The Home Circle Column

Pleasant Evening Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide

Crude Thots from the Editorial Pen

Thank God that woman is awakening to her fearful responsibilities and her glorious opportunities. We would heartily echo the sentiment, "Women, be noble true wives; take care of your homes; live for your husband and children" and would add, be careful how you neglect the slightest chance of bettering your dear ones, throwing safe guards around your home and children. Think nobly, speak nobly, act nobly, step out from behind the prejudice which has hedged you in for years, and work with voice, pen and ballot, for your children and your neighbor's children. Votes must be answered by votes, for it is votes that count. The ballot of a dissolute rake must be counteracted by the ballot of a Christian mother if we would protect our daughters from legal ruination. The ballot of the saloon-keeper must be answered by the ballot of the heart-broken drunkard's wife if we would save the boys and men from eternal damnation. Then courage, sister, have faith hope and above all charity, and out of this strife and turmoil, out of this perpetual warning and ceaseless din of tongues the dear mother will bring us into the sunshine of the perfect day where a purified manhood and an ennobled womanhood shall walk side by side, hand in hand strengthened by a mutual understanding of the dangers around about them encouraged for the battle by mutual counsel, triumphant through mutual sympathy. May we hasten the day is the praper of a mother.

Home to many women means nothing more than a laundry where they take their clothes to be washed and ironed; to the man a place to eat and sleep, their evenings being largely spent at clubs or billard halls. The old fashioned home-keepers have become almost a lost quantity. Societies of various kinds occupy much of their time. The children are sent to school at the age of six and the mothers are at liberty to flit about until they return at noon when the lunch of food, prepared outside the home, is placed before the family and the duties until high twelve are discharged. The afternoons and evenings are given to society work. Of course this does not apply to all homes, but there is a general tendency to neglect the claims of the family for outside pleasure. We have met some women, who, when asked if they keep house, blushingly reply, "We do light housekeeping because we dislike boarding."

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Never scold children, but soberly and quietly reprove. Do not employ shame, except in extreme cases. The suffering is acute; it hurts self-respect in the child to reprove a child before the family; to ridicule it, to tread down its feelings ruthlessly, is to awaken in its bosom malignant feelings. A child is defenseless, he is not allowed to argue. He is often tried, condemned and executed in a second. He finds himself of little use. He is put at things he doesn't care for, and withheld from things which he does like. He is made the convenience of grown up people and is hardly supposed to have any rights except a corner, as it were; he is sent hither and thither, made to sit down or stand up at everybody's convenience, but his own; is snubbed and catechised until he learns to dodge government and elude authority, and then whipped for being "such a liar that no one can believe him."

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If you would increase your happiness and prolong your life, forget your neighbor's faults. Forget the slander you have heard. Forget the temptations. Forget the fault-finding and give a little thought to the cause that provoked it. Forget the peculiarities of your friends and only remember the good points that make you fond of them. Forget all personal quarrels or histories that you may have heard by accident, and which, if repeated would seem a thousand times worse than they are. Blot out as far as possible the disagreeable things of life—they will come; but they will only grow larger when you remember them, and the constant thot of the acts of meanness, worse still, malice, will only tend to make you more familiar with them. Obliterate everything bad from yesterday, start out with a clean sheet for today, and write upon it for sweet memory's sake only those things that are lovely and loveable.

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Women should grow more devoted and men fonder after marriage if they have the slightest idea of being happy as wives and husbands. It is losing sight of this fundamental truth which leads to hundreds of divorces. Yet many a man will scold his wife who would never think of breathing a harsh word to his sweetheart, and many a wife will look glum and morose on her husband's return who had only smiles and words of cheer for him when he was her suitor.

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We have seen parents careful to train their little ones to say "thank you" and "excuse me," but forgetful to teach them to lend a helping hand, or do a kind act for one in need.

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Kindness is better than politeness, and industry better than great learning.

W. C. T. U. Notes

When July First Was the Last of August

Before West Virginia entered the column of the prohibition states, there dwelt in the land a saloonkeeper by name August Trabert, one of the more than a thousand proprietors of retail liquor shops in the state. August was evidently a clever fellow and for days prior to the closing of the saloons had suspended over his bar a sign bearing the legend: "The first of July will be the last of August." And it was indeed not only the last of "August" but as well the last of every other liquor dealer in the little mountain state.

