

# THE HOME CIRCLE COLUMN.

Pleasant Evening Reveries.—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide

## CRUDE THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITORIAL PEN

One reason why so many girls and boys, men and women, too, are uninteresting, is because they try so hard to be like somebody else rather than be content to remain himself or herself in life. In nature you don't see an oak posing as a willow, or a black duck as a yellow leg, or a horse as a cow, or a lily as a rose, or a lilac as a peony, or a dog as a cat. Be natural and you'll be all right. Many a girl without the slightest talent for music is running a piano who should be making bonnets or bread; and many a boy is studying for a learned profession whose proper sphere is the machine shop of the mill; many a man is splitting up churches who ought to be doing good service in some institution of learning, teaching or working on a farm, and many a woman is trying in vain to be a leader of society when she could be a model housewife in her own home.

### QUEER THINGS.

The man who talks of "supporting" a wife when she is working fourteen hours a day including Sunday.

The man who thinks his wife exists for the comfort and convenience of his mother and sisters.

The man who provides himself with a family and trusts providence to provide the family with a home and something to eat.

The man who thinks that women are angels.

The man who thinks that nobody but an angel is good enough to be his.

The man who can't remember his wife's birthday.

The man who thinks a woman is "fixed for the season" if she has a new gown.

The man who thinks a woman ought to give up a \$1,000 salary and work in his kitchen for her board and a few clothes, and be glad of the chance.

The man who labors under the delusion that his wife's money belongs to him.

The man who always leaves his wife at home when he takes his summer vacation.

The man who doesn't know what on earth a woman wants with money when she has a bill at the store.

The man who thinks a sick wife would feel better if she would "just get up and stir around."

### THE GIRL ON THE FARM.

The farmer's girl does not generally realize the advantages she has for self improvement, over the society girl, or those situated in other positions of life. The freedom and independence of farm life afford opportunities for study which, if rightly employed, would develop our farmers' girls into the profession women workers of our times. How is it, girls, and especially you girls on the farm, that we hear so often of the "self made man" (and most of our great men are of that class), and so little of the self made woman? Our farmer boys become great lawyers and statesmen, etc.; have you not the same opportunities as they? The girl who has been raised on the farm, and has aspirations to any of the professions, generally conceives the idea that she must get away from the farm to do her studying, at the very first jump. Do not be too hasty in leaving the farm, where you can keep such perfect health, which is the great requisite to a brilliant mind. And, first of all, before you aspire to any professional work, learn your duties as a housekeeper. Household work will not interfere with study. You require exercise, and there is none better than keeping a farm house. And if you do not wish to take up any profession, study will not harm you; make the most of the talents nature has given you, and when the happy fellow is met your

happiness will be of the kind that you will not regret the time you considered wasted in study. Do not be too hasty in running your neck into the matrimonial noose. If you from choice should remain single do not fear that you will have to from necessity. You will find plenty of work to do, plenty of burdens to lighten, and plenty of loveless ones upon whom to lavish the wealth of your charitable affection. Be assured that true happiness is not found in living for one's self alone. Do your best, make the most of the material at hand, and at the close of life's journey you will enjoy that peace, the knowledge of a well-spent life alone can give.

Perhaps it is true, there never was a garment too fine for a man or a maid; there never was a chair too good for a cobbler or a cooper or a king to sit in; never a house too fine to shelter the human head. But often times do we not value all these things far more than they are worth and sometimes mortgage a house for the mahogany we bring into it? Had we not better forego the pleasure of all these than consume ourselves before we get a place we can call home, and take so much pains with the outside that the inside is as hollow as an empty nut. Beauty is a great thing, but beauty of garment and house and furniture are tawdry ornaments compared with domestic love. All the elegance in the world will not make a home, and a spoonful of love exceeds whole ship loads of furniture and all the gorgeousness the world can gather.

Now we want to say something to husbands. These dear aggravating, indispensable creatures, that there is hardly any living with or without. If your wife or daughter has been bending over the hot stove, and a sewing machine all day, she needs to ride out in a vehicle or horseback. Don't think we are a fit subject for a lunatic asylum if we tell you to stop a horse out of "the trap" and take her, or let her go by herself if she is not afraid. There is not more sense in imtemperate work than imtemperate rest. You may have to stop longer than an hour to go for a doctor, and work longer to pay the bill. You will be sorry some day when those tired hands hold white flowers under a pall that you did not look more after her health and comfort. If she thinks it is too much trouble, use your God-given prerogative and make her. You will find that is the cheapest way to keep a cook that will not die on your hands right in the busiest time of the year. And for good luck's sake don't get up Sunday morning and walk around over the crop until she gets the house in order and then come in and change your clothing all over the house and leave your muddy shoes and soiled linen scattered around everywhere, and then go and sit on the porch and read politics and refuse to carry her to church. If you do, don't blame anyone but yourself if you have the "crossed wife in the world."

