

The Home Circle.

WOMEN AS TEACHERS.

From an address before the Monroe County (Tennessee) Institute, by Rev. J. H. Brunner, D.D., President of Hixson College.

To-day there are more women than men in our country pursuing a course of higher education. What an advance in a hundred years!

The progress hitherto made in this cause has tended all the while to the elevation of the race. No truly womanly duty has been neglected. Educated women are not less disposed than others to make home comfortable or their husbands happy!

As long as her education was neglected, of course she was shut out from the office of teacher in our public schools. Now that she is educated, as well as the sterner sex, how does it happen that in these Southern States she is still practically ignored as a teacher.

In the long ago, when she was shut out from instruction, a woman capable of teaching was about as rare as a white crow, and about as much picked at by her fellows! A writer in the 13th century thus mirrored the sentiment of his age, as to female duty: "Knowing how to pray to God and love her man, and to knit and sew!"

According to the census last taken there were in the United States 169,577 teachers—of these 126,822 were women, and only 42,755 were men! That is, 74 out of every 100 were women. What an advance in a few centuries!

10. An often-overlooked fact: Women are more earnest and devoted—have more enthusiasm—than men, in their appropriate callings.

11. Men have more courage to face danger; but not so much patient endurance as women. Endurance, and not courage, is what we need in the school-room.

12. There is a magical power in symmetry, grace and melody—a combination more strikingly exemplified in woman than in man. Hence she sways even ruder natures where a Hercules might mangle fragments.

In my own experience, I have preferred women as teachers of my own children, both boys and girls, and the results have more than met my expectations.

HELLER'S SECOND-SIGHT TRICK.—Robert Heller, whose life and death are elsewhere described, will be remembered for his second sight trick more than for anything else. That feature of his performances, consisting of their description, by a blindfolded woman on the stage, of articles touched by him in the audience, was not new with him, but he carried it to a greater degree of mystification than any of his predecessors.

To select a suitable list of journals for the farmer's bedside is by no means a trivial matter. The minds of the young are more or less moulded by what they read, and hence every home should be supplied with the choicest matter that can be procured.

Flower Pots.

Save the tin fruit cans, and convert them into tasteful flower pots in the following manner: With a can opener cut off any rough or projecting portions of the cover, leaving a narrow rim to project inward.

FOR THE CHILDREN.

The Robin Redbreasts. Two Robin Redbreasts built their nests Within a hollow tree; The hen sat quietly at home.

The Indian and the Settler.

It is generally supposed that the Indian is an exceedingly cunning being, unrivalled in the peculiar knowledge of the woods. This is something of a mistake. The Indian has the quick perception and the natural sagacity of one who lives in the woods; but it never surpassed, if it equalled, the acquired knowledge and perception of the pioneer hunter.

An Old "Setting" Cat.

Fancy the amazement of a mother-cat at having fifteen added to her family in the mysterious way here related: At a farm-house not far from Newton Stewart, Orange county, Ind., a rather uncommon circumstance took place recently.

As to Pigeons—By Little Johnny.

My sister says that no man which shoots pigeon matches shall marry her, but no man would want to marry her, I guess, as long as pigeon shooting held out, as that would be fun enough.

said: "I'd like to bit it my own self if it was a good pidgin gun, but I guess it aint cos it has come mity ui spillin a match." Some pidgins carries letters, same as the postoffice, and one time when my sister's yung man went away he cot one of our pidgins and took it along for to fetch back a letter to her, jest for a fiter.

Liver is King.

The Liver is the imperial organ of the whole human system, as it controls the life, health and happiness of man. When it is disturbed in its proper action, all kinds of ailments are the natural result.

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A Gentle Hint.

In our style of climate, with its sudden changes of temperature, rain, wind, and sunshine often intermingling in a single day, it is no wonder that our children, friends and relatives are so frequently taken from us by neglected colds, half the deaths resulting directly from this cause.

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WE TWAIN.

[From the "Maupassant Poets"] Earth and Heaven are far apart! But what if they were one, And neither you nor I, Sweetheart, Had anyway a reason?

IDEALS.

How fair they rise! Grace celestial sways these shadowy forms! What deep and tender radiance stirs and warms Those lustrous eyes!

HOT AND COLD BREAD.

To keep a good-sized family in bread requires much labor and care, that is, a good, wholesome light bread—bread we must have, for it is the staff of life. Your heavy bread is trying to both disposition and digestion; a good disposition is never found accompanying bad digestion.