

The Home Circle

Pleasant Evening Reveries Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

By example, much more than precept, can children be taught to spend kindly. Their better, for their sakes, ever let them hear harsh or unkind words fall from your lips.

Did you ever stop to think that all the best things in life come without cost to ourselves? They are given freely. The things that in their value are without money and beyond price are also in the method of their acquisition without money and without price. Every life is rich in the measure that it has discovered and possessed those treasures. A man may pay many thousands of dollars for the purchase of a sunrise, but the beautiful, so inspiring, so valuable as the sunrise itself, a spectacle which the poorest may enjoy without the expenditure of so much as a cent. All our works of art, costly as they may be, are but imitations of the originals, which, while far exceeding them in beauty, may be ours for the taking.

If we will only look around us we will see there is not a person we meet that there is something lovable about—a smile, a motion, a feature, voice, walk, act. All have some good trait. If they have a sweet voice, tell them you think so, and it will make them happier and gain you a friend. If they have some feature you admire, or act of motion, tell them and they will like you far better. Do you know that is the true way of gaining friends tell them their good traits and leave the bad for them to find out? If we hear a singer and love the voice, tell her, and every song will be sweeter because of a loved one. If anyone has a pretty feature, tell her for there are many unhappy and sensitive about their looks. If anyone has a pretty walk or motion, say so. It hurts us to be told of an ugly feature, act or motion, but to be told there is something nice, pleasant or good about us raises us in our own estimation and inspires us to try to be more perfect. It is not the truth that hurts. It is the cruel, wilful, malicious tongue of envy and jealousy that hurts. There are men and women—we all know them—that are living lives of complete sacrifice for others, and never learn one word of love or praise for anything done.

There isn't any hope for a man when he reaches the point where he is not ashamed to have his mother know of his meanness.

The man who is always telling about his good character should be careful to have his mother know of his meanness.

Poverty is uncomfortable, as we can testify; but nine times out of ten the best thing that happens to a young man is to be tossed overboard and compelled to sink or swim for himself.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

Ambition is a tire that is easily punctured.

Lots of people put on more airs than an electric fan.

You can generally read a woman like a book—if she is of the bold-faced type.

Some women delight in drawing a man out, but more of them delight in pulling him in.

It is always much harder to own up to a mistake than it is to make it in the first place.

If you want money, go to strangers; if you want advice, go to friends; but if you want nothing, go to relations.

Don't judge by appearances. Only a rich man can afford to look as though he hadn't a cent in the world.

Mary had a little lamb, (Now prices were in the air). So she sold it to the Meat Trust, And now she's a millionaire.

For Fifteen Years.—"I am quite surprised Mr. Meeker, at your wife's knowledge of parliamentary law." "She? Great Caesar! Hasn't she been speaker of the house for the last fifteen years?"

Belongs to Mother.—Aunt Mary (horried)—"Good gracious, Harold what would your mother say if she saw you smoking cigarettes?" Harold (calmly)—"She'd have a fit. They're her cigarettes."

Received the Oil.—The motorist emerged from beneath the car and struggled for breath. His helpful friend, holding the oil can, beamed upon him. "I've just given the cylinder a thorough oiling. Dick, old man," said the helpful friend. "Cylinder!" said the motorist, heatedly. "That wasn't the cylinder. It was my ear!"

At the Wrong Church.—As the new minister of the village was on his way to evening service he met a rising young man of the place whom he was anxious to have become a member of his church. "Good evening, my dear young friend," he said, solemnly, "do you ever attend a place of worship?" "Yes, indeed, sir, regularly every Sunday night," replied the young fellow, with a smile. "I'm on my way to see her now."

Judge Bryan's Stolen Hams.—The late Judge Silas Bryan, the father of William J. Bryan, once had several hams stolen from his smokehouse, says Success Magazine. He missed them at once, but said nothing to any one. A few days later a neighbor came to him. "Say, Judge," he said, "I heard yew had some hams stole, Vother night." "Yes," replied the judge, very confidentially, "but don't tell anyone. You and I are the only ones who know it."

A Delightful Vacation.—"Were you sick yesterday, Mr. Bobson?" asked the head of the firm. "No, sir," replied the chief clerk. "Well, I didn't notice you at your desk." "No, sir, I didn't come down town." "I'm, you know the rule here, do you not? No employee is permitted to be absent without a good excuse—sickness or an accident or something of that sort. I can't permit you to take liberties that are not enjoyed by other people." "But, let me explain. You see, my wife was so hoarse that she couldn't talk, and I thought I'd like to spend the day at home." "Oh, in that case, my boy, it's all right. Pardon me if I seemed to be arbitrary."

