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SOUTHERN WOMEN.

What They Found to Do in the Great Civil War.

STORY OF THEIR TRIALS.

A Clark University Man Speaks to the First Unitarian Sunday School from the Standpoint of a Southerner.

Worcester (Mass.) Daily Spy.

Prof. A. Caswell Ellis, of Clark University, son of Dr. O. L. Ellis, who was a member of the Jeff Davis Legion of the Confederate army in the war of the rebellion, delivered an interesting address before the Sunday School of the First Unitarian Church, Sunday evening another view of the war than Worcester people are accustomed to. He talked of the strife from a Southerner's point of view and described in a graphic manner the work that was done by the women of the South while the men were at the front.

Among other things he said: The Southern women are said to have been more enthusiastic for the war than the men. I believe the crusty old bachelors say it is the women and preachers who stir up war any rate. At any rate, at the outbreak of the civil war none were more enthusiastic than the women. Mothers, wives and maidens encouraged their sons, husbands and lovers to go to the front. As the companies and regiments were organized, the women met together to sew for the soldiers. Clothing was made, little comforts for camp life were added; flag was made, embroidered, and at a big public reception, was presented by some woman with brave words of confidence and patriotism. Presiding back their real sorrow and fear, hiding their pangs of parting, they cheered on their loved ones as good byes were said, to many, alas, never to return again.

The first year or so moved on quite comfortably in most ways, save for the loss of dear ones from home. Not so great sacrifices were demanded, though and spirits were high. For McDowell, McClellan and Pope had done little besides frequently changing their base of supplies, as McClellan called it, and the women were still persuaded that the Southern boys could whip a dozen Yankees, though now the number of dozens was getting exceedingly uncomfortable. But soon this was changed. The Union Army was victorious in the West, and while Lee was holding his own in Virginia, every Southern port was blockaded by the Union navy. That meant that the people at home and the soldiers in the field were shut off from all supplies. Not only could no sugar, tea, nor coffee, nor any of the luxuries of life be brought into the South, but to salt, no medicines, no food stuffs, no clothing. It was in this last two years of dire distress and want the Southern women rose to their true greatness.

They said to the soldiers, "Never surrender, fight on and we will supply your wants." There were no factories to make cloth in the South, and as the cotton cards and old spinning wheels and hand looms were brought down from the garrets. Societies were formed, the women of all classes and conditions of life uniting and patiently carding and spinning and weaving, and sewing day and night, they made clothes for the naked soldiers. Their rings, earrings, bracelets, pins and precious jewels were sold to the few selfish men of wealth to get money to buy yarn with which to knit socks for the soldiers. Hats were made of corn shucks and rye. Shoes were patched together by the negro slaves and sometimes by the women themselves.

A Padlocked Heart.

How many women look their troubles and sufferings in their own hearts and still endure in silence. The refined sensitiveness of their organization lays them liable to a thousand exquisite tortures which a coarser nature can never experience or comprehend.

The suffering of women are more than half unknown and unappreciated. The refined sensitiveness of their organization lays them liable to a thousand exquisite tortures which a coarser nature can never experience or comprehend.

The least derangement or disorder of the delicate sensitive organism of their sex overwhirls the whole physical and mental being with weakness and wretchedness.

But it is a mistake to suffer these troubles in silence. They may be cured in the first few days of their attack, continued medical attention and "load treatment," which the family doctor is sure to insist upon.

No physician in the world has had a wider or more successful experience in the treatment of women's diseases than Dr. R. W. Pierce, chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y. His "Favorite Prescription" is a positive cure for the most obstinate and complicated feminine difficulties.

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But matters grew worse. Food and clothing grew scarcer and scarcer. When no more cloth was to be had fit for bandages, but was patiently scraped by the women. They tore up their finest linens into bandages, which were sent to the hospitals to dress the soldier's wounds. Their sheets and counterpanes and finest dresses were soon to go the same way. Carriages were torn down for hospital wheels. All the richest brasses and velvet carpets were ripped from the floors and split into blankets for the soldiers. Homes were stripped of every luxury and comfort. In place of their fine silks, the women proudly wore their rough cotton homespun from their own hand-looms. These were dyed with homemade dye of berries, or roots, or herbs, or bark of trees. So expert did these delicate hands become that it is said they learned before the war was over to manufacture almost any color desired. In place of tea and coffee they used parched rye and potatoes. For sugar they planted cane and made molasses, the very dirt from under the houses in which salted meat had been kept was dug up and boiled to get salt, so scarce had it become.

