

The Home Circle

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

The world's greatest need today is men and women who have decision of character. Oh the contempt we feel for the man (?) who has no opinion of his own; who is influenced by every little ripple of public sentiment—a reed shaken by the wind. The world wants men who will stand in all the grandeur of the manly dignity and raise the moral standard to a higher, holier atmosphere, where vice cannot thrive. "Young man, set your mark high." No ideal is too lofty for your aspirations. Have courage to do the right in the face of all opposition, and you are every inch a hero. The world wants true, noble-hearted, womanly women, who, by their sweet influence and hallowed presence, will be as guardian angels to the weak and erring. Such a being can no more be contaminated by evil surroundings than the ray of sunlight which brightens up the prison cell. Oh, how thy mission is a high and holy one! Thy influence reaches out into eternity. If faithful to duty, the living will love and bless thee; the dying, to whose wants thou dost minister, will carry the impress of thy loved features into paradise to go forth to duty with unflinching trust in God.

Marriage never seems so much a failure to a man as when something goes wrong at home that he can't possibly blame on his wife.

The most recklessly extravagant woman has a vein of economy somewhere in her composition. Economy is born in a woman. It may not develop in a manner to prove beneficial either to herself or to her husband. Yet, there will be some point as which she looks well to the pennies and think and calculate with the ablest financier. She may be willing to pay \$100 for a gown, but will shop all over town to save ten cents a yard on the lining. She may spend \$5 for a ride in the park, but she will begrudge the cents in care fare when out shopping. She may stint the table at one time and be wildly extravagant at another. Or ruin a whole garment by the desire to finish it cheaply, which desire has remorsefully seized her at the last moment, but there is one thing in which she never economizes. When she loves, she loves with her whole heart. There is no stint—only a giving of all the wealth of her affection. Therefore do not laugh at her little economies; simply remember that a woman must be just made up of those contradictions that seem so ridiculous to the average masculine mind.

What I Have Noticed.

As a reader and admirer of your Home Circle Department, I take the liberty to send you a few lines that I believe is mostly of a place in this

department of your paper which is weekly sowing such good seed in this community; and which alone is worth many times the subscription price of your paper. If you think different consign it to the basket and I will be your

AUNT PRUE.
"I have noticed so many boys and young men on the streets on Sunday mornings, and I have thought how much more creditable it would be for them to either stay at home, or take a walk in the country, or almost any right line, rather than be long before the doors of restaurants, munching peanuts or smoking cigars and staring at women and girls on their way to Sunday school and church. Of course it would be better for them to go to Sunday school and church too, but if they will not, for pity's sake let them keep off the streets. I have noticed when meeting is out at church on nights, a great crowd of young fellows, some of them the ones above alluded to, who stand at each side, outside the door, so that the old people and the girls and all, have to run a gauntlet to get out in the fresh air of heaven. I have noticed that a young man, when he has any raising, when he wants to escort a young woman to church, goes to her home and having obtained the favor, accompanies her to church, and sits with her as a gentleman should then the service, and then goes home with her. I have noticed that many times young people pass by respectable old people who have known them all their lives, and never give them any recognition at all. Now it does me so much good when I meet a young man or a young woman that I have known ever since they were babies, to see them give me a pleasant smile and nod, and I know that all of us old people feel the same way."

Manners at Home
The presence of good manners is nowhere more needed or effective than in the household, and perhaps nowhere more rare. Whenever the familiarity exists there is a tendency to loosen the check upon selfish conduct which the presence of strangers involuntarily produces. Many persons who are kind and courteous in company, are rude and careless with those whom they love best. Emerson says: "Good manners are made up of petty sacrifices," and certainly nothing can more thoroughly secure the harmony and place of the family circle than the habit of making small sacrifices for one another. Children thus learn good manners in the best and most natural way, and habits thus acquired will never leave them. Courtesy and kindness will never lose their power or their charm, while all spurious imitations of them are to be despised.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

Different Now.—When they were engaged: "Play that old song I love so well, will you, sweetheart, please?" After they were married: "Say! What do you think this is, a boiler shop? Cut the disturbance, will yer?"

Isn't It Terrible!—"Listen to this, wifey," said Mr. Hubby, looking up from his newspaper: "For every missionary sent abroad last year, Christian America sent 1496 gallons of liquor." Merciful goodness, exclaimed wifey, "would ever think missionaries were such drinkers?"

Very Precise.—President Wilson, at a dinner in Washington, said of a statistician: "His figures are so precise that one inclines to doubt them. He is like the American sugar planter in Hawaii who, taking a friend to the edge of a volcano, said: 'That crater, George, is just 70,004 years old.' 'But why the four?' George asked. 'Oh, I've been here four,' was the reply. 'It was 70,000 when I came.'"

Did Not Take It.—Sandy MacIvor was "no feelin' just well," so he went to the doctor. "What do you drink?" demanded the medico. "Whisky." "How much?" "Maby a bottle a day." "Do you smoke?" "Yes." "Well, you give up whisky and tobacco altogether." Sandy took up his cap, and in three steps reached the door. "Here!" called the doctor, "you have not paid for my advice!" "Ahm no takin' it," snapped Sandy as he shut the door behind him.

