OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

CHEAP CANDY AND SODA.

Injurious to Children Because of Coal Tar Dyes.

"Do all you can to keep children away from cheap candy and cheap soda water," exhorted Miss Alice Lakey, in the course of an address on food adulterations before the Women's Republican Club at Delmonico's yesterday.

"I've kept the wickedest adulterants for the last," she continued, holding up four or five little bottles of bright colored fluids. "I mean the coal tar dyes. They practically go into all our foods and are used in great amounts in cheap candy and cheap soda water. The brightly colored cheap candies that look so tempting to children get their colors from the coal tar dyes.

"I don't know whether you know how bad the effect of these coal tar products is. They have become tremendously popular as headache medicines, etc., and people go in, take a powder, and then, sometimes, drop dead. People wonder why they went off so suddenly, not realizing that the effect of the coal tar products on the heart is so powerful that no reputable doctor will prescribe them without at the same time giving a heart stimulant. Think what it may mean to children who eat much of the high colored candy!

"Those coal tar dyes lend glamour and beauty to the so-called fruit syrups on the cheap soda fountain. Of 211 samples taken in Connecticut eighty-five were made up of these things," and she flourished the gaudy bottles. "This is creme de menthe. Isn't it a lovely green? And here's the cloth dyed with it.

"There are 550 coal tar colors; you can have anything you like. This little thing in this bottle is a candy. It purports to be a strawberry. Nothing about it ever saw a strawberry. It's coal tar that gives it that luscious red. The delicious egg color of noodles and spaghetti comes from coal tar, and some lemon extract has coal tar in it.

"One of the wickedest adulterations has to do with blackberry brandy. Of 600 samples secured in Pennsylvania, 450 did not show the sign of a blackberry. Who buys blackberry brandy? Why, aged persons, delicate people, convalescents—people who take it in the hope of gaining a little extra strength. And what do they get? Crude spirits, mixed with water and colored with one of twelve or fifteen varieties of coal tar dyes. Think of that! This piece of woollen goods was colored a deep red with a pint of so-called blackberry brandy."

The club will send a letter to Senator Platt and Senator Depew urging them to vote for the Hepburn-McCumber bill. The Woman's Republican State Association will give a vaudeville tea on the afternoon of New Year's Day, at the Hotel Regent, 71st-st. and Broadway, to raise funds for the expansion of the work in the State.

WRESTLING WITH LAND PROBLEM.

Political Study Asks Questions, but Receives No Answers.

The Society for Political Study wrestled with the municipal ownership problem yesterday afternoon, and incidentally with the single tax. The latter some of the members seemed to find a particularly hard nut to crack.

"What's the use of preventing people from buying land?" asked Mrs. S. M. Cory. "If you don't take their money from them they might buy worse things, subways and railways, for instance, and we would find that we had jumped from the frying pan into the fire."

"I wish the speaker would tell me," put in Mrs. Charles Goldzier, "how any one is to buy subways and railroads without buying land?"

"Then how are we going to divide the land?" asked Mrs. Cory. "Shall we each own a little block of it?"

"If a railroad is owned by the public, does it mean," retorted Mrs. Goldzier, "that each individual owns a bit of the track, or a few car seats?"

The paper was read by Mrs. LeRoy Sunderland Smith, who said she really had no opinion on the subject, but wanted to know what other people thought of it.

During the afternoon Mrs. Elliott Jones confessed that before coming to New-York she had disapproved of women's clubs, but that the Political Study had quickly made an end of her prejudices.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS IN THE SHOPS.

A handsome cigar box of solid green bronze, cedar lined and fastened with a spring clasp, would not fail to find a welcome place in a man's apartment.

Breakfast sets of dainty china are made up of the muffin dish, porridge bowl, three sizes of plates, egg cup and saucer, tea, coffee and chocolate pots. These on an enamelled tray range in price from $13 to $33.

At an artistic Japanese shop oatmeal sets of blue Anaji ware cost $4 50. Handsome lamps of the same ware, with beautiful shades to match, sell for $20. Japanese table mats, with centres of rich gilt embroidery and borders of dark blue satin, cost $7. The Anaji hanging buckets on pulleys sell for $4.

