HOME CIRCLE COLUMN.

A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Eventide.

Let us strive to cultivate a spirit of hopefulness in the home, in the office, on the street. We can do no greater service to humanity than to live and work always with a great hope, which, in the very nature of things will grow more and more into a great certainty.

We see some families where each has a part to perform, where the daughters relieve the mother of many household duties, and the division of work makes it easier; while in others the mother is a slave and the daughters act as if they were boarders. Why this difference? Who is to blame? Children who are taught to work and bear their share of the burdens, love and respect their parents far more than others, for it is a fact that people have very little respect for a slave, though he or she be a parent.

My son, follow not in the footsteps of the loafer, and make no example of him who is born tired, for verily I say unto you, their business is overstocked; the seats on the corners are all taken and whittling places are all occupied. It is better to saw wood at two bits a cord than to whittle in a loafing match and cuss the government. My son, while thou hast left in thy skull the sense of a jay bird, break away from the cigarette habit, for lo, thy breath stinketh like a glue factory and thy whole appearance is less intelligent than a store dummy; yea, thou art a clipper with the rim knocked off.

Young man, there is one thing you cannot do. You cannot make a success in life unless you work. Older men than you have tried it and failed. You cannot loaf around the street corner, smoke, tell stories, and sponge on someone else, without making a failure in in life. You must learn a trade or get into some honest business. If you don't, you will become a chronic loafer and there is no place in the world for loafers The ripe fruit is at the top of the tree, and you must climb if you get it, or some smart man will pluck it from you. Do something no matter how small or how low the wages, it will be a starter Help yourself, and others will help you. There is no royal road to success; will, grit, and endurance are the qualities which lead to it.

Somewhere in the great vineyard there is a niche for everyone to fill, if not a garden or field—a space is alloted for all to work in. "This is the way, walk ye in it," is not always a pleasant command, but duty will lead us, It may be into dismal hovels of want and sufferings, even to the drunkard's miserable home, where the heartbroken wife and mother toils to supply the waste made by the debauched spendthrift to gratify an unnatural appetite. God pity a drunkard's wife and children! It seems that nothing can destroy this. What can be done to throw a bar in its pathway? What shall we do to stay the tide of intemperance sweeping over the land and save our noble boys from being swept away in its maelstrom of ruin?

Francis E. Willard tells us to—
Write it on the work house gate,
Write it on the school boy's slate,
Write it on the copy book,
That the young may often look,
'Where there's drink there's danger.'

But, alas! we often wait till life's sweet opportunities are past, and at the eleventh hour break our alabaster box of ointment.

The easiest thing in the world is to find fault in others, but how difficult to see our own. Let us be charitable along this line, and do as a great artist did, who painted a picture of his King, upon whose brow was a scar, painting it with his hand covering the scar. Let our mantle of charity be sufficient for others, as well as ourselves. A gentle word or tone, even a friendly glance may touch or soften some sad heart. Sympathy is a great medicine. It often heals a broken heart. It has gained an entrance where gold has failed. We can do much to gladden earth and people heaven. To be sure there are woes none can reach, and evils we cannot cure; yet perhaps we can break the blow where we cannot avert it, or mitigate the sorrows we cannot move. This world would be most desolate if there were no such thing as fellow feeling, for, as Shakespeare says, "A fellow feeling makes us wondrous kind."

Before marriage, a young man would feel some delicacy about accepting an invitation to spend an evening in company where his "layde love" had not been invited. After marriage is he always as particular? During the days of courtship, his gallantry would demand that he should make himself agreeable to her; after marriage it often happens that he thinks more of being agreeable to himself. How often it happens, that a married man, after having been away from home the livelong day, during which the wife has toiled at her duties, going at evening again to some place of amusement, and leaves her to toil on alone, uncheered and unhappy! How often it happens that her kindest offices pass unobserved, and unrewarded even by a smile, and her best efforts are condemned by the fault finding husband. How often it happens, even when the evening is spent at home, that it is employed in silent reading, or some other way that does not recognize the wife's right to share in the enjoyments even of the fireside!

