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### THE UNFOLDING OF LIFE AND APPROACH OF OLD AGE

Great Pleasure and Benefit to Par-ents Just to Watch That Little Infant Grow and Develop

THE CHARACTER OF THE CHILD IS OUTLINED BY ITS PARENTS

Every Young Man stands at the Open Gates of Life and Must Enter in, Serve and Pass Out

The following is taken from the Cleveland Star and is an essay written by Miss Johnsie May McBrayer of Boiling Springs. It won the Selma

Webb essay medal: Infancy is the brief morning hour which precedes the busy day. It may be grand and beautiful and afterward only be dark and threatening or it may be bleak and dreary and at last break forth into full glory of the beautiful summer day. Infancy, the morning hour! How beautiful it is! How filled with great responsibilities. An immortal soul commences its existence and this little spirit begins to note the passing hours. Infancy has its hours of anxiety and trials for the parents but it also has its hours of compensating joys. A sense of responsibility fills the parents' hearts as they realize that in their hands and under their influence is to be molded a character. That they are the ones to carefully watch the unfolding of life, the development of a soul.

Infants influence others. Oft times they are found to influence the whole destiny of a man. Sometimes the teeble clasp of an almost helpless hand is strong enough to turn evil men from the road of ruin. Infants are beams of light, fountains of love. They brighten the home, deepen love and vivify and sustain the charities of life.

Pass Into Childhood

They now pass like fleeting mo-ments into childhood, which time seems to us the happlest season of It is the season of joy, bliss, strength and pride, but yet this is the time when they receive those inpressions or contracts those habits that impel them towards the good and true or towards the evil and

A child's soul is without charac ter. It is an existence beautiful and spotless. It is the chart of a man yet to be filled with the elements of a character. These are first outlined by the parents. The soul is soft and the lines they make are not easily erased. first joy or the first failure, the first achievement of the first misfortune, pain the foreground of life. The glee-ful laugh of children is the best home music and the graceful figures of childhood are the best statuary. Someone has said that the man or woman who has never tried the companionship of a little child has passed over one of the greatest pleasures of life.

The Noon-tide of Life Children go rapidly forward on their great career. They enter the noontide of life—the life of plans and actions. There is no phase of life more outstanding for good or evil than that of a manhood or woman-

hood.

Young men should carefully con-When the sun is beaming upon him should then resolve to have some aim in life. It is the aim that makes the man. At this period he is standing at the open gates of active life. Here he catches the first glimpse of responsibilities in store for him. Every young man should go forward in life with the steady determination to do all the good he can and to leave the world better by his having lived in it. There is within the man an uprising of lofty sentiments, which contribute to his elevation. Though there are many obstacles in the way and many difficulties to overcome, yet with a great determination and truth as his watchword and a noble character he may crown himself with everlasting honors.

Not only can a young man ascend to higher ideals but it should be the desire of every young woman to possess true womanhood. She should have some set purpose in life but should know first what she is, what she is capable of doing and what fields of pleasure and profits are available to her. When she has care-fully considered these things, she should set the high purpose of being a true woman and make every instance bend to her will for this unequalled accomplishment. Woman has a power in her moral influence which when developed makes her queen over a wide realm. The work she accomplishes will last forever; the world is moved and civilization moved by the silent influence of a woman. We cannot over-estimate her powers of moral and religious in-

Evening Approaches How rapidly the days of manhood and womanhood pass by. The time when the cheery smiles are so many signs of happiness. The day is so fleeting that noontide unconsciosty passes into the evening of life. The time of calm repose and holy meditation. Childish dreams are put away and God's wishes are being fulfilled. It is now that the thoughts of man and woman should be most valuable. They can profit by experiences of the past and foretell the rewards of the future. The evening of life is regarded by some as a dreary season but experiences show us that it is filld with consolations and delights. There is nothing unpleasure in old

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stage of crossing over to a more glorious and perfect life. Death comes to all and we are all equal in this. We watch one as he closes the beautiful evening of life and enters into the life of immortality. Dear boys and girls, you're in life's morning,

So modest and kind and good, So let the noontide of your lives Be just as you know it should. Then you'll be joyful in years evening

When you see the evening star, If you've tried to do your best for Him

And can peacefully cross the bar.

