



A MOTHER'S LOVE.

WHAT IS MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN MOTHER LOVE?

*Who ran to help me when I fell
And would some pretty story tell,
Or kiss the place to make it well,
My mother?

A mother's worries are many. She sometimes forgets her own bodily discomforts because of her overpowering love for the child. She becomes broken down, sleepless, nervous, irritable and feels tired from morning until night. Many mothers of experience can tell you that at such a time they have been relieved, benefited and strengthened and put into proper health by taking a prescription which their mothers had told them was the only woman's tonic to be taken at such times. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has enjoyed an enviable reputation for over a third of a century. In all that time it has sold more largely in the United States than any other tonic for woman's needs, and today its sales are greater than ever. Dr. Pierce made up this prescription from roots and herbs without the use of a particle of alcohol or narcotic and for the single purpose of curing those diseases peculiar to women and when there is a lack of womanly strength to bear the burdens of maternal duty. How few women come to this critical time with adequate strength. The reason why so many women sink under the strain of motherhood is because they are unprepared. In preparation then required for motherhood? asks the young woman. And every experienced mother answers: "Yes." "I unhesitatingly advise expectant mothers to use Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription," writes Mrs. J. W. G. Stephens, of Mills, Va. The reason for this advice is that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the best preparative for the maternal function. No matter how healthy and strong a woman may be, she cannot use "Favorite Prescription" as a preparative for maternity without gain of health and comfort. But it is the women who are not strong who best appreciate the great benefits received from the use of "Favorite Prescription." For one thing its use makes the baby's advent practically painless. It has in many cases reduced days of suffering to a few brief hours. It has changed the period of anxiety and struggle into a time of ease and comfort.

A DUTY WOMEN OWE THEMSELVES.
"Good actions speak louder than words," so, too, does the testimony of

many thousands of women during a third of a century speak louder than mere claims not backed by a guarantee of some kind. That is the reason why the proprietors of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription are willing to offer \$500 reward for women who cannot be cured. Such a remarkable offer is founded on the long record of cures of the diseases and weaknesses peculiar to women. If there is an invalid woman, suffering from female weakness, prolapsus, or falling of womb, or from leucorrhoea, who has used Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription without complete success, the original proprietors and makers of that world-famed medicine would like to hear from such person—and it will be to her advantage to write them as they offer, in perfect good faith, a reward of \$500 for any case of the above maladies which they cannot cure. No other medicine for woman's ills is possessed of the unparalleled curative properties that would warrant its makers in publishing such an offer.

Miss Emma Petty, 1126 S. Olive Street, Indianapolis, Ind., Past Vice-President, Daughters of Pochontas, Minneola Church, also Organist, South Baptist Church, Indianapolis, writes: "For several years I suffered with leucorrhoea, which was a serious drain on my vitality, sapping my strength and causing severe headaches, bearing-down pains and a general worn-out feeling, until I really had no desire to live. I had many medicines recommended to me and tried many, but did not get permanent relief until I took Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. In two months I was much better and stronger, and in four months I was well. Have had no more disagreeable discharge, no more pain; so I have every reason to praise 'Favorite Prescription.' I consider it without an equal for ills of women."

MARRIED MEN AND WOMEN

should have a medical book handy, for knowledge is power. They should know about anatomy and physiology. They should have a book that treats of the sexological relations of both sexes out of and in wedlock, as well as how and when to advise son and daughter. Has unqualified endorsement of the press, ministry, legal and medical professions. The main cause of unhappiness, ill-health, sickly children, and divorce is admitted by physicians and shown by court records to be the violation of the laws of self and sex. A standard work is the People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, by R. V. Pierce, M. D. Send 31 one-cent stamps for the cloth-bound book, or 21 stamps for the paper-covered volume. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.



THE SENTRY BOX
AN EXPENSIVE LUXURY.
What the Small Money Order Nuisance Costs the People.

