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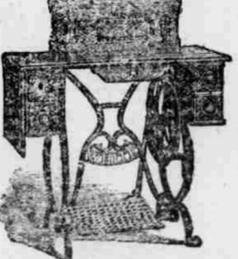
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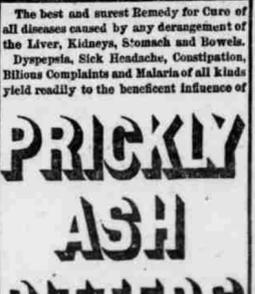
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THE BANKS OF TENNESSEE.

[Our old Scrap Book, recently referred to, yields our readers another treasure in the following touching ballad of the Mexican War.—Ed. FREE PRESS.]

"Was a pleasant calm June evening On the banks of the Tennessee, As the sunset rays of sunset, Tinged each lofty forest tree;

"We numbered," said the warrior, "With a melancholy pride, While he told his simple story, As I journeyed at his side, 'Twas on the banks of Tennessee."

"We had never thought of rapine, As we waded not their gold, For our fields were wide and fertile, And our flocks were in the fold;

"You have doubtless heard the story oft, Of Palo Alto's day, Of Resaca de la Palma, And the siege of Monterey!

"I plod my way, weak, weary, worn, Once more to see its grave, Beneath its forest branches green, To seek my early grave;

"To gaze delighted on the corn, To gaze delighted on the corn, To meet again the dear one's eyes, Whose smile was valor's meed;

"To hear my mother's kindly voice, My father's blessings plead, And dying then in mine own land, Beneath some rocky ledge, They'd bury the patriot volunteer, Upon the Tennessee."

It is extremely dry here at this writing, and Old Sol gets in his work with a vengeance. Last Saturday we had a primary meeting of Democrats to appoint delegates to a county convention to be held next Saturday and continued the former delegates with the same instructions as before, adding a preference for Wells Thompson for Congress.

The Wimberly Academy building will be completed ere this reaches your readers, and Mr. Emory Linghous, as boss, and Mr. Z. T. Wimberly, assistant, are deserving much praise and the thanks of the community for their indefatigable and untiring energy in sticking to the work to completion, whether others aided or not.

The school trustees have been extremely fortunate in securing the services of Prof. Lyons, a teacher of long and tried experience and untarnished reputation, to take charge of the Academy for the ensuing year, under whose management and thorough instruction we predict for it a prosperous and brilliant future.

Board can be had in good families at reasonable rates. Send in your children the first Monday in September without fail. Don't let the drought and short crops prevent the education of the children.

Ed. FREE PRESS.—The farmers in this vicinity will make nothing scarcely at all. We still have had no rains of any consequence.

We were blessed with a little shower three or four weeks ago, which was most too late to be of any benefit to anything. Cotton is opening quite rapidly, and some of the farmers are busily picking now, but do not think they will have a superabundance to pick for it was cut very short by the long drought.

Stock water is rapidly decreasing, wells and cisterns are also falling, if it does not rain what will we do? Grass is drying up and cattle will soon have nothing to eat. Some have been feeding their cows for two or three months.

Oh, how warm! The thermometer registered, 110° in the shade today. Almost warm enough to cook a person.

Mr. J. T. Smith, who was on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Deager, has returned to the home of Staple's Store, to stay until the 15th of September, when he will return and pay our little village another visit, and we will expect to see an account of it in the Free Press ere long.

The concert of which I wrote some time since has been postponed indefinitely, on account of the rapid protracted meeting which has been in progress for two weeks.

St. Elmo, Aug. 9, 1886.

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[From Our Regular Correspondent.] WASHINGTON, Aug. 6, 1886. The Postoffice department will in a few days issue a circular of instructions to postmasters, which will entirely remodel the present special regulations in regard to the ten cent stamp special delivery of letters.

There is no country on earth where young women should be more fully conscious of the dignity of their nature and position than here in our own America. The fact that any young girl bred and reared in this broad commonwealth, however secluded and humble her lot, may possibly be raised to the high honor of being the wife of the chief magistrate of the nation, ought to stimulate all healthful exertions towards obtaining a thorough education.

