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LITTLE THINGS.

"For the want of a nail the shoe was lost,
 For the want of a shoe the horse was lost,
 For the want of a horse the rider was lost,
 For the want of a rider the battle was lost,
 For the want of a battle the kingdom was lost,
 All for the want of a nail."

It is a psychological impossibility for one to accomplish anything without putting forth an effort. There is no getting around the fact that in order to obtain anything one must have a view to an end. The time required, of course, varies with the individual; but the person who sits around with hands folded waiting for something important to turn up is not worthy of emulation. Yet there are persons in our college who are drifting along in this haphazard way. The time comes when they really want to do something that is just out of their reach—they put forth the effort—but fail, due to the fact that they had not done the "little things."

Life is made up of little things. If we glance over the history of the lives of men who have attained pre-eminence we wonder how they attended to all of the smaller things of their lives when they were carving out their careers. The college boy and girl of today begin with ambition to do great things and are not willing to climb the ladder gradually. As a result of this they overlook the small things.

We cannot afford to go through life skipping and jumping in order to go the nearest way. We must brave and master the preliminary details. Our greatest artists were the ones who paid closest attention to the minutiae of their art.

We cannot all do something great, we cannot all make a history, but we all can contribute our share by living a life that does not overlook the "little things."

On account of the mid-year examinations there will be no issue of the GUILFORDIAN next week.

We take pleasure in announcing the election of Mr. Clifford R. Hinshaw as a business manager of the GUILFORDIAN to fill the place of Mr. Troy Short, who has withdrawn from college.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

Miss Amy Smith, Executive Secretary of the South Atlantic Field Y. W. C. A. came to us on Monday afternoon from Greensboro and returned Tuesday morning. While here she met the cabinet for awhile and gave a report from the recent convention held at Lake Forest, Ill., regarding the new membership basis of the Association. She also did some very helpful work with chairmen of committees, and made an interesting short talk at chapel Tuesday morning.

We feel fortunate to have Miss Smith come to Guilford.

At our last meeting Mary Doan talked on "The Permanent Value of Jesus' Teachings." She said there had been great truths expressed peculiar to one age but failed in succeeding ones. Jesus expressed a living truth so forcibly that it will last for all ages. We live in a world very different from that assumed in his teaching. There have come a host of problems about which he gave the world no help. We are told too that it is absurd to think of a peasant of ancient Judea being the ideal person, and the teacher of final truth to the 20th century. This demands our careful attention. Truth and characters are realities not to be measured in time and space. The size of a country has nothing to do with the teaching of a man who happens to be born in it. We do not discredit the art of the Greeks, nor the laws of Moses and Solon because they came from small peoples. The function of the truth of a man's teaching must be one fact.

Jesus did not give answers to many modern problems but he did speak of the things that make up and aid the supreme needs of human life. If the scholar of the 20th century may not go to him for the solution of problems in nature and history, he does need to sit at Jesus' feet and learn the lesson of unselfish devotion to truth and that of humility and love.

He wrote no work on the construction of ships nor on wireless telegraphy but he does teach that the ship, when built, must go on errands of mercy, not of destruction; that the message of wireless and not of hate and war.

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sin and repent, and feel after God, so long will the teachings of Jesus answer our inmost needs.

CALENDAR.

Thursday: 6:30, regular mid-week prayer meetings. Miss Ayer will lead Y. W. C. A.

Saturday: Examinations close. 8:00, basket ball game, Winston-Salem Y. M. C. A. vs. Guilford.

Sunday: Regular religious services.

Monday: 7:00, first chorus practice.

Tuesday: 7:00, second chorus practice. 6:30, Senior class meeting.

Wednesday: 6:30, Sophomore class meeting. 7:00, Literary Club.

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