

THE SAINTSHIP OF LADDIE

"How shall I go up to my Father, and the Lord be not with me?"—Genesis 44:34.

Having now found the basis of Parental Responsibility, and the springs of conduct on the part of children, and having suggested some methods of control, we shall now emphasize the religious element of Laddie's training. As the object of Laddie's conversion discipline is not to give you a hope that she shall be with you when you go to your Father, certainly the religious element cannot be neglected. The first consideration that parents must regard is that family covenant which is the basis of all family life. We discovered it when we talked of the divine rights in marriage, and of those rights in God's creating, preserving, and redeeming the family. Redemption was the final end in view when God made man, and the first covenant was simply to be a nursery for home. For this reason God made his marriage obligation a covenant with its sanctions, promises and threats. By sanctions, we mean its sacred duties, God's, to bestow his powers, privileges, and blessings, and his man's and woman's to hold in sacred reverence their utmost to obtain God's blessings for obedience. If we are faithful, God covenants to save our children, and the Laddie may become a prodigal, yet the scarlet thread of this covenant will run through the life of the child, and the father's eyes may close in their long, long sleep, God, who never slumbers, will not be unmindful of his covenant, and some day Laddie will leave the swine pen in the far country and trudge with weary feet back to the Father's house, where his job will be over the sinner that has repented.

But, we must not forget that it is required of parents that they be found faithful. You may go on in indifference to the complete religious training of your child, but the Lord will see that the lamb has become a wolf, and is ready to tear your heart out with merciless cruelty. You wonder why it is, and if God has forgotten his promises. No, God has not forgotten, but you may have forgotten. Your example, your illness, your death, your child not your Maker, but repent, and do the first works, and see if time is left to relieve what you have lost.

I believe, in training children in a religious life, that there must be a decided intention to wake up to the fact that my people have the notion that a child must not be biased on the subject of religion, but should approach maturity with no definite religious convictions. But I hold the view that we may give a child a sectarian training without making a fool of him, or that we can give him a method of religious life, and a system of religious thought that will be more than a mere equipment for argument and debate. It will be a ballast to character, it will be a fashioner of eternal destiny. What is recognized in God's plan in the life of the child, Laddie, must be related to God. Like four pillars, he must have God's word, God's day, God's house, and Prayer to God established in the four-square edifice of his physical, moral, mental and spiritual life. The first form of worship the child should know is that of prayer, at the family altar. Laddie, should be obedient, and not understand, but sooner or later, he will recognize the priesthood of his father, and his little heart will feel the pull of that altar, and as life goes on, the memories of that sacred and burning fire, and the like soldiers gathering to the defense of his city. Oh the halo that surrounds the memory of a father's voice in prayer!

Next, Laddie must go to the house of God, and the steady solemn forms of divine worship will educate the worshiping soul of the boy, and he will learn that "the way of God is in the sanctuary." How soon Laddie should begin the practice of attending church and Sabbath school depends entirely on the kind of father and mother he has, and enough is said. Laddie, as soon as he has learned the divine art of human speech, must learn to "say his prayers." Nothing is more sacred or more beautiful than a child's faith in prayer. It is equal, yea, superior in its trust, to the faith of most of our older folks. And Laddie will never forget "Now, I lay me down to sleep, and say my prayers, the curse of sin is on him and he is a prodigal away from home, the old habit may cling to him, and bring him back to God. Laddie should learn social prayer with his companions in the Sunday School class and in boys' meetings. He should frequently be the blessing at the table, and occasionally lead the family prayers. At least he could read the passage of scripture aloud, and when father is away the boy should lead the prayer. He will gradually grow into a leader in public prayer, and when he is under such guidance, God will call him to preach the Gospel. Parents should often pray with their children. Important moments arise when prayer and discipline must unite.

A teacher once came to a minister's house and said to him, "Your boy was not at school today." "Indeed!" "No, yesterday," pause. "Nor the day before." "You don't mean it!" "Yes, I came to see if he is sick." "No, he is not sick." "Well, I thought it was my duty to tell you." "Thank you." The father went into his study and thought, "The gate is ajar, and I was Phil, the fourteen year old boy in question. The father met him at the door, and the boy knew as soon as his eyes lighted on his father's face that the last three days were known. "Phil, come in to the study, I want to see you." "I have had backache and dizziness and nervous spells, and I did not rest well. I felt all worn out in the morning. My kidneys did not act as they should. Doan's Kidney Pills made me feel better in every way."