At midnight of June 30 every brewery and distillery was compelled by law to cease the manufacture, sale or giving away of intoxicating liquor of any sort, and every drug store was obliged to stop its sale, except for medicinal, mechanical, sacramental, pharmaceutical or scientific purposes, and every periodical to cease advertising liquor.

It is admitted by those skilled in framing laws that the Yost law is probably the most drastic ever adopted. State Tax Commissioner Fred O. Blue, who has been spending several months in preparing for the strict enforcement of the law, says of it:

"In other states, where prohibition has been adopted, one of the forces that has had to be contended with has been the drug store. The Yost law will regulate this feature. Druggists may sell alcohol only to persons not addicted to its use upon prescription of a reputable physician who has examined the person and in detail set forth in the prescription the purposes for the use of alcohol. The governing bodies of druggists have approved of this plan.

"For scientific or merchanical purposes alcohol will be sold only after affidavit as to its intended uses, and uniform records of all such sales will be kept to be inspected periodically by thise in charge of the enforcement of the law. No druggist, however, can sell in any form whisky, brandy, ale or any beverage of an intoxicating nature.

"The Yost law also undertakes to do away with the drinking clubs, which have been the sourse of so much trouble in othe rstates. It provides that any person directly or indirectly associated in keeping such a clubhouse or other place where liquor is kept for gift, barter or sale, shall be punishable upon conviction by a fine of from $100 to $500 and by imprisonment from one to six months.

"The enactment of the Webb-Kenyon law by Congress will be of considerable assistance in enforcing the prohibition law in this state.

"One of the benefits of the federal act is that records of interstate shipments of liquors may be required, and, therefore, every railroad, express company, and any kind of transportation company, including vessels carrying freight or express, either from another state into ours, or from one part of our state to another part, must obey the laws of this state respecting liquors.

All Must Keep Records

"Every one of the transportation companies will be required to keep special records at the point of delivery showing the receipts of liquors, the kind and quantity, to whom consigned, when delivered, and the consignee must sign in person for the shipment. The Webb-Kenyon act vests the right to enforce these provisions of the law and regulation thereunder against interstate carriers. None of these carriers will be permitted to receive consignment of liquor at any point where there is not a regularly employed agent to keep such records, and have them open for inspection at all times.

"The man who is engaged in the steamboat business upon our waters, interstate or intrastate, must keep these records, and will not be permitted to deliver any liquor upon board this vessel while in our waters."

The elimination of liquor advertising from all publications and billboard advertising is a unique feature of the law. The enforcement clause of the measure is especially strong, giving the citizens a large part in its enforcement.—Union Signal.

BRAVE LOVE

James Whitcomb Riley, the Hoosier poet, was recently asked to name his favorite poem, and responded by giving the following bit of fugitive verse, written many years ago and the author of which is unknown:

He'd nothing but his violin
 I'd nothing but my song,
But we were wed where skies were blue
 And summer days were long.
And when we rested by the hedge
 The robbins came and told
How they had dared to woo and win
 When early spring was cold.
We sometimes supped on dewberries,
 Or slept among the hay,
But oft the farmer's wives at eve
 Came out to hear us play
The rare old tunes—the dear old tunes—
 We could not starve for long
While my man had his violin
 And I my sweet love song.

The world has aye gone well with us,
 Old man, since we were one—
Our homeless wandering down the lanes—
 It long ago was done,
But those who wait for gold or gear,
 For houses and for kine,
Till youth's sweet spring grows brown and sere
 And love and beautv tine,
Will never know the joy of hearts
 That met without a fear
When you had but your violin
 And I a song, my dear.

AUGUST

August is the month when men sweat and women perspire. Women keep from really sweating by dobbing their pores full of cosmetics. The little that does ooze through is then called perspiration. It really is, of course, old-fashioned odoriferious sweat that has lost its distinctive qualities by being strained through an inch of scented enamel.

August is a hard month on kids and dogs. The barefoot kid has a hard time finding a place on either the ground or sidewalk that will not blister his feet, and every dog must be careful to not let his tongue be seen for a dog with a tongue in August is a sure enough "mad dog" with hydrophobia germs, and a bullet is coming his way. Then there are the August chautauqua, too. Every town has a chautauqua in August. The chautauqua has had a record much like that of the newspaper—when the first one was started everybody said the United States would never suport two. Well they are not supported as they would be, but every hamlet now has a newspaper, and if it doesn't have an annual chautauqua the inhabitants are wondering how they can get one. If all of the oratory that breaks loose on chautauqua platforms this month could be bound into one book, it probably would represent a collection of the world's worst literature.

