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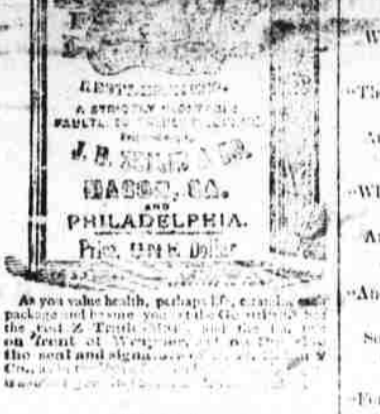
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THE GIRL WHO HELPS MOTHER.

There is a girl, and I love to think of her and talk of her, who comes in late when there is company, who wears a pretty little apron of mingled responsibility and anxiety about her youth, whom the others seem to depend on and look to for help. It is the girl who helps mother. In her own home she is a blessed little wife and confidante. She takes unflinching tasks from the tired, and fingers that fall from their work; her strong fingers is a staff upon which lean and is rested. She helps mother with the spring sewing, with the week's mending, with a cheerful conversation and congenial companionship that some girls do not think worth while wasting on only a mother. And when there comes a day when she must bend, as girls must often bend, over the old worn out body of her mother lying in bed in her coffin, rough hands foiled, her long disquiet merged in rest, something very sweet will be mingled with her life, and the girl who helped mother will find a benediction of peace upon her head and in her heart. — [Catherine Cole.]

CHRISTIANITY.

In a truly Christian community—a community in which the principle of doing to others as we would have them do to us, the principle of equal rights and equal freedom, permeated laws and institutions—there would be no poverty, no prisons, no almshouses, no paupers and no tramps, no men morally rich and morally poor. There would be no woman toiling away their lives for a mere pittance, no children at work who ought to be at play, no able-bodied men vainly seeking employment, no idlers enjoying wealth which labor had been robbed, and no prostitution of the highest talents to the greedy gathering of wealth that cannot be carried beyond the grave. In a community there would be room for all, work for all, plenty for all, leisure and opportunities of full development for all that God's providence calls into the world. — Standard.

SAM JONES ON INGERSOLL.

Well, Ingersoll was lecturing—I believe it was in Milwaukee—and in his lecture he came to this assertion, and while he lectured there were standing up in the corner of the platform three or four drunken men standing there talking in an undertone. That crowd felt they ought to take the amen corners on Bob; and all I want to know about any fellow who takes the amen corners on him, and when you find Bob preaching you will find the amen corners filled with old red-nosed drunkards and other vagabonds of the town, they have run to get and taken the amen corners on him. And while Bob was lecturing, when he reached the assertion, "There is no hell, and I can prove it to any reasonable man," he got the attention of that crowd, of course. They were interested at this point, and one of them straightened himself up and staggered up to Bob and put his hands on his shoulder and said, "Can you Bob?" He said, "Yes, I can." "Well," the fellow says, "do it Bob and make it mighty strong, for," he says "I tell you that nine-tenths of us poor fellows in Milwaukee are depending on how you make that thing."

A MODDLE FARM.

Yesterday afternoon in company with our highly respected fellow citizen, Geo. H. Snow, I went on a visit to his splendid farm situated about two and a half miles southwest of this city, and what we saw convinced us that he is as successful a cultivator of agriculture as we see. His farm is in the tract over one hundred and twenty-five acres, seventy-five of which are in cotton and fifty in corn. Besides this he has ten acres in sweet potatoes, ten in grass and ten in peas. The superabundance of the farm is the result of Mr. Joseph Woodward, a sober and industrious young gentleman, who is in all respects a competent and expert farmer. We noticed that the cotton was well bowed and gives promise of an unusually profitable yield, while the corn, both high and lowland, is well sowed, giving promise of a yield of over a hundred barrels. With proper seasons and without any drawbacks of a serious nature, Mr. Snow will realize handsome returns. A view of the premises in all their surroundings was a source of much pleasure, from its delightful situation, presenting a romantic and lovely landscape in all directions. He has over three hundred acres of as fine farming land as there is in the county, and if he is as successful in all his future agricultural undertakings, as he proves to be this season, he may, like Horace Greely, be able to write a book on what "I know about farming."

The farms adjacent to and in the vicinity of Mr. Snow's are looking splendid, and give assurance of magnificent yields in the staple and cereals. Indeed throughout this entire section the crops are looking better than at any time within the memory of the oldest inhabitant; for all of which our people are doubtless profoundly grateful. — Raleigh Evening Visitor.

