

Home Circle.

PERSONAL EXPERIENCE.

Go feel what I have felt, Go bear what I have borne— Sink 'neath the blows a father dealt, And the cold world's scorn; To suffer on from year to year— The sole relief the scorching tear.

Go, kneel where I have knelt, Implore, beseech, and pray— Strive the besotted heart to melt, The downward course to stay; De dashed with bitter curse aside, Your prayers burlesqued, your tears defied.

Go, weep as I have wept, O'er a loved father's fall— See every promised blessing swept— Youth's sweetness turned to gall— Life's fading flowers strewn all the way That brought me to woman's day.

Go, see what I have seen, Behold the strong man bow— With gnashing teeth, lips bathed in blood, A cold and livid brow; Go, catch his withering glance, and see There mirrored his soul's misery.

Go, hear, and see, and feel and know, All that my soul hath felt and known; Then look upon the wine-cup's glow, See if its beauty can atone— Think if its flavor you will try When all proclaims, "Tis drink and die!"

Tell me I hate the bowl— Hate is but a feeble word; I loathe—abhor—my very soul With strong disgust is stirred, Where'er I see, or hear, or tell Of that dark beverage of hell.

THE SQUIRE'S FUN.

Squire Doolittle was a farmer, fat and jolly, who liked fun, but always preferred it at some one else's expense. If he could play a trick upon one of his sons, he enjoyed it hugely. As a consequence his boys did not reverence him very much, and were always trying some practical joke on their father. Sometimes they succeeded, but not often.

The squire had often watched the sport and laughed at David's recklessness and at his appearance as he plunged into the water and came forth with wet wool and a disgusted and wrathful aspect.

One day the squire was in the barnyard, salting the cows. He had a half-bushel measure in his hand, and as he looked over the fence into the sheep pasture and saw David watching him, he held up the measure and shook it at the old fellow.

David gave a snort of defiance and began to curb his neck and shake his head, as if challenging the squire to combat.

"I wonder if I couldn't trick the old fellow in the same way that the boys fool him?" thought the squire. He looked about the yard, cautiously; his sons were not in sight, and he concluded he would have a laugh at David's expense.

Crawling through the fence, he reached the rock on which the boys stood in their encounters with David. The ram had not seen him. When the squire raised himself cautiously and looked over the bank, David was watching the barnyard, and evidently wondering what had become of the man who had just challenged him.

"Hi, David!" cried the squire, holding the half-bushel measure out before him as a target for the sheep to aim at. "Hi David!" David "hied" at once. He gave a grand flourish, as if to say, "Look out there!" then charged.

Unfortunately for the squire, he was so excited over the fun that he forgot himself completely, and only thought about the half-bushel measure. Instead of dropping out of the sheep's way, he swung the measure on one side, in his excitement forgetting that David always shut his eyes when he charged, and aimed for the object before him when he closed them.

The consequence was that the ram did not follow the measure, but bolting straight for the place where he last saw it, struck the poor squire square in the stomach, and he and David went over the bank and into the creek as if shot out of a cannon.

"Wall, I swum!" spluttered the squire, as he made his way to the bank. "I forgot all about dodging. I do believe that the old reprobate broke my stomach in, by the way it feels. You old rascal!" he screamed to David, whose air was one of victory as he stood on the pasture side of the fence, making defiant motions with his head at the deacon, who had clambered out of the water on the barnyard side; "I'd like to break your old neck! I shan't get over this for a month, if I ever do. I wouldn't have been so bruised for five dollars. I'm glad the boys didn't see me."

He made his way up the bank and toward the barn under cover of the fence. He didn't want any one at the house to see him in his wet clothes. As he opened the barn-door a broadside of laughter saluted his ears from the hay-mow in the end of the barn toward the creek. He knew then that the boys' hour of triumph had come. They had seen his discomfiture.

"I say, father!" irreverently called out Tom, in a voice choked with laughter, "you didn't serooch quick enough. Next time you'll know better how to do it."