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COMMENT

CHARLOTTE AND THE DEPOT PROBLEM.

Regarding the efforts that are being made by a number of towns of the state to secure better depot facilities the Charlotte Observer has the following to say: "Gastonia had the pouts for a long time over the sort of depot the Southern Railway wanted to give it and lost about two years' valuable time. Now the Southern has completed the depot and has given the people one 'the whole town is proud of.' It was the same way in Hickory and will be the same with Concord. The average town thinks it is the thing to do to fight the railroad at the depot question, and the average town always gets licked and is made to acknowledge it is glad of it."

Every fellow thinks he is the yardstick by which his fellows are to be measured and in many cases towns seem to think that they bear a similar relation to their neighbors. This seems to be especially true in the case of Charlotte. Recalling the incidents that were connected with the building of a new passenger station in Hickory the facts were as follows: Hickory made a fight to secure better depot facilities and finally won. When we had advanced this far the question arose as to where it was to be located. On this point we did not war among ourselves but put it up to the Southern to use its own judgment in locating it so that the interest of the public would be best served. This settled the matter and the railroad proceeded to locate the station and their decision has been eminently satisfactory to the people of Hickory. In this connection we recall an incident that happened in Charlotte sometime ago regarding the building of a Union Station for that city. The Corporation Commission had agreed to order its erection and left it to the people of the city to decide upon its location. Some citizen of Charlotte was approached on the subject and made the comment that it would never be built. Asked why, he replied "It has been left to the people of the city to decide upon a location, and Charlotte has never yet been able to agree upon anything." In Charlotte's latest effort to secure a Union Station the same proposition seems to have presented itself and again it has been demonstrated that Charlotte is unable to get together. Instead of criticizing Charlotte might do well to follow Hickory's lead in many matters.

The Sabbath day remains as the last element of a boy's training, it is God's day, set apart for worship and rest, and the Sabbath is the home day of the week. To observe it properly is not a small task. It is not for idleness nor for boisterous play. Laddie should start out with father on Sunday School, and mother too, if she can go. He should also attend church, and after dinner, comes the Bible stories, the church paper and its stories, then a quiet walk with parents, or perhaps the boys' meeting if he is old enough. If he is too young to keep still, very quiet play that is different from other days may be set up for him. Songs should be near all the time. Sunday songs, not secular ones. Church service at night will close the day if Laddie is old enough to go. The day must just be different from all other days, and you can make it fine. Laddie should be allowed to loaf in the street and don't loaf yourself. Don't let it be spoiled by visiting, or receive visits from others. They will soon learn to regard your feelings and keep their children at home on Sunday. Laddie may dread Sundays, but you will be blame if he does. Certainly the day father is at home ought to be the finest of the week, and it will be if you are willing to make it so. And when the strenuous times are over and Laddie has learned life's lessons, he will join you in singing:

"Thine earthly Sabbaths, Lord, we love; But there's a nobler rest above; To that our longing souls aspire, With ardent love and strong desire."

And thus with Laddie's religious life undergirded by a spirit of prayer, a love for God's Word, God's House, God's Day, he will become God's servant and you shall not go to your Father and the lad be not with you, but he will be by your side.

The many friends of J. E. Haithcock will be delighted to know that he is being benefitted by his stay at Catawba Springs.

WHY WOMEN SUFFER

Many Hickory Women are Learning the Cause.

Women often suffer, not knowing the cause. Backache, headache, dizziness, nervousness. Irregular urinary passages, weakness, languor—Each a torture of itself. Together hint at weakened kidneys. Strike at the root—get to the cause. Quickly help the kidneys if they need it. No other remedy more highly endorsed than Doan's Kidney Pills. Here's convincing testimony from this locality. Mrs. R. T. Amos, Pine St., Newton, N. C., says: "I had backache and dizziness and nervous spells, and I did not rest well. I felt all worn out in the morning. My kidneys did not act as they should. Doan's Kidney Pills made me feel better in every way."

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Claremont College Faculty.

