



# "THE HOME CIRCLE"

### A CHILD'S THOUGHT OF GOD.

They say that God lives very high;  
But, if you look above the pines,  
You cannot see our God, and why?

And if you dig down in the mines,  
You never see him in the gold;  
Though from him all that's glory shines.

God is so good he wears a fold  
Of heaven and earth across his face,  
Like secrets kept for love, untold.

But still I feel that his embrace  
Slides down by thrills through all things made,—  
Through sight and sound of every place.

As if my tender mother laid  
On my shut lips her kisses' pressure,  
Half waking me at night, and said  
"Who kissed you through the dark,  
dear, guesser?"  
—Elizabeth Browning.

### WHAT DO YOU EXPECT?

What you ask and expect of people,  
that—approximately—you get.

Trust begets honesty and openness.  
Distrust is a natural breeding ground  
for deceit and dishonesty.

When I hear a woman complaining  
of the dishonesty of her servants  
or the people with whom she deals,  
I always wonder much if part of it  
is not caused by what she lets herself  
expect, and if the same servants or  
tradespeople would be dishonest with  
some one who expected honesty of them.

A week ago, in the course of a  
little boat trip, I was anxious to buy  
some fruit at one of the ports where  
the ships topped a few minutes. The  
stopping time was limited by the  
amount of freight to be taken on,  
and although I would probably have  
had plenty of time to get the fruit, I  
did not quite dare risk being left behind.

An honest-looking boy was standing  
on the wharf watching the loading.  
Taking out a dollar bill—the  
only money I chanced to have—I  
held it out to him and asked him if  
he thought he could get up to the  
store and bring me back some oranges  
before the boat sailed. He said he  
thought he could, and started off.  
My companion looked at me in as

much horror as if she had seen me  
throw my money into the water.  
"That's the last you'll see of that  
money," she said. "Do you think  
that boy's going to get back here before  
the ship sails when it means  
he'll be a dollar in if he doesn't?"

Just as the gangplank was being  
drawn up he came rushing down the  
wharf. And happy as I was to get  
my change and my oranges and dis-  
prove the lady's doubts, I was even  
happier to have my faith in human  
nature remain unshaken.

"I wouldn't dare do it, all the  
same," said the distrustful lady as  
she shared my oranges. It wouldn't  
be safe for her to.

"A woman," says Sentimental  
Tommy, "can be anything the man  
who loves her would have her be."  
In a lesser degree that is true of most  
of us in our relations to each other.  
We rise—or sink, alas—to the level  
of whatever people believe us capable  
of.

People who knew Alice Freeman  
Palmer, the wonderful woman who  
rose from poverty to be President of  
Wellesley College when she was only  
twenty-six, say that one of her great-  
est qualifications for her high position  
was her marvelous ability to help  
people by making them realize she  
believed in them.

"A great reason for her strange  
control of girls," says one who knew  
her methods, "was, I think, that  
she always seized on some good  
point in a girl's character, empha-  
sized that, and made the girl think  
that she must bring the whole up to  
the level of this. She took for granted,  
or appeared to do so, the girl's

good intentions. Many a time I have  
heard her say with the greatest ap-  
parent confidence to some wavering  
girl, "Of course, you couldn't do any-  
thing in the matter that is untrue or  
unladylike. That would be quite out  
of keeping with you." And the wav-  
ering girl was promptly strengthened  
in her determination to do the right  
thing at any cost."

Believe the world is good, and you  
will do much to make it so.—Colo-  
rado Springs Gazette.

### PURE ENGLISH FOR CHILDREN.

The Woman's Home Companion  
for September contains a strong article  
urging parents to use more care  
in teaching children to speak pure  
English. Following is an extract:

"One of the causes of bad English  
is the disrespect which children are  
permitted to feel for each other. The  
sacredness of personality is not  
taught them, and they are allowed  
to badger each other, and to make  
each other ashamed of all distin-  
guishing peculiarities. Disrespectful  
nicknames are permitted—very differ-  
ent things these from the affec-  
tionate little home names—and con-  
versation, instead of being the medi-  
um of friendliness between brothers  
and sisters, becomes as prickly as a  
Cherokee-rose hedge.

"Undue familiarity between fellow  
students breeds the same disrespect  
and cheapness, and young folks who  
indulge in these insolent jocularities  
extend their impudence until it in-  
cludes their fathers and mothers. To  
be sure, this impudence may be mix-  
ed with affection. A boy may call

his father 'the old man,' and still  
love him; he may say, 'the mater will  
kick' if he does such and such a  
thing, and be ready, all the time, to  
devote his life to his mother; but he  
has lowered his own standards by  
talking in such a manner. He is be-  
coming, imperceptibly, not only less  
a gentleman, but less a man of char-  
acter."

