

FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

The Little Ragamuffin Who Surprised Grandmother.

Grandmother told us the story after we came home from church. Poor grandmother has to use crutches, and she cannot walk outdoors like the rest of us, so she has a nice little balcony built on the sunny side of the house and a door leading from her room right out on to it.

So this beautiful, bright Sunday morning grandmother wrapped up and went out on the balcony to take a sun bath. Grandmother's house is about three blocks from ours, in a pretty little city not far from here, where the houses are built mostly of wood and have big all the way round lawns. Our house is not so big, because there are only four of us—mother and father, my little sister and me. Sister is the dearest baby you ever saw, and she has learned more mischief in three years than any baby you ever heard of.

This Sunday was such a beautiful day that most every one had gone to church, and the street was deserted. Grandmother enjoyed her sun bath and the quiet out there on the balcony, and just as she turned to go in she noticed such a funny little figure coming down the street, a regular little ragpicker's baby in a coat much too large and flying open in front, though it was a cool day. A rough, red hat four sizes too large was drawn down over the eyes, and the odd little person was wheeling a little wicker doll carriage, with an old black, legless doll in it, with only a checked gingham sunbonnet in the way of clothes, and a knitted afghan streamed from the carriage and dragged along the sidewalk.

Nobody else was in sight, and the distressed looking child seemed too young to be all alone. Just for fun grandmother called out as the baby trotted fast down the street and past the entrance:

"Where are you going, little girl? And whose little girl are you?"

The little girl stopped and turned to see who spoke.

"I doin to Main street," she called in reply.

"Whom do you belong to, little girl?" asked grandmother. "Haven't you any mamma or papa?"

"No," she called in answer. "Mamma a papa is doned away, an I's doin to find the trolley cars."

"What is your name, little girl?"

"Isn't dot a name," said the baby. "I's dot a dowy. She's nice. I'll show oo dowy." And she turned the carriage about and started in toward the house.

"Mercy me!" cried grandmother. "Whatever will I do with the little ragamuffin? She's coming in here!"

Just at this moment Aunt Mary, who was down stairs in the library, saw the funny little figure and ran out on the piazza.

And the little ragamuffin was nobody more or less than our baby—Marian, grandmother's own little granddaughter! She had run away from Bessie, the maid, put on her big sister's old play hat and coat and slipped out by the kitchen door when Bessie was up stairs.

If she runs away again, mother says we will have to tie her up like a little calf. I'm very much afraid she won't like that.—Nancy Scott in Boston Globe.

The Two Children.

Grandfather's pet, she sits on his knee. Pleased and delighted as youngster can be, Learning new games and enjoying old tales; Grandfather's wonderful store never fails!



What though they occupy—girlie and man— Opposite ends of this life's little span? Children are both to the Father above, Crawled alike in his infinite love. —Chatterbox.

His Mother's Boy.

The crown prince of Germany is so devoted to his mother that he will not permit her to be classed among ordinary persons.

A clergyman was once explaining to the crown prince, who is 12 years old now, that all men are sinners, whereupon the little fellow asked him if his father, the emperor, was not an exception to the rule. "No, he is not," answered the clergyman; "the kaiser is a sinner, like every other mortal."

"Well, I am sure of one thing," said the little prince, "and that is that my mother is no sinner."

TIMELY ANNIVERSARIES.

Some Current Selections From History's Broad Page.

July 7.

1807—Napoleon Bonaparte and the czar of Russia concluded the peace of Tilsit. 1807—Prince Ferdinand of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha was elected prince ruler of Bulgaria. The choice of Ferdinand for the throne which Alexander of Battenberg had been elected to, proved a solution of the troubles of Bulgaria. He never received the sanction of Russia, but Turkey and Austria have stood by him in every trial. Under his rule Bulgaria has prospered and been at peace except for slight internal troubles.



George Law.

1808—Justice Samuel Blatchford of the United States supreme court died at Newport, R. I., born 1820. 1806—George Law, capitalist and projector, son of George Law of Panama fame, died in New York city; born 1843. 1809—John W. Julian, noted western statesman, died at Irvington, Ind.; born 1817.

July 8.