Nearly every presidential election brings more or less of our countrymen to the front, to fill official positions, who have never before been thus brought out. The wives of these men (it is to be hoped that the majority of them are married) must take their places also in a different sphere from that occupied in their homes in the various states, from which their husbands have been called to assist in moving the wheels and bearing the responsibilities of our great government.

Fit yourselves for such positions, we say to you, girls of the present day. Hundreds of government officials imply hundreds of wives. If these women are rightly fitted for their positions, their influence for good might be immense.

Let us have educated girls—not merely glossed over with superficial accomplishments, but thoroughly informed and self-reliant, with a noble ambition to develop their best powers of body and mind; well trained physiques and well cultured intellects, in this day of opportunities, can be attained to by the masses of American women, and this is one of the glories of our free and enlightened government.

The Law of Compensation. In going through life with eyes and heart open, we see this great law prevailing more generally than at first glance would indicate. As we learn to look below the surface of things, we find through every grade of humanity it is "cent per cent," right along. What we might suppose an inequality, upon closer inspection shows the true adjustment of the principle, "so much for so much."

Not but that there may be exceptional cases to this rule, but this only proves it true in the main. No one, after all, would be quite willing to exchange his burden for that of another; certainly not, when what this change implies is understood. Each one is best adapted to the individual bearing it, and to those who seem to be more hardly pressed than some others, there is more of strength to bear, and more of the starry lights gleaming through the shadows and clouds around them.

Mary C. Billings. Hico, Texas.

Too Much Sweeping.—The advisability of giving every apartment a vigorous "broom cleaning" at least once a week has been so strenuously insisted upon by some notable housekeepers that it has by many been converted into an imperative duty. But looking at the matter in an unprejudiced light, one cannot clearly see why a drawing-room inhabited perhaps only a few hours of the afternoon and evening, or an unoccupied guest-chamber, should require the same amount of purification demanded by a sewing, sitting, or dining-room.

The dust-pan and brush are labor-saving machines that do not receive due appreciation. By their aid in removing a little dust here and a little there, the business of sweeping a whole room may be deferred at times, when at the first glance anything less than a complete ronting out of furniture and dirt together would seem impossible.—Marion Harland.

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The trophies and presents of General Grant, which were jointly donated to the government by Mr. Vanderbilt and Mrs. Grant, are still stored in the War Department, where they were secreted when they were brought to this city by Col. Batchelor a year and a half ago. In just what room they are stored is not known, as public knowledge of it might necessitate a stricter watch than was desired. They were placed there pending a formal acceptance of them by Congress, when they were to be placed in the National Museum. Congress has as yet taken no action.

Mrs. Cleveland and her mother, Mrs. Polson, attended the First Presbyterian Church, of this city, last Sunday morning, and after the sermon, which was delivered by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Sunderland, the communion service was held. The announcement was made that Mrs. Cleveland had been received into membership by letter from the Central Presbyterian Church, of Buffalo, N. Y.

The Doctor's Telephone. A Boston physician was called out of a sound slumber the other night to answer the telephone.

"Hello! what is it?" he asked, little pleased at the idea of leaving his comfortable bed.

"Baby is crying, doctor. What shall I do?" came across the wire.

"Oh, perhaps it's a pin," suggested the doctor, recognizing the voice of a young mother, and one of his patients.

"No," was the reply; "I'm sure it can't be that."

"Perhaps he has the colic," returned the doctor, with well simulated solicitude.

"No, I don't think so," replied the anxious mother; "he does not act in that way."

"Then perhaps he's hungry," said the doctor, as a last resort.

"Oh, I'll see," came across the wire, and then all was still. The doctor went back to bed, and was soon asleep again. About half an hour afterward, he was again awakened by the violent ringing of the telephone bell. Jumping out of bed and placing the receiver to his ear, he was cheered by the following message:

"You are right, doctor; baby was hungry."

In Self-Defense. A young man had been arrested for kissing a pretty girl, and she was on the witness stand.

