

SHAMROCKS FROM IRELAND.

Sweet sister, oh, sweet sister! send, oh, send across the sea...

Yes, old Erin's faithful daughter, whoso'er thy exiles stray...

And thy name, sweet sainted sister, in the South, North, East and West...

And they've threatened thee with murder! Oh, most valiant men and brave!

What? A proud and mighty empire, on which never sets the sun...

And the cause! Oh, mankind, hear it! Hear, God, in heaven above!

For, though Ireland is down-trodden, robbed and starved and beggared there...

And you say, dear loving sister—glorious news for all and me...

And who are longing, longing, longing, that bright and again to see...

Then, while they're free, oh, send me, for the coming Patrick's Day...

LATEST IRISH NEWS.

ANTRIM.

St. Patrick's day passed over quietly in Belfast. There was no attempt at demonstration during the day.

ARMAGH.

St. Patrick's day was quietly observed at Lurgan. There was no attempt in the direction of a public display of any kind.

KERRY.

On March 12, two bailiffs, at the instance of Mr. C. E. Leary, baronial high constable, effected cattle seizures for county cess.

CLARE.

St. Patrick's day was celebrated at Kiddyart in a most interesting manner. The local Nationalists organized an open air demonstration, which was held near the Temperance Hall.

CORK.

The anniversary of Ireland's patron saint was celebrated at Skibbereen in a most becoming manner.

KING'S COUNTY.

A terrible fire broke out in the tobacco factory of the Messrs. Goodbody at Tullamore last month, and before it could be suppressed the entire valuable premises with all the valuable machinery necessary for the carrying out of their extensive trade, as well as a large quantity of tobacco, manufac-

ured and leaf, which had been on hand at the time, were entirely consumed.

DERRY.

On St. Patrick day, in Derry, seven Nationalist bands turned out with colors and made a circuit of the city, including the walls.

DONEGAL.

At Letterkenny the temperance society turned out on St. Patrick's day, and with their band and a new banner, superbly mounted, paraded the streets after 12 o'clock mass.

DUBLIN.

Surgeon T. O'Connell Redmond (great grandson of the Liberator) has obtained the degree of Licentiate of the King and Queen's College of Physicians, and also the degree of Licentiate in Midwifery of the same college in the public examination lately held.

The Messrs. Goodbody, tobacco manufacturers, whose premises at Tullamore were burnt down recently, throwing a large number of hands out of work, have taken from the Messrs. Pim the fine premises at Harold's Cross, which were for some time used as a distillery.

KILKENNY.

On March 12, an execution sale of cattle belonging to a farmer, which were seized a fortnight ago for non-payment of £33 rent to Mr. John White Leahy, of Killarney, took place at Causeway.

KILKENNY.

On the 17th ult., the Kilkenny Journal entered upon its 119th year, and is now, with one or two exceptions, the oldest-established paper in Ireland.

WICKLOW.

At the Balinglass fair on the 16th ult., there was a large attendance of buyers, but no competition. The supply of cattle was good; sheep sold fairly. Fat cattle were scarce, but there was a large offering of heifers and lean cattle. The prices were bad.

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LONGFORD.

The national festival passed off at Longwood with the usual quietness, no demonstration taking place except that of the turn out of the Longford brass band at midnight to herald in the festival.

LOUTH.

The national festival was celebrated at Dundalk in the usual manner. From a religious point of view the holiday was observed in a very becoming spirit, large congregations attending at the different masses.

MAYO.

Owing to the death of John T. Burke, Esq., an election of coroner for the baronies of Carra, Murrisk, and Burrisheole, will be shortly held, and Mr. Patrick J. Kelly, solicitor, of Castlebar, intends to offer himself as a candidate.

Great sympathy is felt in the neighborhood of Bohola for Mrs. Sheridan, one of the foremost members of the Ladies' Land League, who has been evicted by Sir Charles Gore.

MEATH.

At a meeting of the Irish National League held in the town hall, Kells, Rev. L. Gaughran, president, in the chair, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: "That we condemn as heartless and tyrannical the action of those magnates who are coercing their laborers and servants to sign an anti-home rule memorial in the hope that they will thereby impose on Mr. Gladstone and his government."

QUEEN'S.

The Aghaboe National League on Sunday, the 14th ult., passed a resolution calling on the Nationalist guardians of the Abbeyleix and Donaghmore unions to oppose the re-election to the chairmanship of their boards of Lore de vesici and Castletown.

SLIGO.

The National festival passed over in Sligo in the usual manner. At midday the local bands paraded the town. During the day large crowds came into town. In the cathedral a panegyric on the Patron Saint was preached by Rev. J. Malone, C. C., in an eloquent and impressive manner, to a large congregation. There was a remarkable falling off in the time-honored custom of drowning the shamrock. Nothing took place to call for particular notice.