1721—Elihu Yale, founder of Yale college, died; born in New Haven 1648. 1758—General Abercrombie attacked Ticonderoga with 15,000 men and was repulsed with a loss of 2,000. 1790—Greene Halleck, poet, was born in Guilford, Conn.; died there 1867. 1822—Percy Bysshe Shelley was drowned in the bay of Spezia; born 1792. The circumstances of Shelley's death were peculiarly tragic. He left England in order to retain the custody of his child by Mary Godwin and settled in Italy. A loss in which he sailed from Leghorn disappeared during a sudden squall, and the poet's body was washed ashore. 1875—General Frank P. Blair, noted Federal veteran, died in St. Louis; born 1831. 1892—Frightful destruction by fire at St. John's, N. F., two-thirds of the city, including the cathedral and many public buildings, being destroyed, at a loss of \$10,000,000; 20 persons killed and 8,000 made homeless. 1897—Senator Isham G. Harris, noted Tennesseean, died in Washington; born 1818. 1809—The Grand Duke George, brother of the czar and heir to the throne, died at St. Petersburg; born 1878.

July 9.

480 B. C.—Battle of Thermopylae and death of Leonidas, the Greek hero. 1896—Battle of Smpach; Arnold von Winkelried "made way for liberty" and secured the independence of Switzerland. 1706—Pierre Lemoine, Sieur d'Jberville, founder of Louisiana, died in Cuba; born 1661. 1755—Braddock's defeat; General Braddock mortally wounded. 1790—Edmund Burke, British statesman, died; born 1730. 1843—Washington Alston, painter, died at Cambridge, Mass.; born in South Carolina 1779. 1850—Zachary Taylor, twelfth president, died in office; born 1784. 1897—Rev. Samuel B. Halliday, the assistant pastor of Plymouth church under Henry Ward Beecher, died at Orange, N. J.; born 1812. 1900—The Japanese troops at Tientsin captured the Chinese arsenal in a heroic charge after destroying the gateway by explosives.



Zachary Taylor.

July 10.

138—Adrian, Roman emperor, died. 1447—Christopher Columbus born at Genoa; died 1506. 1584—William I (the Silent), prince of Orange, assassinated at Delft. 1723—Sir William Blackstone, law writer, was born; died 1789. 1832—President Jackson vetoed the bill rechartering the United States bank. 1851—Louis Jacques Mande Daguerre, inventor of the process of portrait taking which preceded photography in general use, died near Paris; born 1788. 1889—Mary Gardner Tyler, widow of President John Tyler, died in Richmond; born 1820. 1897—Ascend of Andrea's balloon in the attempt to reach the north pole. 1895—The long truce before Santiago broken; bombardment of the city by the guns of the American army and navy.

July 11.

1703—Battle of Aulnoy; Marlborough and Prince Eugene defeated the French. 1767—John Quincy Adams, sixth president of the United States, born at Braintree, Mass.; died 1848. 1771—Commodore John Rodgers, American naval hero, born in Philadelphia; died 1838. Commodore John Rodgers was the father of the famous Admiral John Rodgers of the Union navy. 1774—Sir William Johnson, famous pioneer and Indian manager, died near Johnstown, N. Y.; born in Ireland 1715. 1804—Alexander Hamilton killed in a duel by Aaron Burr; born 1757. 1882—Bombardment of Alexandria by British fleet; Arabi Bey's rebellion. 1805—Mariano Carvallo, famous French prima donna and the original Marguerite, died at Bignon. 1896—Bombardment of Santiago by the American land and naval batteries concluded; last gun of the campaign fired. Rear Admiral Daniel Ammen, noted officer of the United States navy during the civil war, died at Baltimore; born 1820.

July 12.

100 B. C.—Julius Caesar born. 1009—Calvin born. 1586—Erasmus, the reformer, died in Basel; born 1467. Erasmus was considered the greatest wit and scholar of his age. Kings were honored by an audience with him. He conferred with Luther. 1609—Battle of the Boyne. By old style the date was July 1. Boyne river is a classic stream in Ireland and has been called "Boyne of Science." On its banks was fought the decisive battle between William III, prince of Orange, and King James II, deposed king of England. 1794—Battle of Mannheim. 1806—Joseph Bonaparte entered Madrid as king of Spain. 1840—Dolly Madison (born Dorothy Payne), widow of President Madison, died in Washington; born 1772. 1870—Rear Admiral John A. Dahlgren, U. S. N., died at Washington; born 1810. 1888—Vincent Colyer, noted American artist, died in Darwin, Conn. 1892—Cyrus W. Field of Atlantic cable fame, died in Bobbs Ferry, N. Y.; born 1819. 1897—Nicholas C. Creed, noted mine owner, died at Los Angeles; born 1843. General M. F. Wentworth, noted political leader and war veteran, died at Kittery, Me.; born 1820.



