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AN EASTER THOUGHT

Long before the continent we call America was discovered, a mighty river was pouring its waters through our western country. Aboriginal man gazed upon it in awe, and wild animals crept to its banks to quench their thirst. The same river is sweeping through those regions today, as it will be doing in ages to come.

On its broad bosom vessels of all descriptions transport cargoes of things useful and necessary to the existence of man and beast. Its waters irrigate vast regions devoted to the productions of foodstuffs, of fabrics for clothing, and of materials needed in the construction of homes, and churches, and schools, and mills, and all other structures essential to the welfare of mankind. For the water course along which this river flows is about 2,550 miles in length.

To trace this mighty river to its source one must begin at the Gulf of Mexico, into which it empties, and proceed northward. At certain intervals tributaries are encountered, there being about 100,000 such streams, large and small. Northward, ever northward, the source seeker travels, until at last he finds it in Itaska Lake, a small body of water in northern Minnesota—the beginning place of the tremendous Mississippi, the "Father of Waters."

Since long before the discovery of this continent there has been another and mightier river—a river of love, carrying spiritual healing to the nations of the world. It stops not at oceans, but crosses them. It sweeps over mountains and down into valleys, through cities and communities of all lands, and even penetrates the jungles of darkest Africa, carrying to barbarians and savages the message of love and hope and faith. Its tributaries must be reckoned by millions, for they flow from every hamlet and village and city in the world.

To trace this mighty river of love to its source one must go back through the history of the human race. Back through modern eras, back through ancient times, back through the ruins of forgotten civilizations; back, and on back nearly 2,000 years, and then the seeker of the source of this wonderful river finds it in an empty tomb in the land of Palestine. For there, and not in the manger at Bethlehem, the mighty stream of Christianity had its beginning in the Resurrection.

And thus it comes about that at Eastertide the thought of the world turns to that empty tomb and its meaning: "Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?"

WHEN CHARACTER IS BUILT

Charlotte News.
Dr. Henry Louis Smith, soon to be retired as head of Washington and Lee University after a long and brilliantly useful service as a leader in higher education in the South, has made the eminently sane observation that "character is built or destroyed during youth's leisure hours. Dr. Smith belongs to the old school of educators who still cling to the belief that "the highest and most fruitful of all ends of education" is character building.

It is well to have that note struck ever and anon in these times when, unless we have something to stabilize us differently, we will fall into the error of concluding that education is designed for other ends.

You can hardly tell that its chief function is character-building as we look around us today and visualize its results and its fruitages. In fact, in many of the institutions that great purpose in education seems to be submerged. We are turning out technicians in increasingly large droves, men who have been trained to a superlative degree to become masters in some of the secular arts and occupations, with little evidence that they have come through a process designed to give them substantiality of character.

Dr. Smith is old-fashioned, of course, in his views, but he is everlastingly right about the dominant purpose of his other statement that this great end or design of education is largely reached through the use of the leisure hours of student.

Tom Tarheel says his sweet potato patch is an essential part of his farm.

THE ROSE

The following paper by Mrs. J. E. Decker was read at a recent meeting of the Woman's Club and greatly enjoyed by all present:

"Begin the art of finding peace, Beloved: it is art no less. Sometimes we find it hid beneath Sometimes one finds it in oak woods; The orchards in their springtime dress; Sometimes in dazzling mountain snows;

In books sometimes. But pray begin By finding it within a rose."

So sang Vachel Lindsay, and poets without number before her, as myriads since have found inspiration in the rose. They have set it in their verses like gems are set in valuable metals.

The rose wears its title of Queen by absolute right: for twenty centuries ago in Athens it was ceremoniously crowned "Queen of the Flowers" and its reign has never been disputed. When or where the rose was first observed for its beauty and fragrance is beyond the knowledge of man. From mythology we learn it was sacred to Cupid and Venus and was accounted the emblem of joy and love, innocence and purity. Not so many years ago, as time is counted, the famous War of the Roses was waged in England, when the royal houses of Lancaster and York fought for the crown for seven years. White roses were the emblem of Lancaster and red roses that of York.

No country can claim they produced the first rose, as can China the first tea plant, or Japan the camphor plant, for roses are natives of all temperate countries. Even the colder regions like Lapland and Hudson Bay have their roses. We can have roses from the arctic circle to the Isthmus of Panama and beyond that if we wish.

Among the roses best known to the Ancients was the Hundred Leaved Rose. It is a native of the Caucasus. The Moss Rose, Cabbage Rose, Burgundy and the French Rose are natives of Southern Europe. The Musk Rose is a native of Africa and the Damask of Syria. The Dog Rose came from Britain and was much thought of, as the bark from the root was believed to be a cure for the bite of the mad dog. The Tea Rose, of which we are so fond, is said to have come from China where they used the leaves to flavor their tea. The Cherokee Rose of the South also came from China and was introduced here before the Revolutionary War. The Wild Rose grows from Vermont to California.

Much experimenting has been done to produce better roses. In 1867 the French began the hybridization of roses, but not until some years later did other countries undertake it. America has taken its fashion from abroad for many generations and until lately not many roses could be labeled "made in America". The main method of getting new roses is cross pollinating the blooms of one rose with another and developing plants from the seeds. The president of the American Rose Society says there are about one hundred and fifty new roses introduced every year, but many of them are not valuable.

