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Laurinburg, North Carolina

The Home Circle.

By J. N. H.

It is claimed that all the presidents of the United States had good mothers. It is said that John Q. Adams until the day of his death, said the prayer his mother had taught him. Lincoln said, "All that I am I owe to my mother." Garfield kissed the wrinkled face of his mother on the day of his inauguration and said "You brought me to this." Grover Cleveland said, "Worldly honors or worldly plaudits will never cause me to forget the lessons my mother taught me." As the shadows lengthen, the memory of a mother's love becomes intensified.

All other earthly pleasures are a mockery in comparison to the contentment of a loving family circle. Other joys may last for a day, excite our interest for a time, but they fade away and leave us unsatisfied. While they are present we feel not the emptiness of this excitement—but with their vanishing our hearts hunger for the blessings which home alone can give. Even they who have never known what it is to have loving hearts welcome them on the threshold, and loving hands minister to their comfort, know that these are life's most precious gifts, and thirst for a draught from this cup of peace.

If men would remember that a woman can't always be smiling who has to cook dinner, answer the door bell half a dozen times, and get rid of a neighbor who has dropped in, attend to a sick baby, tie up the cut finger of a two-year-old, gather up the playthings of a four-year-old, tie up the feet of a six-year-old on skates and get an eight-year-old ready for school—to say nothing of sweeping, cleaning, etc. A woman with all this to contend with may claim it as a privilege to look and feel a little tired sometimes, and a word of sympathy would not be too much to expect for a man who, during the honeymoon, wouldn't let her carry so much as a sandwich.

To a young man away from home friendless and forlorn in a great city, the hours of peril are those between sunset and bedtime. The moon and stars are more evil in a single hour than the sun in a whole day's circuit. The poet's visions of woeing are all composed of tender and soothed dreams. It brings the wanderer to his home, the child to its mother's arms, and the ox to his stall and the weary laborer to his rest. But to the tender-hearted youth who is thrown upon the rocks of a pitiless city, and stands there, facing a thousand horrors, the coming of evening brings with it an overwhelming sense of loneliness and desolation which comes down on the spirit like darkness upon the earth. In this mood his best impulses become a snare to him, and he is led astray because he is social, affectionate, sympathetic.

theologic, and warm hearted.

There are persons whom to know is to love, honor and admire, and others whom to know is to shun and despise. Live with persons of elevated character and you will feel lifted up in them. "Live with wolves and you will learn to howl," says the Spanish proverb. The life of every man is a daily indication of good or bad example to others. The life of a good man is at the same time the most eloquent lesson of virtue and the most severe reproof of vice. There are men in whose presence we feel as if we breathed spiritual ozone, refreshing and invigorating, like inhaling mountain air or enjoying a bath of sunshine. The golden words that good men have uttered, the examples they have set, live thru all time. These being undisputed facts how carefully our young people should select their associates and be found only with those whose example they can take pride in following.

A single bitter word may disquiet an entire family for a whole day; one surly glance cast a gloom over the household; while a smile, like a gleam of sunshine, may light up the darkest and weariest hours. Like unexpected flowers which spring up along our pathway full of freshness, fragrance and beauty, so kind words and gentle acts and sweet dispositions make glad the sacred spot called home. No matter how humble the abode, if it be sweetened with kindness and smiles, the heart will turn lovingly toward it from all tumults of the world, and home, if it be ever so homely, will be the dearest spot beneath the circuit of the sun.

A good wife is to a man wisdom and courage, strength, hope and endurance. A bad one is confusion, weakness, discomfiture and despair. No condition is hopeless when the wife possesses firmness, decision, energy and economy. There is no outward prosperity which can counteract indecision, folly, and extravagance at home. No spirit can long resist bad domestic influences.

It has been said that to have the children in your power would be to control the destiny of the world, but give us the mothers and let them realize their power, and we will have the children.

These days we sit on the sunny side of the car, walk on the sunny side of the street and sit in the sunny window of the home. Let us also walk on the sunny side of life and see the sunny side of the disjointed things of life.

John, the six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McAllister, died in Thetford, N. J., as a result of a racing chewing gum, which later lodged in his intestine. The child was unconscious six days.

FORMER GOVERNOR NICHOLAS LATEST TO PRAISE TANLAC.

