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The Christmas edition of the Charlotte Observer, published last Sunday, was the greatest Christmas paper ever published in this State. Its 54 pages were brim full of choice matter. The large space used by its advertisers shows that the business men of Charlotte "know a good thing when they see it." Taken altogether it was a highly creditable edition, not only to its owners and editors, but to its city and State.

When a man's up everybody is his friend, but when he is down, he wonders what a friend is. No doubt that is the way Dr. Cook feels now.

Mrs. J. H. Kirkman Entertains.

The attractive home of Mr. J. H. Kirkman was a scene of loveliness Tuesday afternoon when Mrs. Kirkman entertained the members of the Embroidery Club. The event happening in the Christmas season, the decorations bore testimony to that fact. The reception hall, parlor and dining room were festive with red berried holly and red Christmas bells. The guests were met at the door by their charming hostess and immediately shown to the cloak room by little Miss Irene Myatt. Mrs. C. V. Johnson then took the guests to the reception hall where they were served with hot tea and wafers by Mesdames Narron and Hyman.

After being thus refreshed they were ushered into the parlor where progressive authors entertained the ladies for some time. The lucky ones in the contest were Mrs. E. S. Abell, Mrs. E. F. Ward, and Mrs. J. H. Abell. After drawing for the prize it was found that Mrs. J. H. Abell was the recipient of a lovely hand-painted calendar.

After the contest the guests were asked into the spacious diningroom. The table was exquisite in red and green trimmings. The darkened room was lighted by the soft glow of candles with red shades. Miniature Christmas trees here and there on the table enhanced the beauty, these being given as souvenirs of the occasion. The color scheme was carried out in the elegant refreshments. Those enjoying Mrs. Kirkman's hospitality were: Mesdames E. S. Abell, W. H. Austin, J. H. Abell, H. P. Stevens, L. E. Watson, H. L. Skinner, S. S. Holt, E. F. Ward, J. M. Culbreth, F. C. Hyman, J. A. Narron, L. G. Patterson, S. T. Honeycutt, J. R. Walton, F. H. Brooks, C. V. Johnson, and Misses Flossie Abell, Mattie Pou, Amelia Myatt, and Irene Myatt.

Epworth League Christmas Service.

The Epworth League had a splendid Christmas service last Monday night at Sanders League Hall. Mrs. T. J. Lassiter was the leader.

The meeting opened with appropriate devotional exercises after which Miss Katie Woodall sang a lovely solo. Then Mrs. Lassiter read a letter of Christmas greetings to the League from Rev. N. E. Colettrane, after which Miss Flossie Abell read a similar letter from Rev. John H. Shore. Both of the letters being from former pastors of the Smithfield M. E. church and great League workers, their messages were joyfully received.

Little Miss Irene Myatt next gave a reading, entitled "Old Billy" from "Diddle, Dumps, and Tot," which was greatly enjoyed.

This was followed by some beautiful "Expressions about the spirit in which Christmas should be observed" from Mesdames T. J. Lassiter, J. M. Culbreth, C. V. Johnson, Messrs. J. D. Boyett, Johnnie Hood, and Rev. Marvin Culbreth.

The League decided to send a Christmas dinner to the inmates of the county jail, and a committee composed of Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Culbreth, Mrs. W. W. Cole and Mr. Leon G. Stevens were appointed to look after its fulfillment.

A delightful social half hour was held after the exercises and delicious refreshments of hot coffee and wafers were served.

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Life a School.

Education is not an end. It is a means. Its end is twofold—character and service. Boys and girls and men and women are taught in order that they may be better and stronger themselves and in order that they may do more for others. The two go together. The attainments that are not used in human service are sure to shrivel or to lose their sweetness. The strongest and best deeds can spring only from true and devoted characters. God's purpose in working upon us is that we may be made fit to be his fellow workmen, fit for his fellowship, and fit for participation in his deeds.

Dr. Babcock's familiar verses draw us the picture and teach us the lesson of life as a school:

Lord, let me make this rule,
To think of life as school,
And try my best
To stand each test,
And do my work,
And nothing shirk.

Should some one else outshine
This dullard head of mine,
Should I be sad?
I will be glad.
To do my best
Is thy behest.

If weary with my book
I cast a wistful look
Where posies grow,
O let me know
That flowers within
Are best to win.

Dost take my book away
Anon to let me play,
And let me out
To run about?
I grateful bless
Thee for recess.

Then recess past, alack,
I turn me slowly back,
On my hard bench,
My hands to clench,
And set my heart
To learn my part.

These lessons thou dost give
To teach me how to live,
To do, to bear,
To get and share,
To work and play,
And trust alway.

What though I may not ask
To choose my daily task?
Thou hast decreed
To meet my need,
What pleasure thee,
That shall please me.

Some day the bell will sound,
Some day my heart will bound,
As with a shout
That school is out
And lessons done,
I homeward run.

The glory of this school is that the teacher is our Father. What a joyful school that would be on earth where the father of the children was their teacher, too, so that all would be done always in the love and interest of the family life. Well, it is so in the great school of the world. The teacher is our Father. He will teach us wisely. His love will never fail nor err.—R. E. Speer, in Sunday School Times.

Home, Sweet Home.

Home, what a magical word. No wonder, for it embodies all that is worth living for. Without a home of what benefit are riches, honor and fame? Those worldly things are of no value, except as we share them with our loved ones. Life is one gigantic struggle with contending forces, and it is at the threshold that we can with safety lay down our armor with no fear of treachery or deception. Every person is the architect of his own home to a great extent. No pleasantry ever enters unless invited by you. Troubles will creep in and abide with you if you do not drive them out. To make a home, is the object in life of all animals, and it behooves us to make the best one possible for ourselves and our loved ones. When we come to die we leave nothing but our home. The better the home, the greater the success we were here on earth. The beasts of the field and birds of the air spend all their time in making a home and they are happy. Man is the only animal that attempts to derive pleasure from other sources. When man goes off in search of pleasure away from home, he is sure to meet with disappointment. Who can but notice the throngs that visit constantly the places of amusement, and observe how unhappy the people there are. The miller, on the banks of the Dee was happy, and the king in his castle unhappy. Let us be up and doing then to make the best home for our loved ones possible. A worldly home for our worldly body, and a spiritual home for our spiritual selves.—E. K. Harmon.

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The Benefits of Temperance.

Gov. Folk, of Missouri, after the laws forbidding the sale of liquor on Sunday had been enforced in Missouri, made the following statement.

"Statistics carefully gathered in the large cities of the State clearly show that crime has been greatly reduced since the Sunday closing law has been strictly enforced. I have many encouraging letters from mothers and wives throughout the State telling me of the great change that has come since the enforcement of the Sunday closing-law. Men who formerly spent the greater portion of the day in corner saloons now put in the time at their homes."

Whether a man be a total abstainer or not, a Prohibitionist or not, the fact must be clear to him that the evils of intemperance are immeasurable; that individually the man who does not indulge in liquor is a stronger man and a better citizen than that man would be did he indulge in liquor, either temperately or intemperately. Science has come to the aid of morality in this matter, and it shows through the effects of alcohol upon the body that the use of alcohol is an evil. It shows through the effect of the alcohol upon the mind and upon the will that alcohol is a great evil.

Let us not depend solely upon the law to make our sons, fathers and brothers temperate men. Let mothers begin with the training of the child, teaching him the reason for the command, "Thou must not drink." Let it be through precept and example, here a little and there a little, line upon line and precept upon precept, until the new generation will come to the great battle of life free and untrammelled, with all passions under control, with the will strengthened and the mind clear.—Home and Farm.

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