

THE HOME CIRCLE COLUMN.

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

RUDE THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITORIAL PEN

A Happy New Year to every reader of this department.

FACING THE NEW YEAR.

The clock struck 12 on Dec. 31st, and we are ushered into a New Year—with how many plans for the future—new resolves, many alas! that are made to be broken. But let us welcome the untrodden paths and grasp the new conditions with a firm hand, grateful for the blessings the old year has brought to us.

How the year come and vanishes!

When the Christmas bells have ceased their ringing we stand facing the New Year which comes with noiseless pace out of the future and we wonder what it will bring us. We are certain of one thing, that in our hands is vested the power to make the year one of character growth—if the old year has brought to us failures with the new year the tide may turn. Failure is sometimes the stepping stone to coming success. The past is gone but the present is left us in which to work. We must conquer difficulties and not let them conquer us, then what was considered a possibility may become a reality.

It takes what seems much like drudgery to do anything well. Let us during the new-born year take all the good that lies within our reach. The beauty and the glory of the world are close at hand but some see nothing but clay. Let us hold fast to duty. This will be of value in the storm or in the sunshine. The most successful life is the one that has done the most for his fellow man. Happy then is the man who has that in his nature that acts on others as the April sun on violets.

We can wish no better thing for all our readers than that they begin the new year animated by a firm resolve to turn all its experience into profit for themselves, mentally, morally, socially and materially, and then to faithfully carry out the resolution.

Happy New Year! What a blessed phrase! Speak it from the heart, and then strive to make every one's New Year, a happy year and yours will be happy, indeed.

The days, weeks and years slip away like water in a running stream. Time's great clock never loses a moment. Relentlessly, surely the moments pass, and our eager hands are not able to detain them. We cannot keep back the flying years, but we can and should keep the blessings they bring. Hold fast to the lessons they have taught. Keep the memory of their joys. Enrich every day of life with the garnered wealth of the days behind.

Don't give away your good resolutions; keep them. Don't make the same mistake in 1912 that you made in 1911. The more you laugh in 1912 the less occasion you will have for sighing in after years. Just consider that 1912 will be the last of your life and get all the happiness possible out of it. Don't lose your temper in 1912. You will need it when the 1912 agents and other fakirs call on you. "The good die young," don't let that prove true in regard to your good New Year's resolutions.

CRUMB OF COMFORT.

Year by year for twenty centuries the story of the night at Bethlehem has been told and retold. Today no household in Christendom, in town or village or on distant prairie can plead the ignorance in which Bethlehem then lay. If the door is shut on the Christ-child today, it is not for lack of knowledge, but from selfishness or indifference.

All the old troublesome questions of the Galilee Carpenter have passed. All the mediæval wrorment in discriminating between human and divine has gone, all the puzzled inquiry into the miraculous. No longer is mankind stirred over the non-essential. Theories of him fade away, dogmas of his nature lose their charm. His gentleness has conquered. His influence continues and widens. Slowly brightening, the gleam that touched him spreads through the world. His spirit moves on the face of civilization, and makes it kinder every generation. The New Year of 1912 will find more living close to the Golden Rule than any year in the history of the world. This makes family life sweeter and less the bitterness of failure and ignorance and all life's incompleteness. That wonderful personality was never so potent as today—so immediate and tenderly sure. Under a thousand forms, creeds and names, men serve him.

New Year greetings are greetings of good will. How they soften hard hearts, purify base desires, sweeten bitter thoughts, and make every deed purer and holier; every wish kinder and tenderer. Let hearts expand, sympathies enlarge, and good will reign. Let benediction drop from lips, and substantial gifts fall from overflowing hands. Make cheerless homes radiant, and hopeless hearts to thrill with unpeakable gladness. Forgive your enemies. Bury the past. Rise above the mean and petty resentments which you may have harbored against those who have not used you well. Be generous.

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A Girl's Wild Midnight Ride.

To warn people of a fearful forest fire in the Catekill a young girl rode horseback at midnight and saved many lives. Her deed was glorious but lives are often saved by Dr. King's New Discovery in curing lung trouble, coughs and colds, which might have ended in consumption or pneumonia. "It cured me of a dreadful cough and lung disease," writes W. R. Patterson, Wellington, Tex., "after four in our family had died with nothing, and I gained 37 pounds." Nothing so sure and safe for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Aycock Drug Co.

