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HOME CIRCLE.

GLITTER AND GLARE.

"Not even to make my last hour peaceful, Allan?" "Father, it would darken my whole future?" "It would glorify it, my son! I have lived many years, and met so many women that their hearts have been as open books to me; but in no climate, in no land to which I have traveled, have I found the purity, the perfection of innocence, the warmth of heart, the nobility of womanhood, which is the portion of my ward, my adopted child. I would fain leave to your care this fair young blossom, which I have guarded so carefully, my son—"

And that night there was excitement and fear in the Dreeme mansion. Leoline Elmar could not be found, search as they might. In the light of that summer day she had gone forth, bearing with her naught save the memory of Allan's words: "I do not long this girl! Let my heart choose its mate!" Allan sought vainly for a trace of her, and wandered as vainly why she had fled.

"My love! my love!" he said sadly; "was it but a memory of my coldness, my blindness, that you could take with you? How can I ever win your complete pardon for the past?" "By loving me well," was the low-toned answer. "Had you but remained!" he whispered, "my blindness would not have lasted long. I would have wakened to your worth; I would have sought your love, long years ago, my precious darling!"

Immortal Democracy. The life of the Democracy is not dependent upon any success of the hour. Elections may be lost or elections may be won; wisdom or folly may prevail for the time being; resolutions may over come the minds of men and passion and interest may lead them astray; but after all political sins have been committed, and all blunders endured and punished, the truth of Democracy still shines untarnished, and the hopes of mankind cluster around the possibility of its realization.

FIELD AND FARM. Eel grass is relished by hens. Hogs in orchards destroy insects. Never roll ground when it is moist. Jersey red hogs must have high feeding. Starchy foods are not good for skin diseases. Always burn decayed trees. They harbor insects. Pea vines ploughed under enrich soil wonderfully. Cultivate Lima bean vines until they shade the ground. Mangel wurzel should be thinned out to ten inches apart. Thick or skimmed milk fed to hens increases the quality of the eggs. Bad roads are good for wagon makers and bad for the wagons. Cut down dead apple trees. They serve as breeding places for insects. Hickory and cherry require a growth of thirty years before they are valuable for timber, maple twenty years, and beeches fifteen years.

GENERAL NEWS. Glorious North Carolina. Near Buzzard Roost, North Carolina, is a peculiar mine of white rock. This rock is ground up into a fine powder and shipped to New York where it was sold for about \$3.00 a barrel. The coarser quality is used to adulterate granulated sugar. This escapes without detection as it is said twenty per cent. of it can be mixed with sugar without discovery. The finer grades of this powdered rock are used for pulverized sugar and family flour. This rock now makes a leading element in all our fancy candies, and is said to be much more harmless than terra alba. The candies containing this mineral adulteration are the so-called French mixed candies, lozenges of all kinds, cheap stick candies, strawberry drops, bull's eyes, sugar bells, and all excessively sweet preparations. The clear or crystallized candies are not adulterated. The question now is, not what North Carolina produces, but what exists that she does not produce? —ENS. SUN.

STATE NEWS. Railroads, Crops, Politics, &c. ON THE CAPE FEAR AND YADKIN VALLEY ROAD, July 10.—The Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad, conceived in 1828, begun in 1854, resumed in 1870 and completed, we hope, in 1885, will run from the northwestern to the southeastern corner of the State and cross three great railway systems. It will run through every range of climate, for Wilmington has the warmth of Texas without its terrible "Northers," and the Grandfather plateau, the bracing air of Canada without its extremes of cold and heat. The productions along the line are various. Timber of all kinds in inconceivable quantities, cotton, wheat, oats, rye, corn, rice, fruits of all sorts, building stones, mill stone grit, marls, phosphate rock, ores of many metals and in many forms. The work on the road has been thoroughly done—strikingly so. Nothing is left at loose ends. The bridges are substantial. The grades and curves are easy. The track is laid with new, 50-pound steel rails. Everything about the construction is good. Verily the men who built this road knew what they were doing! All along the road where no villages were before, settlements are springing up and older villages are improving. Crops are all looking well, and there is plenty of unoccupied land to tempt immigrants if it can be bought at a moderate price. Why is it that our people do so little to encourage immigration? Would it not be well to adopt a little of the Kansas plan? Kansas is one of the poorest places on the continent, but the settler who goes there has a year to make a crop before he has to make the first payment for his land, and his first payment is small. That is the reason why immigrants by thousands go West and pay from \$4 to \$25 an acre for poor land. They have some sort of a chance. There is no reason why we could not do the same. The increase in population and in value of taxable property would add to the real wealth of every citizen of the State, and at the same time we would lose no money by selling on this basis. The land, cleared and cultivated, would secure the debt and the amount due, drawing 6 per cent interest, would be worth far more than land lying idle. Along the line of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley lie many acres, the very home of the grape, which would attract French immigrants if they were only able to come here and establish themselves. This section should grow millions of gallons of wine and thousands of boxes of grapes for the table. Lying within twenty-four hours of New York, it could ship fruits of every kind to northern markets and bring money and prosperity into the State. Col. Green at Tokyo has shown that wine can be made here and made at a large profit.