

# Home Circle Column

Pleasant Evening Reveries for Every Member of the Family

### Saving The Babies.

Of course old maids and childless couples are better qualified than anybody else to give the advice about the care of babies, but now and then counsel from other sources is worthy of attention. The State Board of Health of New York has made a remarkable record in the reduction of the death rate of children under one year old. The figures for the last ten years are almost unbelievable, yet they constitute statistical fact. They show in general that only one baby dies where three used to die. Much has been done in New York towns in the way of establishing pure milk stations and inspection and regulating cow stables. But the state board of health attributes the reduction in the death rate chiefly to the fact that these simple rules have been dinned into the ears of mothers.

Give the baby pure air, day and night.  
Give it no food but mother's milk, milk from the bottle, or food directed by the physician.  
Whenever it cries or is fretful, do not offer it food, give it water.  
Be sure that it gets enough sleep—two naps during the day at least.  
Do not put clothing on it.  
Bathe it in a tub every day.  
Don't handle it, leave it alone.

### Cheerfulness.

We wonder if we all have an idea of what the definition of cheerfulness is; the dictionary says, good spirits or mirth. But no matter what the definition is, if we do not apply it or put it into practical use. How often we see a dear girl who is homely but has hosts of friends, and we see another girl who is indeed beautiful but no persons seem to love her, nor even care to associate with her. This is the reason, the first girl is happy and cheerful who has a smile and pleasant word for old and young, rich and poor, and who is ever glad and happy, not one day pleasant and the other cross and gloomy. Whereas, the beautiful girl, we are sorry to say not always, but very often, is selfish and spoiled, and if she cannot do as she pleases, or the weather is unpleasant when she wants to go away, she is cross and unpleasant, and very often scolds a little bit.

### Hereafter.

The generation of man is like the leaves of the trees—green in youth; now withering on the ground. And thus the generation of the race decays; so follows these as those who have passed away. Then bear in mind our steps of time, and let not our angry passions arise against our

fellow persons. Let not our tongues repeat one word that to others will cause a frown or sadness. But ever live a sunshine to all whether friends or foes. For soon life's storms will all be still, and all life's noise into calm will pass; then rest and quietness will come at last. What matters then which it be, love or hate. Calm hands are folded over quiet breasts. Our weary heads will be pillowed in sweet rest. Our deathless souls in their words shall live. Our life is but the passing picture of a shadowed dream. Then paint the picture of joy and happiness and not as the world would have it, sorrow and happiness.

### Giving God thanks for safe arrival

and many other blessings was first heard on New England shores from the lips of Popham colonists at Monhegan, in the Thanksgiving service of the church of England. The first Thanksgiving was opened, December, 1621. This was a week of feasting. Venison was brought in by the Massasoit Indians and dozens of wild turkeys, rabbits and smaller game were slaughtered for the feast. The Indians were invited to join the whites in the merry making, an invitation which was promptly accepted. The records make no mention of any special religious exercises during the week of feasting. In July, 1623, a fast day of nine hours of prayer was observed by these same colonists, who were suffering from the effects of a prolonged drought which had scorched their corn and stunted their beans. The rain which soon afterward fell they believed could not have come but for their united and public petition. The next public Thanksgiving was held in Boston by the Bay Colony, on February 22, 1630. This was an expression of gratitude for the safe arrival of food bearing ships from England. From then until 1864, there were about twenty-four Thanksgivings Days appointed in Massachusetts, but it was not a regular biennial custom. In 1875, a time of deep gloom in both Massachusetts and Connecticut on account of many attacks from fierce savages, no days of Thanksgiving were celebrated.

The people who have so much sympathy for those who have gone beyond all earthly help, might use a little of it in every day life to a good and excellent purpose. The idea of kicking people when alive and then for a person to weep over their grave when dead, is one reason why the world is no better today. Speak your kind words to the living and when you are dead you need not care what is said of you.