Although it is a terrible misfortune to lose a home by fire, it is not nearly so bad as losing the happiness of home by the dissipation, unfaithfulness or disgrace of one of the members of the family.

Would you have your home a happy, peaceful spot? Then let only gentle actions be found there. Let the husband press a kiss on the forehead of his tired wife, who, amid her never-ending round of household duties, is sure to find rest and encouragement in his love and sympathy.

The word "home" is only applied to the habitations of men. Beasts have lairs, birds have nests—temporary abiding places, both of them. Man alone builds for permanency, and a safe housing of his treasures and loved ones. A house is not a home, you cannot rear a home with boards alone.

Every wife ought to know her husband's income, and that knowledge should be the guide of her domestic expenses. Better is a dinner of herbs than a stalled ox with hatred therein. When a wife makes up her mind to do her duty in this respect she will brighten her little home and make it a place of perpetual sunshine.

While living is the time to bestow your love, don't wait until the loving heart has ceased its beating and the tired feet are still to tell them you love them. What can they know of your words of love, and praise, tears of grief? Give me all the love you have for me while I'm living; it will help us to bear the weary burdens that come on so thick and fast. In the home more especially is this true. The poor tired wife is the packhorse. Without one loving word, she toils day by day, raises the little children, cares for the sick, until it seems as if the delicate form could bear no more. Never comes a word of praise for trying to do her best. Yet there is a deep solemnity all over the place. Something is gone. What is it? I might say your packhorse—yet I'll use the name that should be sweeter. "Darling Mother"—has gone. Life is blank; wife, my love, my life has left me! Ah, me! home will never be what it has been; mother and wife has left us! If you could only say also, "I never gave her anything but loving words of praise, encouragement. I lifted every burden I could from her slight shoulders." Instead you gently ally howl with grief because your wife has gone, and there is no one to pack all the hard work done, or scold for everyone's faults.

Innocent amusements transform tears into rainbows.

OVER THE COUNTY.

Thomas Reber, of Highland, Kas., is visiting relatives in Pennsylvania. Dr. S. L. Stonebraker, of Osceola, has sold out his practice there and gone to Tyrone.

An up-to-date acetylene lighting plant has been installed in the residence of John H. Weber, of Centre Hall.

Joseph Peters, daughter Carrie and son Leonard, of Pleasant Gap, spent Sunday with his brother, William Peters, in Boggs township.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Snyder and children, of Milton, were the guests last week of Mrs. Snyder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Garis, in Centre Hall.

After a pleasant visit with friends and relatives in his old home town, Millheim, Daniel B. Gutelius returned to his home at Warren, O., last week.

Dr. J. F. D. Bowersox, of Aaronsburg, has been granted a veterinary surgeon's license by the State examining board, and intends practicing his profession at Aronaburg.

The Lutheran and Centre Hall, a corporation, has taken measures to add territory to its burying ground. There only remain two lots unsold.

Ezekiel Confer, a student of the Central State Normal school at Lock Haven, visited over Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Confer, at Pleasant Valley.

There are more members of Protestant churches in Pennsylvania than in any other state in the Union, and yet we are credited with having the most corrupt government in the Union.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Krise will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at their home at Centre Hall, Monday, Jan. 29th. More than a half hundred invitations have been issued.

William Breen, of Millheim, who for some time has been employed by the E. L. Auman Milling company, has resigned his position and last week left for Akron, O., where he expects to find employment.

Ellis, the fourteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Auman, of Millheim, was stricken with appendicitis last week. Since then the young man's condition has somewhat improved.

J. H. Weiser, of the south side of Potter township, will in the spring move onto the farm of F. M. Rossman, near Tussey Sink. Roy Schaffer, also of the south side, will become tenant on the Cyrus Brungart farm.

Word was received in Millheim recently of the marriage of Harry Grove, oldest son of Mrs. Sallie Grove, (nee Weiser, formerly of that place, (nee Nettie Sloan, on December 20th. The ceremony at Larned, Kas., where both parties reside.

James Craft, a son of William Craft, born and reared at Pine Glen, was killed recently in a wreck on the B. & O. railroad near Clearfield. He was married and is survived by his father and mother, three sisters and three brothers. Interment was made at Clearfield.