INFAMLED EYES.

A horse whose eye is inflamed from any cause should be protected from the light and the eye strengthened as much as possible by tonic applications, as cold solution of three grains of sulphate of zinc to one of water. In case of dust, a wire frame fitted with a fine green gauze should be fitted over the eyes to arrest the dust.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

Give the hogs a fresh water to drink. Scald does not take its place. A new iron pan is the best to render brown in. Iron vessels turn it black.

A little time put in one of the best ways of providing flowers will not be wasted time.

Prevent weeds by keeping the land occupied as constantly as possible with a crop of some kind.

Delicious thinning of fruit trees is a very fine and profitable thing whenever it can be conveniently practiced.

The hog is a grass-eating animal, though people do not always seem to realize it. Swine like both grass and hay.

In curing hay and planting corn for fodder have in mind our long winters and when you think you have enough, secure or prepare for a little more.

It is reported that the round-headed apple-borer has been successfully excluded from trees by placing fresh manure around the base of the tree and in contact with it.

The introduction of labor-saving machinery has arranged the old methods of farming, and in nothing more than in the changes it has necessitated in the employment of hired help.

By feeding the oats unthreshed, we save the labor of threshing, and also get the straw and grain together in the stomach, getting a better digestion of both than when they are fed separate.

Waldo F. Brown says in the National Stockman: One mistake which is made by many breeders of Jerseys is to allow them to breed too young, and I think this has done much to reduce their size.

Any agricultural society can save money by restricting the number of prizes in each of the classes. Two premiums are enough to offer for anything, as no exhibitor cares for a third or fourth prize.

Stephen Beale remarks in the Country Gentleman that there is one great advantage in using turkeys to rear their young, viz., that a turkey hen will take to any young one, whether hatched by herself or not.

An insect called lebia grandis is said to be the most effective enemy of the potato bug. This friend of the farmer is described as less than an inch long, with brilliant dark blue wing covers, yellow brown head, thorax and legs.

According to a profitable farmer, the increase of the flock will cover the cost of keeping it having the wool clear profit or the keeping may be charged against the wool which will not exhaust it all, leaving the farmer clear profit.

GOOD SUGGESTIONS.

We hope the good crops of this year may not cause any of our farmers to neglect preparations for next year's crops. These should be the more encouraged all to provide for larger grass and clover crops. Our people cannot raise too much grass. In the raising, they are not only adding to their money resources, but benefiting their land. If a man got twelve bushels per acre this year, by early preparation and judgment, he ought to expect at least twelve bushels per acre next year. This is the way to make farming pay in this country. Do not try to cultivate more land than you cultivated this year, but try to so cultivate the same quantity as to get double the yield next year. Early and thorough preparation and good seeds well sowed, will go far towards accomplishing this. Food crops, to turn under in the green state, are invaluable. — Central Express.

We are glad to see that our people are beginning to appreciate the worth of their timber, while some few out and burn it in a reckless manner, many are getting to think as much of a large white oak or hickory as they do of a tobacco plant.

A triple murderer was guillotined in Paris yesterday morning; he made a violent resistance, but in a few moments his head dropped into the basket.

STATE NEWS.

Trinity College opened July 21st with over 80 students.

The Government is establishing a large rock fish hatchery a Wolf Lake.

The High Point Rifles have notified the Governor that they will disband.

The North Carolina Millstone Co., of Moore county has made an assignment.

A man named Benby, was killed at Roper City last week by a log rolling over him.

There will be a grand Tournament at the Elizabeth City Fair October 22nd.

The Scotland Neck Mounted Rifles have been formally organized with about sixty members.

A wild man or Gorilla has been seen near Raleigh and a large number of persons are hunting him.

Kinston is to have a cotton factory, with \$70,000 capital and over \$50,000 has already been subscribed.

The Daily Hornet, the new paper published at Charlotte is strongly in favor of a protective tariff.

In the State Museum there are 150 different kinds of salt and fresh water fish found in North Carolina waters.

Goldston's furniture factory is now about ready for work. A broom factory is also in operation there.

The Board of commissioners of Wake county estimate the damage done to the bridges of the county by the late storm at \$15,000.

There are still quite a number of guerillas at Ocracoke. The fishing is now said to be splendid. The season will close about October, 1st.

SCRAPS.

Breeches of contract—Those that shrink.

Death is the privilege of human nature—[Howe.]

The trial is not fair when affection is judge.

Many men steal because they have not courage to say to their wives and friends, "I cannot afford it."

