

MOTHER! MOVE CHILD'S BOWELS

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breath bad, remember a good cleansing of the little bowels is often all that is necessary. Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup," which has directions for babies and children of all ages printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup.—adv

The Lighted Candle

By Christopher G. Hazard

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"I'M SORRY for anyone who has to be out tonight," said Mrs. Gentle, as she drew down the window shades and stirred the hearth fire, shutting the light in and the darkness out and sending a host of sparks up the chimney to scare away the storm. The disappointed wind howled in its rage and shook the house, the snow whirled about and heaped itself up, the cold tried to get in at every crack and crevice, but Nelly and her mother were as snug and safe as any Christmas eve could wish to find them. The Christmas tree looked all ready for the youngsters who were fast asleep upstairs and dreaming



about it, with its bundles and gilded balls it fairly twinkled in the firelight, like the star of hope that guided those wise people that brought their gifts to the Christ Child long ago.

"Mother," said Nelly, "this is as comfy as it can be with father away on the wild sea, but I don't quite like to have the outside of the house all dark; I like to think of friendly lighthouses when it storms and of our house as a kindly guide in the darkness."

"Well," answered her mother, "suppose we do as they did in that lovely story we read the other day, and put a candle in the window to guide the Christ Child through the storm, and you can hang up another stocking, in case he should come."

So the four stockings by the chimney corner became five, a shade was lifted a little to give a glimpse of the pleasant room, and the lighted candle sent its beams out into the stormy night, looking for any little wanderer who might be astray. The cheering rays played with the snowflakes and they seemed to feel invited in as they pressed upon the window panes.

While they sat there listening and looking, there came a step on the stair and there was Tommy, in his nightgown and peeking through the partly opened door. Failing to see Santa Claus, he was about to flee up to his room again, but Nelly caught him and said that he must sing them a song first, as a punishment for his curiosity. Tommy had just learned a new song, so he was willing enough, and this was it:

Five little brothers set out together
To journey the lifelong day;
In a curious carriage, all made of leather,
They hurried away, away.
One big brother and three quite small,
One wee fellow, no size at all.

The carriage was dark and not too roomy,
They could not move about;
The five little brothers grew quite gloomy,
The wee one began to pout.
Till the biggest one whispered,
"What do you say?"
Let's leave the carriage and run away."

So off they scampered, the five together,
Far away they sped;
When somebody found the carriage of leather,
Oh, my! how she shook her head!
'Twas her little boy's shoe; as everyone knows,
The five little brothers were five little toes.

Then, with a bow, Tommy was off to his dreams again.
The fire was burning low and so was the candle, so it was time to go upstairs and get out of Santa's way, but just as Nelly and her mother were about to do so there came a little face up against the window pane and they heard a small voice, so faint that they could not know what it was saying. It took Nelly but a moment to throw open the door and bring the little stranger in, but it was longer than that before they could cuddle him up into comfort and warm his cold little toes. It was not until Christmas morning that the searchers found out where the little boy had wandered to, and when they came to Mrs. Gentle's house he was happily busy in opening his stocking, and did not want to go home. After he had gone away, with his stocking under his arm and candy marks all over his face, Nelly said, "Mother, I think there is a good deal of truth in that story about guiding the Christ Child to your house with a lighted candle."