In presenting the following ladies as teachers in Claremont College for the coming year, I believe that I have a faculty which will merit the confidence and support of those parents whose daughters are to be placed in school for the coming year. In addition to the president who teaches Bible and Ethics the services of the following have been secured: Miss Lenore Sourbeer, A. B., Miss Heloise DeGrange, A. B., Miss Mary Schnebly, A. B., Miss Mary Ramsay, Miss Mary Barringer and Mrs. E. B. Menzies.

The music department under the direction of Miss Ramsay is no experiment, but this department has grown in favor with the public until now it is well established and the concerts at Claremont attest the high order of the work done. The popularity of the Art department under Miss Barringer is well known, and the work of Mrs. Menzies is well established in Hickory. The other teachers are not so well known to this community. Misses Sourbeer and DeGrange are graduates of Hood College and have made records for the highest scholarship in their respective classes. Miss Schnebly is from Hagers-town, Maryland, graduated from Catawba College and has made a success as a teacher. The aim of Claremont is to educate the girls and with this in view the course of study is arranged, the teachers are selected and the regulations of the school are made. The education of the girls is the greatest work in which one can engage. Educate a girl and you educate a family. With this thought in mind, Claremont stresses the development of character and the womanly graces above everything else. For those parents who desire special advantages for their children a primary department will be maintained.

J. L. MURPHY.

Wreck Near the Ivey Mill.

Local freight No. 64 on the Southern Railway was wrecked near the Ivey Mill about 5 o'clock Saturday morning. Flagman Fred Wilson of Lenoir, was seriously injured and was carried to the Richard Baker hospital in this city. Conductor Ballenger who was in charge of the train, was also slightly injured, but was able to resume his run. The train had stopped beyond the Ivey mill siding and the engine with a part of the train had gone into the siding preparatory to taking out a car, when the rear of the train broke loose and ran down an incline in the track, crashing into the front end, demolishing three or four cars and tearing up the track for some distance.

Harvest Home Day.

The first annual Harvest Home Day in Catawba county will be held at the Killian schoolhouse, Hickory Township, Tuesday August 26th, 1913. Short talks will be given by a number of prominent farmers and others interested in the advancement of the country church, school and home. A genuine welcome for everyone interested in the upbuilding of rural life. The program will be announced later. Come and spend the day with us and have a good social time "under the greenwood tree."

Costly Treatment.

"I was troubled with constipation and indigestion and spent hundreds of dollars for medicine and treatment," writes C. H. Hines, of Whitlow, Ala. "I went to a hospital, also to a hospital in New Orleans, but no cure was effected. On returning home I began taking Chamberlain's Tablets, and worked right along. I used them for some time and am now all right." Sold by Moser & Lutz and Grimes Drug Co.

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We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Drug-gists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A Philathea Boat Ride.

We have enjoyed the wagon ride which the Baracas gave us, and now we cordially invite you to take a boat ride with us. We are bound for Salvo dor (Salvo) in the Southern-lands (Southernland). We can easily accommodate you all, for we have secured the right to two boats (Boatright)—the (Eula Douglass) and the Shuler Eiler, the beautiful white boats (White), belonging to the (Harding)—(Whitener) boat-lines.

Now that we are well under way, let us introduce you to some of our noted passengers on board. You will be pleased to meet our two famous authors (Stevenson and Eliot), a Spanish Signor and his daughter (Florence), and our own dear Patrick Henry (Patrick). And last but by no means least—(Effie) and Herman (Herman), (Mary) and her man (Herman), John's son and Lyle Ruth—(Johnson) (Lyle) (Ruth).