The Centre Hall order of I. O. O. F. celebrated their thirty-sixth anniversary last Monday evening. The lodge when organized had a membership of twenty, and now there are over one hundred members. Of the charter members there are these: S. K. Emerick, of Fleming; W. R. From, of Millburg; and B. D. Brisbin, of Centre Hall.

They Tyrone Herald of last Thursday said: "The three children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Garman, Robert, Betty and Virginia, are afflicted with diphtheria, and the home on West Eleventh street is under quarantine regulations. The cases are pronounced fairly mild ones, giving the little tots good prospect for safe deliverance." Mr. Garman was formerly of Bellefonte.

The first quarterly meeting of the county grange is in session in Grange Arcadia, Centre Hall today. All members of the grange are cordially invited to attend, as this will be one of the most important meetings of the year. The Grange Fire Insurance company, the Grange Telephone company, and the Grange Encampment and Fair association will each make their annual reports, giving the financial standing of each of these companies.

An explosion occurred in the cellar of the Lutheran parsonage, at Rebersburg, one day last week. The generator of the acetylene light plant, which is used to light the Lutheran church, in this cellar, which is near the church, and during the late cold spell, the pipes became frozen, and Thomas Ocker, the janitor, while in the act of thawing them out, caused an explosion. The report was heard quite a distance and pieces of pipe and other debris were hurled in every direction. Miraculously Mr. Ocker escaped uninjured.

Through the efforts Charles R. Hale, special representative of Department Commander Stewart, the Sons of Veterans Camp at State College was revived last week. The following officers were elected and installed: Commander, Harry W. Sauer; senior vice commander, Robert Edmiston; junior vice commander, Austin B. Ammerman; treasurer, Milton Shuey; secretary, C. Meginney-Hood; camp council, George T. Graham, William M. Sowers, Irvin C. Holmes, chaplain, W. M. Sowers; patriotic instructor, G. T. Graham; color bearer, William F. Thompson; guide, Lloyd Shuey; inside guard, J. Adam Cramer; outside guard, James H. Holmes; musician, Park Homan. The camp will meet in Odd Fellows' hall on the last Friday of each month.

Best Concrete Walks Rough. There was a time when it was thought that a concrete walk should have a very smooth surface. This is a great disadvantage, particularly in frosty weather, and the best sidewalks are now laid with a surface which has a slight grain. Troweling drives the larger particles downward and tends to increase the percentage of cement in the surface area of the walk while the very best concrete walks and pavements are those in which the largest percentage of hard aggregates remain for a wearing surface.

An Evening Smile. "I proposed that we build a new schoolhouse and that we build it in the place where the old one is, and I propose that we leave the old school house standing till the new one is up and that we use the stones of the old schoolhouse to build the new one."

Maybe it is criminal to judge the rogue's gallery by its face value.

RECENT DEATHS.

PARIS.—Mrs. Susan Caris, wife of John Caris, died at her home in Tyroneville late Sunday evening 15th, following a protracted illness, due to tuberculosis. Deceased was about 70 years old and is survived by her husband and several children.

PENNINGTON.—Mrs. Sara Pennington died at her home in Lebanon, Friday morning, 12th. Death was due to pneumonia, which at her advanced age proved fatal in a short period of time. Interment was made on Tuesday at Tyrone, where she lived prior to locating in Lebanon. The deceased was the widow of John Pennington, who was a native of Pennsylvania, and who died about fifteen years ago. She was the last surviving sister of Samuel and John A. Slack, of near Pottery Mills, and aged about seventy-five years.

HOUSER.—John J. Houser, a life-long resident of State College, died Tuesday, Jan. 16th, at his home from complications of diseases, aged 67. The deceased was born at Houserville on April 9, 1845 and was a son of Daniel M. and Eva Huber Houser. Dec. 4, 1870 he was married to Lydia R. Decker, who with three sons, Edward P., Thomas and Jacob, survive him. After a short service at the house the remains were taken to the Houserville U. B. church where further services were held. The Rev. James McKendree Kelley, pastor of St. Paul's officiating. The obsequies were in charge of the Odd Fellows.

