

TO THE MASTERS OF LODGES:—Please remember that the orphan work is dependent on you. Without your cooperation it must cease. With your vigorous aid hundreds of orphans may be raised from ignorance and vice to intelligence and virtue. I beg you to let your efforts correspond with your great opportunities.

J. H. MILLS, Supt.

REAMS'S BLACKING.—Since noticing this product of North Carolina enterprise some weeks ago, we have been using the article, and are prepared to say, emphatically, that it is the best shoe polish we have ever used. Merchants buying for retail would do well to give Messrs. Reams & Co. orders, and we are sure their customers will be well pleased with it.

COMMENDABLE SCHEME.—A number of ladies in and around Chapel Hill have taken steps to raise funds for the support of poor and infirm females. The circular explaining the plan, &c., may be found in another column, and we commend it to the perusal and consideration of our readers.

CONCLUDED.—The April number of "Our Living and Our Dead" contains the conclusion of the criticism on Tennyson by our talented fellow citizen, T. B. Kingsbury, Esq. This series of papers exhibits great literary ability and laborious research, and are equal to any thing of the kind in the popular magazines of the day. The claims of this Magazine, of which Mr. Kingsbury is associate editor, present themselves, on the ground of merit, to the reading public generally, and especially to our own State, as being in a high degree creditable to our home literature.

NEW VERB.—An exchange says, "the fire-flies are beginning to picturesque the evening." We didn't know before that that was what the lightning bugs were doing when they were shining about at night.

(?)—Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, in one of his characteristic paragraphs, says, "man is not naturally lazy." He forms his opinion perhaps from the hurrying crowds on the streets of New York City, who, as the Dutchman said, "go about de streets all day sheating each oder and call that bizzness." If called upon to decide as to the correctness of his declaration on the subject we should be bound to say, "the court doubts."

It is a good plan for newspaper publishers to put "POETRY" at the head of certain original articles in their papers, as, otherwise we might not suspect said articles of being what they purport to be.

A REMARKABLE WOMAN.—Daniel Boone has a first cousin living in Caldwell county—Mrs. Jemima Setzer—now in her 95th year, and she can sew, knit, spin flax, go to mill and milk the cows. She rises at 5 the year round, smokes her pipe three times every day and drinks strong coffee at each meal; has never had a dust of snuff in her mouth, and there is not a decayed tooth in her head. She belongs to the Baptist church, and walks three miles to preaching two Sundays in every month. She was never sick but two hours in her whole life, and that was caused by eating a cucumber.—Exchange.

An exchange mentions a case beyond the ordinary oculists. It is that of a young lady who, instead of a common pupil, has a college student in her eye.

For the Children's Friend. UNCLEAN.

This morn, hope held before mine eye a cup  
Brimming with bliss; but, ere my lip could  
sup,  
'Twas dashed to earth. I knew 'twas for my  
good,  
Yet gave no thanks, but sought in prayerless  
mood,  
Forgetfulness. So sorrow was unblest,  
And day, all darkened, dragged toward the  
west.

At noon, a beggar came unto my door,  
'Till give him alms, so charity shall pour  
Odor of sanctity upon the day."  
And saying so I gave. He went his way;  
Complacently I sat me down to think:—  
Self righteousness had made the ointment  
stink.

At twilight hour, in evening's fading beam,  
I knelt to pray; but while I knelt, a dream  
Of earth swept through my heart, on gorgeous  
wing,  
And when I rose I knew an unclean thing  
Had touched my soul; and so its very prayer,  
And all my holy things polluted were.

So gazing still on evening's ruddy sheen,  
With hand on lip, I cry, 'Unclean! Unclean!'  
O Thou, whose blood can cleanse each guilty  
spot,  
Out of Thy book my deep transgressions blot;  
Shed on my soul Thyine all-atoning grace,  
And make me pure that I may see Thy face.  
FAY VOY.

Where Elijah was Fed.

The Sabbath School World has a long letter from a gentleman traveling in Palestine, describing a journey north-east from Jerusalem. We extract the portion which tells about the hiding-place of the great prophet:

One of the most interesting points connected with this journey is the view it affords of "Cherith," where the prophet Elijah was fed by ravens while the famine raged through the coast of Israel, as we read in 1 Kings 17: 1-7. I had always pictured to myself a solitary, shady glen as the scene of that remarkable incident in the prophet's experience.

Then my fancy has been wont to locate the man of God in his loneliness, seated beneath some sheltering tree, on the pleasant bank of some murmuring brook. But how different from all this was the actual reality as verified by the scene here presented! In the very wildest part of this wild region is a deep mountain gorge.

On the opposite side of the gorge from where we stood, the mountain rose up almost perpendicularly for hundreds of feet. We approached the edge of the ravine and looked down. What scene is there presented to the eye! Rugged, grand, gloomy, awful, it seemed like a fit hiding-place for such a prophet as Elijah, and must have been in striking harmony with the majestic sternness of his character.

