

# 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

### YOUNG MEN WANTED

Every young man in our town is wanted! Wanted from the street corners, from the loafer's redoubts, from the idler's promenade; turn your steps into the highways of noble aims and earnest work. There are prizes enough for every successful worker, crowns enough for every honorable head that goes thru the smoke and conflict to victory.

There is within the young man an upspringing of lofty sentiments which contributes to his elevation, and these are obstacles to be surmounted and difficulties to be conquered, yet with truth for his watchword, and leaning on his own noble purposes and exertions, he may crown his brow with honors. He may never wear the warrior's crimson wreath, the poet chaplet of bays, or the statesman's laurels, though no grand universal truth may have at his bidding confess to the world, though it may never be his to bring to a successful issue a great political revolution—to be the founder of a republic whose name shall be a distinguished star in the constellation of nations—yes, more, though his name may never be heard beyond the narrow limit of his own neighborhood, yet is his mission none the less a high and holy one.

But why not do so few young men of early promise, wise hopes, purposes,

and resolves as radiant as the colors of the rainbow, fall to distinguish themselves? The answer is obvious. They are not willing to devote themselves to that toilsome culture which is the price of great success. What-ever aptitude for particular pursuits nature may donate to her favorite children, she conducts none but the laborious and the studious to distinction.

The old man may not recall all the experiences, all the struggles and triumphs of his early manhood, but every feature of his childhood home, every little playhouse that he helped his sister to build is a photograph on his heart's tablets and can never fade away. Perhaps the golden light of eternity will not dim the brightness of that picture. What else the heart may forget, it cannot forget the place of its birth; it cannot forget the little broken cart, the sled and the kite, the sister's fond caress, the brother's generous aid, the father's counsel, the mother's anxious prayers.

Which of you by your anxieties can make tomorrow any smoother than it would have been without them? Which of you by your groanings and grumblings can change the future? It changes you, it wears you out, it puts bitterness in your sweetened cup, it tells you the spirit of trust, hope and joys in the most victorious atmosphere

In which women can work out her temporal or eternal salvation. There are only two ways of living. One way says to the people round about: "Come and make me happy," and the other way says, "Come and let me make you happy."

Who will tell? The boy who reads this, what will he do? When he becomes a man will he do mainly things? Will he read and so be intelligent? Will he bring the powers of body and mind into exercise; and so be useful and healthful and strong? Will he pray and be pious, good—of a noble and virtuous soul? Will he write and so be graceful in speech, ready in communication and of strong influence? Say, my boy, what are you going to do? What you like to do now you will be very likely to do by and by. Do you swear now? Do you lie? cheat, deceive, steal? Do you do dishonorable things? Are you disrespectful to, or do you disobey your parents and teachers? Remember, the boy makes the man. If the boy is bad the man will be. Fix it in your mind which you will be.

Too many of our young people fail in showing considerable attention, and too often do not fully appreciate the self sacrificing love and benign presence of mother. Like the air and the sunlight, she and her tender ministrations are received and looked upon as a matter of fact. When she is at rest in the home of the soul, this thoughtless negligence will cost them many a tear.

There are real rainbows in life after all, and many of them, too, visible to each of us separately. They come and go leaving promise, hopeful promise, in their pathway, yet how many reach out the white band of existence and cling to that promise, that hope—few, yes, of course, but will it always be so? Will we never learn to cling to hope, will the time not surely come when the sunshine of pure honest lives will be appreciated?

## W. C. T. U. Notes

### Press Paragraphs

**A Falling Market**  
When Judge Landis of Chicago tried to sell the eighty-nine licenses of the Tosetti Brewing company, bankrupt, he found that such commodities were a drug on the market. One purchaser offered \$1,200 but this, the only offer made, was refused. A year ago licenses brought \$2,500 to \$2,800. The reason for this decrease in value is said to be fear of successful local prohibition legislation. The entire liquor forces seem to be looking forward with just reason to future stringent restrictions to their business. Judge Landis closed all the saloons owned by this brewing company from Saturday night at midnight until 5 o'clock Monday morning, observing and giving force to the Sunday closing law in Illinois.

**Turned It Down**  
The Student Council of Northwestern University refused to allow the men students to participate in a "popularity contest" giving a motorcycle to the most popular student. The prize was offered by a tobacco firm and the votes were to be cast with cigaret coupons. In connection with the contest a sum of money was promised to the University Athletic Association, the amount to be determined by the number of votes cast, showing how many packages of cigarets had been bought and smoked. This offer was also refused.

**Apprehensive**  
Quite recently the New York State Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association put their fears into concrete form in the declaration that "the events of the last twelve months have created a situation more grave than has ever before confronted our trade. Formerly we were called upon to oppose town and county option. Today we must combat state and nationwide prohibition. Originally our opponents were few and scattered. Today they are many and united."

**Beer A Poison**  
The man who uses a quart of beer daily expends enough for it to buy three loaves of bread for his family. He gets for himself a trivial amount of nourishment worth half a cent and incidentally takes into his system two ounces of a narcotic, the influence of which is to make him less alert and therefore more amenable to accidents, to make him less efficient and therefore more likely to lose his job, and to make him more likely to suffer from toxins and infections.—Winefield Scott Hall, M. D.