### Bank of England Salaries.

To enter the service of the Bank of England a candidate must be nominated by a director, be of good moral character, pass a qualifying (not competitive) examination and be between eighteen and twenty-two years old. The first year his salary is \$500, and then it rises at the rate of \$50 a year. At the end of the fifth year he proceeds to the fourth class or else leaves the service of the bank. According to figures furnished by one of the bank's officials, the average pay at the end of ten years is \$1,000. At fifteen years it is \$1,300, twenty years \$1,545, thirty years \$1,945; after that the senior clerks pass to \$2,150. The staff and special posts, numbering about 100, are won by meritorious service. The highest salary is paid the chief cashier and is \$15,000. The chief accountant draws \$12,500, and there are several appointments ranging from \$7,500 to \$3,500. Agents of branches receive up to \$12,000. There is a pension system to which the clerk does not contribute, but for which he is qualified after ten years' service.—Moody's Magazine.

### Didn't Wait For the "Thank You."

John Bull, the scene painter, tells a story of an occasion when he delivered some scenery for an entertainment in a lunatic asylum. He was watching his men getting the stuff in when it began to rain. A big man with a pleasant smile appeared and offered to help. They got on famously. Mr. Bull and his volunteer were just setting down the last load when an attendant arrived, caught the big man a tremendous blow on the side of the head and sent him sprawling on his back. Mr. Bull was speechless with indignation at this attack, but the victim got up, smiling more than ever, and walked away. "You can thank your stars I've been watching you," the attendant explained. "I suppose when you had the last lot in you'd have said, 'Thank you; I'm much obliged.' Well, that's this fellow's trouble, sir. The moment you say 'Thank you' to 'im 'e'll wring your neck."—London Standard.

### Placing the Goat.

An anecdote of President Hayes is told by an Englishman who formed one of a party of his compatriots while the president and his family were at Clark's ranch, near Yosemite. The two parties were assembled in the rude kitchen awaiting the coming meal. A certain stiffness prevailed at first. At last a master of the ceremonies and introducer appeared in the shape of a small and elegant quadruped, evidently a family pet, which trotted into the kitchen to be caressed. A lady of the English party gently stroked its stem, the president its stern. Presently they met, about the center of the animal, and the interchange of a few remarks became inevitable. "This is a very pretty goat," from the English lady. "My end is antelope, madam," from the president. It need scarcely be said that both ends were antelope, but the reply was very neat.

### The Brave Butterfly.

Here is an unorthodox story of King Solomon: One day a butterfly sat on

### OVER THE COUNTY.

The stork visited the home of G. P. Breon, in Millheim, recently, and left a bouncing baby boy.

Mrs. Orwig, wife of Rev. S. P. Orwig, of Watonsontown, was badly injured in a fall down a stairway. The fall was due to falling eyesight.

Clarence Smith, the son of Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Smith, of Millheim, had his right arm dislocated at the elbow while playing foot ball one day last week.

James B. Horner, whose death occurred about two weeks ago, was a member of the Millheim Woodmen and carried insurance in the sum of \$2,000.

While Mrs. Henry Houck was coming down stairs, at her home in State College, she fell to the bottom, causing a compound fracture of the collar bone and cutting an ugly gash in her head.

Robert A. Love, of Tyrone, has been awarded the Jno W. White scholarship at Pennsylvania State College on account of general excellence during the Freshman year. The scholarship is worth \$100.

As a sample of radishes grown in Centre county, Mrs. L. E. Rossman, of Penn township, recently pulled one from her garden that measured two feet in length, and was twenty-three inches in circumference at the thickest point.

Herbert Gray Foster, a son of Rev. and Mrs. W. K. Foster, of Jenkintown, but who has many friends and relatives in Centre county, has just been admitted to practice in the common pleas and orphan's court of Montgomery county.

Maude Wilburn, a little Philipsburg girl, was the victim last Thursday of a stone that was carelessly thrown by a boy. It struck the back of her head, making it necessary to have the doctor insert a stitch. This shows the evil effect of careless stone throwing.

William Geary, who farms the old Colyer farm in the Seven Mountains, is meeting with great success. The corn crop alone will be about 2,000 bushels. He and his father, David L. Geary, have been conducting the farming operations on the mountain farm.

John Snavelly, farmer at Spring Mills, was kicked in the face by a horse ten days ago. His nose was broken, and the left cheek bone crushed in. Mr. Snavelly has so far recovered that he is able to go out of the house, and in a short time will have fully recovered.