These same delicate and refined women who had been accustomed all their lives to the dainties diet and every comfort, the idols and goddesses of the gallant men, whose will was very law, who had servants to minister to their every want, who hardly even dressed themselves, now did not stop at any labor. They dried fruit while the old men munched it, the slaves in the field. No sacrifice was too great, no danger too grave, or hazardous. Many times did fearless women pass in great danger between the opposing armies, or even go into the Union ranks to bring important news to their Confederate leaders. Not satisfied with labor, self-denial and almost superhuman sacrifice at home, they even went into the tented field or on the battle's perilous edge to nurse and care for wounded.

Every private home was open to the stripped soldier regardless of previous condition, and the friend and gentlest hands did all that could be done for his comfort. After a certain battle at Winchester, from which you have perhaps heard that Phil Sheridan was fortunately not more than twenty miles away, a delicate Virginia girl was on the field holding the head of a wounded soldier in her lap while the surgeon was giving him restoratives and bandaging his painful wounds. When he had finished, the surgeon said: "That man might live if he could stay in that position all night and get some rest without moving his wounds." "Then he shall," said the girl, and there on that field of carnage she sat that girl upon the ground through the lonely night without changing her position. Such sacrifices did the women make in those terrible days, never complaining, but glorying in their work.

Thus it was that the women of the South nursed the arm and stimulated the courage of their soldiers in the field, while they so scorned the men who remained at home while their brothers bled in battle, that they were ashamed to show their faces. They had to go to war to get rid of the women's frowns. This is a sombre picture, you say. True indeed, for these were serious times, and yet you must not think that all life was sad even in those perilous hours. It is a strange fact of human nature that it is only a step from a tear to a laugh. The young folks enjoyed the meetings and new experiences. It got to be fashionable to wear homespun, and of course the women said it was the thing. An elderly lady told me once that she would actually get provoked with her people, especially the young girls, for being so gay and happy and laughing so much at the sewing circle, or thinking it such a frolic to make evenly out of sorghum and dates out of persimmons, and hold fairs and entertain and theatricals to raise money for the army.

But a note written long gradually came as their fathers and by theirs would come blessing and maid for life, or as they heard reports of the 20,000 Southern soldiers lying dead with upturned faces in the broiling July sun on Gettysburg hills—men who had that morning so bravely stepped up the blazing Cemetery Ridge more like 500,000 men to a wedding feast than men plunging through rain of leaden hail, the smoke of the battle, the murderous shells and into the very mouths of cannon belching forth a seething hell of fire and shot and death.

We all, as English speaking people, are proud of the grand charge of the Light Brigade at Balaklava, but we have more reason, as Americans, to sing of the charge of Pettigrew's Brigade at Gettysburg. At Balaklava, the 600 lost only 222 men, 37 per cent. of her total, while the 56th North Carolina Regiment of 672 men lost 588, or 86 per cent. of her total. In one company of 84 men, every man and officer was hit—and nobody blundered, either. Never was such desperate bravery shown unless it was

perhaps when the brave Union soldiers charged in the same way against the trenches at Cold Harbor, leaving 19,000 dead in 20 minutes.

But I am wandering from my subject. Soon to the furs of the women for their loved ones in battle and their own great sacrifices, was to be added the fear for their own personal safety from horrors, unmentionable that followed in the wake of Sherman's invading army on his terrible march to the sea through Georgia and the Carolinas, simply to destroy property. If to the horrors of the destruction of homes and property, such as Sheridan described in the valley of Virginia by saying that a row flying down the valley would have to carry his own provisions, you will add those of unprotected girls in the line of march of an overwhelming conquering army followed by the numerous kinds of knaves and cut throats that ever followed such an army, you may know something of the mental anguish of those suffering women. The negro slaves were the sole protection to the homes, and it is to their eternal credit that they did all in their power to protect and aid the women in this hour of distress.

And when the war was over, when the Southern armies had been crushed and the weary and broken-hearted soldiers returned to what had been home, the homes and fences burned, all the horses and cattle and fowls stolen or killed, the one far field grown up in bushes, the money, no servants to till their fields, then did these same brave women cheer and support their discouraged loved ones, and join hands to make their husbands and brothers as loyal again as they had been long ago, to the flag of a reunited country.