Major Guthrie, After 15 Years, Is Aided of Rheumatism—Mild Spring Tonic.

Few are the voters of this State who know not of Major A. Guthrie. The sterling character of this eminent Civil War veteran and his long and successful law practice won for him, a few years back, the choice of the electorate as nominee for Governor of North Carolina.

Fifteen years ago the hardships he was subjected to during the years '61-'65, as a member of the gallant North Carolina Cavalry Regiment, began to tell on him.

Pains attacked him in the arms, legs and the small of his back. These sufferings were augmented by sleeplessness, indigestion and a general rundown in health.

From time to time he gained temporarily from the various medicines prescribed him. Soon the relief would give way and he would take to another remedy. It too, perhaps, would lend assistance for but a short time and the Major would have to look to another treatment for assistance.

A short time ago he began to study Tanlac's work on men and women in this State, especially in Durham, his native city. And soon he was convinced that Tanlac really did what so many people claimed for it.

What Tanlac did for Major Guthrie is explained in his words: "I have finished my fifth bottle. Indigestion is almost gone and there are no more gas formations after eating. My appetite is improving. I sleep well and the rheumatism is much improved. I will continue on Tanlac for I feel assured that its constant use will effect a permanent cure."

"I tell my gains from Tanlac for I want other sufferers to enjoy the same relief I am deriving."

Tanlac's delicate adaption to the needs of the stomach class it, especially at this Spring season, the blood purifier, tonic, appetizer and invigorant that most every person is in need of.

In Laurinburg, Tanlac is sold only at Blue's Drug Store, and in Gibson, by the W. Z. Gibson Drug Co.—Adv.

Out of the Race.

The editor of the Laurinburg Exchange ruthlessly blots himself out of the race for Governor.

"If we were the Governor of North Carolina, we would commute to life imprisonment the sentence of death passed upon Ida Belle Warren and that miserable fellow, Christy, but we would feel that we had just been human and that we had spared two guilty wretches. We could not say no to one begging for life, but we would believe right on as we do now, that they both deserve the full measure of punishment. It may disqualify us from ever being Governor, which is bad indeed, but the electric chair would have to go out of business during our administration if we were the chief executive."

It is all right to be opposed to capital punishment—we are with you brother along that line. But if the law says a murderer must hang or be electrocuted it is the highly proper thing to see that the law is enforced if there is no real reason offered why sentence should be commuted. The Warren-Charity combination forfeited its collective life. Both the murderer and murderer should be electrocuted. In that way the majority of the law is upheld. If sentiment is to set aside the law a bad precedent is established. It gives woman the license to do things she has no right to do—Everything.

Fred Talida and Lawrence Reynolds, of Towanda, Pa., have been a bit careless in their marriage relations recently and now face long terms in jail because they "swapped" wives. The women agreed to the deal, and nearly two weeks had elapsed under the new arrangement before the police learned of the shift and arrested the four. All pleaded guilty, and now Judge Maxwell is searching the law books to find the most drastic penalty. Talida kept one of his two children when he made the trade, but his wife took the other to the home of Reynolds.

The village of Weaverville was jarred out of its peacefulness Tuesday when the news went forth virtually, telephonically and teletypically, that John Early, quondam policeman of Weaverville, had run amuck and was trying to kill his wife. Mr. and Mrs. Early reside in the center of the village, in the business section, and a crowd soon assembled. A posse led by Hal Townsend, formerly of the Panama canal zone, and Lee Baldwin, village blacksmith, charged to the rescue; and finally subdued the belligerent Early.

Do You Want

Your Property Advertised and Sold at Auction to

Pay Your Taxes?

I don't want to do this, but the law requires it and this matter has to be settled by

APRIL 1st.

After that date the property will be advertised and sold, not because I say so, but because the law says I must. Take Heed.

**W. D. McLaurin
SHERIFF**

Clean Mouths, Good Health.

State Board of Health.

That the mouth is the source of so much trouble—not that which proceeds out of the mouth but that which remains inside, is surprising to most people, even to those who have long been familiar with this oral cavity and its various functions. But mouth hygiene is now considered a big health question and a most important factor in the conservation of health.