Stationery racks of gilt bronze or Cloisonne enamel, holding from two to ten quires of paper and envelopes, cost from $18 to $25.

Tapestry pillow covers in Oriental colorings are to be found for $2 25 in one of the shops.

Book plates for a private library are an unusual and acceptable gift. These can be ordered at any of the well known jewelry stores for $10 and upward, according to the design.

Calendars are always welcome gifts, and those offered for the year 1906 are exceptionally attractive and cleverly gotten up. A Mother Goose calendar, with a light little verse accompanying each of the six pictures, costs $2 50.

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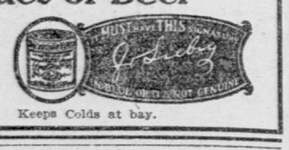

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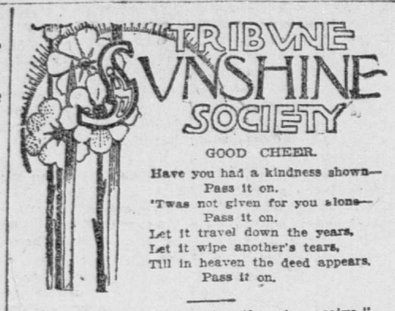

GOOD CHEER.

Have you had a kindness shown—
Pass it on.
'Twas not given for you alone—
Pass it on.
Let it travel down the years,
Let it wipe another's tears,
Till in heaven the deed appears.
Pass it on.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive."

How can man love but what he yearns to help?—(Robert Browning, "The Ring and the Book."

CHRISTMAS CHEER.

Christmas is the blessed season that brings all hearts into the spirit of unselfish giving and creates the desire to make cheer and happiness in the lives of others. It is the season for the manifestation of love and sympathy, not only for one's own kindred and friends, but also for those upon whom the burdens of life lie heavily through sickness or misfortune. The Christmas Sunshine list for special gifts is now being prepared at the general office, and the president earnestly urges all the members and friends who can spare an extra dollar to send such an amount, that it may go as a special holiday gift to the sick and the poor. Those on the invalid book who did not share in the Thanksgiving distribution of money are to be placed on this list, and it is hoped that no one will be disappointed.

MONEY RECEIVED.

Mrs. L. M. Halsey and Mrs. S. Garwood have each sent $5 for the general Christmas fund. Miss K. Goold, $2, for the sick; Miss E. I. Brink, $2 for Consumptive Home and $2 for Christmas cheer for children; A. B. K., of Jersey City, $2 for coal fund; Mrs. F. F. Rockell, $1 for postage; "Spinster," $1 for cheer; a Staten Island friend, 25 cents.

NEW BRANCH.

Mrs. Lucy Thomas Guild an earnest Sunshine worker, has organized another T. S. S. branch. She writes:

Our branch is composed of willing workers in our cause, and we hope to be able to do many kindly deeds, and shall contribute to the barrel of quilts going to the general office. We will be known as Unity T. S. S. Branch of Abbotts and Ischua (all in one township). Our officers are: President, Mrs. Lucy T. Guild; vice-president, Mrs. Alice H. Swift; secretary, Mrs. Anna Fuller; treasurer, Mrs. Hannah Abbott; advisory board, Mrs. Myrta McVey, Mrs. Ella Wildrick, Mrs. Cora Rogers and Mrs. Bertha Guild. Other members are Mrs. Catherine Wagner, Mrs. Ruth Rogers, Mrs. Eleanor Wood, Mrs. Mary Clayson, Mrs. Addie Nichols, Mrs. Ruth Maloney, Mrs. Grace Warner, Mrs. Mary Kellogg, Mrs. Bertha Ingalls, Mrs. Dora Snyder, Miss Florence Swift and Miss Grace Guild. We have made Mrs. Catherine Wagner an honorary member, as she lives far from our branch, and, although aged, does much for Sunshine.

BRANCH MEETING.

The Chelsea branch will hold its regular meeting this week on Thursday at the home of Mrs. Ashley, one of its new members, who has given a bolt of outing flannel for Sunshine garments. The members at that meeting will sew on night gowns and petticoats to be passed on for individual needs of "Little Mothers," at the South Ferry branch, No. 16 Greenwich-st. Miss Olmstead, the president, has been asked to be present and speak of her practical work among the poor people to whom she devotes her life. Three new members have joined the branch.