Erasmus.

July 13.

1753—Stephen Hopkins, "signer" for Rhode Island, died in Providence; born 1707. 1792—George Jackson, the terrorist, was assassinated at Charlotte Corday. 1825—Modern battle of Thermopylae early in the Greek war of independence. 1863—Draft riots in New York city. 1890—General John Charles Fremont, explorer, soldier and Republican presidential candidate in 1856, died in New York; born in Georgia 1813. Fremont had held the rank of lieutenant in the United States army and became famous as the "Pathfinder" through his explorations across the Rocky mountains. In 1843 he was commissioned from civil life major general of regulars. 1894—George B. Graham, founder of Graham's Magazine, died at Orange, N. J. 1900—The allied forces at Tientsin repulsed in a desperate attack upon the native city. Colonel Emerson H. Liscum, commanding the Ninth United States regulars, was killed leading the attack, and the regiment suffered heavily in the battle.

NOT ON THE PLAYBILL.

Blanche Bates had an amusing experience recently at the Garden theater, New York, where she appeared in the leading role of "Under Two Flags." In the first act, as Cigarette, she entered with a whip in her hand. While simulating a fit of rage, in which she laid about her right and left with it, the lash of the whip broke and flew across the footlights, striking a woman in the front row of the orchestra directly across the face.

Involuntarily Miss Bates exclaimed: "Ah, I beg your pardon. I am so sorry. I hope I did not hurt you."

Instantly, in a very high key, there came this reply from the orchestra: "Oh, no, not at all, Miss Bates. The pleasure is mine. With your permission, I'll keep the lash as a souvenir."

The effect of this remark was electrical. Only a few of the spectators had seen the accident, and from the clever way in which Miss Bates handled her voice scarcely any one but the woman addressed had heard the remark. But the victim of the lash of the whip wasn't so fine an elocutionist. Her words rang out so loud and clear that Miss Bates and the other actors had to turn their backs to hide their laughter.—Exchange.

Portland "Sandpeeps."

Sheriff Pearson of Portland, Me., has given the name of "sandpeeps" to the tiny flasks holding two ounces of whisky that are so common in Maine, because they are like the little birds in being about all stomach and head.

A "sandpeep" when ready for the market contains what is rated as one drink of whisky, usually of very poor quality, and it retails, bottle and all, at 15 cents. It is easily handled in the public streets without detection. In some saloons the whisky traffic is carried on almost entirely by the aid of these little pocket flasks, thus doing away with the use of glasses and incurring less risk of seizure, the source of supply being at a safe distance from the saloon.

The liquor deputies a few days ago applied to the court for a warrant to search the person of a man who they had reason to believe was pursuing the avocation of a pocket peddler. They found 63 of these little "sandpeeps," all filled with a cheap grade of whisky, concealed in his pockets and underneath his waistcoat.

The Shamrock's Designer.

George Lennox Watson, the designer of Shamrock II, began his career as a naval architect in 1872, says the London King. Since then he has been responsible for the erection of some very famous craft. In his first year he designed the Clotilde, which proved a great success. In 1880 he planned the construction of the Vandura, which beat the famous Formosa, owned by the then Prince of Wales. He furnished the plans for the America's cup competitors in the Thistle, Valkyrie II and Valkyrie III. But perhaps his greatest triumph was the Britannia cutter for the Prince of Wales, the best craft of its kind ever seen in British waters. Besides yachts, he has designed many of the great ocean going steamers. In undertaking to supply the design for Shamrock II he admitted that he had the cutest man in the boatbuilding world to beat in Herreshoff, the American, but he was not dismayed by America's past successes.

The Negro Question in a Nutshell.

This new view of the race problem comes from Athens. An old negro of that town said recently:

"Dis heah kentry is no mo'—my home. Its attractions hab all faded, an I jes' can't stay roun' heah when de possums all am gone. Yer see, did heah shuttle block fac'ry am eatin up all de 'simmon trees, an de possums am all emigratin to udder lan's. If de white folks want de nigger to stay wid 'em an wuk fer 'em dey mus' proteck de possum crap, an de great slaughter of 'simmon trees mus' stop. Nigger an possum am one an inseparable, now an forever." —Atlanta Constitution.