Health workers tell us from their experience that in order to reform a dull, wayward boy at school, by going to his mouth and cleaning it up even to his tonsils, and adenoids perhaps, in nine cases out of ten the remedy is found and improvement begins. We are also told that supporting gums and diseased tonsils not only cause a bad breath and indigestion but that they are frequently the sources of the poisons that cause rheumatism and rheumatism. It may be a hot bed of germs, and when we come to think of it, it is all the more to be wondered at that more people are not really ill from constantly carrying around with them a mouth full of poisons.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley says of mouth hygiene:

"I have long been convinced that we do not value as we should the mouth as a subject of hygiene. As I have studied the awful reports of school inspection, especially as regards the teeth of school children, not only my interest but my sympathy has been aroused.

"And when I see men and women in youth and early age, and before middle age, toothless, as you see so many of them, I say: 'What a shame it is that these organs which were intended to be with us as long as we lived should be sacrificed in some way, due in most instances to lack of hygiene knowledge.'

Frederick Hess, of New York city, was arrested upon complaint of Miss Beatrice Diemehaus, who declared the young man entered a street car in which she was seated, edged his way through the crowd of passengers and pulled her leg twice. "It was only once, your honor," Hess protested. "It looked like an umbrella with a silk covering and I reached down to pick it up." The magistrate found Hess guilty.

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Parcel Post Hog Tied.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE AND SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

After a hotly contested battle the House at Washington has adopted an amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill fixing a limit of not to exceed 50 pound to the weight of any one parcel that may be shipped by post.

Thus do express companies and railroads seek to hog-tie the parcel post. It is predicted that, if this amendment is ratified by the senate, the shares of express companies will advance in price by leaps and bounds. "There's millions in it" for the express!

The amendment was slipped into the bill at the last moment. No hearings on it in committee, none of the usual consideration, put through at a single sitting of the House. One of the sleekest tricks that the "interests" have perpetrated of late years.

It is w^hat? Why? Because the people now middlemen will NOT be a deathblow to the farmers' aspirations. It WILL be the deathblow to the wheel vested system whereby an increasing horde of middlemen wax fat all along the line between producer and consumer to the impoverishment of both. For this iniquitous system now to thwart the desires for farm finance which a mighty people have partly expressed in the pending bill, is to arouse an indignation that may express itself in the other extreme of outright state and federal socialism.

Write today both your senators and your congressmen (address them, Washington, D. C.) to pass the Hollis-Moss bill without amending it as urged by mortgage-banking middlemen. Success means much to farmers, to the agricultural trade and to national welfare.—Southern Farming.

By virtue of the power contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by Mitchell Allen and Langdon Allen to Atlantic Trust and Banking Company, dated September 1st, 1912, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Scotland County in Book 4, at page 469, and in the office of the Register of Deeds of Richmond County in Book 85, at page 199, default having been made in the payment of the debt thereby secured, the undersigned will on Tuesday, the 4th day of April, 1916, at 12:00 o'clock noon at the Court House door in Laurinburg, N. C., expose to sale for cash at public auction to the highest bidder two certain tracts or parcels of land situated in the Counties of Scotland and Richmond, in the State of North Carolina, in Laurel Hill and Beauford Townships, which said tracts of land are described in the mortgage deed aforesaid as follows:

"Two tracts of land exactly five hundred (500) acres each deeded to Mitchell and Langdon Allen by Ralph W. Page and wife, by deed dated January 24th, 1912, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Scotland County in Book 1, page 497, and in the office of the Register of Deeds for Richmond County in Book 76, page 506, for a minute description of which reference is hereby made to said records; being a portion of the same land heretofore deeded to Frederick T. Gates and Ralph W. Page by D. L. Gore and wife, and by F. T. Gates and wife to Ralph W. Page, the first deed being recorded in Richmond County in Book 76, page 202, and the second in the same office in Book 76, page 304." Reference is hereby had to each and every of the foregoing deeds and the records thereto for particular description.

ATLANTIC TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY, MORTGAGEE. By ROBERT RUARK, Attorney. Dated this March 1st, 1916.

The following fact does not affect the description of the title and interests affected. LAKEVILLE BROWN COUNTY is better than ordinary ground and does not cause apprehension nor fear of damage. The soil is well suited for the cultivation of

the signature of R. W. Ruark, Esq.