The postal laws of the United States explicitly direct that the accounting officer shall correctly ascertain and annually report all the expenses of the money order service—that is to say, the total cost of issuing and redeeming postal money orders.

Unfortunately this mandate of law has never been complied with. One reason is that the clerical force of the Auditor's office has always been insufficient—another is that some of the items entering into the cost of money orders can only be approximately ascertained. It is impossible, however, for those who know the inside workings of the department to collate through official reports and reliable estimates all the money order expenses, and this has now for the first time been done under the auspices of the Sentry Box Bureau.

The following statement showing the cost of the money order system in the post office department, covering the real expenses of the issuing and redemption of the orders, is made from official reports so far as they go and from conservative estimates of unreported expenditures:

Blanks and stationery for the money order service	\$ 170,000
Blanks and stationery for the auditor's office	35,000
Salaries of clerks in money order division of the postoffice department	75,000
Salaries of clerks in money order divisions of the auditor's office	420,000
Salaries of money order clerks in first and second class postoffices	1,700,000
Commissions for issuing money orders to third and fourth class postmasters	930,000
Loss of money order funds from fire burglaries, etc.	21,000
Services and expenses of postoffice inspectors engaged in money order cases	80,000
Expenses of United States courts in trying money order cases	60,000
10 per cent of postmasters' salaries at money order offices	2,000,000
Total	\$5,491,000

The only item here included which can cause controversy is the last, relating to postmasters' salaries. There are about 35,000 postmasters at whose offices money orders are issued. A considerable proportion of their labor and a still greater proportion of their pecuniary responsibility is caused by the money order service, and handling the funds pertaining thereto. If there were no money orders these postmasters' salaries could be charged to the money order system, but to be absolutely safe and fair within due bounds this estimate only charges 10 per cent of their aggregate compensation to this service.

Now as the official report for 1904 shows a total of fees received for the issue of money orders amounting to a trifle over \$3,000,000, it is clearly seen that the loss to the government on the whole service is approximately \$2,500,000.

The fees received by the government for the issue of money orders range in amount from 3 cents for orders of the lowest denomination to 30 cents for those of the highest. Official examination shows that 78 per cent of the orders are of the denomination of \$5 or less, and 50 per cent of \$2.50 and less. From this statement it becomes possible to ascertain the loss to the postal revenues incurred on the small money orders, which would come into direct competition with the proposed post check system.

About fifty millions of money orders were issued during the fiscal year 1904.	
On 50 per cent of these, or 25,000,000, a fee of 3 cents each was received; total	\$ 750,000
On 14,000,000, between \$2.50 and \$5, a fee of 5 cents each; aggregate	700,000

Thus a total of fees received from the 39,000,000 small orders was 1,450,000. Taking the above total cost of the money order system \$5,491,000. We have 78 per cent (being cost of small money orders) 4,283,000. Less fees collected as above, 1,450,000.

Loss on small money orders, \$2,833,000. From these statements it will read-

ily appear that if there were no money orders issued for less than \$5 each, the system would pay a small but satisfactory profit. The average fee received on 11,000,000 money orders above \$5 each is 14.5 cents, while the average cost of the money order service for each of the 50,000,000 orders issued is a little over 10 cents. In other words, eliminate the small orders by substituting the post check, and the money order service of the postoffice department, instead of causing a loss of \$2,800,000 a year will show a profit of over \$300,000.

Figures like these are of value to our statesmen who are anxious to discover the remedy for the great deficit in the national revenues, especially in those of the postoffice department, which ought, as a plain business proposition, to always equal or exceed the expenditures.

The figures are also of interest to the people at large, who are clamoring for a cheaper, simpler and more convenient means of making small remittances by mail such as would be afforded by the post check plan.

THE SENTRY.

THE VALUE OF CHARCOAL.

Few People Know How Useful It Is in Preserving Health and Beauty.