Favored Father.—A story is told of two Irish farmers who had not seen each other for a long time and who met at a fair. They had a lot of things to tell each other. "Shure, it's married O' am," said Murphy. "Top don't tell me so," said Moran. "Fal

yes," said Murphy, "and O'fve got a foine, healthy boy, which the neighbors say is the very picture of me." Moran looked for a moment at Murphy who was not remarkable for his good looks, and then said: "Ah, well, what's the harm as long as the child's healthy?"

The Waiter's Price.—It was a banquet where a notable gathering of politicians had assembled. A certain aspiring young attorney was among the number, and as he spied an influential Judge at the far end of the parlor, he called the head waiter, slipped half a dollar into his hand, and whispered, "Put me next to Judge Spink at the table." Upon being seated, however, he found he was at the other end of the room from the Judge. He called the head waiter to explain. "Well sir," replied the official, "the fact is that the Judge gave me a dollar to put you as far from him as possible."

Getting Up Speed.—Well, George," said a Georgia man not long ago to an old dinky in his employ. "I understand that you intend to give your son an education." "Dat's my intention, sah," responded George. "I know myself what 'tis to struggle along widout learnin' an' I has determined my son ain't going to have no sich trouble as I's had." "Is your son learning rapidly?" "He shore is, sah. Las' week he done wrote a letter to his aunt what lives more'n 20 miles from yere, an' afterwhile he's going to write to his aunt dat lives 'bout 50 miles from yere." "Why doesn't he write to that aunt now?" smilingly asked the employer. "He kain't write so fur yit, sah. He kin write 20 miles fast-rate, but I talle him not to try 50 miles till he gits strongah wif his pen."

STORIES BY WORKERS.

Something different in the way of newspaper features is one that The North American inaugurates in its Sunday edition for July 13. Workers have been asked to contribute short stories based upon incidents possible in the occupations of the writers. The first stories are the outcome of an invitation sent to keepers of apartment and boarding houses. An invitation to stenographers which followed brought results in the shape of scores of manuscripts, and it is hoped that every stenographer will write a story. It is now intended to make the invitation general, and all workers except professional writers are invited to contribute stories of not more than 1500 words in length to this very interesting department. The conditions are few and simple. Aside from the length limit there are no conditions except that the incidents upon which the stories are founded shall be taken from the occupation in which the writer is engaged.

Stories are to be paid for at \$5 each, and the best story of each Sunday's quota is to be awarded an additional superiority prize of \$5.

Liberal editing is to be allowed, it being intended that the story merit of contributions shall count higher than mere literary form.

Manuscripts should be addressed to The Story Department of the Sunday North American.

Methodist Day at Altoona.

The annual Methodist reunion will be held at Lakemont Park, Altoona, on Thursday, July 31st. A sermon will be delivered at 11 a. m. by the Rev. D. Fox, D. D., of Harrisburg, Pa. Afternoon platform meeting and address by Secretary Robert Forbes, D. D. Evening meeting will be in the form of a fine musical. For excursion rates and trains see notices at the depot. Ample provision has been made by the churches for checking baskets, etc., and to serve meals and refreshments.

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OVER THE COUNTY.

Miss Lulu Cronister, a graduate nurse of Buffalo, N. Y., has returned to that city after a visit of six weeks at her home near Martha Furnace.

Alva Cottle, of Beech Creek township, received a bad burn on the back of his left hand, Wednesday night last week, while in the act of putting off a piece of wood.

The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend the festival to be held on the lawn of the M. E. church at Fillmore on Saturday evening, July 19. Proceeds for benefit of the church.

All the leading mercantile establishments at State College have agreed to close their places of business at 1 o'clock on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, during the summer months.

Misses Lella Eichholtz and Frances Houser, of Altoona, and Messrs. D. Simpson and Earle Mosser, of Huntingdon, Pa., were the Fourth of July guests of Miss Marcella Boggs, at her home in Milesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Evey and son, Forrest, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Williams and Miss Bertha Bradford, of Lemons, autoed to Phillipsburg last week to spend the Fourth, and remained with friends over the Sabbath.

Tuesday, July 1st, W. E. Stover, of Logan, formerly of Livonia, assumed charge as carrier of U. S. mail between Logan and Rebersburg on star route No. 10,467 succeeding J. L. E. who returns to farming.

While leaning out of a second story window, Emmaline, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith, of State College, lost her balance and fell to the ground, breaking her collar bone and fracturing several ribs.

Oscar Harvey, a member of the firm of Harvey Brothers, bakers and confectioners, at State College, and Kathryn McGinnis, of Cleveland, Ohio, were married at that place about July 1st. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey have returned to State College where they will reside.

The Centre Hall Reformed church, consisting of four congregations will hold a reunion and basket picnic in Grange Park, Centre Hall, Thursday, July 31st. A literary program has been arranged and the picnic will be held at R. R. Jones, there will be one or two speakers from a distance.