Harry Mills, employed at Atherton & Barnes' mines at One Mile Run, was burned about the face, chest and hands one day last week when an explosion of powder occurred as he was preparing to put off a blast. He is a resident of Philipsburg, and was removed to the hospital in that place.

Two new and lasting concrete bridges were built on the pike leading from Millheim to Brush valley last week, under the supervision of A. E. Hertz, the pike manager, says the Journal. The one spans Philips creek, in the narrows, and the other the small run near the Reformed church, on North street.

Willis Weaver, of Centre Hall, had rabbit for his Sunday dinner without the least bit of effort, and without displaying a hunter's license. He was riding a bicycle through the Main streets of the town, when a rabbit ran into the front wheel of his machine. Weaver dismounted pulled the rabbit from between the spokes, put it in his coat pocket and continued on his journey.

John H. Weber, proprietor of the Centre Hall flouring mills, is a liberal supporter of his church at all times. Last Sunday his pastor, Rev. R. R. Jones, of the Reformed church, asked for funds for church extension works in that denomination. The responses were very gratifying and when the sum total was announced it was found to be almost \$1,900. Mr. Weber's contribution was \$500.

While Miss Grace Switzer, a Philipsburg young lady, was melting some paraffin wax in a kettle, one day last week, it caught fire. She caught up the kettle and in attempting to carry it out of the house, it blazed up suddenly and burned her face and arms severely. Her injuries, though painful, are not serious enough to cause any anxiety, and her physician does not think they will leave any scars.

Monday's Altoona Tribune says: "Rev. Gordon Arch Williams leaves the city this morning with his wife for Port Matilda, where Mrs. Williams will visit friends while her husband takes to the woods for a hunting trip. They will return home on November 27. During Mr. Williams' absence his pastoral work will be in charge of Rev.

J. C. Young, pastor of the Fairview Methodist Episcopal church, who will answer calls from the Broad Avenue charge.

A pheasant met its fate in a parlor in a Centre Hall home a short time ago, says the Centre Reporter. During the absence of Mrs. Henry Swab, in Millin county, a plump bird of that species flew against a window light, broke it and entered the parlor. Two weeks later, when Mrs. Swab returned to her home, the bird lay dead on the floor, having died of starvation. A prized picture proved to be the roosting place of the imprisoned rooster so long as he had strength to perch.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

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T. B. Jamison, trustee to Moses C. Stover, tract of land in Gregg twp.; \$2500.

M. C. Stover to Perry Krise, tract of land in Spring Mills; \$4150.

Rhoda I. Croll et bar to Eli M. Stere, tract of land in Boggs twp.; \$725.

Charles L. Jackson to Jacob G. Matern, tract of land in Patton twp.; \$175.

Margaret C. Brockerhoff to Wm. B. Eckley, tract of land in Benner twp.; \$1015.

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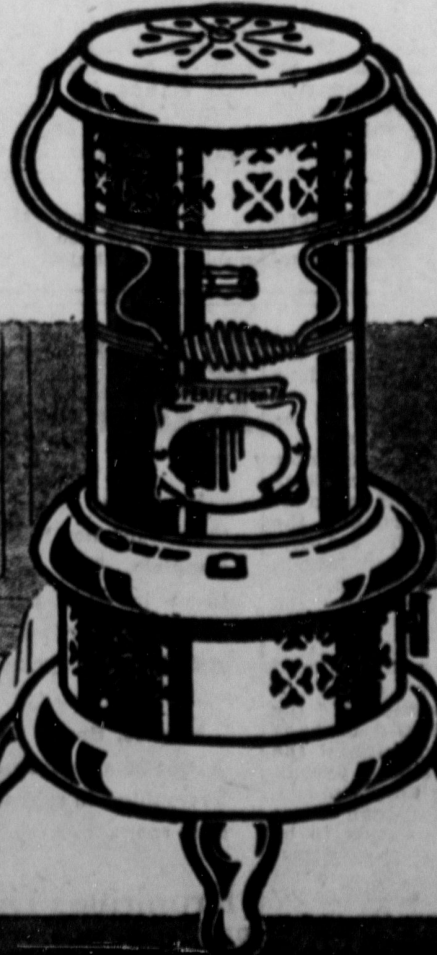
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