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There is also this to be said for the American girl, says Dorothy Dix in the New Orleans Picayune: If, in the days of prosperity she is a butterfly, when adversity comes she can turn about and be a grub. In other lands, when a man falls in business his daughters are a millstone about his neck. In America they are oftenest his mainstay and support. Many a girl who has never done anything but ridden in carriages and danced the german has—when a sudden change of fortune beggared her father—rolled up her sleeves and gone to work as cheerfully and gayly as she ever did to a ball, and by long years of devotion repaid the money and love that was lavished on her. So it is not without reason that our national pride centers around our girls. There are none like them in beauty or wit or versatility, and so here's to the great American girl—may she live long to rule us!

DEATH OF EDWARD EGGLESTON.

Author of "The Hoosier Schoolmaster" and Other Popular Books.

Edward Eggleston, author of "The Hoosier Schoolmaster" and "The

Graysons," died at Jones Lock, Lake George, New York, last week. He was 64 years old.

Edward Eggleston, the eldest son of Joseph Cary Eggleston, was born at Vevay, Ind., Dec. 10, 1837. He was a sickly boy and frequently had to leave school on account of ill health. At the age of 19 he began to travel a Methodist circuit in the southeastern corner of Indiana, carrying his wardrobe in a pair of saddlebags. It was during these days that he gained impressions for his strong story of "The Circuit Rider."

In the spring of 1866 his health made it necessary to give up the ministry, and he became associate editor of the Little Corporal, published in Chicago. In May, 1870, he became literary editor of the Independent and removed to Brooklyn to live. In the following year he took editorial charge of that paper, but resigned the position seven months later to accept the chief editorship of Hearth and Home. Six weeks later he began to write for its columns the story of "The Hoosier Schoolmaster," following this with many others, all of which were popular.

HEAD OF PYTHIAN SISTERHOOD

Mrs. W. A. Dilworth Supreme Chancellor of the Order.

Mrs. W. A. Dilworth, who was recently elected supreme chancellor of the Pythian Sisterhood at San Francisco, is a well-known resident of Omaha, who since 1888 has been keenly interested and quite prominent in the work of the Pythians. She was one of the prime movers in the plan

to found the first Pythian assembly west of the Mississippi, which was named in honor of Mrs. A. A. Young, the founder of the order. Mrs. Dilworth was the first chancellor commander of the local assembly and also became the first grand chancellor of the state assembly when that body was organized. She was subsequently named supreme prelate and supreme vice chancellor, and at Detroit in 1900 she was made supreme chancellor of the order.

An Advanced Chinaman.

Chang Cuth Tung, who has just been appointed imperial high commissioner of trade, a post which has been vacant since the death of Li Hung Chang, is one of the most advanced of China's viceroys. His book, the British translation of which is entitled "China's Only Hope," pleads the cause of honest reform and progressive policy in commercial and military affairs. A million copies of the Chinese edition are said to have been circulated.

Would Be a Great "Receiver."

The Sultan of Turkey has convinced the American representatives that the little bill will be paid, and the dispatches tell us that diplomatic relations have been resumed. If his nation should disband, the sultan would be worth even his present salary to some big corporation in financial difficulties.

Vast Extent of the Vatican.

There are no fewer than 11,000 rooms in the vatican at Rome, and many of them never receive a ray of sunlight.

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The Fall Carpets are in. We invite attention to the line, positive that the patterns will please and that the prices will prove most satisfactory.

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SOUTHFIELD.

Everybody thankful for the fine rains the first of the week.

Mrs. Alex Purdy is still very poorly.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McKinney and Maggie Young spent last week Tuesday with their brother in Flint.

H. L. Stephens spent last Sunday with his mother in Detroit.

Miss Marcia McGraw will teach the Beddow school this year.

The Gleaners met last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. LeRoy in Pontiac.

Eugene Williams and wife are living on Halsey Stephens' farm.

Dan Hughes is working for Harry Russell.

Mrs Flora Sturman, formerly of this place, is now nicely settled in Birmingham.

Rev. L. S. Clark is enjoying a much needed vacation.

Little Mary Harmon fell recently and fractured her collar bone. Dr. Tupper reduced the fracture and the little one is now on the road to recovery.

Mrs. Jerry Russell fell from the barn door one day last week and is laid up with a sprained knee as a result of the fall.

