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WOMEN'S CLUBS

Little Mothers

In the cities of this coast, where poverty has, comparatively speaking, not yet made its appearance and the stress of circumstances which drives mothers to desperation to obtain a living for helpless children is unknown, "the little mother" has not yet appeared to appeal to the sympathies of a generous public.

and most distinguished women of the state as well as the earnest, sympathetic support of women who can only give aid and help service to the cause. One of its founders and valued members was Mrs. Emily Wakeman, who for a time resided in Oregon, and who a resident of Silverton organized the Social Science club of that place and put on such a firm foundation that it has proved to be one of the best clubs in the state.

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power to distinguish between real and conventional morality. Irreverence, and there is much of it in many kinds in society today—will meddle with the frank devotion, in Christ's name, of her strong, glad life to helpful, not Pharisaical, service of others. No morbidity of heart-life, no restlessness because of ideals roughly disguised by the everydayness of domestic science, providing schools of domestic science, sewing and cooking schools and the care of children for these young girls, and also to give them some social life under better conditions and provide them with a few weeks' outing during the summer.

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The nearest approach to the right thing, the best omen for the city and the greatest reformatory measure that has ever sprung up in our midst, in our opinion, is the mothers' meetings. If there is one thing above all others that Portland needs, it's mothers. We howl at our corrupt city government, our lax officials, the corroding influence of the saloon. We bewail the glitter and sparkle, the warmth and music that allure to ruin the youth of our city. Municipal temperance societies and all sorts of reform measures are resorted to in order to lop off the nesting places of vice, but past experience would indicate that the greater the pruning the stronger becomes the stock. The spasms of reform that seize upon communities from time to time, such as the temperance crusades, which women devote, sincere, God-fearing and with a faith in prayer strong enough to remove mountains, kneel in the rain or freezing snow, and fast, are of little avail, for their prayers would wipe the "rum shop" from the face of the earth, pass, leaving as little impression as the writing on the sands of the sea shore and are as powerless to stay the tide of vice and ruin. Cyclones of reform leave but the debris of blasted hopes and lost courage and faith. The trouble with these reformers is, that in their zeal they overlook the fundamental principle expounded by Martin Luther, "I, the vine, and generations to come only bring about the harvest." The obvious weed that has been scattering its pestilential seed for years may be cut down, but the seed will spring up a hundred fold. The only hope is to render the soil immune to its propagation. And this is what we believe will be accomplished by these noble teachers who are giving their time and strength to assist mothers to a better understanding and appreciation of the child nature. We do not believe that the mothers of the city speak in a general way, for many there are who have guided and are now guiding their children through the rocks of temptation into noble maturity—are intentionally careless, or lax, or indifferent, but

also in favor of a committee to pass on each paper before it is read. There appears to be more of wisdom in the first than in the second suggestion, the author of a paper should be the only one responsible for it. In all clubs a program committee is appointed and they usually assign the topics to be written upon. There are few women indeed who could ever be expected to write a paper if they thought it had to go through the gauntlet of a committee of criticism and be returned to them for presentation after it had been censured by a committee who might be wholly ignorant upon the subject presented. Club papers at the best are not intended to be literary productions, nor feats of rhetorical eloquence, but simply to present ideas whereby an interest may be awakened in subjects beneficial to the club or individual. We wonder that a woman would ever be expected to write anything, with all propriety, into the newspapers, should not see that the other suggestion would bring discord into the club ranks and stunt its growth and usefulness.

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that they are, to an appalling extent, may be seen by any one who may care to walk through some of the questionable streets of the city after dark—not in the late hours of the night when crime walketh abroad and the patrolman "sleepeth the sleep of the just," but during those evening hours that should be so dear in every home; the hours whose recollection should follow the child into after-life as a benediction, a safeguard against future temptations, the streets of our city are crowded from 5 to 10 o'clock with youths of both sex. Girls of tender years flaunting and loitering past saloons where have congregated boys too young to be legal patrons, picking up acquaintance and hearing language that defies and submitting to indignities which must in a few years ripen into revolting crime, and we will continue to hear of the dear, good mother whose heart has been broken by the son and daughter who have gone astray from the homes of piety. This is not an imaginary picture, except in its prophetic future.

for the amount set opposite the town. That the amount was—our motto—but it is left entirely for the town to determine what they can or will give, but this information is absolutely necessary for properly promoting the work by the officers. Two hundred and fifty copies of "The Conquest" which were donated by the McClurg Publishing Co. of Chicago have arrived and are in charge of the first vice-president, Mrs. C. M. Cartwright, 215 Seventh street. Mrs. Eva Emery Dye, the author, spent the greater part of one day this week explaining in a pretty little sentiment appropriate to the season and the work, with her autograph and they are now ready for distribution. The first to be sent out were three copies to the Ladies Lewis and Clark club, and the other organization or individual will be entitled to a copy for every \$10 contributed to the statue fund.