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JUNE 21, 1901. JOSIAH STANCILL, S. KLAWANSKY.

Schedule of the RALEIGH & CAPE FEAR RAILROAD.

IN EFFECT JUNE 2, 1901.

Table with 3 columns: No. 5, No. 3, No. 1. Rows: Lv. Raleigh, Carmichael June, Caraleigh Mills, Sylvaola, Barnes, Hobby's, McCallers, Banks, Austin, Willow Springs, Sextons, Ar. Sippahaw.

NORTH BOUND TRAINS.

Table with 3 columns: No. 2, No. 4, No. 6. Rows: Lv. Sippahaw, Sextons, Willow Springs, Austin, Banks, McCallers, Barnes, Sylvaola, Caraleigh Mills, Ar. Raleigh.

All schedule trains carry passengers. Approved: JOHN A. MILLS, Pres. and Gen. Man.

NOTICE!

The undersigned having qualified as Administrator on the estate of Alice Crumpler, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me duly verified on or before the 15th day of June, 1901, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment.

This 10th day of June, 1901. A. C. CRUMPLER, Administrator.

June 14—6w-pd.

NORTH CAROLINA. In the Superior Court. Augustus Wright, Plaintiff Against D. A. Fields and wife, Jerusha Fields, Defendants.

The defendant, D. A. Fields, above named, WILL TAKE NOTICE, that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Johnston County to foreclose a mortgage deed executed by plaintiff to the defendants, D. A. Fields and wife Jerusha Fields, which mortgage is registered in the Registry of Johnston County, Book "64" No. 7, page 14. Said mortgage is due and the land conveyed in said mortgage is situated in Johnston County, North Carolina.

The defendant, D. A. Fields, (personal service of summons having been made on Jerusha Fields), will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of Johnston County, to be held on the 1st Monday in September, 1901 at the Court House in Johnston County, North Carolina, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This 20th day of June 1901. W. S. STEVENS, Clerk of the Superior Court of Johnston County. JNO. A. NARBON, Attorney for Plaintiff. June 26—6wk-pd.

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(Condensed Schedule.)

TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

Table with columns: Dated January 13, 1901, A. M., P. M., Ar. Weldon, Ar. Rocky Mt., Ar. Tarboro, Ar. Rocky Mt., Ar. Weldon, Ar. Florence.

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

Table with columns: Dated July 22, 1899, A. M., P. M., Lv. Florence, Lv. Fayetteville, Lv. Selma, Ar. Weldon, Lv. Wilmington, Lv. Magnolia, Ar. Goldsboro, Ar. Weldon, Ar. Rocky Mt., Ar. Tarboro, Ar. Weldon.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Yadkin Division Main Line—Train leaves Wilmington 9:00 a. m., arrives Fayetteville 12:05 p. m., leaves Fayetteville 12:35 p. m., arrives Sanford 4:30 p. m., returning leaves Sanford 3:15 p. m., arrives Fayetteville 4:30 p. m., leaves Fayetteville 4:50 p. m., arrives Wilmington 9:25 p. m.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettville Branch—Train leaves Bennettville 8:06 a. m., Maxton 9:05 a. m., Red Springs 9:51 a. m., Partick 10:41 a. m., Hope Mills 10:50 a. m., arrives Fayetteville 11:10 a. m., returning leaves Fayetteville 4:45 p. m., Hope Mills 5:00 p. m., Red Springs 5:43 p. m., Maxton 6:16 p. m., arrives Bennettville 7:15 p. m.

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Trains on Nashville Branch leave Rocky Mount at 9:30 a. m., 3:40 p. m., arrive Nashville 10:30 a. m., 4:05 p. m., Spring Hope 11:00 a. m., 4:25 p. m., returning leaves Spring Hope 11:20 a. m., 4:50 p. m., Nashville 11:45 a. m., 5:25 p. m., arrive at Rocky Mount 12:25 a. m., 6 p. m., daily except Sunday. Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton daily except Sunday 11:40 a. m. and 4:25 p. m., returning leaves Clinton at 4:30 a. m. and 2:50 p. m.

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