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"Well, our consciences don't trouble us, and your's won't trouble you when we get this meat cooked, you will want some of it, too." "No, I won't eat it. I'd as soon eat stolen meat." "But we divided it among the boys, and proceeded to cook a ham in the best possible style. The smell of it fairly made our teeth water, and when it was cooked we were more than ready for it." "There's a fine piece, cut that off for the chaplain," said one.

"No, I thank you," said he, "I said I wouldn't eat it, and I won't, but—passing up his plate—I'll take a little of the gravy."—Detroit Journal.

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"We do not have enough music in the home," writes Mary C. Stetson in The Woman's Home Companion. "Children who sing at their work will hardly quarrel, and parents who sing will find the burden of their task grow lighter. There is rest and recreation in music. Once a frail minister who thought the progressive wheels of the world's work would stop if he took a vacation slept and dreamed a dream. He dreamed that he died and appeared before the Lord. The Lord seemed surprised to see him and asked, 'What did you come so soon for? Why did you not take needed rest and recreation, and so prolong your life?' The minister waked and went to Europe, recovered his health, is alive today and is known for his inspiring words all over America."

"I wish that every mother could dream this dream. The world may spare her but her home cannot. There are no children but need a mother's care and love. They are more responsive and obedient to a bit of blood than to a tie created by law. Does she inquire, then, how she can economize? For forces that they may last how she can turn less fuel, that her little fire of life may burn brightly and long? My answer is, let women try to give to things their true importance. It will make no difference in a week or a year's time how windows and wash-rack look today, but it will make a difference whether the children are perfectly nourished physically and trained mentally."

Learn to do the most important things first, and if your strength fails learn to let the minor things wait; sing inspiring songs. Try to get something out of life for all you put into it. Enjoy something today, for tomorrow may not be yours. People ought to get more than an existence with such help as song and sunshine laughter and friendship.

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

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HERAWFUL ORDEAL. "May had a dreadful experience on her trip to Painesville!" "How was that?" "Why, she got something in her eye, and it hurt her so that she asked a nice looking young man to look for it, and he was so dreadfully negligent that he got so close that his big mistake kicked her nose, so that in trying not to sneeze right in his face she burst four buttons off her new jacket."—Dear me!

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SCIENCE AGAINST HIM.

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He was one of the early arrivals at the summer resort and it was evident that matters were not exactly to his taste. "You advertised," he said to the proprietor when he had got him off into one corner, "that this was an absolutely beautiful place?" "Quite right," returned the proprietor who was used to standing off all kinds of complaints, and who always aimed to make the other man show his hand first. "You said," went on the early arrival, "that there was absolutely no malaria here?" "I am quite ready to admit it," asserted the proprietor.

The early arrival said nothing, but he bared his arm and displayed one or two mosquito bites of a particularly large and aggressive nature. Then he showed a few more on the other arm, two or three on the neck and was preparing to exhibit one on his leg when the proprietor interposed. "What has that to do with my silver advertisement?" demanded the proprietor. "Did I say anything about mosquitoes?" "I admit that you did not," answered the early arrival. "You spoke only of pure air, but in that connection I deem to call your attention to this little book, I'll read you an extract from it."

He read the extract. It was to the effect that science teaches us that it is an absolute impossibility for a mosquito to live in pure air; that malaria is necessary to its existence, and that it dies in a study when it cannot get a whiff of it. The proprietor looked serious. "Let us see that book," he said.

The book was handed to him and he read the passage carefully. Then he looked at the title page for the name of the author. "Let me see that again," was all he said.

"Well, you'll have to get a physician's certificate that those are not June bugs before I'll either give you a rebate on your board or consent to change my advertisement," he said as he turned away.

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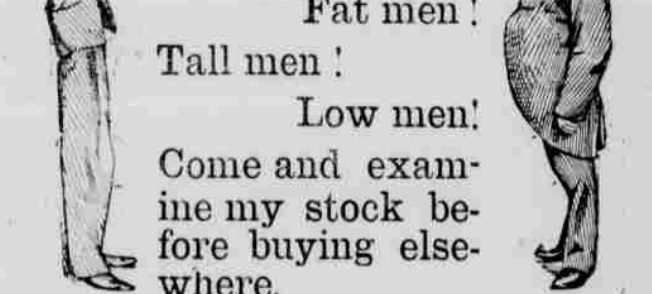
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