

THE FIRE-SIDE.

GIVE HIM A LIFT.

In the struggle and strife of a journey through life. Where earth's joys born to decay. There are numerous thrones to whom sorrow belongs. Who would welcome a lift on the way. Oh what clouds darkly roll o'er some grief burdened soul. With their darkness unrent by a rift. And whose sole earthly sharp seems a cargo of care. With no one to "give him a lift."

WHAT MAKES RASCALS?

Richmond Christian Advocate. Has not the pendulum swung too far towards unhealthy humaneness? Is not a diseased sympathy working injury to the body politic? Is there not a sentimentalism abroad, that condones crime because of a man's kindness towards the "victim of the law?" Does not the vicious class count on a certain pity from the public? Is not our civilization losing its hatred of rascals? Our ancestors were merciless to a scoundrel. They had no patience with dilatory courts. The full measure of punishment was meted out.

There is a morbid and abnormal dread of hurting criminals. The assassin excites compassion. Flowers perfume his cell. The vicious anarchist, the mad-dog of civilization—caught murdering the brave guardians of society, with dynamite bomb, finds law; and the magistrate "leaning towards mercy," and willing forgetfulness of his hideous crime. The smooth and artful expert in vice plays the martyr of misfortune behind the bars and finds gushing reporters to tell his woes and hysterical women to weep over the story. The whipping-post for pick-pockets is abolished as a relic of barbarism.

This diseased condition of public opinion crops out in various directions. The savage roaming our plains hunts his human prey with the pitiless heart of a cinnamon bear, and with keener cunning than the trained detective. He tortures the frontiersman with devilish ingenuity. He outrages with beauty just the mother, he enslaves the captured children. The cowboy and kinsman of the settler he pursues with avenging rifle. A pulling philanthropy has melted into much the corded music of national manhood. The Indian Department at Washington rebukes the wild justice of the rangers and sends sweet messages by Quakers to the red brutes spotted with innocent to our political life we see marked examples of infirm purposes in the presence of undeserving appeals for pity and money. A quarter of a century after a war a man set up a claim to a part of the taxes wrung from groaning people on the plea that he had a diarrhoea twenty-five years ago while in the military service. And now has his eyes from that distant disorder of his life. He, however, is an active politician, and a member of the Missouri Senate. Congress confiscates for his benefit a part of the public revenue to quiet his pusillanimous whine. We mention this infamous mendicant and ignoble yielding to his unworthy solicitations as a sign of the decay of stamina in our high places. It repeats to say that a man who turns our eyes to our political life we see marked examples of infirm purposes in the presence of undeserving appeals for pity and money.

A JUST CAUSE. During the war, while Gen. Steele commanded the post at Little Rock, an old Arkansawer was drawn up before the general on the charge of shooting a soldier. "Why did you shoot the soldier?" demanded Steele. "I had a right to shoot him, general." "Did he insult your wife?" "Wussen that, general." "Did he strike you?" "A heep wussen that." "What did he do?" "Why, general, the onery cuss said I was an ungedecated man. That was more'n I could put up with. He hit my darter with a churn-dasher, and said that my wife was as homely as a cow; but, general, when he insinuated agin my college trainin' I couldn't stand it no longer, and I lifted him."

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NOT "SMART."

Of all forms of bad breeding, the pert, smart manner affected by boys and girls of a certain age is the most offensive and impertinent. One of these so-called smart boys was employed in the office of the treasurer of a western railroad. He was usually left alone in the office between the hours of eight and nine in the morning, and it was his duty to answer the question of callers as clearly and politely as possible. One morning a plainly dressed old gentleman walked quietly in and asked for the cashier. "He's out," said the boy without looking up from the paper he was reading. "Do you know where he is?" "No." "When will he be in?" "Bout nine o'clock."

"It's nearly that now, isn't it? I have a western time."

"There's the clock," said the boy smartly, pointing to a clock on the wall. "Oh, yes; thank you," said the gentleman. "Ten minutes to nine. Can I wait here for him?"

"I s'pose so, though this aint a public hotel."

The boy thought this was smart and he chuckled aloud over it. He did not offer the gentleman a chair, or lay down the paper he held. "I would like to write a note while I wait," said the caller; "will you please get me a piece of paper and an envelope?"

The boy did so, and as he handed them to the old gentleman, he coolly said: "Anything else?"

"Yes," was the reply. "I would like to know the name of such a smart boy as you are."

The boy felt flattered by the word "smart," and wishing to show the full extent of his smartness, replied: "I'm one of John Thompson's kids. William by name, and I answer to the name of 'Billy.' But here comes the boss!"

The "boss" came in, and seeing the stranger cried out: "Why, Mr. Smith, how do you do! I'm delighted to see you. We—"

But Thompson's "kid" heard no more. He was looking around for his hat. Mr. Smith was president of the road, and Billy heard from him later to his sorrow. Anyone needing a boy of Master Billy's particular "smartness" might secure him, for he is still out of employment.—Youth's Companion.

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