I am sure you are enjoying the many conveniences of our boats. As you entered, you were of course attracted by the fragrance of the bowls of pansies (Pansy Bowles) in the saloon. If you are of a literary turn, you will find in the library the Elsie books (Elsie), which always afford vast mental (?) improvement but perhaps there are some Walkers on board (Walker); if so, remember there is plenty of deck room, for we not only brought the famous Baraca wagon on board, but we even have room for the horse-to lay down (Hosley). Those of us on deck will enjoy the magnificent view of Mt. Mitchell (Mitchel) in the distance, and also the capital of the largest state in the union—Austin-Texas (Austin). As we are in Southern seas, you need not fear icebergs; though we have a Vanderberg on board (Vanderberg), but should an accident occur add the boat be over turned, please be very much as you ford (Mumford) the stream. If you'd like to add-a-line (Adeine) to your friends it will only take a penny or two (Pennys). In the "L" of the boat you'll find a plenty of Sherry (Sherrill) but if any of you are total abstainers Bessie will serve ice any how (Isenhov). Our buyers and sellers (Buyers) [Sellers] have been busy and the result is the following menu: Early May berries [Mayberry] beans (Bean). Since the hen-lays [Henley] well you may fry [Fry] your eggs to a crisp (Crisp). Sousa's band [Susa] accompanied by the Martin [Martin] birdie [Birdie] will play while you eat. Now that the innerman is satisfied, let us repair to the deck. We are sorry to say that on this pleasant occasion the demon of jealousy has bobbed up and caused John's—son to lick Rosa's beau [Boick]. The witesses laughed until their sides [Sides] ached but the beau only said "pooh-ty" (Poovy). Don't be alarmed if you meet our sly fox "Fox" for he is good right "Goodright" now. As you see, we have a plenty of rails around our deck for Emmabel might fall "Emmabel McFall", but should you drop anything over board Jack will bob-at-it "Jackie Bobbit". Now dear friends, we are nearing our destination altho you have a Kaiser in your midst and a commodore—we see that you have no valets; but we have had the forethought to provide a taylor "Taylor", who is at your service in the dressing room. We have done our best to entertain you and we hope that we have won the good wishes of your heart "Hart"; but if such is not the case, please remember that we have the heart's better half "Hart" and therefore we are satisfied. PRESIDENT PHILATHEA CLASS BAPTIST CHURCH.

Notice to Sweet Potato Growers.

There will be a meeting of the sweet potato growers of the county on Saturday, August 16th, 1:30 p. m., at the new building of the Catawba Creamery Co., in Hickory, for the purpose of forming an association to bring about better methods in growing, storing and marketing the crop. Every grower of sweet potatoes in the county is urged to be present as it is a matter of dollars and cents to all.

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Mother's! Have Your Children Worms?

Are they feverish, restless, nervous, irritable, dizzy or constipated? Do they continually pick their nose or grind their teeth? Have they cramp pains, irregular and ravenous appetite? These are all signs of worms. Worms not only cause your child suffering, but stunt his mind and intellect. Give "Kickapoo Worm Killer" at once. It kills and removes the worms, improves your child's appetite, regulates stomach, liver and bowels. The symptoms disappear and your child is made happy and healthy, as nature intended. Moser & Lutz or by mail, 25c. adv. KICKAPOO INDIAN MEDICINE COMPANY, Philadelphia, Pa. St. Louis, Mo.

Good Reason for Enthusiasm.

When a man has suffered for several days with colic, diarrhoea or other form of bowel complaint and is then cured sound and well by one or two doses of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as is often the case, it is but natural that he should be enthusiastic in his praise of the remedy, and especially is this the case of a severe attack when life is threatened. Try it when in need of such a remedy. It never fails. Sold by Moser and Lutz and Grimes Drug Co., adv.

Story of the Largest Baraca Class in Hickory.

Of course we have a great class, but it may be some of you do not realize how great it really is. We will admit that you Philatheas have it all over us Baracas, financially; as you have two "Pennies" to our one, and if we have three, until you invested one in Southern lands "southerland" which prospered, "Hearing" much about watering capital stock, we Baraca tried to water our "Penny", but it didn't work. He is still Walter Penny.

But just to show you how great our Fir t Baptist Baraca class is, let us introduce you to a few of them. Now whoever met a greater, self sacrificing, loving, whole-souled, whole-hearted "Hart" than our Pastor? We have his eminence, "Pope Charles", and our class is deficient in its supply of regalia for our Pope, as there are many jewels of great value, and especially one "Brooch". There are "Bishop Robert" and "Bishop K". You have read, know and learn much about Stephen; well, we have Steven's son "Stevenson" in our class; also the great discoverer, Commodore Pego. One of our royal personages has left for a short time, but I know he will be loyal to us and return to us a "Royal" fellow still. Just meet the ruler of Germany here, the "Kaiser", a right good fellow. Here, too, is "Alexander" the Great.