### "TOTING A RAIL."

An old Confederate soldier says  
that when he was returning with  
Dick Taylor's command from the Red  
River campaign he was greatly dis-  
couraged. He came along with his  
command over a country road in  
Louisiana. The sun was hot and the  
road was dusty, and everything about  
him showed discouragement. His  
worn blanket was heavy and his  
knapsack, never too full, seemed al-  
most made of lead. His gun, too,  
was burdensome, and heaviest of all  
was his own heart. He thought he  
might be cured of his discouragement  
if only his mind might be di-  
verted, and so going to the side of  
the road to an old-fashioned worm-  
rail fence, he selected a good sub-  
stantial rail, and putting it on his  
shoulder walked along the road. His  
comrades laughed at him, asking if  
he were not already well enough  
loaded, but he went silently along  
for a hundred yards or more. As  
long as he had the rail, he could not  
think of anything else. Its weight  
and awkward shape combined to  
take his mind from all pressing dis-  
tresses. By and by he threw it down  
and took up his march with fresh

strength and courage. His feet were  
ed from the exertion of carrying the  
rail. There is many a man among  
us who is carrying a heavy heart that  
might have its distress removed if  
only he would take the burden of  
another, heavier than his own, and  
carry them for a season. Such a  
vice would be all the more blessed  
since it would be in fulfillment of the  
law of Christ. "Bear ye one another's  
burdens." (Gal. 6:2.)—Christian  
Advocate.

Recreation is to the mind what  
whetting is to the scythe. In sharpen-  
ing the edges of it, which otherwise would  
grow dull and blunt. His recreation  
that spends his whole time in re-  
creation is ever whetting, never mow-  
ing; his grass may grow and his scythe  
starve; as, contrarily, he that always  
tolls and never recreates is ever  
mowing, never whetting. As good  
no scythe as no edge. Then only  
the work go forward when the scythe  
is so seasonably and moderately  
whetted that it may cut, and so  
that it may have the help of sharp-  
ening.—Bishop Hall.