On account of the State Fair the next meeting of the Woling Workers will be held on Saturday, Sept. 27, at the home of Mrs. Pauline Miller.

CLAWSON.

Miss Julia Chase is very ill.

Mrs. Parmelia King of Detroit visited her brother, Moses Goodale, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ambler of Northville visited at Al Blair's last week.

Charlie Baker visited at Grosse Pointe last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fallam of Holly visited in this vicinity recently.

Mrs Louisa Millard, formerly of this place, is visiting in this vicinity.

Niles Peterson of Adrian visited the family of H. J. Bowers last Sunday.

Orson Hunt attended the funeral of his aunt, Laura Norton, at Waterford last Wednesday.

Mrs O. A. Hunt and family and Mrs. Ebling and family enjoyed themselves one day last week at Belle Isle.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hall leave this part of the country and move to Idaho the first of next month.

About eleven pupils year here will attend the Royal Oak school this year, due to Prof. Gardner's hustling.

The Misses Grace and Bessie Robbins gave a party to the base ball nine of Royal Oak last Saturday evening. Several young ladies were invited and all report a fine time.

FIGS AND THISTLES.

Love lifts.
Virtue is wealth.
The light needs no label.
The Gospel is God's gate.
Destiny depends on origin.
Treachery leads to tragedy.
Innocence is not character.
Self is a synonym for all sin.
Disposition is more than position.
Christ is the criterion of all character.
The Lamb of God is the Lion of men.
The soul can be saved only by a soul.
Pride needs to look out for a puncture.
Better a clean sinner than a dirty saint.
Formalism and faith can never agree.
The church is a chisel and not a statue.
The man who thinks leads the crowd.
Piety does more than pity for the needy.
Many a small engine has a big whistle.
Better a fair failure than a false success.
Silence is often the sign of strength.
Your life will be worth what it costs you.—Ram's Horn.

R. F. D., NO. 1.

Wm. Ellwood has returned from his northern trip.

If you are contemplating putting in a winter supply of apples, just take a peep at J. S. Cannon's orchard for luck.

John Sharp has threshed his grain and reports a good yield.

L. J. Hauck is cleaning out the ditch along the road on his farm.

Mrs Huffaker, of Arizona is visiting her aunt and uncle, Mrs. E. Taylor and Robert Virtue of Southfield.

Wm. Bell and E. Pence are turnpiking the road from Reuder's Corners east about three-quarters of a mile.

Before painting your buggies, consult Mrs. V. B. Miller of Berrow. She will give you pointers and save you money.

Jas. Egan has commenced his threshing and judging from the size of the stacks it will take some time to complete the job.

Joe Miller has made some good repairs on the road south of his farm—let the good work go on.

School commenced in the A. D. Short district. Mr. Allen of Birmingham is the teacher.

J. N. Heth is going to attend the G. A. R. encampment to be held at Washington, D. C., October 1, 1902.

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

Temperament covers a multitude of sins.

It won't do to be only partially a lady.

Life happens to some folks only in novels.

Don't believe in chaperonage? Yes, for my boy.

It is queer how much tyranny slipshod people discover.

Comets are probably male; their eccentricities can be computed.

It is rather harder to be petty outdoors; there is so much breadth all around.

If mere ideas are not truth, they are at least the cloth of which it is made.

Before giving one's life to a cause it is well to be sure that the gift is of some value.

The most uninteresting person in the world is he who is interested in everything equally.

There is more joy in one sinner who makes up a quorum than over the ninety and nine who come regularly.

To observe the habits of an echinoderm—that is science. To do the same thing for a man—that is only fiction.

Nothing worries a woman so much as not to belong to things.—Dorothy Moore in the Century.

THE TIME WILL COME—

When a man knows that he is talking too much.

When a woman longs for the love of a true man.

When a man wishes his wife would be less self-assertive.

When a woman shows how great is her love of admiration.

When a woman can't help wishing for a home of her own.

When a man can't help taking time to say nice things of himself.

When a man of middle life likes to take a retrospective view of life.

When a woman's vanity becomes apparent in the most ordinary act.

Newspaper Circulations.

Some 42,800 newspapers are published in the world. The United States comes first, and is far in advance of all other countries, with 19,760 papers. Great Britain ranks next, with 6,050. In Russia there are only 243 newspapers, or one to every 170,000 people. Tad Petit Journal of France has a daily circulation of not less than 1,000,000 copies.