"Charles Dickens and Women"

The recent sudden death in New York of Mr. Henry Snowden Ward, the distinguished Secretary of the Dickens Fellowship in England, is as sincerely deplored in America, as in the land of his birth. His delightful lectures on Dickens and Shakespeare have been popular literary features of this season, and one of his latest acts was the preparation of an illuminating article for Lippincott's Magazine on "Charles Dickens and Women," which will be published in February when the Dickens centenary is due. By the late Henry Snowden Ward.

When given as soon as the croupy cough appears Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will ward off an attack of croup and prevent all danger and cause of anxiety. Thousands of mothers use it successfully. Sold by all dealers.

The Business Governor.

It is a lamentable truth that men capable of managing large enterprises are themselves by their engrossment and selfishness the least qualified to manage public affairs, because their thinking all turns in to themselves and the things they have in hand. — J. B. Gambrell in Baptist Standard.

There is no political cry quite so dreary and dismal and senseless as this howl we have every few years for a business man to fill our offices of honor and trust. The very fact that they have succeeded in their own affairs and piled up a fortune disqualifies them for administering the affairs of a great State. It requires concentration, engrossment and no little selfishness to accumulate a fortune by the present methods that obtain in the business world, and the man who has spent his whole life in thinking about himself and the advancement of his own private interest is not the man to handle the affairs of other people. Understand us, we are not falling against rich men. They are handy to have around, and an increasing number of them are discovering what money was made for and are spending it for the good of humanity, but that is another story. We are dispassionately now the foolish notion that obtains in certain quarters, that because a man can run a cotton mill, or a bank or a railroad or a credit store that therefore he is best qualified to run a State. The best Governor we have had since Zeb Vance's day was as poor a man as Zeb Vance. It takes a high degree of altruism to fit a man for the duties and responsibilities of a great public position. The Senate is universally berated because it has been over run with millionaires. Senator Bailey was honored and influential until he got rich. The men of moderate means in that great body as well as in all others are the men who do things. Let us have done with all this silly jabber about a "business Governor." What we shall always need in that high and honorable place is a man and it matters little whether he be rich or poor, though it is usually better for him as well as for the people if he is poor. — Charity and Children.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury

Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used, except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is too great to be paid for. Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co., Testimonials free.

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35,000 PERSONS HONOR GIBBONS

Fifty Years Since He Was Ordained a Priest.

CARDINAL FOR 25 YEARS

The Baltimore Cathedral Was a Scene of Churchly Splendor and All Sections of the Country Were Represented in Service.

Surrounded by 35,000 friends and admirers, both in and out of the clergy, and with all the pomp and circumstance that the Catholic ritual provides for such occasions, Cardinal Gibbons celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination as a priest and the twenty-fifth anniversary of his elevation to the cardinalate in Baltimore.

Congratulations are being showered on him, famous prelates and laymen from all over the country are in Baltimore to pay him honor.

The cathedral, where the pontifical high mass was celebrated, was packed to its utmost capacity, and squads of policemen had to fight to keep back the eager thousands for whom there was no room.

Inside the cathedral was a scene of churchly splendor such as Catholics have witnessed in this country but rarely.

In the body of the church every seat and every inch of standing room was filled, while in the sanctuary were the clergy.

Amid the blocks of priests, the purple of the bishops and the white of the acolytes, the rich red scarlet of the cardinal's habit made him in a most striking manner the center of the whole picture, which was brilliantly lighted, and for which the richly decorated altar made a fitting background.

Despite the passing years, the cardinal is still most active, and as he moved about the crowded sanctuary, or walked from his residence in the jubilee procession, his step was elastic, his head was held high and there was no sign of fatigue.

At the cardinal's residence was the cardinal, Apostolic Delegate Falconio and the archbishops. At Calvert Hall college were the bishops, abbots, monsignors, chaplains, members of the faculty of the Catholic university, priests, seminarians and the students of St. Charles college, all dressed in the vestments of their rank.

The rule of juniority prevailed in the order of procession.

As the clocks of the city struck the hour for starting the procession moved slowly north on Cathedral street to Franklin, turned east on Franklin street to Charles street and slowly approached the cardinal's residence between thousands of spectators who lined the sidewalks and filled the neighboring windows.