It was enough to make one's head dizzy to gaze down that appalling mountain chasm. The sides are almost sheer precipices of naked rock, occasionally pierced by grottoes, apparently inaccessible to any thing except the eagles that hover around them. And far down at the bottom of this ravine is a little thread of green skirting along where the brook flows by. And there it was that Elijah was hidden, while Ahab in his rage was seeking him through all the coasts of Israel, and among all the neighboring nations.

A BEAUTIFUL THOUGHT.—When the summer of youth is slowly wasting away in the nightfall of age, and the shadow of the path becomes deeper, and life wears to its close, it is pleasant to look through the vista of time upon the sorrows and felicities of our early years. If we have a home to shelter and hearts to rejoice with us, and friends have been gathered around our fireside, then the rough places of wayfaring will have been worn and smoothed away in the twilight of life, and many dark spots we have passed through will grow brighter and more beautiful. Happy, indeed, are those whose intercourse with the world has not changed the tone of their holier feelings, or broken those musical chords of the heart whose vibrations are so melodious, so tender and so touching in the evening of their life.

DADDYISM.—Kate Field tells of an Eastern man who was commending the services of a young Philadelphia to a Chicago merchant. "He comes of a very good family. His grandfather was a very distinguished man," said the Easterner. "Was he?" replied Chicago. "That's of no account with us. There's less daddyism here than in any part of the United States. What's he himself?" Miss Field thinks "daddyism" is an inspiration and ought to go into the coming dictionary of Americanisms.

For the Children's Friend. Resolutions adopted by Clinton Lodge, No. 124, at Louisville, N. C., April 1st, 1875:

Resolved, 1. That we endorse the action of Bro. J. H. Mills, the Superintendent of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, in refusing the money offered by the Wilson Lottery for the benefit of the Asylum.

Resolved, 2. That the Secretary of this Lodge be requested to forward a copy of the above resolution to THE CHILDREN'S FRIEND and the Franklin Courier for publication.

The foregoing is a copy of the original resolution on file.

J. S. PIERCE, Sec.

Contributions to the Orphan Asylum from April 7th to April 13th inclusive.

- IN CASH.
- Paid \$50.00, Mt. Hermon Lodge, 118.
  - " 49.65, Tuscarora Lodge, 122.
  - " 10.00, W T Stoad.
  - " 8.50, Greenville Lodge, 284.
  - " 8.00, each, New Lebanon Lodge, 314; Children's Friend.
  - " 6.00, Berea Lodge
  - " 5.50, W C Barnett.
  - " 5.00 each, Dr J P Mason, Miss M Smith, Dr Frank Smith Prof A McFuer, Maj R S Page
  - " 3.25, St. Alban's Lodge, 114.
  - " 2.50, Ebenezer Church, Halifax Co.
  - " 2.15, McCorrie Lodge, 223.
  - " 2.00, each John Meadows, J H Thomas.
  - " 1.00, each, A Carmichael, D McAnley, H Cleeck T A Long, T F Norwood George Brett, Rev. J N Hoggard, Wm. Margett, James W Vincent, C F Campbell, G H Wells, Rev. Mr. Ogborn, Lyon & Dally, Sheriff of Camden Co.
  - " 50 cents each, W J Mitchell, J W Atwater, W F Snipes, R E Beall.
  - 34cts, W J Smith.
  - " 25 cents each, John Morgan, A Friend, W C Thompson, H F Green.

- IN KIND.
- Capt. M E Carter, 50 Bushels corn.
  - Miss Nannie Sams, 10 doz. eggs.
  - Mrs. C Carter 12 lbs Soap.
  - Mrs. Huff, A lot of pickles.
  - A L Grayson, Rutherfordton, 1 Bockwith's Improved Sewing Machine.
  - A Friend, one Apron.
  - Cooper & Williams, 100 lbs. Flour.
  - A H A Williams 1 Bushel corn.
  - A Lanis Jr. 1 Ham.
  - J W Hunt, 4 Bushel meal.
  - A. Crows & Bro, 1 Bushel meal. 1 shoulder.
  - Friends of Orphans, through Todd, Scheack & Co, Baltimore, 5 Bbls Flour, 51 lb sugar, 131 lbs. coffee, 44 gallons molasses, 553 lbs Hams, 302 lbs Breakfast strips, 225 lbs Lard.

The following persons have paid for THE CHILDREN'S FRIEND for one year from this date:

A W Motague, Sterling; Ruffin, S T Blount.

A lady friend sends us the following, which heads a subscription of \$35.00, raised by citizens of Chapel Hill. The donors and amounts subscribed by each will be found under the proper head:

WHEREAS, Mr. Mills, the excellent and indefatigable Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum at Oxford, has lately felt constrained to refuse the sum of five hundred dollars as a gift to the Asylum, because he could not think in an honorable way, it seems to be the duty of all who applaud such high toned principles of action to sustain him more heartily than before in his work for the orphans, and we, the citizens of Chapel Hill, hereby tender the sums affixed to our names in token of our approval and respect, and desire that he shall lose nothing by his course.