The paper which has the smallest circulation is the Imperial Review, published for the sole benefit of the emperor of Austria. It is made up from the translation's from all the principal daily items in European papers, and the daily edition is three copies.

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Church Notes.

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL—Rev. Mr. Avison, Rector. Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. All are cordially invited.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL—Rev. M. H. Bailey, Pastor. Sunday services at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. All are invited.

PRESBYTERIAN Rev. H. S. Justema, Pastor. Sabbath services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Y. P. S. C. E. meeting at 6:00 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30. Everyone invited.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN M. B. Maxwell, Pastor. Sabbath school at 2 p. m. Public worship and sermon at 3 p. m. U. Y. P. C. U. each Friday evening at 7:30. All invited.

BAPTIST—Warren L. Rogers, Pastor. Sabbath services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:00 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30. All are welcome.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session of the Probate court for the county of Oakland, held at the Probate office, in the city of Pontiac, on the 4th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.
Present, Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate.
In the Matter of the Estate of
John Bodine, deceased,
On reading and filing the petition of Albert Whitehead praying that the probate of an instrument in writing, by deceased, be filed in this court, purport to be the last will and testament of said deceased.
It is Ordered that Monday, the 6th day of October next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear at the time and place aforesaid and show cause, if any exists, why said petition should not be granted.
And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the BIRMINGHAM EXCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.
JOSEPH S. STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.
Sept 5-26

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Oakland, held at the Probate office in the city of Pontiac, on the 4th day of September, A. D. 1902.
Present, Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate.
In the Matter of the Estate of
Tracy J. Gibbs, deceased.
On reading and filing the petition of Adelpha T. Gibbs, praying for an order of this court determining who are or were at the time of his death the lawful heirs of deceased, and who is entitled to inherit the real estate of which said deceased died seized.
It is ordered that
Thursday, the 4th day of September, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be appointed for hearing said petition, and it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.
JOSEPH S. STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.
Sept 12-Oct 3

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Oakland, held at the Probate office in the city of Pontiac, on the 4th day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two.
Present, Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate.
In the Matter of the Estate of
Viola Pickering, deceased.
On reading and filing the petition of Viola Pickering, praying for the examination and allowance of his final account and the settlement of the estate of said deceased.
Tuesday, the 16th day of September next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, is assigned for hearing said application, and the examination and allowance of said final account, and it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.
JOSEPH S. STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.
22Aug-Sep9

EXECUTOR'S SALE. In the matter of the estate of ELIS Wooster, deceased, notice is hereby given that by virtue of a license to me granted on the 11th day of August, 1902, by the Honorable Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate in and for the County of Oakland, I will sell at auction to the highest bidder, on the premises, in the village of Birmingham, on **Monday, the 29th day of September, 1902,** at the week's notice in the city, title and interest of which the said Elis Wooster, deceased, died seized, and to the following real estate, viz: Lots 1 and 2 in the village of Birmingham, Oakland county, Michigan, and more particularly described as follows:
Commencing at the south east corner of land owned by Julius Dunkel on the north side of Maple avenue in said village, and running thence north along the line of Mrs. F. Pond's land 2 feet to land owned by Mrs. E. Smith & Co. thence east in a line along E. R. Smith & Co's store 50 feet to land of W. F. Martin, thence southerly along W. H. Smith's land 21 feet to the north boundary of Maple avenue, thence along the line of Maple avenue, 52 feet to the place of beginning.
15Aug-Sep9 ERASTUS H. WOOTRON, Executor.

We Heard a Woman Say
"Oh, dear me, the news in this paper is old—I've read it all two days ago."
It Nearly "Broke Us All Up"
For we thought she was hitting us but when she went on to say
"I'm Going to Take the Eccentric"
We knew her head was level
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Present, Joseph S. Stockwell, Judge of Probate.
In the Matter of the Estate of
Charles F. D. Comfort, deceased.
On reading and filing the petition of Joseph Lewis, administrator, praying for license to sell real estate of said deceased for the purpose of paying debts and expenses.
It is ordered that **Monday, the 29th day September next,** at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Probate office, be appointed for hearing said petition and that all persons interested in said estate appear at the time and place aforesaid and show cause, if any exists, why said petition should not be granted.
And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.
JOSEPH S. STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.
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