As the procession reached the archiepiscopal residence the cardinal, surrounded by other dignitaries of the church, joined the march and the paraders filed slowly along Mulberry street to the doors of the cathedral, entering through the lanes of spectators who crowded the grounds.

The pontifical mass began at 11 o'clock with the cardinal as celebrant. He was assisted by Monsignor George W. Davine of Baltimore, and Monsignor Lee R. Mackin, of Washington, as his deacon of honor; by Rev. Dr. William A. Fletcher, rector of the cathedral, as deacon, and by Rev. P. C. Gavin, chancellor of the archdiocese, as sub-deacon.

Dr. Edward R. Dyer, S. S., president of St. Mary's seminary, was assistant priest. Rev. W. Carroll Milkolland, of Paris, was master of ceremonies, and he was assisted by Rev. William J. Carroll, of Washington.

HELD PRISONER IN BED

Neighbors Rescue Delaware Woman, Victim of Strange Accident.

Imprisoned for three days in a wrecked bed, within the sound of scores of passersby, but unable to make herself heard, Miss Elizabeth Graham, of Kenton, Del., was rescued, but is now hovering between life and death.

Miss Graham says she sat on the bed to undress, when three slats dropped out and the bed, sinking in the middle, bore the woman down and closed over her. Her struggles to free herself only entangled the bedding and covering about the woman.

The following morning her niece, Mrs. Frank Johns, called as usual, but could not get in and departed, believing her aunt had gone on a visit to the country. Two days later it was found that she was not in the country. Neighbors forced an entrance into the house and found the helpless woman almost dead.

Walsh Released From Prison.

Freed unexpectedly from the Leavenworth, Kan., federal prison on a parole received from Washington, John R. Walsh, the former Chicago banker, convicted of misapplication of funds of his bank, left for his home in Chicago.

Steps From Car to Death.

Stepping from one car in front of another, Harry Luster, an inspector of the Trenton Street Railway company, was instantly killed in Trenton, N. J.

Another Good Yield.

The following letter was received by us, the past week, and will explain itself:

Castalia, N. C., Dec. 20, 1911.
EDITOR FRANKLIN TIMES.
I see so much said about what others have done the past year I have decided to tell you what I have done. On 15 acres of poor land I made \$300.00 worth of tobacco, three bales of cotton and 20 barrels of corn. This was done by myself without help of any kind, except one horse. I also killed two pigs that weighed 200 and 207 respectively.
Yours truly,
K. J. HAWKINS.

ARE MICROBES IN YOUR SCALP?

It Has Been Proved That Microbes Cause Baldness.

Professor Unna of Hamburg, Germany, and Dr. Sabouraud, the leading French dermatologist, discovered that a microbe causes baldness. Their theory has time and again been simply verified through research experiments carried on under the observation of eminent scientists. This microbe lodges in the Sebium, which is the natural hair oil, and when permitted to flourish it destroys the hair follicles and in time the pores entirely close, and the scalp gradually takes on a shiny appearance. When this happens there is no hope of the growth of hair being revived.

We have a remedy which will, we honestly believe, remove dandruff, exterminate the microbes, promote good circulation in the scalp and around the hair roots, loosen and revitalize the hair roots, and overcome baldness, so long as there is any life left in the hair roots.

We back up this statement with our own personal guarantee that this remedy called Rexall "36" Hair Tonic will be supplied free of all cost to the user if it fails to do as we state.

It will frequently help to restore gray and faded hair to its original color, providing loss of color has been caused by disease, yet it is in no sense a dye. Rexall "36" Hair Tonic accomplishes these results by aiding in making every hair root follicle, and pigment gland strong and active, and by stimulating a natural flow of coloring pigment throughout the hair cells.

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J. W. KING



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R. P. TAYLOR, - District Manager.
Louisburg - North Carolina

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Henderson, N. C.
December 5th, 1911

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and discounts	\$495,907.18	Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Overdrafts	3,532.75	Surplus and Profits	83,237.70
N. C. Bonds	25,000.00	Notes re-discounted	27,865.48
Other Stocks and Bonds	30,861.25	Due to banks	423.82
Banking House Furniture and Fixtures	10,732.77	Cashiers checks outstanding	1,016.86
Insurance Department	2,858.93	Certified checks	3.00
Cash on hand and in other banks	220,487.00	Deposits	575,497.88
Total	\$788,949.84	Total	\$788,949.84

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W. A. HUNT, Cashier.

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