THE NEW YORK OBSERVER is an excellent family Newspaper. It is indeed two newspapers in one, having a religious and secular department, each containing twenty-eight columns of original and well selected reading matter. It is published at 37 Park Row, New York, terms \$3.00 a year, with 15 cents to prepay postage, with more liberal terms to clubs. Single copies are sent free on application.

Precious Stones of Our State.

It may not be generally known that the diamond, sapphire, amethyst, garnet, and many beautiful specimens of chalcidony are natives of this State. Such, however, is the fact, and the old primitive granite formations is the place where they may be found. By referring to the American Journal of Science, Vol. 11, p. 253, it will be seen that Prof. Sheppard has discovered the diamond in North Carolina. Others have also been discovered besides the one here referred to. There is in the possession of a gentleman in Cabarrus a piece of sapphire cut from a piece, the commercial value of which was \$100, and pronounced by a professional lapidist in Philadelphia to be equal to anything he ever saw from the Orient.—N. C. Agricultural Journal.

—Thomas Jefferson says: "The habit of indulging in ardent spirits by men in office has occasioned more injury to the public than all other causes, and were I to commence my administration again with the experience I now have, the first question I would ask respecting a candidate would be, "Does he use ardent spirits?"

Old Memories. Offices, while hovering o'er the spring From out whose depths old memories rise Like pebbles, some stray thoughts drop in, Splashing the water in my eyes. Until each heavy lash appears, As it had late been wet with tears.

BUILT OF SMOKE.—The vulgar phrase, "saved his bacon," might take for one of its meanings "he made money by leaving off smoking."

A man who lives in Albany, and whose business was that of a clerk, said that he had lately built a house that cost him three thousand dollars. His friends expressed their wonder that he could afford to build so fine a dwelling. "Why," said he, "this is my smoke house." "Your smoke house! what do you mean?" "Why, I mean that twenty years ago I left off smoking, and I computed that what I saved with interest would amount to three thousand dollars, and concluded to put the money saved from smoke into my house; hence I call this my smoke house.

The same rule will apply to many other useless luxuries which only perish in the using, instead of real and substantial benefits and comforts. A little more figuring at compound interest would perhaps be of much utility.

Resolutions of the Grand Lodge.

Adopted Dec 3d, 1872.

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 to 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.

Committee of Subordinate Lodges, Appointed Master Resolutes of the Grand Lodge, to raise Contributions for the Orphan Asylum

- American George Lodge, No 21—Dr. C L Campbell, H. C. Maddy, G. W. Spencer
- Hiram, No. 40.—J. C. R. Little, T W Blake, A. H. Winston.
- Concord 58, W G Lewis, John W Cotton Joseph P. Suggs.
- Scotland Neck, 68, A. B. Hill, W. E. Whitmore, G. L. Hyman.
- Eagle, 71.—James R Gattis, Charles C Taylor Isaac R Stayhorn.
- Ory, 104—J F Randolph, T J Carmalt, Richard Grainger.
- St. Alban's Lodge, No. 114.—Ed. McQueen; H. T. Phinan and Neil Townsend.
- Mt. Lebanon; No. 117.—James W Lancaster; A. J. Brown, S. B. Waters.
- Tuscarora, 122, M B Jones, W S Grandy, W R Turner.
- Clinton, No. 124.—Thos. White, R Y Yarbo, G. S. Baker, J. G. King.
- Franklin, 103.—Wm. M. Thompson, F B Maco, B Lawtonberg.
- Mt. Energy, 140—J B Floyd, H Haley, W E Bullock.
- Rolesville, 156, C H Horton, I H Scarborough, A R Young.
- Buffalo Lodge, 172.—A. A. McIver, A A Harrington, B. G. Cole, A. M. Wicker and R. M. Brown.
- Mt. Olive, 203—Jesse T Albritton, Joel Loftin, D M H Justice.
- Berea, 204—W H Reams, F M Meadows, R W Hobgood, F C Allen, A Sherman.
- Lebanon, No. 207.—Jno. H. Sumnersett; Wm. Merritt, W. S. Frink.
- McCorrie's, 228, A. Dalrymple; Nathan Daugall, W O Thomas.
- Lenoir, 233, Benja S Grady; John S Bizzell; S B Parker, John H Aldridge, Jacob P Harper.
- Roadtree, 243.—Allen Johnston, Samuel Quinceley, Wm D Tucker, W T Mosely, F M Pittman, Henry F Brooks.
- Newbern, 245, J E West, T Powers, E Hubbs.
- Catawba Lodge, No. 248.—R. P. Rienhardt; J. N. Long, D. W. Ramsour.
- Farmington, 265.—L. G. Hunt, W G Johnston, W. F. Furches.
- Watauga, 273.—J. W. Council, J. Harding, L. L. Green.
- New Lebanon 314, Sannel Williams, John Jacobs, W M Spence.
- Jerusalem, 315—John H Davis, Geo E Barnhardt, Thomas M Bessent.
- McIntoshes, 323—S S Baer, J C M-Cloud.

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