

PRIZES SECURE PRAISE FOR DAD

Father Neglected in Prose and Verse Until Kansas Man Got Busy

ISSUES BOOK ON 'OLD MAN'

'The Governor' Is Found to Be of the Right Kind After All Is Said

TOPEKA, Kas., July 9.—Early last fall Samuel F. Woolard, an insurance agent of Wichita, who finds most of his amusement in compiling the good things said about mother, brother, sister, sweethearts, the helpful hen, the beef steer and his sister and other good things, began writing about for something good about father.

Woolard has compiled several books of toasts, generally and specifically relating to the good things of life. He had a book about mother, sister and brother and one or two others. These contained all the good things of ancient and modern times that had been written about these important adjuncts of the family.

Then he started to see what he could find about father. He dug in his hands on. He hunted through the new books and offered rewards for those who would find him good pieces of prose or poetry about the chap who is chief provider of provender and clothes and cash and kindling wood. But somehow or other no one seemed to ever think of dear old dad as a subject worthy of prose or poetry and there was nothing worth printing in a nice leather-bound book. Dad did not have much show with the fellows.

"Pieces" for say or amusement. He never got honorable mention any time or anywhere.

PRIZES FOR COMPOSITION Mr. Woolard then decided on a prize contest to see if he could find anything worth printing about father. He offered a series of prizes for the best prose and verse contributions to the goodness of dad. The first prizes were \$100 each. Mrs. Cora G. Lewis, wife of the editor of the Kinsale, Kas., Graphic, won the first prize for the verse composition. There were a lot of other prizes, and Mr. Woolard found much work of merit which he will use in his book.

The prize prose and verse compositions have been copyrighted by Mr. Woolard. The prize prose composition, "A Psalm of Fatherhood," by Mrs. Lewis follows:

"I see around me a new world. It is light and I see green pastures, where young trees are growing beside bright waters.

"Whence comes the sweet music that I heard with my soul? It is the singing of created things in praise of fatherhood. I hear it and am glad in my heart, for I have just looked on the face of my first born and now hear the world's song of welcome and my feet are set where the eternal winds of life blow.

"I lift mine eyes to the stars and rejoice in the mercy of God, for he has made me one with him, and I perish as wood. If I hear not that I perish as the grass and my life goeth out like a candle in a storm.

"For this child's sake and for the sake of my beloved, the mother, I will be strong to endure and to work in the days that are to come. I will keep my hands clean and my heart pure that I may ascend the hill of life and stand in its holy places.

"In this new earth, which the Lord has spread about me like a cloud, I see many children. Some have eyes full of light and some have tears on their young faces and shadows in their hearts. But all are the sons and daughters of Jehovah, and because I am a father I must walk with patience and with labor to clear away the briars from the paths where their tender feet must walk.

A POEM TO FATHER "I will pray for them also, that the sun may shine on their way; that the gates of mercy may stand ajar for them; that the golden bowl of health may be full, like the pool in the valley where flow the waters from springs, hidden in the heart of the hill; that the mountains of usefulness may be unsealed for them and their hearts filled with joy in their work; that every evening down, the green pastures beside the still waters where the angel of the Lord will watch over them until the morning comes.

The first prize verse composition, "Father," by Miss Morris, follows: Upon his shoulders weigh the stern demand Of men and nations; but erect he stands, Firm and unshaking. A sovereign he, and to no royal hand Does sever his tribute bring. Yet see him bow, one threshold passing o'er, While all his pride's apparel falls before Young eyes who greet him, "Father," at the door. Where Love is king.

The other winners in the prose class were Orman C. Emery, Wichita, Kas.; E. A. Doney, Wichita, Kas.; Warren E. Comstock, Kansas City, Mo.; Alma Pendexter Hayden, Rochester, N. Y.

The four others who won prizes with poems besides Miss Morris were Mrs. Celeste Ball May, Blackwell, Okla.; Edgar A. Guest, Detroit, Mich.; Florence Gilmore, Columbus, O.; Mae Peregrine, La Luz, N. M.

There were more than 500 contributions from all parts of the United States, Canada and Mexico, and a considerable number of prose and verse compositions came from foreign countries, some from Americans sojourning there, others from natives.

PAYING FOR HIS FUN "Now, Phlarty," said the magistrate, sternly, "the evidence shows that you threatened to assault these two men, Murphy and Finnigan, and that you actually assaulted Murphy. You are fined two pounds ten shillings."

"Please, yer honor," said Phlarty, "if I had assaulted Finnigan, too, would it have been five pounds?"

"Certainly it would," replied the magistrate, firmly. "Now, Mr. Phlarty, come out on the strait behind the court and let me get my fifty shillings' worth!"—Tit-Bits.

SOMEWHAT FRUGAL "Economy," said Daniel W. Field, the millionaire shoe manufacturer of Boston who at the age of 45 entered Harvard, "economy is essential to wealth, but by economy I don't mean niggardliness.

"Too many men fall to attain wealth because they practice a cheapening and mean economy that gets everybody down on them.