Those who blow the coals of others' strife may chance to have the sparks fly in their faces.

Never think that you can make yourself great by making another less.

Those who possess the least inherent purity are the most apt to traduce and vilify others.

He who recks not to himself more than he is, is more than he seems. — [Goethe.]

Nothing sits so gracefully upon children as habitual respect and dutiful deportment towards their parents.

One of the hardest tasks ever set a man is to forget the good deeds he has done and to elude himself for the evil.

"Yes, sir," said Mrs. Partington, speaking of one who had drank himself to death, "yes, sir, dissolution has brought many a man to his grave."

The man who will break one of God's commandments habitually and continually, if you will turn him loose, will break them all.

The wise and active conquer difficulties by daring to attempt them; sloth and folly shiver and drink at night of toil and hazard, and make the impossibility they fear.

"Pa, have you got the hydrophobia?" "No, Bertie, what makes you ask that question?" "Well, I heard my say today that you got awfully bitten when you thought she had a fortune in her own name." — [Harper's Bazar.]

Said Mr. Hempeck to a friend: "The combined age of my wife and myself is forty years; now guess our respective ages." "If your age aggregates forty, I suppose your wife represents four and you represent the night." — [Texas Sittings.]

OBSTINATE LAMP WICKS.

Sometimes the lamp-wick obstinately refuses to be turned up in an ordinary manner. It will seem firmly wedged at one side, while the other runs up in a point, causing weariness and vexation of spirit. To overcome this depravity, take a new wick, draw out a single thread near the selvage, and the wick will be found tractable when introduced into the burner. The wick will take up properly, and it will appear in good form and give an even flame when lighted.

SOME FOOLISH THINGS.

Talking slang.
Praising yourself.
Wearing tight shoes.
Tramping for a living.
Borrowing newspapers.
Getting mad at nothing.
Kissing puddles in public.
Living beyond your income.
Sleeping away the early morning hours.
Hunting for white handed employment.
Counting your money before it is earned.
Trying to do business without advertising.
Marrying a man for his splendid mustache.
Endorsing notes for friends and acquaintances.
Marrying a woman because she has a pretty face.
Playing the gallant to every woman but your wife.
Expecting to have money without working for it.
Wasting your smiles on every man but your husband.
Leaning an umbrella without bidding it an eternal adieu.
Exposing your ignorance by pretending to know everything.
Getting married in life's hey-day, and repenting at dead leisure.
Judging a man by the cut of his coat, or a woman by the shade of her complexion.
Telling other people their wealth when you might be hoarding a pile up for yourself.
Falling in love with a woman's hair or teeth before you know how much they cost for them.

HINTS TO HOUSE KEEPERS.

Milk bread dries out faster than water bread.

Do not let stale flowers remain in a sick-chamber.

Scald peaches and the skins can be removed much easier by peeling without scalding.

Wash your flatirons in soap and dry thoroughly, if they at all trouble you by dropping black streaks.

It is claimed that a juice of a lemon squeezed into a cup of coffee will afford immediate relief in neuralgic headache.

A few leaves of green wormwood, scattered where black ants congregate, is said to be effectual in dislodging them.

In baking custard set the pan containing it in another pan containing hot water, and it will cook much better.

Don't ask a convalescent if he would like this or that to eat or drink, but prepare the delicacies and present them in a tempting way.

A half cup ammonia to a pail of warm water will cleanse hard-finished walls nicely; of course the water should be changed when much soiled.

For a gunpowder burn, keep the wounds wet with a mixture of linseed oil, and lime water for three days, and then apply vasoline to heal.

For poisoning from phosphorus, as when children seek matches, give a tablespoonful of magnesia, and then freely, gum arabic water; less magnesia if only a little phosphorus is taken.

On ironing day, set aside the pieces needed repairs and mend before ironing away. Keep the wearing apparel of each member of your household where it can be found by the owner without calling for help in the search.

Into a solution of gum arabic stir plaster of Paris until the mixture assumes the consistency of cream; apply with a brush to the broken edges of china and join together. In three days the article cannot be broken in the same place.

A few ferns for use in hanging up clothes may be purchased at any hardware store for five or ten cents, and will keep a garment presentable a great deal longer than when it is hung upon a nail or hook. A man's clothes are almost ruined by hanging folds, and these ferns will preserve the shape of the shoulders and keep out the wrinkles.

The League meeting at Ennis, Ireland, was attended by ten thousand persons, but the crowd was dispersed by the police and military.

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