Nearly everybody knows that charcoal is the safest and most efficient disinfectant and purifier in nature, but few realize its value when taken into the human system for the same cleansing purpose.

Charcoal is a remedy that the more you take of it the better; it is not a drug at all, but simply absorbs the gases and impurities always present in the stomach and intestines and carries them out of the system.

Charcoal sweetens the breath after smoking, drinking or after eating onions and other odoriferous vegetables.

Charcoal effectually clears and improves the complexion, it whitens the teeth and further acts as a natural and eminently safe cathartic.

It absorbs the injurious gases which collect in the stomach and bowels; it disinfects the mouth and throat from the poison of catarrh.

All druggists sell charcoal in one form or another, but probably the best charcoal and the most for the money is in Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges; they are composed of the finest powdered Willow charcoal, and other harmless antiseptics in tablet form or rather in the form of large, pleasant tasting lozenges, the charcoal being mixed with honey.

The daily use of these lozenges will soon tell in a much improved condition of the general health, better complexion, sweeter breath and purer blood, and the beauty of it is, that no possible harm can result from their continued use, but on the contrary, great benefit.

A Buffalo physician in speaking of the benefits of charcoal, says: "I advise Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges to all patients suffering from gas in stomach and bowels, and to clear the complexion and purify the breath, mouth and throat; I also believe the liver is greatly benefited by the daily use of them; they cost but twenty-five cents a box at drug stores, and although in some sense a patent preparation, yet I believe I get more and better charcoal in Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges than in any of the ordinary charcoal tablets."

William is Traveling.

Dover, March 24.—The steamer Hamburg, with Emperor William on board, arrived here this morning, en route to the Mediterranean.

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Pensioner 105 Years Old.

Aneworth, N. H., March 25.—William Welch, a resident of this place, will be 105 years old tomorrow, having been born during the administration of John Adams, the second vice president of the United States. He holds the records of being the oldest pensioner of the civil war, and is just a month younger than Hiram Cronk, who holds the same record for the war of 1812. Welch was over 60 years old when he enlisted in Company I, Fourteenth New Hampshire volunteers. At the last session of congress a bill was passed increasing Welch's pension from \$12 to \$24 a month.

Crops Were Large.

It has been figured out that if the 1904 crops were equally divided, every man, woman and child in the United States would receive 1 barrel of flour, 200 eggs, 14 quarts of milk, 1 bushel of apples and 2 1/2 bushels of other fruit and berries, 3 bushels of potatoes and two bushels of carrots, beets, parsnips and turnips, 11 heads of cabbage, 28 bushels of corn, 70 pounds of cotton, 6 pounds of wool for clothes and enough leather to make two pairs of shoes.

Columbus Fire.

Columbus, O., March 25.—A fire which burned all night destroyed the building of the Columbus Dry Goods Company, and damaged the adjoining property, entailing a total loss of \$250,000.

Serious Runaway.

Ab. Davis and Mr. Churchill of near Scotts Mills, met with a serious runaway accident last Friday evening, while riding home from that place, where they had spent a part of the day. The team which belonged to Mr. Davis, and which was being driven by the owner, became frightened at something and started to run.

Both men were thrown from the vehicle with considerable force. Mr. Churchill's collar bone was fractured, and Mr. Davis was seriously bruised, and it is believed injured internally. One of the horses was killed instantly and the harness and vehicle almost entirely ruined.—Silverton Appeal.

Duel in Nevada.

Goldfield, Nev., March 24.—The news has reached here of a pistol duel between deputies sheriff and two robbers at Beatty, 80 miles south of here. The robbers held up a wood camp on Sunday and got \$400. They were even taken last night at Beatty and opened fire. Deputy Harry Mannon was shot and probably fatally injured. One robber was caught and one escaped. There is talk of lynching the culprit.

To the Country People

When in town take your meals at the Star Restaurant, 339 Court Street, adjoining Wade's hardware store. Meals at all hours, 15 cents. Phone 301 Red.