Look, ye husbands, for a moment, and remember what your wife was when you took her, not from compulsion, but from your own choice; a choice based, probably, on what you then considered her superiority to others. She was young—perhaps the idol of her happy home; she was gay and blithe as the lark, and the brothers and sisters at her father's fireside cherished her as an object of endearment. Yet she left all to join her destiny with yours, to make your home happy, and to do all that woman's ingenuity could devise to meet your wishes and to lighten the burdens which might press upon you.

TRUE MANLINESS.

Every boy longs to be a man. It may not be amiss to study the character of a true gentleman. What is a true gentleman? Manliness means virtue, virtue means purity, and purity means power. Never imagine that the swaggering braggart is a powerful man; or that such characters as Corbett, Fitzsimmons, Sullivan or their tribe are ideal American citizens.

The braggart and bully is always a weak character. The true gentleman is strong. The man who endures and overcomes and lives to bless other lives is the true gentleman. The true gentleman is not made out of clothes. Fine feathers do not make fine birds. So no art of the tailor can make a man out of a tough by dressing him in a fine suit. Some of the men with rough exteriors possess the truest and tenderest spirits while some dressed in the height of fashion are demons incarnate. We like the man with sunny smile and a loving heart, an honest voice, and a firm grip of the hand, a clear eye, keen witted with boundless energy and a never failing smile, a man sincere, sublimely unselfish, inspired by a true warmth of heart. Give us such a man obedient to the claims of others, rather than the prim and pompous man whose heart has the frigidity of an iceberg. We believe what we need today in the home and in the church and in business is not an austere and unbending Puritanism, but a large hearted, cheerful spirited brotherliness, inspired not by dollars and acres, but by obedience to our highest and best natures. The man who encases his life in business claims, or wraps his being in a mantle woven out of selfish acts can never save the world. What we want is sympathy. There are many young men who have fallen in the tragedy of life; they are bleeding from some wound; what they need is a brother's hearty hand shake, a loving voice saying, "God bless you, my boy, all is not lost; your life is not gone; there are yet unwasted days in which you can win back a good name and an honorable place in society. Be a man; I'll stand by you; you can count on me."

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Because papa gets so mad when we make a little bit of noise.

What makes him that way?

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A Communication,

Ed. Courier:—The political campaign for the June election is now on and it is amusing, yet distressing, to view the tactics of the opposition to win the race. Imperialism is being denied, the present tariff is praised as a godsend, and the trusts are lightly spoken of as though there were fur on the speakers' tongues. President Roosevelt makes laws, dodges treaties, and is praised because he does. Such action as this leads to monarchy. Will the free born American citizen yield to government by the classes or will they maintain their individuality and vote for the maintenance of the Constitution? It is not a question of party, it is a question of country always before party.

A few days ago I posted a circular entitled, "Hermann's Record" and the next morning found that same had been torn down. Who did it? Some friend who wants to keep the people in ignorance of Hermann's crookedness. The party that depends on corruption for success will come to grief bye and bye. Is it not time that we return to the moral and political purity of our forefathers?

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Oregon City Loses Game.

The game of baseball played at Canemah Park last Sunday between the Oregon City team and a team from the Eighth Battery, Regulars, of Vancouver resulted in a victory for the Vancouver boys by a score of 4 to 1. The game was very interesting throughout and with the exception of the fifth inning, when Vancouver assisted by costly errors by the Oregon City team, succeeded in making three runs. Up to this inning the score was 1 to 1.

The home team has a fair infield and the battery work was specially good. Long, pitcher, struck out twelve Vancouver men. One weakness of the Oregon City team, and one which can be overcome by a little more experience and practice, is their poor base running. Another feature which was noticeable and which can be corrected by coaching, is the poor form shown by the Oregon City batsmen. To be a successful batsman, the batter should stand erect by the plate with the bat resting motionless on the shoulder. There few faults are pointed out for the purpose of suggestion merely and with the hopes that the boys will profit thereby and be more successful in their future games this summer.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY COURT.

Business Transacted at Regular May Term.

