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TEACH THE GIRL A TRADE.

Time May Come When She Must Support Herself.

The Bookkeeper. Whenever I read articles written by business women wherein the writer certifies her intention to keep her daughter out of work by which the mother has supported the family, I think of a melancholy example of the folly of such practice which once came to my notice. A woman, left a widow with two small children, nobly set to work, and by increasing effort succeeded in educating them and keeping them in what she called "their proper social circle." The daughter was sent to a select private school, and after her school days were over, returned home to pass her days in "elegant leisure" until the time came when she fulfilled her own and her mother's dearest ambition by marrying a man of "excellent social position." The mother was quite as delighted as the daughter over the match until Fate, who has a scurvy way of turning joy into sorrow, played one of her tricks upon the daughter. The man proved on acquaintance to be decidedly short on morals, a fact which his long pedigree scarcely served to balance. After a few years of married unhappiness, the young wife found herself obliged to earn her own living, and in great bitterness of spirit set to work in another city to earn her living in the same manner in which her mother before her had done, only for a much less salary.

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SLUMS ENEMY OF BUSINESS.

Germany's Commercial Gains Due to Fight on Slums.

Success Magazine.

The worst enemy of business is the slum. About 85 per cent of the people of this country are classed by the sociological experts as poor or very poor. Whatever tends to increase this sum of poverty strikes in two ways at the heart of business. It interferes with production. Nothing could be worse.

In the last twenty-five years England and Germany have entered upon a desperate duel for the commercial kingdom of the world. At the beginning England was everything in the international commerce and Germany was next to nothing. Now, to speak quite plainly, Germany, fighting with skill and tenacity, is the assured victor in the battle, and England is going down to defeat. How did Germany manage to make such a marvelous showing in this tremendous conflict?

The secret of Germany's success is no secret at all to those who know the relative condition of her working population and England's. England has allowed the slum to take care of itself, and the slum has turned upon her and eaten out the heart of her strength. The real strength of a nation is not her banks, palaces, rich men, armaments, guns, battle-ships, splendors, park lanes, royal state, pomp and circumstance; the real strength is her men that work with their hands. That is her only asset worth talking about: her physical condition. England has allowed her working population to deteriorate in slums; Germany has labored to abolish the slum and to rear her working population in the full measure of health and vigor. When the two working populations clash in the commercial battle down goes the English line.

Big rug and druggist sale starts at Rankin Furniture Company's Saturday. Don't fail to be there.

According to a dispatch sent out from Baltimore Tuesday the two powerful railroad labor organizations, the Order of Railway Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, which have undertaken to secure a general increase of the wage scale for all employees in those branches of the service on the principal lines in the Eastern part of the United States and Canada, have suffered a serious repulse at the very beginning of their campaign for better pay. This came in the shape of a refusal from the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad to accede to their demands, after negotiations had been pending for three weeks.

Biggest lot of brand new druggists in Gaston county to go at way-down prices for seventeen days at Rankin's.

TERSE TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

Senator Tillman, whose condition last week was extremely critical, has very greatly improved since Sunday and his complete recovery is now thought to be assured.

Mr. John Y. Smith, of Greensboro, father of Recorder D. B. Smith, of Charlotte, died at an early hour yesterday morning at his home in Greensboro, aged 70 years.

John R. Early, the North Carolinian whom the health authorities and many Washington physicians alleged to be a leper, is now destitute in New York with no means of supporting his wife and two children.

Leroy Percy, of Greenville, Miss., was Tuesday nominated for United States Senator from Mississippi on the 58th ballot, defeating Gov. J. K. Vardaman. These were the only two in at the finish.

The situation in Philadelphia growing out of the strike of street car men grows worse. Up to Wednesday evening there had been three fatalities and the police seem powerless to cope with the mob of strikers.

Capt. J. W. Grainger, one of the foremost citizens of Eastern North Carolina, died Tuesday at his home in Kinston, aged 65. He served in the Confederate army and had since filled a number of places of public trust. He was a native of Green county.

A farmer by the name of Ketter, died near Winston-Salem a short time ago. After his death, relatives found gold, silver and greenbacks amounting to \$2,800, tucked away in peculiar hiding places. A search revealed about \$2,000 buried in a fruit jar in the smokehouse.

John Leonard, who was pardoned from the Atlanta prison where he was serving a sentence for cracking the safe of the Raleigh postoffice some years ago, was shot and killed in New York Tuesday by Thomas Barnes, an old pal on whom he had "peached."

A special from Columbia, S. C., to The Charlotte Observer Saturday says: "Representative A. G. Brice, of Chester, is the choice of a committee of trustees with power to act for president of the Woman's College at Due West to take the place of the late Dr. James Boyce. The board meets next Wednesday to take action."

Solomon Shepard, the Durham negro who was recently given a sentence of 30 years in the penitentiary for the murder of Engineer Hoyt at Durham, escaped from the convict camp near Laurinburg Monday. He escaped by jumping from a flat car while it was running at a good rate of speed. At last reports he had not been captured.

