

# THE HOME CIRCLE

**The Boy is Comin' Home.**  
I tell you it is busy times jest now for me and marm,  
The boy is comin' home to spend Thanksgiving on the farm;  
'T is ten long years since he went West to mingle in its strife.  
He's done first-rate, and, furthermore, he's got a Western wife.

We got the letter yesterday, and marm she laid awake  
Full half the night to praise the Lord and think what she must bake.  
If I should feed the turkey now as she declares I must,  
Why, long before Thanksgiving he would swell up and bust;

I've had to grind the choppin'-knife and go to choppin' mince,  
And things are brewin' rich and fine and fit to feed a prince.  
The boy, he writ for chicken-plee, "With double crust," says he,  
"And mixed with cream, that lovely pie you used to make for me."  
He wants a big red apple from the hillside Northern Spy,  
And butternuts—I've got 'em 'round the stovepipe, brown and dry;

He wants to lay the fire himself with maple hard and sound,  
And pop some corn upon the hearth when all are gathered 'round.  
He wants the things he used to have when he was but a lad;  
'T is somewhat strange, it may be, but it makes mighty glad.  
We're both a little whiter, but our love, depend upon 't,  
Is jest as green and stiddy as the hills of old Vermont.

It flustered marm a little bit at first about the Western wife,  
What she should do for one so fine and used to city life;  
But tucked between the boy's big sheets she found a little slip,

She read it with a happy tear, a gently quivering lip:  
"Dear mother," them's her very words, "I write this on the sly,  
So don't tell John, but make for him a big, big pumpkin pie;  
I know it will delight him, for he still is but a boy—"

His mother's boy—and so he fills his wife's glad heart with joy."  
And so, you see, 't is busy times jest now for me and marm,  
The boy is comin' home to spend Thanksgiving on the farm.  
—Lippincott's.

## Dr. Pleasum's Church.

Report of the Sunday morning service at the Pleasant Avenue Baptist Church at Metrolipolita, July 3, 1920:

As so many of the members of this wealthy and fashionable congregation are away from the city on their summer outings, the genial and stylish pastor, Rev. Dr. Pleasum, who was lately called as the successor of Elder Ernest Faithful, was agreeably surprised to meet about fifty of his own members at the 11 o'clock service. This attendance of nearly one-tenth of the entire membership of the church at the first Sunday morning service after his installation, is very gratifying to the new pastor, and gives good assurance that he can depend upon the cordial co-operation of his people in carrying out the new plans of church work, which he outlined in his inaugural address the preceding Sunday. In accordance with his announcement that Scriptural readings and sermons would be dispensed with throughout the entire year, except during the Lenten season, he delivered a polished and scholarly sociological discourse on "The Philosophy of the Modern Maxims, Be Happy and You Will Be Good."

The delivery of the discourse occupied about twenty minutes, and it was a masterly justification of the churches in the attitude they have taken in the last city campaign, in favor of a wide open Sunday from Easter until February, for all respectable saloons and moral places of amusement.

The change in the manner of conducting prayer service was a marked improvement over which the members are delighted.

Most of the members had secured beautifully bound copies of the Episcopal prayer-book, and there were neat, but plainly bound copies placed in the pews, for the use of those who had none.

The fine voice of the pastor beautifully intoned the prayers, while the congregation knelt comfortably and devoutly on the elegant and expensive prayer cushions provided by the young people's "Help One Another Club."

The following are the announcements:  
(1) The prayer-meetings are all discontinued until cold weather—or indefinitely.  
(2) All regular church committees, except finance, social, and amusement committees, are given a recess for three months.  
(3) All the women's and young people's mission societies have voted to discontinue their regular meetings on account of hot weather and absence of members.  
(4) A joint meeting of the finance, social and amusement committees is called to meet in the church parlors, at 4 o'clock p. m., Monday, for the purpose of discussing plans for the proposed amusement and social club annex building on the vacant lot adjoining the church. The pastor desires to say kindly but firmly that, as he has been informed that there are a few old people in the church who are so old-fashioned and non-

progressive that they object to the dancing parlors, the card rooms, billiard and pool rooms, and some other features of the new enterprise, he truly hopes such persons will have grace enough to stay away from the committee and business meetings of the church, and not disturb the harmony of the Lord's house by provoking discussion of their narrow views.

(5) The new pastory will be open Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, for the reception of visitors. All members of the church and their friends are invited to meet the pastor and his wife. The company will be very select, and guests will attend in full evening dress. Music, dancing and cards on the lawn; supper at 12 p. m.

(6) A committee of all the social clubs and B. Y. P. U. has arranged for a "bridge tournament" in the church parlors on Wednesday evening. Refreshments will be served, and 50 per cent of all the winnings must be donated to the charity fund of the church.

Benediction by the pastor.  
J. W. ROBERTS, Reporter.

## Word and Way.

**A Boy's Sister.**  
An elderly lady and two young girls, walking together on the street one day, met a boy known to one of the girls. Stopping to speak to him for a moment, she introduced him to her friends. When they had hidden him good afternoon and passed on, the lady remarked:

"I think that boy must have a very nice mother and sister."

"He has," Mrs. Lee and Nellie are both lovely. But how did you know?" replied the girl, in a surprised tone. The lady smiled.

"I did not know it, but I guessed it from his manner. A boy who is snubbed at home does not act like that one when he is out. Only home kindness and courtesy and the training that love gives can make a boy such a frank, easy, well-bred gentleman."

The girls looked at each other for a moment, and then one voiced the thought of both.