WANTS.

A T. S. S. member in Lowell, Mass., would like to receive a half fitting coat, 38 bust, for a gentlewoman in whose welfare she is interested.

A Manhattan branch president says: "I want so much to find a skirt and coat, size 40, for an enterprising woman of refinement who is suddenly obliged to earn her own living. Her position requires that she be well dressed, and at present she is not comfortably clad, as she has nothing but a lightweight Eton suit. It is cold these mornings going to work at 8 o'clock and feeling obliged to walk thirty-seven blocks each way to save carfare."

FOR CONSUMPTIVE CHILDREN.

Mrs. J. H. Ward, of Poughkeepsie, has sent a box of toys and games for the Christmas Sunshine box going to the consumptive children at the Seton Annex. As these children are now generously supplied with cheer, will not some of the members and friends please send holiday sunshine especially for the box going to the crippled children of the Darrach Home?

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS.

Although many busy hands help to pack and send out sunshine daily, the T. S. S. still bears a festive look. Expressmen come laden with all kinds of cheer, and its distribution will mean much comfort and happiness to others. Miss Isabel Brink, of Middletown, N. Y., brought her own lovely Christmas contribution to the office yesterday. There were skirts, hoods, bags, knitted shoes, a shawl, a handsome carriage robe for a child, also a pair of bedroom shoes as membership fee for Miss E. S. Brink. Mrs. M. K. Hill sent a shawl and fascinators made from T. S. S. wools, also twelve small bags, each containing gifts, and a dollie; some unknown friend a plaid shirt waist; Mrs. F. F. Rockwell, a dozen bags and Christmas cards; Mrs. Bogert, of Manhattan, wools, articles of underwear, etc.; Mrs. Robert G. Remsen, twelve new shoulder shawls and six Afghans. To make such a generous supply of sunshine must have kept Mrs. Remsen's hands busy all summer. Some friend at Pleasantville, N. Y., contributed a box of excellent articles of clothing; Mrs. C. C. Walden sent greetings in stamped envelopes for young people; Mrs. C. W. Birdsall, a box of lovely hoods, sets of dishes, etc., with "a Merry Christmas for the children"; Miss Mary Dudley Auchincloss, photograph calendars for 1906; Mrs. Franklin Rich, a box of books and cards; Miss Winnie Wells, handkerchiefs, ribbons and cards; Mrs. Hencken, bound books for travelling libraries; Miss K. R. Shay, of Washington, a handsome calendar and souvenir postals as special gifts; Mrs. A. J. Brown, silk bookmarks; Mrs. Adams, of Newark, bags, dolls, etc., for "Little Mothers," and a variety of miscellaneous articles. In a box of reading from Newark, N. J., several books will be used toward travelling libraries.

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MIDWINTER NATURE SHOW.

Holly Sent by Colored School of South to Public School No. 177—Other Gifts.

"Onions and krauts," commented a little East Sider as she bent over one of the tables of the midwinter nature show which opened yesterday afternoon at Public School No. 177, Market and Monroe sts., under the auspices of the Associate Alumnæ of the Normal College and the Public Education Association. The actual contents of the basin into which the little maiden was gazing so intently were some large white snail shells, looking something like onions, and some lettuce leaves. Other comments upon the display were equally original.

"You crack 'em with your fingers," said a child, of some dried bean pods, "and inside are little green seeds that you cook in soup."

The teacher explained that the child probably meant peas.

A peacock sent from the Museum of Natural History was supposed by some to be a chicken, by others a turkey, and red berries of all kinds were labelled "strawberries." One little girl thought that toadstools were mistletoe, and the fungous growths upon decayed wood were taken for pussy willows. The seeds of sunflowers were "polly seeds."

The show is considered to be the best ever given by the Associate Alumnæ and the Public Education Association. Miss Anna Morgan, daughter of J. Pierpont Morgan, sent a box of ferns and mosses, and Mrs. William Bayard Cutting sent evergreens. A colored school at China, Ala., inspired by Booker T. Washington, sent a quantity of holly, and a variety of bulbs came from the Children's Farm School at DeWitt Clinton Park. Several small aquaria were sent by the Aquarium and Mrs. N. L. Britton sent specimens of cotton, sugar, tea, etc., from the Botanical Gardens.