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Human nature is just the same in the child as in the adult. Both will seek the most congenial surroundings and companions, and neither will confine themselves to four walls just because of a communion of interests and the love of their children, recognizing that each one possesses its own peculiarities and idiosyncrasies and each little nature must be reached in a different way; when the difference in age is bridged by a communion of interests and the love which is inborn in every child is cultivated by the sympathetic companionship of the mother, the home will no longer be dull, but unconsciously the mother will fill it with the things that make up the life of the child and it will be a haven of blessedness to both.

which they most certainly are in this state. FREDLETON. "Home day" at the residence of Mrs. T. G. Halley proved to be one of the most enjoyable of the Thursday Afternoon club's programs. An interesting paper on "Rugs" was read by Mrs. E. Marshall. "Our Children," by Mrs. Bur Hoffman, showed conclusively that the old-fashioned mother love is as strong today as it could have been in the mothers of other generations. "Other People's Children," by Mrs. A. D. Stillman, was bright and full of humor. "The Value of Trees in the Nation," by Mrs. W. C. Bernal, was another number on the program, and "How to Spend \$20 for the Best in Magazines and Papers for the Home" brought out two good lists, one from Mrs. J. A. Fee and one from Mrs. B. B. Burdette. Mrs. W. C. Bernal's paper was not on either list, but "Good Housekeeping" was Mrs. J. R. Dickson and Mrs. N. Berkley favored the company with appropriate songs and kindly responded to encores. "Home, Sweet Home" was sung by the club in closing. Devotional exercises were served.

ATTRACTION SCHOOL BUILDINGS. Should the suggestions regarding our public school buildings being opened to neighborhood meetings, made in the last issue of this department, ever be adopted, both the school board and the teachers will notice a very appreciable difference in the interest that is taken in making the buildings not only healthy, but beautiful and attractive. In support of this prediction we cite the work of Chicago again, where at present the Woman's club and the alumnae of the Central high school are endeavoring to make one of the new high schools beautiful. The building is now under roof, is one of the largest of its kind and almost ready for the decorators. It will be decorated by a well known mural painter. No ex-

Club Credit

Do club women want credit and glory for their work? Credit, yes; glory, no. There is a wide difference between the two, which to so many mean the same thing when applied to benevolent, literary or any kind of unpaid work. In contradiction here are two standard definitions: Glory—praise, honor or admiration. Credit—belief, trust, faith, reliance or confidence in, or upon, any one person or thing. To work for the one is selfish, restricting, unworthy and barren in returns. To achieve the other means larger opportunities, better advantages and a broader field of usefulness. The glory of being a "captain of industry" within the bank credit, would soon mean a reduction to the ranks. Every club should be jealous of and claim every credit due it. If you work for an object and accomplish it, it is like earning that amount of capital to promote other endeavors. It was Bill Nye, Josh Billings or some one of our mis-spelling philosophers that said "him that has, gets." The club that has gotten what it has worked for will be able to get other things it wants, if it takes care of its credit. It would be just as imprudent to throw away a dollar after you had earned it.

LA GRANDE. The Ladies Neighborly club met in their rooms. After a short business meeting, Mrs. Ramsey took charge of the program; her subject being "Madonnas." Mrs. J. D. Slater read a very interesting paper on the "Use and Abuse of Christmas" vocal duet by Gertrude and Margaret Moore, "The Little Town of Bethlehem," "Legends of Madonnas," Mrs. H. A. Bodmer; reading from "Ben Hur," Mrs. E. C. Moore; solo, "When Love Was Born," Mrs. E. C. Moore; "Legends of Madonnas," Mrs. A. B. Oltiver; vocal duet, "Silent Night," Miss Myrtle Aldrich, Miss Bessie Worstell; Christmas reading, Mrs. Ramsey. The room was artistically decorated with pictures of Madonnas, copies from old masters.