"I'm going to be careful how I treat Ned after this. If people are going to judge me by him, I'll have to be on guard. And I know you are right about it. There is Will T. When you speak to him he always shuffles his feet and puts his hands in his pocket and hangs his head and stammers. His sister is always chasing him out of her way and scolding him, and her mother acts as if she were ashamed of him, and sends him off out of sight when there are callers. I earnestly believe he would be as nice as Rob, too, if he had the same chance."

"Quite likely," said the other girl. "I know he is goodnatured and bright, when he forgets to be awkward and embarrassed. I think I shall have to look out, too, and make sure that my little brother is a living demonstration of my amiable disposition," and though she laughed as she spoke, under the laugh was a tone of real earnestness.—The Classmate.

## Straight Talk on Tobacco.

Women's tirades against tobacco do not carry much weight with the average smoker. Nor do the charges of its harmful effects by those whose opinions are dismissed as prejudicial, unfounded, and extreme. But fair-minded men ought to be ready to consider statements of scientific fact presented by a trained and scholarly investigator. When one of the leading physicians and nerve specialists of the United States, for example, states that the effect of tobacco upon the heart and blood vessels has been proved to be that of an active poison; that tobacco is responsible for arterial degeneration in those long habituated to its excessive use, and interferes with the proper function of both lungs and heart, finally paralyzing their central nerves; that it acts upon the nerve centers, brain and spinal cord; that it has a powerfully depressive effect upon the nerves of motion; and that its chronic effects are to produce a poison congestion of the brain, spinal cord and nerves in heart, lungs, muscles and skin—it would seem that the rather positive disfavor with which some men and women view the use of tobacco is not unfounded after all. These facts, and many others, are given by Dr. L. Pierce, the well known neurologist. The chief excuse for using tobacco is that it is so soothing! The process of degeneration generally is.

—Sunday School Times.

## The Up-Look of Thankfulness.

The Interpreter had them then into another room where was a hen and chickens, and bid them observe awhile. So one of the chickens went to the trough to drink, and every time she drank she lifted up her head and her eyes towards heaven. "See," said he, "what this little chick doth, and learn of her to acknowledge whence your mercies come, by receiving them with looking up."—John Bunyan.

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## Makings Others Thankful.

Said old gentleman Gay, "On a Thanksgiving Day, if you want a good time, then give something away."

So he sent a fat turkey to Shoemaker Price.

And the shoemaker said, "What a big bird!"

How nice! And since such a good dinner's before me I ought

To give Widow Lee the small chicken I bought."

"This fine chicken, oh, see!" said the pleased Widow Lee,

"And the kindness that sent it, how precious to me!

I would like to make some one as happy as I—

I'll give Washwoman Biddy my big pumpkin pie."

"And oh, marm!" Biddy said, "'t is the queen of all pies!

Just to look at its yellow face gladdens my eyes.

Now, it's my turn, I think, and a sweet ginger cake

For the motherless Finigan children I'll bake."

Said the Finigan children—Rose, Denny and Hugh—

"It smells sweet of spice, and we'll carry a slice

To poor little lame Jake, who has nothing that's nice."

"Oh, I thank you, and thank you!" said little lame Jake;

"Oh, what a bootiful, bootiful, bootiful cake!

And, oh, such a big slice! I will save all the crumbs,

And will give them to each little sparrow that comes."

And the sparrows they twittered as if they would say,

Like old gentleman Gray, "On a Thanksgiving Day,

If you want a good time, then give something away."

—Little Men and Women.

## A Busy Ten Dollar Bill.

Mr. Brown keeps a boarding house. Around the table sat his wife, Mrs. Brown; the village milliner, Mrs. Andrews; Mr. Black, the baker; Mr. Jordan, a carpenter, and Mr. Hadley, a flour, feed and lumber merchant. Mr. Brown took \$10 out of his pocket and handed it to Mrs. Brown with the remark that there was \$10 toward the \$20 he promised her. Mrs. Brown handed the bill to Mrs. Andrews, the milliner, saying: "That pays for my new bonnet."

Mrs. Andrews in turn passed it to Mr. Jordan remarking that it would pay for the carpenter work he had done for her. Mr. Jordan handed it to Mr. Hadley, requesting his receipt bill for flour, feed and lumber. Mr. Hadley gave the bill back to Mr. Brown, saying: "That pays \$10 on my board."

Mr. Brown again passed it to his wife, remarking that he had now paid her the \$20 he had promised her. She in turn paid Mr. Black to settle her bread and pastry account. Mr. Black handed it to Mr. Hadley, asking credit for the amount on his flour account. Mr. Hadley again passed it to Mr. Brown, with the remark that it settled for that month's board, whereupon Mr. Brown put it back in his pocket, observing that he had not supposed a greenback would go so far.—Osceola (Iowa) Sentinel.

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8:50	8:18	Millers		11:07	7:55
4:01	8:21	Best's		10:58	7:37
4:18	8:31	LaGrange		10:47	7:23
4:25	8:43	Falling Creek		10:35	7:13
4:40	8:56	Kinston		10:22	7:00
4:52	9:18	Caswell		10:08	6:48
5:02	9:23	Dover		9:58	6:36
5:16	9:41	Cove		9:41	6:20
5:26	9:51	Tuscarora		9:31	6:10
5:31	5:56	Clarks		9:26	6:04
5:48	10:10	Ar New Bern	Lv	9:10	5:48
5:55	10:15	Lv New Bern	Ar	9:05	5:40
6:18	10:34	Riverdale		8:43	5:15
6:22	10:38	Croatan		8:39	5:11
6:36	10:59	Havelock		8:27	4:59
6:52	11:06	Newport		8:11	4:43
6:58	11:12	Wildwood		8:05	4:37
7:02	11:16	Mansfield		8:01	4:33
7:20	11:30	Morehead City		7:56	4:22
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