When selecting roses for planting there are several things to take into consideration: adaptability to location; hardness to climate, resistance to mildew and blight which causes buds to blight so they do not open. The following are considered the favorite dozen for this location: Radiance, Red Radiance, Hadley, Etoile de France, Lady Hillingdon, Orpheus, Los Angeles, Madame Butterfly, Columbia, Paul Neyron, American Beauty, Kaiserin Augusta Victoria. This list is taken from an article "Roses for the South." Of course there are many more that will do well here. Three varieties of much value are the Cochet roses, red, white, and pink. In the South the White Maman Cochet is considered the best light colored rose we have. Radiance is counted the best all round pink rose in the world. Mrs. Charles Bell is a sport of Radiance and Red Radiance. These three are wonderful roses and they do well even if neglected. The introducer of these roses is John Clark of Baltimore, who celebrated his 95th birthday in November, 1928.

Yellow roses are not very satisfactory. They are liable to be like the little girl with a curl, either very, very good, or very, very bad. One rose grower when asked what was the best yellow rose, replied: "I must answer that there is no best so far." Souvenir de Claudine Pernet has had more said about it than any other yellow rose. Sometimes it is very lovely; at other times it is very unlovely. The combinations of reds and yellows is often very beautiful. The copper colored beauty most recommended is Rev. F. Page Roberts. I

consider it one of the most beautiful roses I have ever grown.

Among climbers the favorites seem to be the American Beauty, Mrs. Robert Peary, Carolin, Testout, Dr. W. Van Fleet and Marshal Niel.

Perhaps something about soil and location would be in place. Roses demand an open situation, exposure to sun two-thirds of the day and protection, if possible, from hard winds. Do not plant near trees or shrubs, as the plants will be influenced by their roots. Any good soil will be all right, as rose roots do not travel far in hunting for food. It should be enriched and kept free from weeds. It should be well drained, as roses will not thrive with "wet feet". To enrich them, a trowel of bone meal to each plant will furnish food for half a season.

The quickest results are obtained from planting two-year plants, although one-year old plants make very good growth. Plants from cuttings are easily grown. Select a shoot that has already blossomed, for the wood then is in the best condition for rooting. Cut slip on a slant, not straight, and not too close to a bud. Trim off all but a few leaves and put in sand. Cover with inverted fruit jar. A good time to take rose slips is from the last of February to early spring. After the summer dryness, the fall is another good time.

We may not have the privilege of visiting the great rose gardens, but by proper planting and care for some well selected plants we may have the pleasure of owning a number of the Queen of Flowers.

"You love the roses—so do I.
I wish the sky would rain down roses, as they rain,
From off the shaken bush. Why will it not?
Then all the valleys would be pink and white,
And soft to tread on. They would fall as light
As feathers, smelling sweet; and it would be
Like sleeping and yet waking, all at once.
Over the Sea, Queen, where we soon shall go,
Will it rain roses?"
—George Eliot.

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Whereas, it appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office, that the McDowell Cleaners, Incorporated, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated in the town of Marion, County of McDowell, State of North Carolina (R. J. Morris being the agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served), has complied with the requirements of Chapter 22, Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this Certificate of Dissolution:

Now Therefore, I, J. A. Hartness, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 2nd day of March, 1929, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

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Sealed bids will be received by the Forest Supervisor, U. S. Forest Service, Asheville, N. C., up to and including April 29, 1929, for all live timber marked or designated for cutting, and all merchantable dead timber located on an area embracing about 163 acres of the watershed of Bee Branch, Buck Creek Working Circle, Pisgah National Forest, North Carolina, estimated to be 83 M bd. ft. of chestnut, 177 M bd. ft. of chestnut oak, 99 M bd. ft. of white oak, 39 M bd. ft. of black oak, 38 M bd. ft. of scarlet oak, 12 M bd. ft. of red oak, 100 M bd. ft. of yellow pine, 57 M bd. ft. of poplar, 1 M bd. ft. of locust, 1 M bd. ft. of hemlock and 25 M bd. ft. of other species, more or less, log scale. Also 750 cords of chestnut acidwood, 223 tons of chestnut oak tanbark, and 768 locust posts, more or less. No bids of less than \$2.00 per M bd. ft. for chestnut, scarlet oak, yellow pine and hemlock, \$3.00 per M bd. ft. for chestnut oak and black oak, \$6.00 per M bd. ft. for white oak, \$6.75 per M bd. ft. for red oak, \$10.00 per M bd. ft. for poplar, \$7.00 per M bd. ft. for locust, \$1.00 per M bd. ft. for others, 50c per cord for chestnut acidwood, \$3.00 per ton for chestnut oak tanbark, and 5c each for locust posts, will be considered. In addition the successful bidder will be required to deposit \$0.25 per M bd. ft. for all sawtimber cut, to be used by the Forest Service in making silvicultural improvements on the sale area. \$500.00 must be deposited with each bid, to be applied on the purchase price, refunded, or retained in part as liquidated damages, according to conditions of sale. The right to reject any and all bids reserved. Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale, and the submission of bids should be obtained from the Forest Supervisor, Asheville, N. C.



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