SALEM. Mrs. F. A. Moore entertained the Woman's club at its last meeting which proved to be an unusually interesting one. Mrs. T. T. Geer, president of the state federation and a past president of the Salem club, gave an interesting and comprehensive talk on the club work of the state. Mrs. W. C. Bernal solo after which Mrs. Irwin and Miss Kittie Moore served dainty refreshments. The president, Mrs. Cusick, writer: "The opportunity offered by the Oregon Daily Journal (women's page) will bring our clubs more in touch with one another and is a matter of no small importance in our club work, as well as being a recognition that should be appreciated." Oregon women have been quick to realize the above sentiment and from all over the state come the same kind of words of appreciation.

"TWIN TERRITORIES." This department is in receipt of an unique and most readable little magazine bearing the above title. It is published in the Indian Territory and edited by Miss Oro V. Eddleman, a Cherokee Indian girl. It is devoted to Indian literature and contributed to by the Indians of the five civilized tribes of the Indian Territory. It has a circulation of several thousand, mostly Indians of the territory and Oklahoma. Several pages are devoted to "woman's club work" from among the Indian club women of the two territories. The magazine is adorned with many beautiful full tones. The editor claims it is the only magazine published in the interest of the

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clubwomen a historical library, said: "Through the fine work of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs the library interest in the state is attaining rapid growth." There was a bit of credit. Does it mean anything, think you, to have the work of this organization commended before so representative and intellectual a body of men and women as was there assembled, and by the unanimous acknowledgment of ability as Professor Young.

Indians, by one of Indian blood, Miss Eddleman, writes the following about the Sacajawea statue as she is deeply interested in its progress. FREDERATION PIN. The pin adopted by the New York City federation is almost ready for general delivery. It consists of the coat-of-arms of the city surrounded by a chain of twelve stars. The number of the charter clubs in the federation and bow of ribbon with the words "New York City federation of Women's Clubs." The pin is silver enameled in green and gold.

NEWS. Mrs. Field had a fine personality and the papers of her state speak of her in the highest terms, as a woman of broad views and noble Christian character. PERSONALS. Mrs. Warren E. Thomas is enjoying to the full her visit in New York, and writes most entertainingly of the symphony concerts she has attended during her stay. Among the kind society and musical notes of a New York paper her name appears as the guest of honor at several large functions, among them being a musicale at Mrs. Raymond Brown's, where many musical celebrities were present.

will make his funny little minkins sing and joke until the audience is tired laughing. Lots of people can ride bicycles, but no one on the whole Pacific coast can ride a wheel like Sid Baker, the king of the cycle. His aerial feats are thrilling and perilous. Bessie Southwick, a pert and pretty soubrette, will sing melodious ballads, while Raymond and Clark, the parody-makers, will juggle all the wares of two continents before the audience. The pictures on the bioscope will conclude a most attractive entertainment. Performances every week day at 2:30, 3:30, 7:30, 8:30 and 9:30 p. m. On Sundays the show will run continuously from 2 o'clock until 10:30 p. m. "WAY DOWN EAST." "Way Down East." Manager William A. Brady's much-talked-of production, which will be presented at the Marquam Grand theatre in the very near future, has had unlimited and enthusiastic praise from the critics. It is a play for women, and, in fact, from people in every walk of life, including thousands who are seldom seen inside the walls of a theatre. The scenes are laid on a New Hampshire farm, the play written by Lotte Blair Parker, and elaborated by Joseph R. Grismer. A Famous Remedy for Sick Headache. The cause of this complaint is not in the head at all—it comes from the stomach. A stomach that has become clogged by overeating, drinking, abuse in any manner will warn you by giving a sick headache. Cure the pains and distress in the stomach and the headache stops of itself. And bilious attacks, dyspepsia, belching, bad taste in the mouth, muddy complexion and yellow eyes are cured by this remedy. It is called Dr. Gunn's Improved Pills and is sold in all drug stores. All over the United States for 25 cents per box. One pill for a dose, or sent by mail on receipt of price. Samples free. Address: Dr. Rosancko Co., Philadelphia, Pa. THE WEBBER STUDIO. Banjo, mandolin, guitar instructions, 172 West Park. Phone Main 2088.