"What became of the half-bushel?" asked John.

Rob screamed "Hi, David!" in such a way that notwithstanding his pain the squire was half inclined to laugh himself.

"I acknowledge that David was too much for me that time," said the squire, looking very red and foolish. "Laugh away, boys, if it does you any good."

"What the price of hats?" asked John.

"Well, but the joke wasn't yours," said the squire. "But I'll tell you what I'll do. If you won't say anything about this foolish affair, I'll buy the hats and give you a day's fishing any time you wish to take it."

"We agree! we agree!" cried the boys.

But the story leaked out in some way, and the squire had to endure a good deal of sly laughing from his fun-loving neighbors. But he never quite forgave old David and although he did not say so he had a feeling of unqualified satisfaction when he heard one day that the old sheep's neck had been broken.—Ladies Home Journal.

GOOD ADVICE.

- First—Never, under any circumstances, assume a responsibility that you can avoid consistently with your duty to yourself and others. Second—Base all your action upon a principle of right; preserve your integrity of character, and in doing this never reckon the cost. Third—Remember that self-interest is much more like to warp your judgment than all other circumstances combined; therefore look well to your duty when your interest is concerned. Fourth—Never make money at the expense of your reputation. Fifth—Be never lavish nor niggardly. Of the two avoid the latter. A mean man is universally despised, but public favor is a stepping stone to preferment; therefore generous feelings should be cultivated. Sixth—Say but little, think much, and do more. Seventh—Let your expenses be such as to leave a balance in your pocket. Ready money is a friend in need. Eighth—Avoid borrowing and lending. Ninth—Wine drinking and cigar smoking are bad habits; they impair the health and pocket and lead to waste of time. Tenth—Never relate your misfortunes, and never grieve over what you cannot prevent. Eleventh—Cultivate promptness in deciding upon matters that come before you; there are few objects more disagreeable than

an undecided, vacillating man. Consider thoughtfully, but decide promptly.

Twelfth—Never break a business engagement of any kind, if it be impossible to meet it. Let nothing cause you to become careless of business etiquette, integrity and promptitude.

Thirteenth—Let truth and an unwavering faith in God underlie all your motives and actions.



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NOTICE OF FINAL ENTRY.

Laud Office at Helena, Montana, March 8, 1884. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made before L. B. Witt, county clerk at the Judicial District court, Montana Territory, in and for Meagher county at White Sulphur Springs on Saturday April 12, 1884, viz: A. L. Ostrander, section 23 tp. 5 n. r. 6 e. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John C. Tipton, Israel O. Proctor, Gilbert Ecker, and Philip Miller, all of White Sulphur Springs, Meagher county, M. T. F. ADKINSON, Register. 17

Notice to Co-owner.

To Harmon Gray, his administrator or heirs: You are hereby notified that the undersigned has, in accordance with the provisions of section 2224, Revised Statutes of the United States, performed labor and made improvements to the value of two hundred dollars in representing for the years 1882 and 1883 the Bourbon quartz mining claim, situated in Birch Creek (now known as section 2224, Meagher County, Montana Territory. And you are hereby notified that if you fail to contribute, or cause to be contributed, your portion, amounting to twenty five dollars (\$25), together with interest and costs, within ninety days from the service of this notice, all your right, title, interest and claim to the above mentioned quartz lode claim will become the property of the undersigned co-owner, who has made the required expenditures. BUTTE, M. T., January 16, 1884. M. DAVIS.

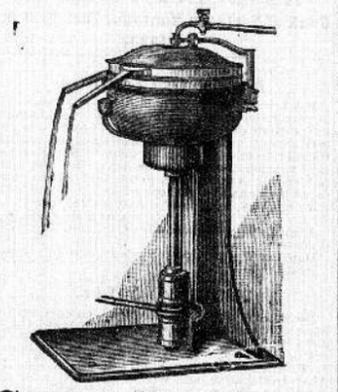
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