"They practice, in fact, an economy like that of old William Brewster of Sag Harbor, William, you know, would never buy oysters, because he couldn't eat shells and all."—Washington Star.

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Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday we shall afford those who are furnishing bedrooms an opportunity to buy Dressers, Dressing Tables and Chiffoniers at price reductions that are rarely duplicated. In this stock readjustment we shall include fully ninety-five patterns in the popular woods in many handsome styles. These are Dressers, Dressing Tables and Chiffoniers which have sold to one or two of a kind, and of which we have no reserve stock, thereby making it necessary to dispose of them as promptly as possible in order to make room for other samples of which we have regular warehouse stock. Every one of these odd pieces will be sold at a reduction of one-third, which means values decidedly out of the ordinary. If you are furnishing a home or an extra bedroom, this opportunity will afford you a means of saving a number of dollars.

—\$30 Mahogany Dressing Table—As illustrated here on left; beautifully finished interior and exterior. Clearance price...\$20.00 —\$29 Golden Oak Dressing Table—As illustrated here on left. Clearance price...\$19.00 —\$23 Mahogany Dressing Table—Clearance price...\$15.00 —\$30 Birdseye Maple Dressing Table—Clearance price...\$20.00 —\$13 Birdseye Maple Dressing Table—Clearance price...\$8.75 —\$18 Birdseye Maple Dressing Table—As illustrated here on right; swell front, pattern shape French plate bevel mirror. Clearance price...\$12.00 —Also a large variety of other patterns in the different woods, all at one-third off.

—\$14.25 Golden Oak Chiffonier—Oval French plate bevel mirror; same style as shown in illustration here on right. Clearance price...\$9.50 —\$39 Mahogany Chiffonier—French plate bevel mirror; Colonial design; a thoroughly high grade Chiffonier in every respect; same as shown in illustration here on left. Clearance price...\$26.00 —\$32 Birdseye Maple Chiffonier—French plate bevel mirror. Clearance price...\$21.00 —Also about twenty other patterns of Chiffoniers in the different woods—all at one-third off.

—\$3.50 Woven Wire Springs—If a hard maple frame, cable edge, coil supports. Special Monday \$2.75 —\$17.50 Maple Cot—Woven wire spring, 2 ft. 6 in. wide; just the thing for camping or for occasional porch use. Special Monday \$14.00

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Morris Chairs at One-Fifth Off

A Morris Chair is one of the staple articles of living room furniture which enters into the outfitting of practically every home. Probably no style of chair ever devised gives more solid comfort than a Morris Chair. We have always carried the largest stock of Morris Chairs in the city. At this time our display is unusually complete and attractive, embracing more than sixty different styles in the various woods and patterns. As a special inducement to stimulate hot weather midsummer buying we shall offer our entire line during the next few days at a uniform reduction of 20 per cent discount. In addition we shall feature the item below specially for Monday: —\$8.50 Golden Oak Morris Chair—Same as shown here, with extra well made cushion of good quality cotton velours, filled with good grade shod hair. Complete, as an extraordinary special value. \$6.95 Monday at (The only exception in the special offering of Morris Chairs at the general discount is the L. & J. G. Stickley line, which is not included.)

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—\$24.00 Golden Oak style, same as shown here, large size, double door pattern, ice capacity 125 lbs; special Monday \$24.00 —\$5.95 Golden Oak Ice Chest, divided provision shelf, ice capacity 50 lbs., heavy zinc lining; special Monday \$5.95

—\$15.50 Golden Oak Dining Table—As illustrated here; 44-inch round top, handsome fluted pedestal. On special sale Monday as an extraordinary value at \$9.75 —\$16 Fumed Oak Dining Table—Round top, square Mission pedestal. Special Monday \$13.75 —\$25 Golden Oak Dining Chair—Box front, cane seat. An exceptional special value Monday at \$18.50 —\$4 Fumed Oak Dining Chair—Full box construction; full leather slip seat. Special Monday \$2.95

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If you have a Gocart to buy it will pay you to buy it at Barker Bros. First, because we can offer you the largest variety of styles in the best makes from which to choose—either plain maple folding carts, the most elaborate styles in reel, the collapsible styles with leather hoods and bodies and the finest English Perambulators. Second, because we can offer you values which you will not find duplicated in another store in the city. Monday we shall feature the entire line at a uniform reduction of one-fifth. Also the following special:

—Folding Gocart, as illustrated here; strong metal frame, easy riding gear, leatherette body and hood, rubber-tired wheels; a cart that has seldom been sold anywhere for less than \$5 or \$6. Special Monday at \$3.75

—\$8 Mahogany Finish Music Cabinet—Special Monday \$6.75 —\$13.50 Golden Oak Music Cabinet—Mirror top. Special Monday \$11.75

Hammocks Special One-fifth Off

If you have a porch you certainly should have a Hammock, and when you buy the Hammock you should certainly buy it at Barker Bros. We devote special attention to our Hammock line during the summer months, and by selling immense numbers of them cause our special prices that we think are not duplicated in any other store in town. We carry a large assortment and display them so that selection is made most convenient. Many are suspended at full length and others are hung from racks, so that you can compare colorings and choose just the style that suits you best. We carry only superior qualities, although we can sell you a Hammock for as little money as you would wish to pay for one of dependable make. Every Hammock in our line is made of heavy hammock cord, with all end cords of good weight and quality. Almost every one takes the form of a bow and is of balance, and all suspension rings are strong and durable. Monday, and each day this week, we shall feature every Hammock in our line at one-fifth less than regular price.