"You say," said the attorney for the defendant, "that the young man kissed you against your will?"

"Yes, he did; and he did it a dozen times, too."

Well, now, is it not true that you also kissed him during the affray?"

Objected to; objection overruled. "Now, answer my question," continued the attorney. Did you not kiss the defendant also?"

"Yes, I did," replied the witness, indignantly, but it was in self-defense.—Washington Critic.

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From the Assembly Record.

W. C. T. U.'s Day. Thursday was set apart in the calendar of the Assembly as W. C. T. U.'s Day. The day came clear and beautiful, and by 9 o'clock the great tabernacle was beginning to smile with bright young faces, and became cheerful with musical voices.

A praise meeting having been appointed for this hour, Mrs. M. M. Clardy, after the song, "What A Friend We have in Jesus," read the 98th, 66th, & 100th Psalm and led in prayer. After the singing of the hymn, "Precious Promises," and the Temperance Doxology:

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him who leads the drunkards way, Praise him who leads the Temperance host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost!"

The little ones, more than 100 strong, under their banner marked with the motto, "Tremble, King Alcohol," marched up the aisle and took their seats in front. A little temperance song to the air, "In the Sweet Bye-and-Bye," was sung, and the following programme carried out:

Declamation—"Prohibition"—Mattie McKie. Declamation—"Drive the Head"—Gregg Wood. Declamation—"My Little Man"—Lettie Henniger.

Declamation—"Nothing but Leaves"—Miss Mattie Ownby. Song—"When He Cometh". Recitation—"The Drink For You"—Gertrude Garth.

Reading—"Hate of the Bowl"—by Miss Lula Townsend. "The Warrior's Song"—by Willie Henniger.

"Nothing—Yet Something"—Miss Hattie Pegues. "The Temperance Chain"—by 7 girls and 7 boys.

After a short recess, Miss Willie Barbee, our sec'y of the W. C. T. U. of Tennessee, addressed the audience on the history of the W. C. T. U. The address was delivered in a clear, distinct voice, and was a comprehensive statement of the history of this wonderful movement.

Dr. Burbee, of Lockhart, then read by request an address from the Union Signal: "Shall Women Keep Silence in the Churches?" Some discussion on the subject was then had, and there was a unanimous opinion expressed to the effect that women should be heard in the churches.

The time having arrived in the order of exercises, Mrs. Clardy announced that "Mothers Meeting" would be held. Mrs. Clardy's remarks just here were very beautiful, bringing out the duties of mothers in their homes. After a short prayer service, a few brief addresses by Christian workers, the meeting adjourned with the benediction.

A large audience greeted the ladies and listened with marked attention throughout.

AFTERNOON SESSION. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Clardy. After singing a hymn and a short praise service, Mrs. M. M. Clardy, took up the subject: "W. C. T. U. Evangelistic Work." This proved a complete and highly interesting resume of the salient points in the history of this great work. The noble lady's reference to "the White Cross Course of Instruction" meant to rescue the young from the curse and bondage of evil thoughts produced a profound impression upon all. All felt the force of her logic and said Amen to her statements. Miss Willie Barbee then delivered an effective address on "Scientific Temperance Instruction in the Public Schools." The lecturer very clearly showed that the duty of instructing the young mind in matters of temperance and hygiene was equally important with that of the teaching of morals and a love of truth and justice. The interesting lecturer referred with emphasis and gratitude to the recent legislative triumph of the women in Washington when the scientific instruction bill passed Congress by a clear majority. Judge Fisher being called on, then spoke briefly to the subject of temperance work and reform. He felt no temperance work effective without the grace of Christ.

A brief discussion of the subject: "Instincts of Health and Heredity," followed, and after announcements concerning the Union Signal and other literature of the W. C. T. U., a few remarks on the plan of organization, the order of business was finished.

Mrs. Mosher was asked by Mrs. Clardy to give some account of local work, with especial reference to prison visitation. Honorable mention was then made of the work of Mrs. Lizzie D. Johnson, of Paris, for prisoners. Announcements. Adjournment.

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