The heated rays of August's sun will keep the ice men on the run. It gives a blush to orchard peach, but more to those upon the beach—to these it gives a darker pink that keeps our eye-lids on the blink, and while we like the orchard brand we love the ones out on the sand.

Does Advertising Pay?

The other day a local merchant elevated his chin, squared his shoulders, assumed a belligerent attitude, and defiantly told us that "advertising doesn't pay."

He is still alive, but let us consider a minute:

A London baronet who manufactures pills has sold a part of his real estate for the tidy sum of $30,000,000. He made it out of the profits of his business, and he built that business up by advertising, often spending as high as half a million dollars a year in printer's ink.

John Wanamaker, the best known and most successful merchant in this country, made his millions by advertising, and said so.

The great department stores of the country are kept alive by advertising, and are coining money by more advertising.

You never hear of a large mercantile house in this country that does not advertise, and advertise heavily.

If a politician wants to make himself known to the dear people he uses the most effective means—newspaper publicity. That is advertising.

If a new son arrives at your house you are keen to have it "put in the paper," where your friends will see it, thereby advertising the fact that you are walking on eggs.

If the editor called you a thief in a two line item and stuck it away in the most obscure corner of the paper, would you pass it by in the belief that it "would never be noticed?"

NEVER! You would consider yourself defamed before the entire community, and would paw up the earth in your bellowings. You would be only too quick to concede that every line in the paper is read.

Yes, advertising certainly pays.

There is no ad so small, or insignificant, but what some one is waiting for it.

There are plenty of people who want what you have to sell, but they are weary of looking through a haystack for a needle. They prefer to find it in an advertisement.

And they will look in the local paper for the ad.

They will find comeone's—but will it be yours?

A SHOOTING GLASS

A novel weapon for marksmen and hunters has recently been developed. The invention consists of a pair of telescopes in unit adjusted to a short rifle between them. The telescope may be easily detached and used individually without the gun. The gun is steadied and rested against the forehead by means of a recoil pad. The recoil is taken up by means of a series of flat springs arranged like a carriage spring, one leaf on top of the other, and a soft leather padding, which in aiming is rested against the forehead, steadying the gun. On guns with an extremely heavy recoil, shoulder stocks are used in addition. Using two telescopes, a perfect stereoscopic picture is obtained. The full poewr of a man's vision is in use while aiming. It is claimed that accidents which have so often occurred should now be reduced to a minimum, as one may easily distinguish what he is aiming at.

Mr. Demele, the inventor, conceived of the binocular telescope gun while on an extensive hunting trip in northern Quebec, when he saw what appeared to be a bush moving in the distance. With the aid of his field glasses he detected the cause of it to be a bear scratching the ground in the dense brush. He dropped his glass and raised his rifle for a shot, but missed his bear, as he expected. This suggested to him the advantages of being able to shoot with the aid of a glass.

The gun used for experimenting has a range of 1,500 yards and a penetration of 3-8 inch boiler steel at that distance. Two hundred shots were fired in rapid succession with astonishingly good results. — Scientific American.

It pays to read the advertisements of enterprising home merchants. They are the people who make it possible to have conveniences right at your door, so to speak.

Some people never hand in an item of news for publication, but if we happen to miss an item in which they are interested they are sure to hand us a north pole stare that would freeze the liver of a polar bear.

OUR SCRAP BASKET

The Week in History

Monday 27—Atlantic cable laid, 1866.
Tuesday, 28—Hot wave in 1901; temperature reached, 116.
Wednesday, 29—King of Italy assassinated, 1900.
Thursday ,30—Wm. Penn dies, 1718.
Friday, 31—Hydraulic canal started 1894.
Saturday, 1.—Nelson's victory over French, 1798.
Sunday, 2—Constitution sails on first cruise, 1812.

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On The Beach

A maid, and a man
 With a little of sand,
For most any girlie
 Is perfectly grand.
And, putting it terse,
 She asks which is worse—
The sand without man, or
 The man without sand.

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Facts Worth Knowing

Aids to Weather Conjecture

Sunset Colors—A gray, lowering sunset, or one where the sky is green of yellowish-green, indicates rain. A red sunset with clouds lowering later in the morning also indicates rain.

Halo (Sun Dogs)—The large circles or parts of circles about the sun or moon. A halo occurring after fine weather indicates rain.

Corona—The small colored circles frequently seen around the sun or moon. A corona growing smaller indicates rain; growing larger, indicates fair weather.