To Taxpayers of Union County There is nothing in public affairs that is of more vital interest to the average citizen than the matter of taxation and consequently the use of public money. The unfortunate feat-ure about the administration of gov-It is in childhood that the mind is ure about the administration of gov-most open to impressions. The first things continue always with the not so careful with the use of public funds as they are with their own

private funds. We will have soon spent over threefourths of a million dollars, within the last few years, in the construc-tion of public roads in this county. Much of it was done in the experimental age, but we have now reached a more matured age in road building, and the point where one dollar should go as far as two have gone.

We all wanted roads and we were sore in need of roads when road construction was begun in this county. There perhaps has never been any movement of progress which has added more to the value of our properties and has served the people better than the construction of good roads. Further construction should be made, but sider what is meant by manhood, it should be done on the most economical basis. Whether further construction is to be continued, it is eer-tain that maintenance must continue. We must not forget the fact that the maintenance of the roads already made is more important than the making itself. If maintenance is not kept up in first class order, the thousands we have spent will go to waste.

To lock after this important work, it is highly important that a road electorate of the best, wisest and most prudent men of the county should be placed on this board. It is the duty of the people of the county to select one man from each township and one man at large, to be selected by the county, on this important board.

It is now time that each township should bring to the front the name of one man to be nominated in the of one man to be nominated in the next primary as a member of this electorate. The taxpayer should not sit idly by and content himself by criticising what may hereafter be done by the road authorities when he has not done his duty toward the selection of competent men to look after this important affair.

The time for filing the name of a candidate will soon expire. These

candidate will soon expire. These names should be filed with the board of election without further delay.

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#### Who Had the Meanest?

Two small boys were discussing the various excellence of their respective parents, and the conversation had reached the highly critical and even personal stage.
"Well," remarked Tommy Stubbs

"you can say what you like, but I reckon your father's about the meanest man that ever lived. Fancy him letting you walk about in them old shoes, and him a shoemaker, too!"

"Bab," replied Bobby Roberts. "My father ain" father ain't so mean as your father, anyway. Why, fancy him being a dentist and your baby only got one tooth!"—The Uplift.

#### Another Smart Youngster

Mr. and Mrs. Jones had been invited to a friend's home for tea, and the time had arrived for preparing for the visit. "Come along, dearie," said Mrs.

Jones to her three-year-old son, "and have your face washed." "Don't want to be washed," came

the reply.

"But," said mother, "you don't want to be a dirty little boy, do you? I want my little boy to have a nice clean face for the ladies to kiss." Upon this persuasion he gave way and was washed.

Bultimore will hold a Pan-American woman's meet! but we think American women have had enough

The Flapper Glossary

Darb.—A person with money who can be relied upon to pay the check.
Flatwheeler.—A young man whose idea of entertaining a girl is to take her for a walk.

Dumdora.—A stupid girl.
Brooksey Boy.—A good dresser, or
an overdressed young man.
Given the air.—When a girl or a fellow is thrown down on a date.

Lollygagger.—A young man addicted to attempts at hallway spoon-

Did I was .- An exclamation of ap-

Lowlid.—The opposite of highbrow. Smudger.—One who does all the close-fitting dance steps.

Lens-louse.—A person given to monopolizing the conversation.
Cluck.—A girl who dances clumsily.
Dew-dropper.—A young man who does not work, sleeps all day, and gets up at 6 p. m.
Princess Mary.—A girl who is soon to be married.

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Goofy.—To be in love with or attracted to. "I'm goofy about Jack."

Jammed.—Intermixed, bolognied, pie-eyed, piffled, shot, shellacked, canned, out like a light, stewed, to the tat, potted, jiggered, tanked.

Goof.—A fellow, a sap, a guy, a fish, a bird.—New York World.

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