The show will be open to the school children of the district until Friday, and will close on that day with an evening for the parents.

Miss Mary L. Brady is the principal of the school.

THE TRIBUNE PATTERN.

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DEMANDED STRICT OBEDIENCE.

The subject under discussion lies very near my heart. Like the correspondent who writes of her son, I, too, have an only son. He is one of nature's noblemen, and I would there were more like him. Many times mothers have come to me and said: "How did you manage to have such a good boy? He must have been born good." Nothing of the sort. He was like any other child of good parentage. The principle of starting right I take to be strict obedience. After that is gained training the young mind is comparatively easy. One cannot begin too early with teaching a child to be honest in all things. Let a boy understand that you never doubt his honor, but take it for granted, and I think he will not disappoint you. I early impressed upon my boy that any rude or dishonorable action on his part would reflect upon his parents, and I am quite sure that this so thoroughly enforced had a great deal of influence on his young mind.

It is unnecessary to remark that parents should work together in training children. Where such is not the case it makes the responsibility doubly hard on one or the other. I think boys especially should feel that they can always entertain friends in their own home. If they want to play cards or drink a glass of beer let them do so, in reason. In nine cases out of ten when boys are allowed these privileges at home they never frequent the saloons and do not care for either cards or strong drink. I speak from experience. I would that I could make mothers see this point as I do. I am sure it would save many heartaches. I am so happy in the love and confidence of my son I would be glad to say a word that would help brighten the life of one who may be in doubt. To gain the confidence of your boy is very important. This is easily done by showing interest in his friends and in his every day work and pleasures. Boys are always interesting from infancy to manhood, and will be good if they are given a proper chance.

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UP-BRINGING OF BOYS.

Being a mother of three boys under ten years of age, I would like to be quoted in this contest. Their care is a deep study as to temperament and disposition. Manners should be taught first at an early age; the use of the knife, fork and napkin while eating should also be impressed on their minds. The diet is to be carefully considered, and eating between meals discouraged. For instance, I would suggest for breakfast oatmeal and milk; for dinner meat, potatoes, etc., and for supper some simple food. I always avoid giving my children too many sweets. My boys retire about 7 p. m. and rise about the same hour in the morning. I try in all ways to keep the boys from rough and vulgar company, not permitting them to remain outdoors after dusk, and insist on their observance of the Sabbath. I encourage exercise in the open air and sunshine.

Their education is an important factor. I insist on the tuition of the public schools, and do not believe a boy should attend school regularly before his sixth or seventh birthday, as about that age the sense of grasping ideas is brighter than before, and better progress is shown at school. In conclusion, their home life should be made agreeable, the use of the strap for chastisement abolished, and punishment given by depriving them of something they especially like.

Above all, their parents should be Christian people, setting good examples and promoting temperance in their household. C. W. N.

Brooklyn.

RULES FOR BOYS' TRAINING.

How a boy should be brought up is what you asked. His mother or guardian should be very careful how he or she moulds the youthful mind, on which impressions are made so easily. Teach him always to improve himself. Teach him manners, as suavity of disposition and gentleness of manner give the finish to a true gentleman. Teach him to be persevering, punctual, industrious. Give the boy plenty of home pleasures and a pleasant home, and it will then be an easy matter to keep him off the street corner, for the first method of raising a man is to surround him with healthful home influences. Men get their domestic purity and moral life in a good home.

The schoolmaster has nothing to do with the formation of a boy's character, it is done by his parents before and after school hours. He should be taught that prudence is the means, order, the method of doing. He should never be allowed to take part in the conversation with grown people. He should never be whipped because if he is nervous, it will make him rebellious. He should be kept from feeling he is inferior or poorer than his playmates; if not, he will lose his self-respect.

Above all, do not forget his health, which is the greatest wealth he can have. It must be fostered by parents and perfected by self-culture. His clothing, which should be heavy, or light, as the season may require, should be made to allow him freedom in every action. His food should be nourishing, and his outdoor exercise abundant. J. M. B.

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