Rainbows—A morning rainbow is regarded as a sign of rain; an evening rainbow of fair weather.

Sky Color—A deep blue color of the sky, even when seen through clouds, nidicates fair weather; a growing whiteness, an approaching storm.

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Wise And Otherwise

The heart is most sensitive to neglect when it is very young or very old.

Unfortunately some mothers-in-law forget that they once were daughters-in-law.

The real sensible people we know are those whose opinions agree with our own.

There seems to be nothing new in vacation advice this year, merely the same old admonitions to look out for the drinking water and not to spend more than you can afford, neither of which anybody has the slightest intention of heeding.

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In the Sweet Bye and Bye

In about 1985, when we shall have made our stake and can print a paper just as we please, our items will be more interesting. For instance

Our readers will be sorry to hear that Mrs. Gab is improving in health.

Dan Labernot will now probably become a county charge, his wife having died last week.

No we haven't bought our auto, yet. When we own a car we want to be able to pass anyone we choose without him feeling that he has an interest in it.

Mrs. Thrift informs us that one of her chickens is disappearing every week, and that she cannot account for it. Al Idle told us yesterady that he had eaten fried chicken every Sunday for a month.

Patched pants and soleless shoes continue to look better to Ike Lofer than a day's work. Ike says the world owes him a living, and he apparently thinks his wife has a great deal to do with the obligation.

Bill Kredit says he doesn't blame anyone for not going to church and sitting for an hour and a half in a hard pew. Bill's sense of feeling in that part of his anatomy must be keen to distinguish the church seats from his favorite loafing spot uptown.

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Kitchen Kinks

To make pies brown and crisp looking, brush top crust with milk.

Plunge tomatoes in very hot water, then into cold. The skin will come off easily, and they will remain firm.

To clean a pan in which sirup or candy has been cooked put cold water in it, place cover tightly over and set on stove to boil. The steam will dissolve sugar.

Into the boiling water used for poaching eggs, put one teaspoon of vinegar. Stir the water with circular motion, drop in eggs, and you will find they are round in shape and look inviting, as well, when taken out.

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Of Interest to Women

An apron made with a bib of table oil cloth is a great saver when washing dishes.

It is a good plan to pepper a carpet thickly just where any heavy piece of furniture has to rest on it, as this helps to keep moths, etc., away.

Gilt frames and mountings soon lose their lustre. They should not be rubbed. If very dirty wipe egntly with little borax water and dry carefully.

To remove soil from marble take finely powdered pumice and vinegar. Wash entire surface wit hmixture and leave in for six hours, brush hard and wash in clear water. When dry rub with whiting and chamois.

KITCHEN KINKS

Boiled potatoes make an excellent substitute for soap when the hands have become blackened by contact with pots and pans. Rub a little potato well into the hands and wash in warm water.

Always empty out any water left before filling the kettle. Very frequently the flat taste of tea is caused by using water that already has been boiled.

When frying daughnuts, it is a splendid scheme to have a dish of boiling water on the stove. As each cake is done lift out with a fork, and dash it quickly into the water and out again.

To save time when cooking, mix pepper and salt (proportioned to taste) and keep on hand in a shaker for seasoning vegetables.

After cleaning brass or copper with salt and vinegar, rub with olive oil, and the metal will not tarnish for a long time.

A pinch of salt added to mustard helps to prevent it from drying or caking.

If your oven will not brown your pastry as well as you would like, put the cakes or tarts on the upper tray aud throw a little sugar on the floor of the oven.

Business in the Patent Office

The issue of patents on July 14th, 1914, appears to be the largest in the history of the Patent Office, and will include 907 mechanical patents and 23 design patents. During the past three months the receipts of the Patent Office have broken the record, the receipts for April, 1914, being $208,905.64; for May, $193,723.24; and for June, $198,568.79; or a total for the quarter of $601,137.67.

A comparison of the applications received in 1913 and 1914 of the Patent Office shows as follows:

Applications received during the fiscal year ended June 30th.

	1913.	1914.
Applications for patents for inventions	67,986	69,311
Applications for patents for designs	1,930	2,441
Applications for reissues of patents	172	189
Applications for registration of trademark	7,053	8,146
Applications for registration of labels	926	1,016
Applications for registration of prints	244	436
Disclaimers	22	20
Appeals on the merits	1,651	1,696
Total applications, disclaimers and appeals	80,084	83,225

—Scientific American.

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