Enameled Iron Beds Underpriced

—\$5.00 Cream and Gold Iron Bed—Full size brass trimmed. Special Monday \$4.00 —\$6.50 Vernis Martin Iron Bed—Full size. Special Monday \$4.90

Dressers Underpriced

—\$35 Birdseye Maple Princess Dresser—French bevel plate mirror. Special Monday \$27.00 —\$17.50 Golden Oak Dresser—Oval French plate bevel mirror. Special Monday \$14.00

Indian Splints, for Living Room or Porch New, Uncommon, Beautiful

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—\$10 Quarter-sawn Golden Oak Arm Rocker—Leather spring seat. Special Monday \$8.50 —\$5.50 Mahogany Finish Arm Rocker—Wood seat; Colonial design. Special Monday \$4.00

Music Cabinets Underpriced

—\$8 Mahogany Finish Music Cabinet—Special Monday \$6.75 —\$13.50 Golden Oak Music Cabinet—Mirror top. Special Monday \$11.75

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SELECTED PLEASANTRIES

Inconclusive—"Your honor," observed a lawyer, speaking in defense of a prisoner in a criminal case, "this man's insanity takes the form of a belief that every one wants to rob him. He won't even allow me, his counsel, to approach him." "Perhaps he's not so mad, after all," murmured some one in court, in a judicial whisper.—Scraps. A Slur on the Bishop—A Methodist bishop's wife, addressing a meeting of working women, made home life seem all very fine and ideal, but one housewife voiced the opinion of the rest, perhaps, when she said to her neighbors with a sniff: "She's all right as far as she goes; but what'd I like to ask her is this—what does she do when her old bishop comes home on pay night with his envelope empty and a night's jag on?"—Argonaut. A priest went into a barber shop owned by one of his Irish parishioners to be shaved. He noticed in the bar-

ROOSEVELT AND CROMER

Putting aside all questions of taste involved, Roosevelt's Guildhall speech is noteworthy for more than one reason, as is apparent now that England has so far recovered from its first astonishment as to get the true bearings of his words. He, as usual wherever a good cause leaves an issue to be discussed, and party lines are being drawn on the speech. The Conservatives, seeing in it a warning against the tendencies of the "new" regime in Egypt introduced by

GOLDWIN SMITH

In the death of that ripe octogenarian of letters, Goldwin Smith, letters has lost one of its most vigorous and fruitful servants. Historian, lecturer, litterateur, a man of all-around knowledge, possessing a great charm of literary style, Dr. Smith was honored by degrees from various centers of learning. Nothing he wrote lacked interest and he seldom struck the wrong note. The author of half a hundred books and numerous magazine articles, he was the persistent and forceful exponent of the idea of mercenary of Canada with the United States. Being an Englishman by birth and a Canadian by residence, Dr. Smith was an expert upon American conditions, and the United States possessed for him an unending interest. It would be difficult to name another literary worker of such prodigious output who at the same time represented such vitality and force of expression. His passing will be taken by many tributes to his work and worth.—Baltimore American.

SPOILED HER DAY

In the days when executions were still carried out in public, a servant girl upon one occasion begged her mistress to allow her a day out, for a purpose which she did not divulge. The lady of the house gave the required permission, and the girl accordingly went off for the day, but returned in the evening weeping copiously. "Why, Mary," asked her kindly mistress, greatly perturbed at the poor girl's evident distress, "what on earth is your trouble? Tell me, and perhaps I can help you." "Oh, ma'am," blubbered Mary, "I went to see the man banged at Salisbury, b-b-but he's been relieved."—Tit-Bits. WELL, WELL, YOU DON'T SAY! A one-armed man entered a restaurant at noon and seated himself next a dapper little other-people's-business man. The latter at once noticed his neighbor's right sleeve hanging loose

and kept eyeing it in a how-did-it-happen sort of way, but the one-armed man paid no attention to him. Finally the inquisitive one could stand it no longer. He changed his position, cleared his throat and said, "I beg your pardon, sir, but I see you have lost an arm."

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"The one-armed man picked up his sleeve with his left hand and peered anxiously into it. "Bless my soul!" he exclaimed, looking up with surprise, "I do believe you're right." SOUNDED LIKE SARCASTIC "What's this?" demanded the custom officer pointing to a package at the bottom of the trunk. "That is a foreign book, entitled 'Politeness,'" answered the man who had just landed. "I guess I'll have to charge you a duty on it," replied the inspector. "It competes with a small and struggling industry in this country."—Chicago Tribune.