TYRONE.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Rowland J. Betty, Esq., Aughnacloy, County Tyrone, to the commission of the peace for that county.

WESTMEATH.

The 17th was observed at Athlone in the most magnificent manner; and it is not too much to say that never was fete or festival honored or observed with so much display and demonstration. The first parade commenced at 2 o'clock.

OUR YOUNG FOLKS.

GRANDPAPA'S SPECTACLES.

Grandpapa's spectacles cannot be found; He has searched all the rooms, high and low, round and round.

"Two-pence for the child that will find them to-day!" Then Henry and Nellie and Edward all ran, And a most thorough hunt for the glasses began.

And dear little Nell, in her generous way, Said: "I'll hunt for them, grandpa, without any pay!" All through the big Bible she searched with care.

That lies on the table by grandpapa's chair, They feel in his pockets, they peep in his hat, They pull out the sofa, they shake out the mat; Then down on all floors, like two good-natured cats.

Go Harry and Ned under tables and chairs; Fill, quite out of breath, Ned's heard to declare, He believes those glasses are not anywhere. But Nellie, who, leaning on grandpapa's knee, Was thinking most earnestly where they could be.

Looked suddenly up in the kind, faded eyes, And her shining, brown ones grew big with surprise. She clasped both her hands, all her dimples came out; She turned to the boys with a bright, roguish shout.

"You may leave off your looking, both Harry and Ned, For there are the glasses on grandpapa's head!"

FLORRIE'S FANCY.

Baby Florrie was naughty that day, So mamma said, "Baby, run out and play, Bring me some sunshine, dear, if you can, And into the sunshine the baby ran."

Golden treasures there she found— Dandelions started the ground, Pinking one with eager hands, Soon by mamma Florrie stands, "I couldn't see the sunshine, maybe You'd like to see the sunshine's baby?"

What Mothers Say. As the boys grow up, make companions of them; then they will not seek companionship elsewhere.

Let the children make a noise sometimes; their happiness is so important as your nerves. Respect their little secrets; if they have concealments, worrying them will never make them tell, and patience will probably do their work.

Allow them, as they grow older, to have opinions of their own; make them individuals and not mere echoes. Remember that without physical health mental attainment is worthless; let them lead free, happy lives, which will strengthen both mind and body.

Bear in mind that you are largely responsible for your child's inherited character, and have patience with faults and failings. Talk hopefully to your children of life and its possibilities; you have no right to deprecate their best merits of housekeeping and cookery; they will thank you for it in later life a great deal more than for accomplishments.

Try and sympathize with girlish flights of fancy, even if they seem absurd to you; by so doing you will retain your influence over your daughters and not teach them to seek sympathy elsewhere. Remember that, although they are all your children, each one has an individual character and that tastes and qualities vary indefinitely.

Cultivate them separately, and not as if you were turning them out by machinery. Encourage them to take good walking exercise. Young ladies in this country are rarely good walkers. They can dance all night, but are tired out if they walk a mile.

Girls ought to be able to walk as easily as boys. Half the nervous diseases which afflict young ladies would disappear if the habit of regular exercises were encouraged. Keep up a high standard of principles; your children will be your keenest judges in the future. Do be honest with them in small things as well as in great. If you cannot tell them what they wish to know, say so rather than deceive them.

Remember that your children for tale-bearing; a child taught to carry reports from the kitchen to the parlor is detestable. Send the youngster to bed early; decide upon the proper time and adhere to it. Remember that visitors praise the children as much to please you as because they deserve it, and that their presence is oftener than an affliction.

A Bright Little Colored Boy. A friend at Norfolk, Va., sends us the appended letter. It was written by a colored boy of ten years, who lives in a white family at Charleston, S. C., and takes care of their little boy, who is nearly six years old. The colored lad is regarded as "a remarkable prodigy" by those who know him. The letter is legibly written and the capitalization, punctuation and spelling highly creditable.

My dear Friend—I take my pen in hand to write you these few lines, hoping that they may find you and—well, as it leaves me at present, I did expect to work at the brewery, but I did not get the place because I were too small to work in that place. The gentleman said that it required larger boys than I to work there, because the work was too much for me. And how are all with you? I am glad to hear from you—and I am going back to school the month of God so please to spare my life. I hope to hear from you soon. Give my love to— I am your obedient servant, My mother send her regard to you, and say she hope you are enjoying good health.

Direct your letter to me at No. — street. "Mamma, I guess I have found out where the pins and needles go." "Where, child?" "Why, the bees and the hornets use 'em for stingers, and the devil's darning-needles get the lost shawl pins."

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BOYS AND CHILDREN,

You know the place to take your papas and mamas for a Suit of Clothes for Easter is eight steps up, No. 126 Central Avenue, where they sell cheap.