Now I would like to take you for a little trip, just to show you how efficient our class is. We were somewhat afraid we would not be able to use our "Carr" tonight, but he is here and ready to be used, as always. Just wait a moment; is everything in the "Carr", ready for quite a trip? Let's see: lunch?—Yes; there are "Bowls of 'Beans'" and "Berries"; and the boys have promised us "Mayberries". Then, too, they say that along the road are bee trees, so we are sure of honey, as we have two boys who are always robbing some "Robinson". Now you do not need to be afraid of danger, for we are provided with two met who will "Ketchie" you. Have you got little "Ruth" tucked in well? You know she'll pop out before you get half-way there, if you haven't. Well, let's go; just wait here is another good looking young man; he may be married, but Great Caesar "Can't tell" about some of these boys. Do you notice what fine, good roads we have? See the "Woods"? Aren't they pleasant to see? I want to call your attention to those two fields yonder, one on either side. The man who walks near will be accompanied with, so the legend goes about this larger field on the left; and if you are an Englishman, putting your "H" where it does not belong, you would call this field a "Whitfield". Now in this other field you will notice cut little hats; yes, we have seen them in our Sunday School, pretty as a picture. Now, who can say that our class will not prosper by being in possession of this "Hatfield"? Both these fields are a source of revenue to us.

Paint?

There are two good reasons for painting often-enough or even too-often. One, to look prosperous; two, to be so. Nothing does one more credit or gives one more credit than paint, supplemented of course by what goes with it; and paint costs nothing. True, the first cost is \$5 or \$6 a gallon put-on, but it saves more than that in the property; saves it from slow going-down—Not always slow—it drops with a jump when water gets in on wood and iron. Dry wood and iron cost nothing, kept dry by paint. Better paint when it needs it. Paint never goes down in the sense of being more profitable next year. DEVOE adv.

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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Bear's Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

Marked Growth in Graded Schools.

While Hickory has shown, in the last few years, a marked growth along all lines, yet in no other particular, perhaps, has there been greater growth than that of the graded schools. In September 1907, only six years ago, the schools opened with nine teachers, including the superintendent, including the superintendent, an increase of 100 per cent. Then the tax levy for school purposes was 20 cents, now it is 40 cents, an increase of 100 per cent. How many other enterprises in Hickory have doubled their capital stock and their capacity in the last six years?

If the same ratio of growth should continue, there will be, in the next six or eight years, thirty-five or forty teachers and fifteen hundred pupils in the schools. There will be needed in every ward a large building for the primary and grammar grades. There will be needed, too, a well-equipped building, centrally located, for the high school grades. With a fair and reasonable property valuation for purposes of taxation, all these buildings can be provided.

The schools will open September 1. The teachers for the coming year are Misses Ada Schenck, Dora Atkinson, Kathryn Gwainey, Mary Hendley, Marguerite Link, Gertrude Finger, Mamie Sue Johnson, Margaret McComb, Bertie Foad, Mary Campbell, Mary Burns, Lina Norris, Mary Rowe, Helen Thompson, Mary Brown, Margaret Lewis, and Mr. Marvin E. Yount. In the high school department some changes have been made in the course of study. Pupils will have considerable latitude in choosing the subjects they will study. In order to graduate, a pupil must have done our years' work in English, two years in Arithmetic and one in Algebra two years in History, two years in science, and five years of elective subjects. The elective studies are four years of Latin, one year of Algebra and one of Geometry, one year of History, one year of Commercial Geography and one year of Physics, and one year, perhaps, of French or German. Those pupils who are preparing for college will take the work in Latin, while those who do not expect to go to college may select some other work in place of Latin. Those pupils who have gone to college after completing the course in the Hickory schools have almost without any exception, taken a high stand in their college classes. But these changes in the course of study have been made for the benefit of those who cannot continue beyond the high school. The course of study in the schools covers eleven years, seven years in the elementary grades and four years in the high school grades. This is the standard course that has been adopted by the State of North Carolina. Pupils of average intelligence, who enter school at six years of age, can complete the entire course by the time they are sixteen or seventeen years old.

Now Well.

Seems a long time to endure the awful burning, itching, smarting, skin-disease known as "letter"—another name for Eczema. Seems good to realize, also, that DR. HOBSON'S ECZEMA OINTMENT has proven a perfect cure. Mrs. D. L. Kenney writes:—"I cannot sufficiently express my thanks to you for your Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. It has cured my letter, which has troubled me for over fifty years." Moser & Lutz, or by mail, 50c. PFEIFFER CHEMICAL CO., St. Louis, Mo. Philadelphia, Pa. adv.

How the Trouble Starts.

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