**Home Owners**  
It is interesting to note that the four western states carrying last fall for prohibition are "home-owning" states, the majority of the families owning their own homes, which doubtless helped bring about the logical result of the vote. In Colorado 56 per cent own their own homes; in Washington 54.5 per cent, in Arizona 57.5 per cent and in Oregon 58.7 per cent.

**Playing Safe**  
One hundred saloons in Chicago have gone out of business during the last week. High rents, poor trade, big expense for free lunch, and the fact that the city may go dry before five years causes for the closing of doors.

The saloon business in Chicago is getting worse," said a brewery agent. "The sales of our brewery—one of the largest in the city—are 25 per cent less for the first four months of this year compared with the first four months of last year."

"The saloon situation in Chicago is serious—more so than most saloonkeepers will admit. I can count on the fingers of one hand the saloons in the loop district that are making any money. Most of them are lucky if they break even."

The most popular gown in high society is the one that costs most and obscures least.

### LOOK AFTER THE TEETH

Crooked, twisted, knarled and deformed teeth are a source of danger to the child, family and state as well. Buck Teeth Ben soon gets too sensitive to be in touch with his playmates, and he stays in the background—getting further and further away from his fellows.

The child is in danger of being a recluse, a backward. Dentists are to be found all over the land. Call on them.

In every state, in almost every county you will find people, societies calling the attention of mother to the necessities of dental cleanliness. Clean the teeth. You will find that a clean tooth never decays—you will find dark spots on the teeth under which lurk small germs that eat holes in the teeth. Get a little erlen root and a good brush and rub your teeth. Get a brush for the boy and one for the girl. When you find the teeth and gums sore, bleed, the teeth falling into holes, the gums separate from the teeth, black spots on the teeth inside and outside of jaw, there is bacteria on the teeth; a little fluid organ will destroy the germs. If the teeth are in the last stages of decay, see a dentist.

Don't wait until you have lost your best teeth to look after your mouth. Watch the boy's and girl's mouth. Disease often comes from decayed teeth.

Market Hudson, President, Crooked Teeth Society.

### PASS A LAW

Are your neighbors very bad? Pass a law!  
Do they smoke? Do they chew? Are they always bothering you? Don't they do as you would do? Pass a law!

Are your wages awful low? Pass a law!  
Are the prices much too high? Do the wife and babies cry 'Cause the turkeys all roost high? Pass a law!

When M. D. finds new diseases, Pass a law!  
Got the mumps or encephalitis, Measles, croup or "expertitis"? Lest we all fly to pieces, Pass a law!

Are the lights a-burnin' red? Pass a law!  
Paint 'em green, or paint 'em white Close up all them places tight My! Our town is such a sight Pass a law!

No matter what the trouble is, Pass a law!  
Goodness sakes, but aint it awful My! What are we going to do? Almost anything aint awful, And the judge is human to, Pass a law —Rochester, Mich., Clarion.

### BRONCHOS ARE GOING

The European war promises to mark the final passing of the wild horse of the range, the disappearance of the bucking broncho so long associated with the west. Even now there are no wild horses such as once roamed the ranges, and with the inroads being made upon the west by the war, his half civilized brother, the bronco, promises to disappear. Thousands of horses have been taken from Colorado, Wyoming and other western states. Not only have the British and French buyers invaded that section, but representatives of the Italian government have combed the country for months. During the last few weeks an Italian

buyer purchased several hundred horses and so great was his haste to get them to his country that they were sent by express from Denver to the east instead of by freight. There they were hurried aboard a steamer to Italy.

### IT CAN'T STING

The editor of an Illinois exchange is a public benefactor and when he dies the people of his county ought to erect a monument to the honor of his memory. He has discovered a new way to get rid of mosquitos. He tells you simply to rub alum on your face and hands. When the mosquito takes a bit it puckers his gazoopie so it can't sting. Then it sits down in a damp place, tries to dig the pucker loose, catches its death of cold and dies of pneumonia.

### AND MAYBE THEY CAN

One-third of the fools in the country think they can beat a lawyer expounding the laws. One-half think they can beat the doctor in healing the sick. Two-thirds of them think they can put the minister in the hole expounding the gospel, and all of them think they can beat the editor running a paper.

### WATCH YOUR WIFE

Keep your eye on your wife. Not to keep some other man from stealing her—for wives worth having are not stealable.

But keep her contented, for that will help you to keep cheerful. And to keep her cheerful—for that will keep her pretty.

To keep her pretty is to help yourself keep your eyes off other women, a very necessary thing for a married man if he would be happy.

Keep in mind the girl you led to the altar—for your wife is that girl; just as good, just as lovable, just as sincere, just as honest.

Keep in mind also that you were ready to do almost anything to get her—and so you are reminded that it's up to you to make some little sacrifice in order to keep her.

Just keep your eye on your wife and do your share toward making a success of your greatest business undertaking—the business of being a happy married man.

Milwaukee, Wis.—Louis Mueller, born in Milwaukee and employe of a big factory, was down town one day last week for the first time in 31 years. He is 45 years old.



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