The city of Philadelphia was the scene Saturday night of a violent strike of street-car employees. About 2,500 men went on strike and when an attempt was made to operate cars with non-union men there were numerous outbreaks of lawlessness, including the burning of two cars, and attacks on the men operating about twenty others.

An explosion occurred in the mine of the Iron Mountain Coal Co. near Central City, Ky., Wednesday morning, in which one man was fatally burned and others are missing. The 34th commemoration day of Johns Hopkins University was celebrated at Baltimore Tuesday, the German ambassador, Count von Bernstorff delivering the principal address.

The old Asheville "bank cases" will soon be in court again. Tuesday Clerk Hyams, of the United States District Court, issued a writ of error in the case of the United States vs. W. E. Breese and J. E. Dickerson which is made returnable before the United States Circuit Court of Appeals March 23d. These cases have been in court for about thirteen years, ever since the wrecking of the First National Bank at Asheville in 1897.

Miss Goldie Cantrill, a pretty girl of 17, was taken in charge by the school authorities of Morehead, Ky., Wednesday, when they found that she had been attending school as "Sam Murray" dressed in boy's clothes. She is an orphan and makes her home with an aunt in Salt Lick, Ky., and has made two or three ventures in male attire. For several weeks at one time she earned her living as news "butch" on trains.

A movement was inaugurated Tuesday, Washington's birthday, at Alexandria, Va., to erect there a permanent Masonic memorial to George Washington. It is proposed to raise \$1,000,000 for this purpose. At this meeting there were present Gen. J. M. Dickinson, Secretary of War, and the grand masters of many Masonic Grand Lodges. They met in the same lodge room in which Washington served as worshipful master.

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DENTIST GOES TO BELMONT.
Dr. M. E. Hoffman, of Stanley, will practice dentistry in Belmont on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday after the third Sunday in each month. *U.*

FOURTH ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE

Philadelphia Life Insurance Company

Of Philadelphia
BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER, 31, 1909
ASSETS.

Investments in Government, Municipal and other Bonds	\$844,228.63
Mortgages on Real Estate, First Leins	876,500.00
Deposited in Banks and Trust Companies at Interest	32,579.47
Cash on hand at Home-Office	3,057.89
Premium Notes on Policies in Force	115,855.86
Loans to Policyholders	66,118.34
Premiums Due and Uncollected and Deferred Premiums, less Loading	32,947.24
Interest Accrued	21,551.53
	\$1,992,838.96

LIABILITIES.

Net Present Value of all Policies in force on December 31, 1909, as computed by the insurance Department of Pennsylvania on the American Experience Table of Mortality, with 3 1/2 per cent. interest	\$1,097,362.00
Claims for death losses in process of adjustment	22,510.00
Dividends to the credit of Policyholders	53,831.00
Miscellaneous Liabilities	5,291.15
Capital Stock	560,320.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	253,524.81
	\$1,992,838.96

RECORD TO DECEMBER 31, 1909.

Insurance in Force (paid for)	\$20,250,914.00
Admitted Assets	1,992,838.96
Increase in Assets	429,172.77
Reserve to Policyholders	1,097,362.00
Dividends to credit of Policyholders	53,831.00
Dividends paid Policyholders in 1909	46,359.03
Death Losses Paid in 1909	127,160.60
Death Losses Due and Unpaid	None
Total Paid Policyholders or held for their benefit	1,613,106.00

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\$4,500 worth of goods must be sold within the next few weeks. Consists of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Odd Pants, Hats, Shirts, Blankets and Novelties. I am going out of the Dry Goods business entirely and am throwing my present stock on the market at ridiculously low prices. It must go by April 1st.

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\$1 and \$1.25 Shirts at89c
75c Shirts at48c
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\$3 Shoe for\$1.98
\$2 Shoe for\$1.48
\$3.50 Hats for\$2.50
\$2.50 Hats for\$1.75
\$1.50 Hats for\$1.00
50c Caps for25c
25c Caps for19c
Dress Goods to be thrown upon the Counter at Cost.

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25c Mohair for19c
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SCHEDULE.

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Trains leave Charlotte as follows:
No. 40, daily, at 5:00 a. m., for Monroe, Hamlet and Wilmington, connecting at Monroe with 33 for Atlanta, Birmingham; with 38 for Raleigh, Weldon and Portsmouth. With 66 at Hamlet for Raleigh, Richmond, Washington, New York.

No. 133, daily, at 10:35 a. m., for Lincolnton, Shelby and Rutherfordton.

No. 44, daily, at 5 p. m., for Monroe, Hamlet, Wilmington and all local points, connecting at Hamlet with 43 for Columbia, Savannah and all Florida points.

No. 47, daily, at 4:45 p. m., for Rutherfordton and all local points. No. 132, 7:15 p. m., connecting at Monroe for all points North, carries Portsmouth sleeper.

Trains arrive in Charlotte as follows:
No. 133, 9:50 a. m., from all points North, brings Portsmouth sleeper.

No. 45, daily, at 11:55 a. m., from Wilmington and all local points North.

No. 132, 7 p. m., from Rutherfordton, Shelby, Lincolnton and C. & N. W. Railway points, Johnson City.

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