BUTLER.—Mrs. Mary Butler, a former resident of Centre county, died at her home at Galeton, last Friday at 10:30 P. M., after a brief illness with bronchitis. The remains were brought to Bellefonte on Sunday, and interment was made in the Advent cemetery near Milesburg, on Monday afternoon, services being conducted by Rev. C. W. Winey, of Bellefonte. Deceased was the daughter of Michael and Susan Fetzer, and was born at Holt's Hollow, Nov. 7, 1841, making her age at time of passing away, 70 years, 1 month and 11 days. In 1865 she was united in marriage with Henry Butler, who died about 22 years ago. From this union the following children survive: Oscar, Clayton Mrs. Charles Kelley and Miss Grace, all of Galeton; Mrs. Emily Louzer of Hanlester, W. Va., and Orley, of Hendricks, Va. There are also two sisters left to mourn: Mrs. Sue Kreps and Miss Lizzie Fetzer, both of Clearfield; the late Mrs. James A. Stine, who died in Bellefonte several years ago, was also a sister of deceased. Mrs. Butler resided with her son and daughter at Austin during the memorable flood catastrophe, and suffered a complete loss of home and furnishings, barely escaping with their lives. She was a member of the Austin branch of W. C. T. U. and of the M. E. church at Austin, and was a most excellent woman in every respect.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Ira C. Harpeter to Geo. E. Rider, 8 acres of land in Half Moon Twp.; \$450.

John L. Holmes et al to Irvin L. Foster tract of land in Ferguson Twp.; \$250.

Robert Cook et ux to Matthew Rodgers, Jr., 450 acres of land in Howard Twp.; \$500.

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Mary J. Peeling et al to H. F. Kesinger, tract of land in Liberty Twp.; \$50.

Henry A. Garner admr to Daniel Garner, 83 acres of land in Ferguson Twp.; \$3200.

John Workman et ux to William J. McHugh, trustee, 2 acres of land in Walker Twp.; \$275.

Cyrus Gordon et ux to William J. McHugh trustee, 10 acres of land in Walker Twp.; \$1250.

Isaac Strunk et ux to William J. McHugh trustee, 20 acres of land in Walker Twp.; \$1500.

Fred M. Rogers et ux to Julius H. Selbert, 325 acres of land in Snow Shoe Twp.; \$100.

Kate A. Rogers et bar to Julius H. Selbert, 400 acres of land in Snow Shoe Twp.; \$100.

Kate A. Rogers et bar to Julius H. Selbert, 200 acres of land in Snow Shoe Twp.; \$100.

Zachias Fulton to Emma May Fulton, tract of land in Phillipsburg; \$1.

John F. Beck et ux to Catharine Beck, 51 acres of land in Miles Twp.; \$1.

Benjamin Beck et ux to John F. Beck, 51 acres of land in Miles Twp.; \$1.

Harry Fulton et ux to Zachias Fulton, house and lot in Phillipsburg; \$1.

Big Family—Big Feast. An unusual event took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Sommers near Burnham, the other evening, when the aged couple tendered their nine children, thirty-nine grandchildren and twenty-two great-grandchildren a banquet, in celebration of the fifty-fourth anniversary of their wedding. The result of their union has been sixty-nine lives without a death occurring among them, and this was the first time in more than half a century that the four sons and the five daughters have been able to meet under the parental roof at the same time.

The bass drummer says the other musicians may get paid by the piece, but as for him he works by the pound.

OUT OF THE GINGER JAR.

Is a blow from a kicking cow a real milk punch?

Marriage vows are too often followed by marriage rows.

Everybody has to hustle; even the egg is compelled to scramble, oftentimes.

Those who rise early in the morning are the more likely to rise above their troubles.

Men are like hens, the harder they have to scratch for a living the more useful they become.

The physiologists tell us that we have five senses, and yet some folks act as if they had none.

February, it is true, is a little short, but it is likely to pull through without bankrupting March.

While waiting for something to turn up it were better to get the plow ready for turning something up.

One of our contemporaries advises scares for the farm, and that San Jose critter is doing its best to supply them.

Farmers are considered the most honest class on the earth, but even the best of them are continually taking advantage of the weather.

If the average man were to imitate the crack baseball player and make a "home run" as soon as he gets his week's pay, the saloons would be obliged to go out of business.

"Our best friends are those who tell us of our faults"—so runs the ancient proverb; but it is noticeable that they do not remain our friends very long after they have told us.

When Johnny, a "Country Week" ward, returned from a visit to green fields and real trees, he disclosed to his mother this wonderful news: "Out at the farm they don't get their milk out of a can; they pump it out of the cow."

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Commences Saturday, January 20th, and continuing for 2 weeks,

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We are pleased and complimented when a customer chooses such a style as that shown in the picture herewith.

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has helped countless thousands of thin, weak, delicate children—made them strong, plump and robust.

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