

SARGE PLUNKETT.

Story of the Battle of Missionary Ridge.

Atlanta Constitution.

After Thanksgiving then comes Christmas—always something good just ahead if we can only find it.

"With lavish hand The great and grand Have favors thrust upon them. You never seek The low and meek Unless it is due them."

Whenever my old friend gets in one of these sour moods there is nothing that can stir him—we just let him pant it out. The old man has been dunned considerably of late, but we try to comfort him by telling him that the Lord will provide, and in this connection I have just related one of my best Thanksgiving stories which fell so flat upon his ears that I am constrained to give it here just to show what kind of a brute he is when he tries to be.

Twenty-five years ago, I think it was upon the 28th day of November, 1864, when the opening guns at Missionary Ridge proclaimed that a battle was on. I don't know just how or why, but anyway it became known that the next day was to be the Yankees' Thanksgiving. I expect that my memory serves me right upon these dates, and that the Yankee general—Grant—decided in his mind that he would bring on the fight, take Missionary Ridge and have something great to be thankful over.

But my story is not of the army or of that disastrous fight. At the foot of the mountain, on the south side, there remained what was left of a once prosperous home. The owner of this home was a soldier upon the Confederate side and when the cannon roared and the muskets rattled a lonely woman with her four children shuddered at the dreadful sound and grieved in fear of the husband and father. Nothing was left for this poor woman but to listen to the battle, wring her hands and stay with the children who clung to her skirts. Time and time again this little family had knelt by the fire while the mother prayed. It was a woman's prayer that her husband might be spared in the fight that was raging, and the children, as small as they were, joined with that mother and they have told me since that they felt there upon their knees that God would spare their father.

Besides the whites there yet remained two old negroes of the family—"Aunt Dilsey" and "Uncle Tom." Dilsey had joined the whites in the "big house," but Tom was nowhere to be found. It was natural to suppose that he had gone to the Yankees. This was not true, and there comes the story. When the first guns began to sound old Tom knew that a fight was on. He knew that his young master was in it and he was fearful lest that master should be killed or wounded and fall into the hands of the Yankees. With such thoughts in his mind the old negro decided to go upon the field and do what he could in case of the master getting hurt. To make this story short, the master was wounded very severely, and while the folks at the home, especially "Aunt Dilsey," were thinking hard of Tom for leaving them at such a time, Tom had arrived at the battlefield, found his young master, took him upon his back and was making speed as fast as he could to keep from being captured and to arrive safe at home. Fortunately a sorry old horse was picked up in a short time and this relieved the negro and speeded them on their way. The arrival of the master and Tom at the home was entirely unexpected. They peeped in upon the frightened and praying group before they made themselves known, and what occurred when it was known can better be imagined than described and we leave them for a few hours to go with Tom and "Aunt Dilsey" to their negro cabin, from where it was soon ascertained that the Confederates were in full retreat and that the Yankees had the Ridge.

The sun was getting low when old Tom sallied forth and wended his way over to the mountain road that some of the army would have to travel. Tom was disappointed in seeing the soldiers, but it was not long until he had discovered a train of Yankee wagons just fixing to strike camp on the side of the mountain. Old Tom smiled to himself as he contemplated how nice it would be if one of those wagons were to break over the scotch that held the wheels and go lumbering over the precipice. We leave the old negro watching these wagons while we return to the house to be with the young master and the family that rejoiced at his return.

The wound had been dressed, a good bed had been prepared close to

the fire, the mother was ready to put the children to rest for the night, when the very least one of them said, with earnestness in every word: "Mamma, we better pray some more."

Pray they did, the mother leading and as the words were yet ascending a great lumber was heard upon the mountain side and the thought was that the greatest bowlder had broken loose that had fell for a long time, and had rumbled its way to the bottom.

It was no bowlder—old Tom had crept up and took the scotch from one of the wagons and it went bouncing and lumbering down to the valley below, scattering all the good things of a day's foraging to be gathered by a people that had nothing left.

The losing of one wagon was nothing to the Yankees. They were gone by daylight the next morning. Old Tom and the rest went up to see the great bowlder that had made such a fuss and as they looked upon the good things, Tom smiled from ear to ear, "Aunt Dilsey" fairly danced, while the little child turned and said: "Mamma, Jes pray some more and den we'll have Thanksgiving."

