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ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

THIS IS THE ANNIVERSARY of the birth of Abraham Lincoln who represents in history the highest ideals of modern progressive America. There never lived in the western hemisphere one who so completely embodied in himself the best features of every class of citizenship.

The heart of a man more than his mind determines his value to the world. None shall truthfully say that Lincoln was not possessed of a great mind for he displayed it on every important occasion and he was equal to every emergency. Homely, simple, direct, democratic and earnest he was like the homely, simple and democratic nation which grew up in the name of mankind without king or bishop to control it and with only the influence of truth and love to make manifest the principles of liberty and equality.

The name of Lincoln grows in fame and glory as the heart of Lincoln is better understood and appreciated. Among the lives of the ancients so splendidly illuminated by the classic biographer Plutarch, there is no name worthy to be compared or contrasted with Lincoln's. There is no name in history which can be compared unless it be that of Moses who led the Children of Israel out of bondage. But Lincoln's work for mankind was not merely the emancipation of a fettered race, but the announcement of a principle of liberty for all humanity, not only for today but for all ages to come.

LINCOLN AS AN INVENTOR What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by letters patent, is the combination of expansible buoyant chambers placed at the sides of a vessel in such a manner that by turning the main shaft in one direction the buoyant chambers will be forced down under the water and at the same time expanded and filled with air for buoying up the vessel over shoals.—Application for patent, 1849, by Abraham Lincoln.

HOO HOO HOO

There will be something doing in the Owls next Friday night, February 12, 1909. Visitors welcome. R. E. PINEGOR, Secretary.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

The kind of world one carries about in one's self is the important thing, and the world outside takes all its grace, color and value from that.

Does Mamma Wish She Was Pa? "I wish I had a lot of cash." Sez pa, one winter's night; "I'd go down South an' stay awhile Where days are warm and bright." He set an' watched the fire die (Seemed lost in thoughtful daze.) Till ma brought in some fresh pine knots An' made a cheerful blaze.

"I wish I had a million shares O' stock in Standard Oil," Sez pa, "I wouldn't do a thing." Ma made the kettle boil, An' mixed hot biscuits, fried some ham An' eggs (smelt good, you bet!) Fetched cheese and doughnuts, made the tea, Then pa—set down an' et!

She washed an' put some beans to soak, An' set some bread to rise; Unstrung dried apples, soaked 'em too, All ready for her pies; She brought more wood, put out the cat.

Then darned four pairs 'o socks; Pa woke, an' sez, "It's time for bed; Ma, have you wound both clocks?" —Mary F. K. Hutchinson.

When a man is in dishabille, is he wearing more or less than when he has nothing on?

Let some one shout "Shorty" in a crowd of men, and every tall man in the crowd will look up.

When a real fat man gets on a night shirt, he looks as if he were trying to conceal a keg on his person.

When children are told what a smart man their father is, they look at their mother, as if asking her if they are to believe it.

When a stranger comes to town, his intention is to take away more money than he leaves. If he doesn't do it, he misses his guess and if it is some advertising fake he usually gets away with the goods on.

According to New York faddists, the truest secret of happiness is to have letters of your name properly tuned. Some happiness could be obtained in this world, though, if the neighbors would occasionally have their piano tuned.

"What," asks inquisitive Alex. Miller in the Washington Democrat, "would the boys do if they had to buy a new suit every time there is a big dance?" Frankly, our guess is that the boys would stay away from more dances than they attend.

Just so lonely—just tonight Other faces smile so bright, Lonely lot and lonely den. One time peace and comfort too Under skies that seemed so blue, A difference now and then.

And in the lonely hours and moods Over the past memory broods, 'Tis the ashes gone to dust, And the life that nears its end The memories cannot mend Living, dead, we find the rust.

Just so lonely, just tonight Other faces smile so bright, Lonely lot and lonely den. One time, peace and comfort too Under skies that seemed so blue, A difference now and then.

"Billy" Cox is not the only Papa in the world, but his most intimate friends and erstwhile associates cannot convince him of the fact. He proudly says, "Gentlemen, I am the father of a boy born January 23, '08, and while only two weeks old, I can distinctly decipher undisputable signs of state-manship, should he be spared to mature. He is christened Claude Calvin Cox three C's, see?"

and you can recognize the great United States and the stars and stripes from his ting toes to the top of his intelligent head.

THE POETS CORNER.

The Boy On Deck. The boy stood on the burning deck. He did not need to go, For the flames shone o'er that awful wreck In a moving picture show. GEO. GOODRUM.

On a Certain Spot. Willie played at hunting redskins. Tore his clothes but captured none; When he went home, with her slipper Mother gave him one. TOM HALL.

Minute But Merry. A little widow now and then Plays havoc with the single men. She smites our hearts with glances 'bright. Beware, O men, the widow's smite. L. A. L-j-q-st.

Germs That Get Away. The germs of a kiss are a source of alarm; At least so the doctors say. There are germs in a frown, but they do no harm, Because they can't get away. W. J. CONRAD.

A Girl's Majority. She's pretty, so she has confessed— And she thinks she is authority— And words of suitors, by whom she's pressed, Put her plainly in the majority. W. F. McKEE.

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