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GRANDMOTHER'S BIBLE.

So you've brought me this costly Bible. With its covers so grand and gay; You thought I must need a new one...

And the finger-prints call back my wee ones. Just learning a verse to repeat; And again, in the twilight, their faces...

There's the verse your grandfather spoke of. The very night that he died: "When I shall wake in His likeness, I, too, shall be satisfied."

That beside the pearl gates he is waiting. And when by-and-by I shall go, That he will lead me into that kingdom...

As into this one below. And under that date little Mary. Write another one when I die; Then keep both Bibles and read them—

Your gift is a beauty, my dearie, With its wonderful clasps of gold. Put it carefully into that drawer; I shall keep it till death; but the old—

Just leave it close by on the table; And then you may bring me a light, And I'll read a sweet Psalm from its pages—

To think of, if wakeful at night. —London Christian.

What Home Is.

A London paper offered a prize for the best definition of a home. About five thousand answers were given, some of the best were the following:

A world of strife shut out, a world of love shut in. Home is the blossom of which heaven is the fruit.

Where you are treated best and grumble most. The father's kingdom, the children's paradise, and the mother's world.

The best place for a married man after business hours. The place where the great are sometimes small and the small often great.

The jewel casket containing the most precious of all jewels—domestic happiness. Home is the coziest, kindest, sweetest place in all the world, the scene of our purest earthly joys and deepest sorrows.

The only spot on earth where the faults and failings of fallen humanity are hidden under the mantle of charity. A little hollow scooped out of the windy hill of the world where we can be shielded from its cares and annoyances.

A hive in which, like the industries bee, youth garners the sweets and memories of life for age to meditate upon.

An abode in which the inmate, the superior being called a man, can pay back at night with fifty per cent. interest, every annoyance that has met him in business during the day.

That source of comfort which youth does not fully appreciate, which the young men and maidens lovingly desire, which the middle aged generally possess, which the old rightly value.

Once was Enough.

There is a certain judge in Chicago who rather prides himself on his vast and varied knowledge of law. The other day he was compelled to listen to a case that had been appealed from a justice of the peace. The young practitioner who appeared for the appellant was long and tedious. He brought in all the elementary text books and quoted the fundamental propositions of the law. At least the judge thought it was time to make an effort to hurry him up.

"Can't we assume," he said blandly, "that the court knows a little law itself?"

"That's the very mistake I made in the lower court," answered the young man. "I don't want to let it defeat me twice."

IT WAS A WILD TIME.

A Mad Rush For Homes in the Indian Territory Saturday.

Arkansas City, Kans., Sept. 16.—One hundred thousand people settled upon the Cherokee strip today. At noon the start was a hazardous one. Horsemen were of the title of the land from the United States government to the boomers and a race such as never will be seen again, was begun.

On the lines in the vicinity of the various border towns the boomers had gathered in great numbers. As far as they could reach either direction could be seen men mounted and in wagons and about closely packed together making a solid column 200 feet or more in the middle and tapering away to a mere streak in the distance.

Tonight, the strip which twelve hours ago was wholly deserted, is a populous country. Four of the new town sites have populations estimated at 5,000 each. Others boast populations ranging from 1,000 to 3,000. Every desirable claim has at least one claimant and may have two to four. Contests will, of course, be numerous.

The reports of crimes resulting from the settlement of the land are few and the government officers, who superintended the opening, are congratulating themselves upon the comparatively peaceable manner in which the settlement was made. The unfortunate occurrences were the shooting down of "sooners" near Stillwater, O. T., and Arkansas City, Kans. The soldiers who did the shooting were instructed to prevent "sooners" at all hazards, and they point to their orders in justification of their action.

Wagon and freight loads of supplies followed the settlers into the strip. The terms distributed provision at the various county seats and town sites where stores had been opened in canvas tents, pending the erection of buildings. Camp fires dot the prairies in all directions tonight, where the home seekers have established temporary camps. The recent drought has dried up the streams and those who failed to provide themselves with water were forced to endure suffering from thirst, for water is obtainable in only a few places on the strip, except from rivers.

THE SCENES AT GUTHRIE. GUTHRIE, O. T., September 16.—The scenes that were enacted here today beggared all descriptions. People fought like wild animals to get aboard trains to get into the Cherokee strip and hundreds were injured, some fatally.

Men forgot their manhood, and women lost their self-respect, in the wild struggle for advantage. During the terrible struggle to get upon the trains, one man had his shoulder broken, one a dislocated leg, and a woman an arm broken. Twenty others were badly trampled upon.

A mighty shout went up as the first train moved out over the prairie, followed by a second, third, fourth and fifth. The run to the town site of Perry was made in forty minutes, but when the trains came in sight of the town two-thirds of the best lots were taken by "sooners." Horsemen were pouring into town over a bluff to the east at the rate of fifty a minute. Those on the first train secured some business lots and those on the second some residence lots on the outskirts, but the 7,000 in the other trains got nothing. It was a wild and exciting race all the way between the trains and horsemen, with the odds in favor of the horses.

W. C. Ramsey, of Eldorado, Kan., was the first horseman to arrive from the south line, and he staked a fine corner lot 1,228. He says a large portion of the town site was taken by "sooners," who were walking leisurely into the town from the west when he arrived.

What Pleases a Woman.

It pleases her to be called a sensible little woman.

It pleases her to be told that she improves a man by her companionship.