In the matter of the claim of Mr Iderhoff for fixing road in Road District No 34. Ordered that said matter be referred to Commissioner Brobst to settle.

In the matter of obstruction to the Graves road in District 36. Ordered that Supervisor be instructed to complete the opening of county road.

In the matter of roads in District No. 6. Ordered that Supervisor be instructed to repair the hill on the Firwood road also to accept donation of lumber and free cartage to the Meinig hill, the county to furnish the powder and spikes.

In the matter of removing obstruction on the Dix road in district 18. Ordered that Supervisor remove tree complained of.

In the matter of improvement or repair of road on what is known as Wise Hill in district 34. Ordered that Supervisor be ordered to co-operate with petitioners and expend poll tax paid by residents along said road it in his judgment road could be put in proper condition for service with said poll tax and subscription work

In the matter of the petition of Jos. DeShazer for a county road. On motion of petitioners, it is ordered that petitioners be allowed to withdraw petition.

In the matter of the Long road. Ordered that Supervisor open said road in accordance with report of County Surveyor and stakes set by him.

In the matter of powder for District No. 7. Ordered that supervisor be allowed 400 pounds.

In the matter of powder in District No. 5. Ordered that supervisor be allowed 400 pounds.

In the matter of the petition of A. C. Thomas and others for county road. On motion of petitioners, it is ordered that petitioners be allowed to withdraw petition.

In the matter of repair of road from Canby to Good Bridge. Ordered that said road be graveled in the fall, the time to be determined by the Court hereafter.

In the matter of the petition of G. H. Wigg for license to sell liquor at Estacada. Ordered that license issue to said G. H. Wigg.

In the matter of report of viewers of W. W. Bradley road. Report read first time and laid over until tomorrow for second reading.

In the matter of the report on the Kruse road. Report of viewers read first time and laid over until tomorrow for second reading.

In the matter of the report of viewers of the Turner road. Report read first time and laid over for second reading tomorrow.

In the matter of assistance to Mrs. West, an indigent person Ordered that she receive $6 at this time.

In the matter of appointment of deputy sheriff. Ordered that appointment of James Corrigan as deputy sheriff be approved, he to serve without pay.

In the matter of the application of Willamette and Wilsonville Telephone Co. for telephone franchise. Ordered that franchise be granted subject to conditions set out in said application.

In the matter of the application of the Molalla and Mutual Telephone Association for franchise. Ordered that franchise be granted subject to conditions set out in said application.

In the matter of powder for district No 9, also plank for North Fork and Eagle Creek bridge. Ordered that supervisor be allowed 300 pounds of powder, caps and fuse, also to procure the necessary plank to repair the bridge

In the matter of the report of viewers of Kruse road. Ordered that said petition be dismissed and denied.

In the matter of the report of viewers of the Turner road. Report read second time and matter laid over for hearing May 6 at 2 o'clock p. m.

In the matter of powder for district No. 5. Ordered that powder to the amount of $10 be allowed said district.

In the matter of powder for district No. 24. Ordered that supervisor be allowed 300 pounds.

In the matter of plow and scrapers for road district No. 32. Ordered that supervisor be allowed one road plow and two slip scrapers.

In the matter of the petition of Obed I. Miller for Telephone franchise. Ordered that said application be granted subject to forfeiture if not in operation by May 1, 1905.

In the matter of bridge across North Fork of Molalla river. Ordered that plans and estimates of a suitable bridge be prepared.

In the matter of the survey of Fall Creek road No. 467. Ordered that matter be taken under advisement to interview County Surveyor and Road Supervisor.

In the matter of the Turner road. Ordered that the same be taken under advisement until court can visit this road.

In the matter of the Bradley road. Ordered that said road be opened with the labor of the petitioners, and expense account of survey be allowed as follows: J. W. Meldrum $16; D. W. Kinnard, $9; John Lewellen, $9; Dan Watts, $4; Owen Hatten, $4; Willis Hodges, $2; Peter Gill, $4.

In the matter of the petition of James Steel for reduction of valuation and refund of taxes. Ordered that said petition be denied.

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