DOMESTIC.

Things Worth Knowing.

TO CLEAN STEEL.

Make a paste with emery powder and cleaning oil; put it on with a piece of flannel. Do not let it remain on, but at once rub off with a soft rag charged with dry emery powder till the steel is bright.

BRKAKING GLASS ANY REQUIRED SHAPE. Make a small notch by means of a file on the edge of a piece of glass, then make the end of a tobacco pipe, or of a rod of iron of the same size, red hot in the fire; apply the hot iron to the notch and draw it slowly along the surface of the glass in any direction you please—a crack will follow the direction of the iron.

TO SPOON GLASS.

Take a soft sponge, wash it well in clean water and squeeze it as dry as possible, dip it in whiting and rub over the surface of the glass. When quite dry rub clean with a soft cloth.

A PRETTY CUSHION.

is made by covering a cushion with any plain color, and making a cover of lace net darned. Another one is made of silk, the same as the crazy quilts, and edged with lace.

AFTERNOON APRONS.

One is made of India lawn, trimmed with lace; have a large bunch of daisies stamped on one corner, and embroider in white cotton. Another is made of cheese cloth; make it straight, with a hem five inches deep, with a hem-stitch at the top; stamp a vine across the hem, and work in outline stitch with pink and olive green silk. One of white grenadine is made square, with a hem an inch and a half all around; draw out the threads at three equal distances, having one in the middle; run satin ribbon in and put through the open places; run a ribbon through the upper hem and tie in a bow at the side.

HOME-MADE RUGS.

One kind is made of rags and sewed the same as for a carpet, and knit on wooden needles; knit common knitting, back and forth, in stripes about six inches wide and as long as you wish. Knit as many stripes as you wish and then sew them together. For an edge knit a fancy border out of coarse wool. Another pretty rug is made by knitting bits of yarn in stripe two inches wide. Wash and press the yarn stripes and let them lay until you have enough for the rug. When you have enough cut off one edge and ravel out to within an eighth of the other edge. This will make a crimped fringe. Then take a piece of bed-ticking the size you wish and begin to sew on the fringe. Sew on one row around; then the second row must be sewed on so as to lap over the first half way. Keep on this way until the rug is finished. This makes a very handsome rug.

The Lily Table Mat.

For materials use four shades of green single zephyr, one skein of dark green, and a half skein of each of the other shades; commence and crochet with the treble stitch a mat with eighty-nine stitches around; then eleven chain; then all the chain with treble stitches; then ten treble; then the chain and proceed the same all around until it is six stitches deep. Finish around with a slight shade; by putting over the thread and drawing it through three stitches the mat will be very full. Tack the fullness with the thread which will leave a place for the lily, which must be crocheted with one-ounce white zephyr. Set up three-chain, use the treble stitch; use one in center, and go back and forth until six deep, then finish the edge the same as the mat; there must be eight stitches in the half an ounce of white zephyr to represent the center. Set up thirty stitches on knitting needles; knit plain treble stitches deep; bind off and sew together; insert a wire; sew lily together, and put in its place in the mat.

The Housewife's Table.

SOLIDS. Wheat flour, one pound is one quart. Indian meal, one pound two ounces are one quart. Butter, when soft, one pound is one quart. Lard sugar, powdered, one pound one ounce are one quart. Best brown sugar, one pound two ounces are one quart. Eggs, ten are one pound.

LIQUIDS.

Four large tablespoonful are one and one-half gills. A common sized tumbler holds one-half pint. A common sized wine-glass holds half a gill. A teacup holds one gill. A tablespoonful is half an ounce.

ETIQUETTE.

Never assume a patronizing air to those of inferior position. It is unbecomingly makes the bride a present. It may be sent at any time before the wedding. When addressing an elder person speak gently, lower your voice to a degree of kindness that is unmistakable. Let it be a cardinal rule never to enter society without the assured feeling that you are in the humor to make yourself agreeable. When your prejudices or opinions annoy, pain or embarrass others, it is good breeding to give way, and so temper manner and language as to remove all embarrassment.

The manner should always be gentle and chivalrous toward women. A certain dignity must be preserved, yet a gentleman must be pliant, frank, confident and manly. If the courtesy of sending you an invitation to a wedding has been extended do not allow it to go unnoticed. Your card inclosed in an envelope sent by mail is sufficient.

Cultivated persons never lose temper in conversation, neither do they give expression ordinarily to surprise or astonishment. It is better to appear to give assent than to dispute. Gentlemen should invariably prefix "Mr." to their names on visiting cards. The prefix "Miss" must always be placed on a single lady's card. Not to do so is incorrect and vulgar.

The surest signs of high breeding in men are mercifulness, kindness and gentleness; qualities which indicate fineness of structure in the body and mind, rendering it capable of the most delicate sympathies.

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