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## MEXICO'S EAGLE.

The Device on the Flag Comes From an Aztec Tradition.

American people take things very nearly as they find them and avoid asking unnecessary questions if the subject under discussion does not directly concern them. In Mexico it is different, according to the Mexican consul to Kansas City.

"A City of Mexico boy wants to know the meaning of every stripe in the American flag as soon as it is shown to him the first time. What is the meaning of Chicago, Michigan, Nebraska? He takes a keen interest in the names and the symbols. In our country there are many beautiful legends woven about commonplace names. The eagle on the central field of the flag has a history that is semi-mythological and very romantic. Many of the great streets of the capital have grown some tales connected with their names, which suggest them."

The consul then told the story of the origin of the eagle device on the Mexican flag. Only a few hundred years after the Christian era the Aztec tribes started on a long journey south from some point, probably now in the United States. They traveled year after year, stopping a season at a time to cultivate crops. Finally they arrived in the beautiful valley of Mexico.

At a spot not far from the present site of the capital the Aztec emperor consulted the astrologers and was told to follow the flight of the first eagle seen from the camp to its first resting place and there build the city.

One day an eagle was sighted. Scouts were detailed to follow the bird, and in the middle of Lake Texcoco they saw it light on a cactus growing on an island. When the scouts approached they saw it held in its talons a snake, which it was devouring.

The device of an eagle eating a snake, profile, was adopted as the Aztec coat of arms by Montezuma II. The Mexican republic likewise adopted the eagle and the snake to use on its flag, making the picture face view. The present flag of Mexico was adopted by the Cura Miguel Hidalgo y Costello at 11 o'clock at night, Sept. 15, 1810. There is a story told to the effect that the colors were suggested by an Italian in the rebel army, who made them the same as those of his native country.—Kansas City Journal.

### He Drew the Line.

One of the governors of Missouri, Claiborn F. Jackson, married one after another five sisters. "When for the fifth time," says Arthur Herkimer, the Missouri historian, "Jackson broached a marital proposition to his father-in-law the old man was eighty and quite deaf. This is the conversation that ensued: "I want Lizzie!" "Hey?" "I want you—to give me—Elizabeth." "Oh, you want me to give you Elizabeth, do you? What for?" "For my wife." "For your life?" "I want—to—marry—Lizzie!" "Oh, yes, I hear you. You needn't rouse the neighborhood." "Well, do you consent?" "Yes; I consent," said the old man, and he shook his head and added slowly: "Yes, you can have her. You've got 'em all now, my boy. But for goodness sake if anything happens to that girl don't come back here and ask me for the old woman."

### The Mound Builders.

N. H. Winchell, writing in the Popular Science Monthly, dwells upon the enormous antiquity in their present habitat of the Indian tribes who constructed the "mounds." The great variety of dialects, none of which are connected with those of Europe or Asia, indicates, he says, either that the present population originated from a number of successive migrations, or a continuous occupation of American soil. It is certain that the mound builders were the ancestors of some of the existing tribes. Both the Algonkian stock in the northeastern United States and Both the Algonkian stock in the great plains west of the Mississippi were mound builders. In Minnesota the two stocks coincidentally occupied the territory, dividing it between them at the same time when the white man's invasion began.

### Mr. Scads' Finicky Fads.

"Yes," continued Mrs. Buncheon Scads, "since we become well off Scads is th' most finicky man ever. He has one o' them newfangled human doors to keep his cigars in, an' th' other day he bought a clock with one o' them autocratic denunciators that calls th' hour, to say nothin' about having th' walls o' his den done over in dunlap and th' floor covered with administer rugs." —Chicago Record-Herald.

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Also one tract in Cedar Rock township containing 27 1/2 acres known as the "Harper tract." This is nearly all in timber, which is very fine and will cut over three hundred thousand feet. Terms will be made known on day of sale.  
P. G. ALSTON,  
Louisburg, N. C.

### Dissolution Sale.

The firm of Cooper and Pleasants is this day dissolved by mutual consent, M. C. Pleasants having purchased the entire stock of merchandise belonging to the firm. He will collect all debts due the firm and will pay all outstanding obligations against the firm as per terms of sale. G. H. COOPER,  
M. C. PLEASANTS

### Dissolution Notice.

The firm heretofore known as Murphy & Williams has this day been mutually dissolved and the business will be continued by Mr. W. E. Murphy at the same place. Mr. W. E. Murphy having bought the interest of Mr. V. C. Williams he will pay all claims against the old firm and also collect all accounts due said firm.  
This Feb. 10, 1909.  
W. E. MURPHY  
V. C. WILLIAMS

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Respectfully,  
W. E. MURPHY

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Having qualified as Administrator of J. W. Gupton, deceased, all persons owing his estate will make immediate payment, and all those holding claims against said estate must present them on or before January 15th, 1910, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. This Jan. 15, 1909.  
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