It pleases her to be loved and admired by a man who is strong enough to rule and guide her and make his way her way. To lead her and take care of her.

Metropolitan Manliness.

Detroit Free Press. She lived in the country, and he from the town for the summer fell desperately in love with her.

But her heart was in the keeping of a neighboring farmer's son, and she could not return his metropolitan affection.

She had told him so that night on her father's porch, where the honey-suckles hung low in the moonlight and filled the air with their luxurious fragrance.

"If you do not marry me," he whispered hoarsely, "I will drown myself." "Oh, don't," she pleaded for her heart was tender, though smothered.

"But I will, I tell you; I will, he almost shouted. "You mustn't," she begged, laying her soft, white hand on his arm.

"There's no place wet enough except our well, and oh, Mr. Smith, what will we do for drinking water?" and there was that in her tone which convinced him that he was not amphibious.

Our Shortened Schedules.

While the fast mail train from New York to Jacksonville reaches here later than it did last winter, it is running on a much faster schedule—the fastest, in fact, ever operated between the two cities, not excluding the vestibuled schedules even.

For instance, the regular fast mail schedule last winter was 32 hours and 55 minutes, the passenger taking the train from New York at 12 o'clock midnight of Monday, say, and reaching Jacksonville a 8:55 o'clock a. m. on Wednesday. This was an excellent thing for the public here, for it placed the New York and other northern newspapers in our hands by 9:15 in the morning and our mail by 10 or 10:30. But for the travelling public the old time of leaving New York and all points between there and Washington was extremely awkward. Nobody likes to start on a journey at midnight, and the result was, as long as the old schedule was in operation, that the tourists, particularly preferred to take the other train which was slower but started at a more convenient hour.

Now, however, the schedule is not only more convenient but much faster. The passenger leaves New York at 9:30 a. m. one day and reaches Jacksonville the next at 1:15 p. m.—the running time being only 27 hours and 45 minutes and the traveller being only one night on the road. This short time is due chiefly to the Atlantic Coast Line cut-off and it is something that the public will thoroughly appreciate as often as it is called upon to travel southward.

It should be borne in mind also in this connection that the railroad and steamship companies between New York and Havana—eight in number—formerly received additional pay from the post office department for their fast mail service, this amounting to about a quarter of a million dollars annually. The same companies now give us a much faster schedule but without any additional pay. We surely have nothing to complain about in this particular.

In all probability the regular schedule will be materially shortened next winter, and the vestibuled trains will undoubtedly cover the distance from New York to Jacksonville in twenty-four hours—landing passengers in Jacksonville in season for breakfast and in St. Augustine for a late breakfast or for a noon luncheon.—The Florida Times-Union, August 16, 1893.

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MATTERS OF NEWS.

Littleton, Colorado. It is said that the rise in the price of cotton will put \$1,500,000 or \$1,750,000 more into the pockets of the people of North Carolina. The entire crop is estimated at from 550,000 to 600,000 bales.

North Carolina Baptist. Rockefeller, the Standard Oil man of Pennsylvania, has effected a combination for the control of nine-tenths of the iron ore output of the country. The cash capital of the syndicate is \$300,000,000.

Charlotte News. One curious result of the hurricane that struck the Southern coast recently was the killing of quantities of fish. For many days after the storm the coast around Savannah and throughout the stretch where its force was most vented was strewn with dead fish of all kinds.

Charlotte Observer. John Call, a brother of Sid Call Andrews' colored undertaker, lives on South Tryon street. Of late it seems his wife has had cause to doubt his love and fidelity, so, driven to desperation, she concluded to kill herself, making the attempt Sunday.

About 10 o'clock in the morning she jumped out of the second story window of the house in which she lived. As she fell to the earth she was seen by Dr. McManaway, who running to her, found her hurt by the fall, but not seriously injured. She said she had also taken poison, but there were no evidences or developments of such being true. She was attended by Dr. McManaway, and last evening had about recovered from the effects of her fall.

Goldboro Argus. A murderous assault with a big stick was made by one negro man upon another, unawares, on Walnut street, near the court yard yesterday morning. They were both from the country. The assailant was promptly arrested and bound over to the next term of Superior Court, which convenes early in next month.

Tarborough Southerner. The total valuation of real and personal property in New Hanover county is \$8,250,000, representing several thousand names. The tax on this foots up \$78,000, and calculated at intricate fractions, the books balance to within one and three-eighths of a cent.

Windsor Ledger. We learn that a cyclone passed near Capehart's church last week, doing much damage to fences and crops. Mr. Ben Evans' house was blown off the blocks. Captain Newberne had an out house wrecked and Mr. Harrell's barn was destroyed. Both Mr. Evans and Mr. Harrell lost a good lot of fodder that was wet by a heavy rain that fell. The storm seems to have started near Mr. Alpheus Nowell's where we learn a terrible rain fell washing away fences and bridges. We are happy to report no loss of life and limb.

The Colored Boy's Share.

Selected. Congressman Bryan, of Nebraska, is credited with the following story: Once a white boy said to a colored boy, "Let's go into cabots and goocoon hunting. You furnish the dog and climb the tree and I will do the hollerin'."

Well, they went. The white boy, he holler'd, and the colored boy, he furnish'd the dog and climbed the tree. They caught three coons. When they came to divide, the white boy took all the coons. The colored boy protested.

"Here, what am I going to have?" he asked.

"Why," replied the white boy, "you get the cabots, of course."

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