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.

'Should deserted children be admitted?' was decided in the negative.

'Should children having step-fathers be admitted?' was also decided in the negative.

'Should deformed children be admitted?' This was left to the discretion of the Superintendent. When the deformity is of such a character as to require extra attention, it was thought unwise to admit them to the Asylum.

'Should boys learn trades at the Asylum?' Decided in the negative, it being impracticable at this time to employ skilled mechanics in the various trades, except suitable work-shops and purchase necessary tools.

'Should collecting agents be appointed in different parts of the State; and if so, what wages should they receive?' This was left to the discretion of the Superintendent: but the meeting advised against employing and paying agents.

THE ADOPTION OF ORPHANS.

We are always glad to accommodate childless couples who wish to adopt children as their own; but greatly prefer that they should come and make their own selections.

APPLICATION FOR CHILDREN.

Correspondents are requested to read and regulate applications for children by the following resolutions of the Grand Lodge of Masons:

Resolved, 1. The Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum shall not consider any application for an orphan until the same has been approved and endorsed by the Orphan Asylum Committee of the Lodge in whose jurisdiction the applicant resides.

2. It shall be the duty of the said committee to make due inquiry into the desirability of the situation offered before endorsing an application; and also

to inquire into the circumstances and treatment of children already discharged, and living in their jurisdiction, and use their best efforts to secure good treatment, or the return of the children.

3. It shall be the duty every secretary of a Lodge to send the names of the Committee of the Orphan Asylum to the ORPHANS' FRIEND for publication, in order that persons wishing to employ orphans may know the steps to be taken.

HOW CHILDREN ARE ADMITTED.

Very often the Superintendent hunts up poor and promising orphans, and informs them of the advantages offered at the Orphan House, and induces them to return with him. Generally it is best that he should see them before they start. When this is impracticable, a formal application should be made by a friend. Here is one in proper form:

..... N. C. 188...

This is to certify that..... is an orphan, without estate, sound in body and mind, and years of age. His father died in 18.....; his mother in 18..... I being..... hereby make application for his admission to the Orphan Asylum at Oxford, N. C. I also relinquish and convey to the officers of the Asylum the management and control of the said orphan till 16 years of age, in order that..... may be trained and educated according to the regulations prescribed by the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. I also promise not to annoy the Orphan Asylum, and not to encourage the said orphan to leave without the approval of the Superintendent. Approved by..... W. M. of.....

The application should be sent to the Superintendent, and he will either go for the children or provide for their transportation. In no case should a community take up a collection to send a man with the children, nor send the children before the Superintendent has been consulted.

ACTION OF EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.

Resolution adopted by the last annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, at Winston, May 13, 1880:

'Resolved, That this Convention does heartily approve the efforts of the Oxford Asylum to alleviate the sufferings and to provide for the welfare of the helpless orphans of North Carolina; and that we commend to the imitation of all, the example of this spirit of active charity and beneficence, on the part of the Masonic fraternity in their fulfilling the Apostolic injunction to remember the poor.'

ACTION OF THE N. C. CONFERENCE.

On motion of Rev. J. R. Brooks, the following resolutions were adopted at the Annual Conference held at Durham, in 1881.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication of his Excellency Governor W. W. Holden, in regard to and commending to our favor, the Oxford Orphan Asylum, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That we reiterate our oft-repeated expression of sympathy with this noble charity, and heartily commend it to the liberal support of all our people.

2. That our pastors are hereby requested to take a collection in all their congregations at such time during the ensuing Conference year as they may think most appropriate and best, and to forward the same to the Superintendent of the Asylum.

3. That the Recording Stewards of our several pastoral charges are requested to report to our Annual conference the amounts collected under the head of "For the Orphan Asylum." J. R. BROOKS, } Committee. E. A. YATES, }

ACTION OF PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD.

Resolutions adopted by the Synod of North Carolina in session at Raleigh, N. C., November 13th, 1880: "Whereas the Oxford Orphan Asylum of North Carolina is a purely benevolent institution, and is doing great good for the needy Orphans of our State, therefore,

Resolved, That we approve of its purposes and suggest that the congregations within our bounds take up at their own convenience an annual collection in behalf of that institution, and forward the same collected, in connection with any articles of food and raiment which may be contributed, to the Superintendent.

ACTION OF BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

At the Baptist State Convention, held in Goldsboro, November 17th, 1880, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, We feel a deep interest in the work of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, and believe it is doing an inestimable amount of good; and WHEREAS, We believe that the Baptist people of the State will feel it to be not only a duty, but a privilege, to contribute regularly to its support; therefore

Resolved, That all our pastors are hereby earnestly requested to take up a collection in each of their churches at least once a year in behalf of this great and important work.

Elder F. H. Ivey submitted the following resolution, which was adopted at the Convention held in Winston in 1881:

Resolved, That this Convention feels an undiminished interest in the work of the Orphan Asylum; and that we repeat, with earnestness and emphasis, the recommendation to all our pastors to take up at least one collection during the year in aid of the Oxford Orphan Asylum.

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