Excavation was made last week for the rectory of St. Andrews Episcopal church on South Frazier street at State College. The lower structure will be of stone and the upper half of Ohio tile. The completion of the Episcopal residence will be quiet an addition to that section of State College.

The Clearfield Public Spirit says: "John and Fred Musser are spending a couple of months on the farm of their uncle, Elmer Musser, near Pine Grove Mills, Pa. The last heard from them was that they were making a great deal of hay while the sun shined and eating cherry pie with wonderful regularity."

Former Centre countians residing in Union county are formulating a movement to hold a picnic. The active parties in the undertaking live in the vicinity of Hartleton, but it is proposed to extend the invitation to all former residents of Centre county regardless of the locality of the county in which they live.

Darlington Brown, a member of the 447th Boy Scouts, earned a medal last week when he walked across the State College and on to Centre Hall to the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Krise. He reached Centre Hall Saturday and started on the return trip Sunday, July 1st. The distance he covered is twenty-eight miles.

The A. C. Ripka farm near Centre Hill is said to have one of the finest corn fields in Potter township. Much of the corn was over two feet high on the first of July. Mr. Ripka, in the twenty years he conducted the farming operations on that place, never used commercial fertilizer of any sort, but what he applied. His crops are generally first class.

The Rishel farm at Farmers Mills, the property of the late M. L. Rishel, has been sold by the administrators, Messrs. John E. and Wm. F. Rishel, for \$7991.72. The farm contained about 112 acres, and is very productive. The purchaser was William Stover, of Gregg township. There were several other bidders while the figures were under \$7990.

Another honor has been conferred on a prominent citizen of State College in the person of Dr. W. S. Glenn. At the National Eclectic Medical Association convention, which met at Dallas, Texas, recently, the State College physician was chosen president for the current term, an honor seldom bestowed on any but a representative from one of the colleges.

Calvin Horner is in the Blair Co. jail serving a three months' sentence for shooting at a man named Jno McClain, who, Horner claims, was too intimate with his wife. Horner was arrested several weeks ago and held for felonious assault, and when court convened he plead guilty. He is a son of Mrs. Catharine Horner, west of Centre Hall, and was engaged in the restaurant business in Altoona for several years.

Rev. Samuel J. McCracken who was made pastor of the Disciple church of Blanchard last August, also of the church at Romola and Orviston, and who has recently been in Pittsburgh lecturing, has been released by the Blanchard church before the yearly contract expired, and with his wife and children left Thursday last week for the south where they came from. Rev. McCracken failed to return here to see his family off, but is said to have joined them at Harrisburg. There seems to have been some friction between pastor and congregation so that his pastorage was not successful.

Mrs. C. E. Snyder and daughter, Dorothy, of Juniata Park, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Snyder, of Milesburg the week of July 4th. C. E. Snyder, clerk in the boiler department at Juniata shops, was also a visitor at the Snyder home the last week in June enjoying a week's fishing. While engaged in this sport Friday night, June 27th, having no companion with him, he discovered the store of H. F. Ebbs to be on fire and sounded the alarm, which awakened the store keeper and his family. The building was saved and the family possibly saved from a horrible death as the members sleep above the store.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Pleasant Gap Lutheran congregation will hold one of their old time festivals in Noll's grove on Saturday evening, July 12th. Ice cream, cakes, tropical fruits, watermelon, etc., will be served by the society, assisted by a corps of the younger element of

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

John Daughenbaugh to Edith K. Woods, tract of land in Worth twp.; \$500.

Arthur B. Lee, sheriff, to James R. Hughes, Bellefonte Academy in Bellefonte; \$1,250.

John S. Erb to Anna Northamer, tract of land in S. Phillipsburg; \$650.

John N. Krumrine, trustee to Theo. D. Boal, tract of land in College twp.; \$150.

Mary A. Young to George R. Young, tract of land in Worth twp.; \$1.

W. H. Blausser et al. to Fred A. Auman, tract of land in Potter twp.; \$100.

E. J. Biddle et al. to H. A. Ellis, tract of land in Patton twp.; \$1200.

Jas. S. Weaver et al. exrs. to B. F. Haffley, tracts of land in Haines twp.; \$500.

Jas. S. Weaver et al. exrs. to B. F. Haffley, tract of land in Aaronsburg; \$140.

Newton E. Emerick et ux to John H. Knarr, tract of land in Centre Hall; \$1.

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Phoebe Vonada et bar to John Sheesley, tract of land in Haines twp.; \$150.

Frank P. Blair et ux to Centre County Bay Co., tract of land in Half Moon twp.; \$20,000.

Sarah C. Stine et al. to David M. Campbell et al., tract of land in Harris twp.; \$1500.

E. W. Crider et ux to Mike Alexandernovich, tract of land in Snow Shoe twp.; \$60.

Walter S. Christ et al. to D. W. Shiffer, tract of land in College twp.; \$100.

John I. Wagner, admr. to Harvey W. Wagner, tract of land in Liberty twp.; \$402.

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