

The Home Circle

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WAITING FOR THE TRAIN.

He thoughtfully paced the dust-lined car As it came thundering out of the west, His eyes swept down the long line afar...

The trees and the grass and the blossomy field, He gave them no thought as he hurried them past, Only silently said to his beating breast...

CHOICE RECIPES

A Plain and Excellent Pudding.—One cup of sugar and half a cup of butter beaten to a cream...

Salsify.—Boiled.—Scrape the roots, cut them in short lengths and throw them into vinegar and water as they are being done...

Plain Pie Crust.—Three cups of flour; one cup of shortening; rub lightly through the flour...

Baked Apple Dumplings.—Pare, halve and core the apples; put a tablespoonful of baking powder and a little salt into one quart of flour...

Ginger Cookies.—One quart of New Orleans molasses; one pint of warm water; two tea-spoonsful of lard...

Jelly Cake.—Two eggs, whites and yolks beaten separately; two cupsful of sugar; one cupful of sour cream...

Stirred Cake.—One cupful of sugar; one cupful of sweet milk; one cupful of butter; three eggs...

A Valuable Secret

It is related of Franklin that, from the window of his office in Philadelphia, he noticed a mechanic, among a number of others, at work on a house which was being erected close by...

"It's no secret, doctor," replied the man. "I've got one of the best of wives, and when I go to work she always gives me a kind word of encouragement and a blessing with her parting kiss..."

"And Franklin adds: 'What an influence, then, hath woman over the heart of man, to soften it, and make it the fountain of cheerful and pure emotions. Speak gently, then; a happy smile and a kind word of greeting after the toils of the day are over cost nothing, and go far toward making home happy and peaceful.'"

Animal Friendship

The strange friendship that is often formed between animals of different species finds a good illustration in the actions of a dog and cat delonging to a family residing on the east side of the river.

When the members of the family arise, the cat arises also, and seeking out the dog, proceeds to wash his face. The dog lying down, the cat takes her position in front of him, and by means of her fore paws and tongue, makes the dog's toilet in good shape.

Just received via steamer Oregon, a new supply of Crown sewing machines of superb styles at Garrison's Sewing Machine Store, 167 Third street.

For The Children.

MY LITTLE MILLIONAIRE

'Twas one gold blue day in the mid-June weather, Out of doors in the green grass we lay, My own little boy and I together...

He pointed me off to the meadow splendor, Where daisies and buttercups countless grew, And said in a tone so soft and tender, "You dear, pretty mother, it's all for you!"

So I kissed the lips that were sweet as honey, And I wished for all that could never be, He paid for the whole with his flowery money, And just as merry, as merry were we.

OUR LETTER BOX

We are always glad when the day comes around that brings to us the duty of opening, arranging and reading the letters from the dear little folks who write so honestly and sincerely...

Two letters from "Delight" are on hand. We did not suppose any place could have such a queer name. We had not formed a very "delightful" idea of Kansas, with its storms, blizzards and grasshoppers.

Oliver wants to come to Oregon, and Aunt Hetty hopes that some of our boys will tell him all he wants to know. Distance lends enchantment to the view, and no one ever realizes their expectations in this life...

Editor Home Circle: I am 13 years old and I have lived in Kansas almost 11 years. We had no school in this district until last summer.

Editor Home Circle: I have lived in Kansas three years; the folks I live with talk of going to Oregon, and I would like to go with them.

Editor Home Circle: After so long waiting and neglect, I will try to write another letter to the Home Circle. I will try to answer Ella's question according to history.

Editor Home Circle: I am 8 years old. I had a birthday party; several of the little neighbor girls came to play with me, and we had a nice time.

Editor Home Circle: As it has been a long time since I wrote my last letter to the Home Circle I thought I would write again. We are having disagreeable weather here.

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I took great care of her; there was much of a discharge from the nose. You must not let the horse get hot and then cool off without a blanket or some cover...

Anna is welcome again; she is the one who so kindly sent me the camus bulbs, and will she please send me some more, and "cats' ears."

Eva joins the Circle, and has a question to ask besides answering one. She must exchange with the other little quilt piecers and make a Home Circle quilt.

Mary E. writes again from Mound Prairie. She must tell us how that name originated, and if there are mounds about, and if they are Indian mounds...

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I will answer Ella Remington's question; it was about what three Presidents died on the Fourth of July; John Adams died July 4, 1826; James Monroe died July 4, 1831; Thomas Jefferson died July 4, 1826.

TANGENT, Linn Co., Feb. 18, 1882. Editor Home Circle: I am nine years old, and as so many little girls and boys have been telling of their pet birds, its name is Dick; and I have a little calf, its name is Jane.

YONCALLA, Feb. 18, 1882. Editor Home Circle: As it has been some time since I wrote to you, I will write again. I am not very little, but I still count myself one of the young people of the Circle.

ADMSVILLE, Feb. 16th, 1882. Editor Home Circle: I am a little boy, 12 years old. I live on a farm, eight miles from Salem.

WELLS, Or., Feb. 20, 1882. Editor Home Circle: As I see Aunt Hetty published my other letter, I thought I would write another. A little boy in last week's paper wanted to know if some of our little boys could find where the word "Senator" was in the Bible.

ELKTON, Feb. 17, 1882. Editor Home Circle: After so long waiting and neglect, I will try to write another letter to the Home Circle. I will try to answer Ella's question according to history.

HAZEL DELL, Feb. 19, 1882. Editor Home Circle: I am a little girl 11 years old. Our farm is a part of grandpa David Grant's land claim, which he took up in 1845.

PHILOMATH, Benton Co., Feb. 17. Editor Home Circle: I thought I would write a few lines to the Home Circle. After some delay spring is drawing near and I hope there will be plenty of flowers...

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I will write a Bible word, whereabouts in the Bible can you find Thea-ter. I will close for this time. Success to the FARMER.

Keep the Soul on Top. Little Bertie Blynn had just finished his dinner. He was in the cozy library, keeping still for a few minutes after eating, according to his mother's rule.

"Thank you, little master." Dropping his paper, he said: "I thought we were alone, Bertie. Who was here just now?"

"Nobody, papa, only you and I." "Didn't you say just now, 'Thank you, little master'?"

"The child did not answer at first, but a sly laugh. Soon he said: 'I'm afraid you'll laugh at me if I tell you, papa.'"

"Well, you have just laughed; and why mayn't I!" "But I mean you'll make fun of me."

"No, I won't make fun of you; but perhaps I'll have fun with you. It will help us digest our roast beef."

"I'll tell you about it, papa. I had eaten my red apple and wanted to eat the green one too. Just then I remembered something I'd learned in school about eating, and I thought that one big apple was enough."

"Bertie, what is it that Miss McLaren has been teasing you about eating?" "She told us to be careful not to give our stomachs too much food to grind. If we do so, she says, it will make bad blood, that will run up into our brains, and make them dull and stupid."

"That's as good preaching as the minister's, Bertie. What more did Miss McLaren tell you about this matter?"

"She taught us a verse one day about 'keeping the soul on top.' That wasn't just the words, but it's what she meant."

"Weren't these the words: 'I keep my body under?'" "Oh, yes! that was it; but it means just the same. If I keep my body under, of course my soul is on top."

"Of course; it is, my boy. Keep your soul on top, and you'll belong to the grandest style of man that walks the earth."

Bertie put on his coat and cap, and went away to school. His father took up the apple he had left behind on the table, and put it in his pocket.

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