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Willie had swallowed a penny, and his mother was in a state of much alarm. "Helen," she called to her sister in the next room, "send for a doctor; Willie has swallowed a penny!" The terrified and frightened boy looked up imploringly. "No, mamma," he interposed, "send for the minister." "The minister?" asked his mother, incredulously. "Did you say the minister?" "Yes, because papa says our minister can get money out of anybody."

"Say, auntie, where is your old man this morning?" "He done gone down to de tavern, sah, to git some trimmin's." "Trimmin's? The tavern is a queer place to get anything of that sort, isn't it?" "I reckon not, sah. Dat's de only place he eber go to git de kine he done use; I mean de kine what de doctor call delirium trimmin's."

My son has been troubled for many years with chronic diarrhoea. Some time ago I persuaded him to take some of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After using two bottles of the 25-cent size he was cured. I give this testimonial hoping some one similarly afflicted may read it and be benefited.—THOMAS C. BOWEN, Glencoe, O. For sale by Hill-Orr Drug Co.

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Alcohol and Insanity.

At the present day, when an indulgence in alcohol poison is exerting its sad but dreadful effects on humanity, when our lunacy statistics show that the increase of insanity is really due to an increase in this vice, it behooves one to consider briefly the question. The recent publication of the London asylums' committee's annual report shows an actual increase in lunacy in the asylums governed over and controlled by the County Council of seven hundred, as compared with last year. In one large asylum the medical superintendent states that out of nine hundred and fifty-eight inmates received, two hundred and seventeen of these admissions were due to "intemperance in drink." One-fourth of the insanity, then, is attributed to a vice which is, so to speak, self-inflicted. These statistics also compare well with those issued by the lunacy commissioners, and on taking an average for the last five years, drink as a cause averages 20.9 per cent of the admissions. When we take into consideration the fact that there is no disease whose germs are handed down to posterity to a greater extent than this, we shudder to think what the condition of the descendants of these alcoholic degenerates must be. It is a law of vital physiology that "like begets like," so do drunken parents often transfer their brutalizing habits to their unhappy offspring, who, if they do not actually follow in the wake of their parents, exhibit some form of moral and mental obliquity or a nervous disorder clearly traceable to a deterioration of physical structure—in all probability seated in the brain—caused by a long and persistent indulgence in the use of intoxicating liquors. One of the leading physicians of America showed by his statistics that, out of three hundred idiots, whose history could be traced, one hundred and forty-five were the children of drunken parents.—Forbes Winslow.

Selections.

Teetotal Lincoln and teetotal Garfield were both shot down by drinkers. Booth was caught with a brandy flask in his pocket, and Guitauau was generally to be found in the saloon, so it is evident that total abstinence in the individual does not prevent him from being destroyed or injured in mind, body or estate by those who indulge in intoxicants.

Are you satisfied that temperance work is God's work? Then go ahead and do it, leaving the results to Him.

Drinking whiskey never helped a man on the road to heaven, nor added to the comforts of his home.

A Christian has no right to assist in maintaining a traffic whose fruits are necessarily evil.

The drink seller fattens on the destruction of the public health and virtue.

Every true patriot will hit the drink devil whenever he gets a chance.

If you want a cool head and a clear brain, keep clear of the saloon.

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A man is no greater than the object at which he aims in life. —Strength of character is not the product of a miracle, but the fruit of right living.

The Road to Success.

"Perseverance, grit and a fair share of enterprise will help any young man to make a success of the business calling he chooses to follow, and any young man who takes it upon himself to cultivate and foster these great attributes is bound to sooner or later gain recognition among his more experienced and already successful business neighbors."

In a few words, that was the way in which Governor Benton McMillin of Tennessee summed up his views in the matter, and then, in answer to other questions on possibilities for the beginners in life's struggle, this is about what the Governor had to say: "Why shouldn't our boys of the present time become good and progressive business men? They have almost everything in their favor, from a far superior standard of learning and the facility to acquire it to a great and growing demand in the many callings for men of bright ideas and originality in management. Then, too, look at the wonderful opportunities that are presented to a man of ambition right at this time. Chances of every description abound, not only in our home country, but reports continually show that the new possessions of this great Union offer unlimited fields for the exercise of real American enterprise, and this should act as an incentive to men of the pioneer nature to strike out, and see what they can do there."

"Men of thirty years ago never had anything like the chances that are now before the youth of to-day, and yet many great things were accomplished by them, and only by the hardest kind of work, but they had the grit to stick to it, and that is what the rising young man must do. "There is no lack of opportunity to demonstrate a man's true worth, and there is no lack of chances to make success in any calling. Success will come to every young man who tries in the proper way to find it."—Exchange.

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