### KILLS A MURDERER.

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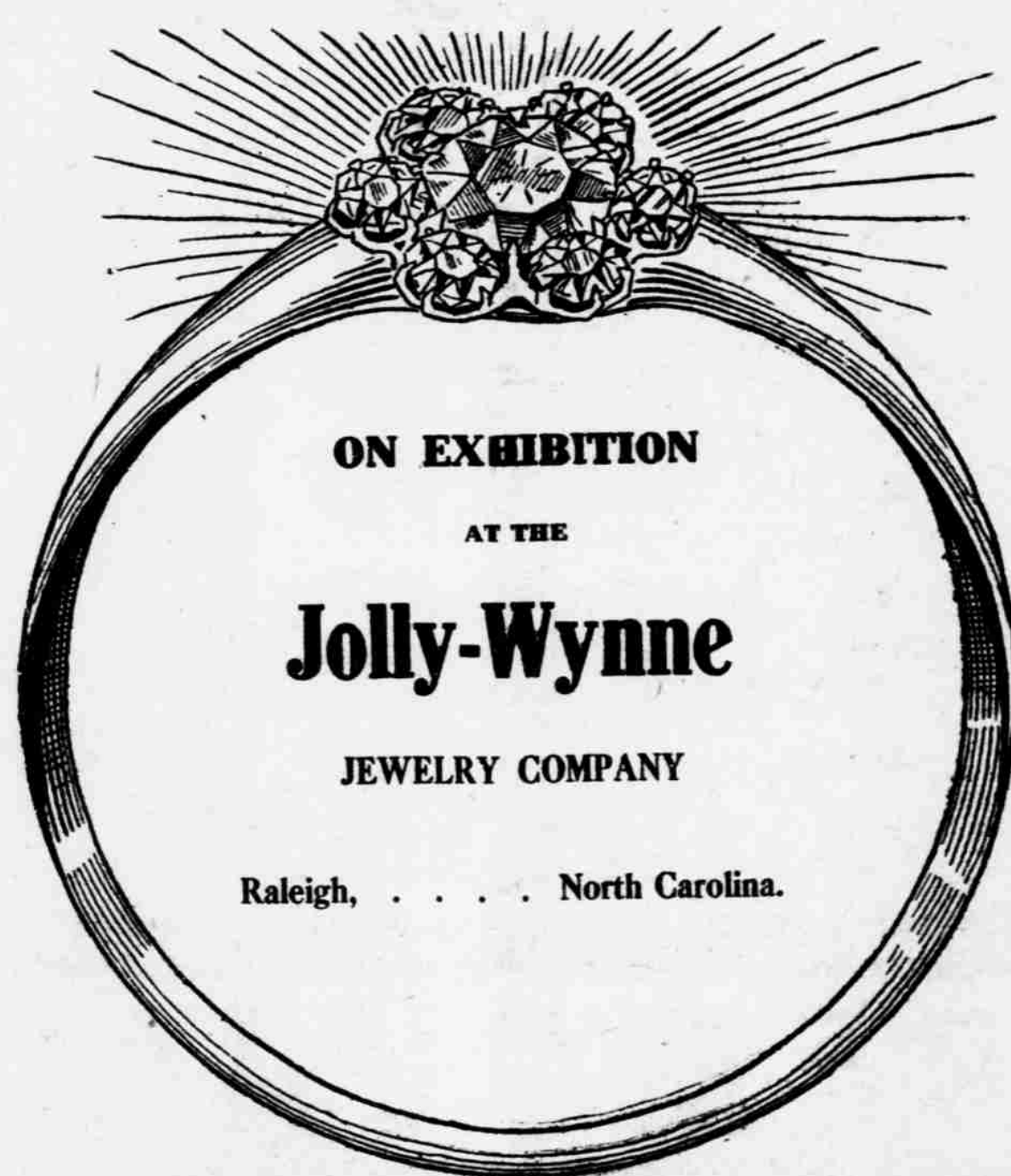
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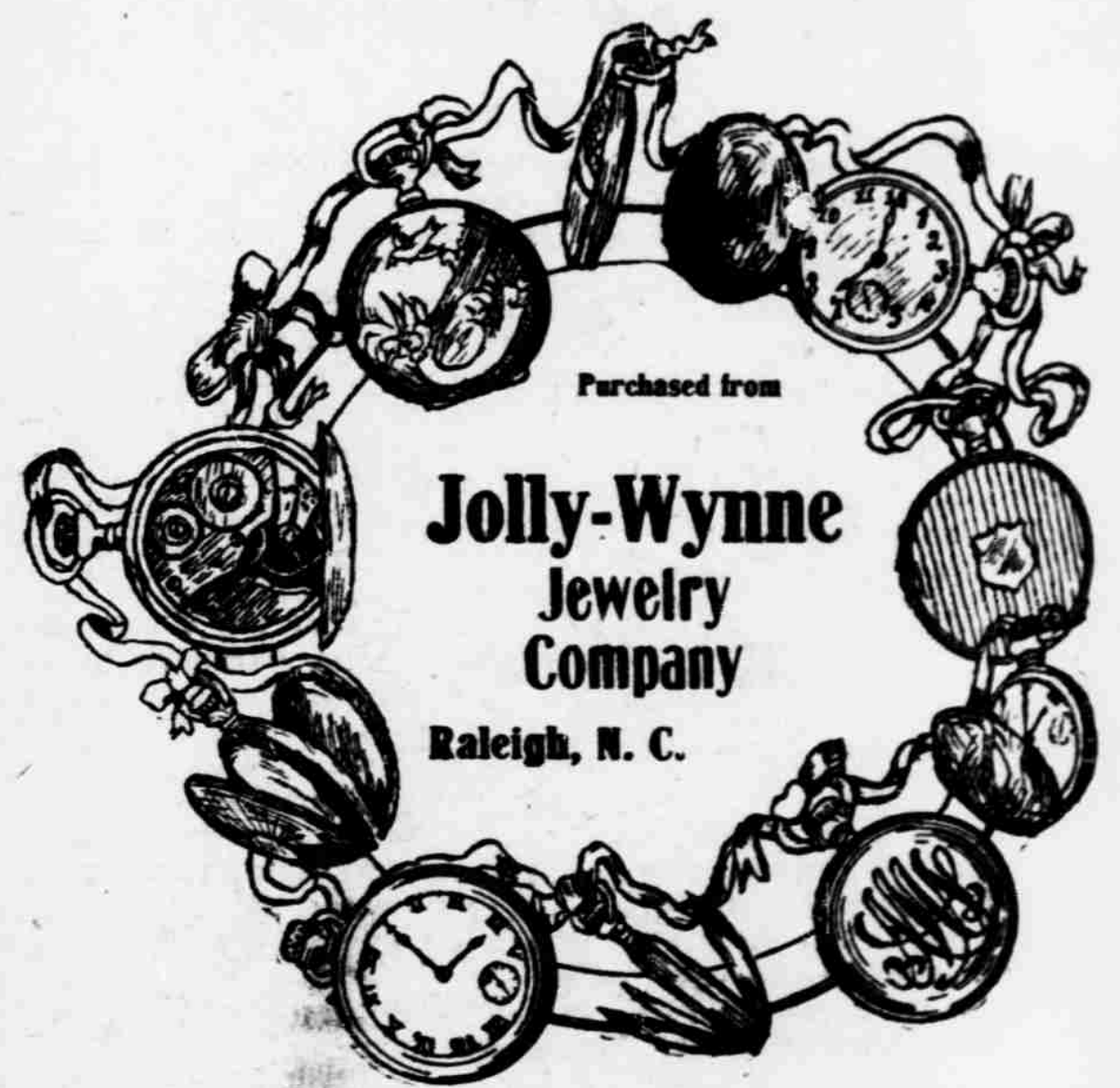
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