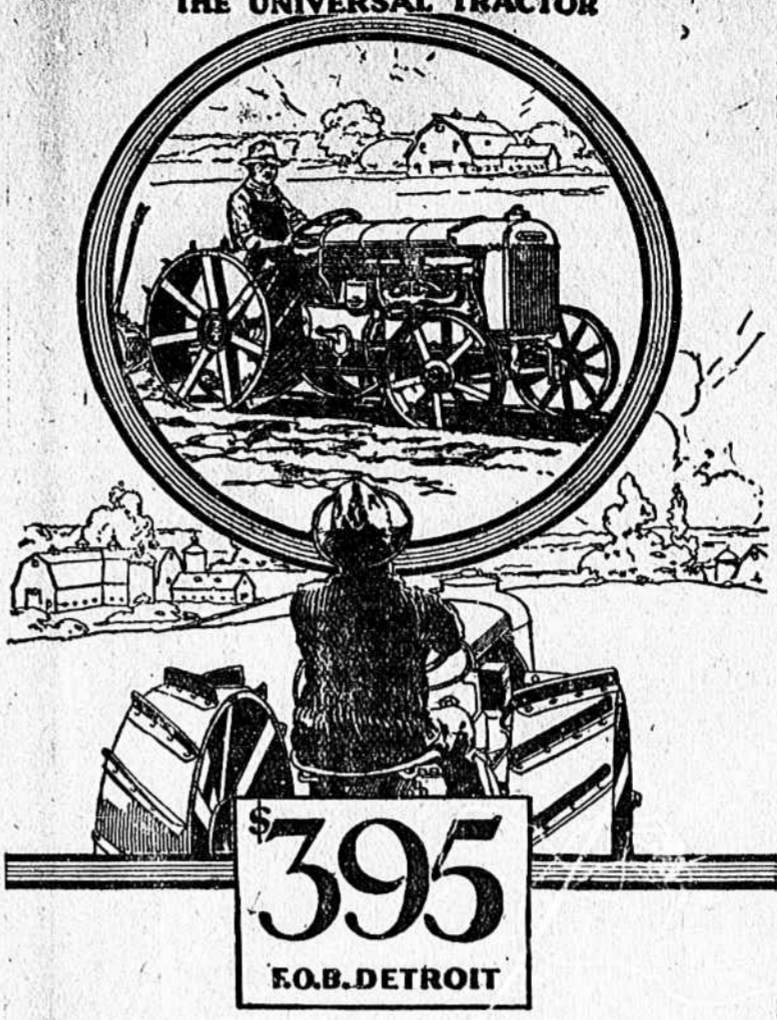


Friends Again.
(N. Y. Christian Advocate.)
An inquisitive old lady was always asking her minister questions. One day the persistent lady asked: "Mr. —, can you please tell me the difference between cherubim and seraphim?"
The minister thought deeply for a minute or two, and then quietly replied, "Well, they had a difference, madam, but they have made it up."

During the first three months of 1922 a total of 10,263,072 pairs of cotton stockings were exported from the United States.

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GOOD SCHEME.
Doing your Christmas shopping early, ain't you Jones?
Well, you see I want to get my wife's Christmas present before my creditors get around to buying their wife's presents.

Christmas Trees and Stockings.
Two Christmas practices, both old and very pretty, that have come down to us are the Christmas tree and the hanging up of children's stockings on Christmas eve. Each provides a way of making gifts, and the way provided by the stockings is especially pleasing to children. Perhaps it is going out, but in homes where it is still followed there are delighted children on Christmas morning when the mysteriously-filled stockings are examined in something like awe blended with great pleasure. The Christmas tree survives, and no Christmas tree festival is complete without one, brilliant with lights and loaded with presents, presided over by a merry yet venerable Santa Claus.

Christmas Neckties.
Some individual with leisure and curious mind has figured out that 90 out of every 100 men receive a necktie as a Christmas gift. The estimate is conservative, but how many of the neckties so bestowed are worn by their recipients? The giving of neckties is a perilous proceeding always, for a necktie is essentially a matter of individual taste. Many a man gets neckwear at Christmas that he could readily enough admire as part of a curtain or a drape, but that he would wear only under the compulsion of a gun leveled at his head.

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MORE COTTON USED NOVEMBER

Just Past Than in Any Similar Period Since in October, 1917.

A dispatch from Washington says: More cotton was utilized during November than in any month since October, 1917, the census bureau has announced in its monthly report on cotton consumption. The cotton spinning industry has shown increased activity for several months. Cotton on hand Nov. 30 in consuming establishments amounted to 1,721,425 bales of lint and 95,069 of linters, compared with 1,379,770 of lint and 82,169 of linters on Oct. 31, and 1,655,359 of lint and 152,652 of linters on Nov. 30 last year.

Cotton on hand Nov. 30 in public storage and at compresses amounted to 4,197,059 bales of lint and 21,634 of linters, compared with 4,329,902 of lint and 16,812 of linters on Oct. 31, and 5,292,941 of lint and 177,378 bales of linters on Nov. 30 last year.

Active spindles numbered 34,664,630 in November, compared with 33,859,076 in October of this year and 34,428,339 in November of last year. Import and export statistics are not available. The statistics for cotton-growing States follow:

Consumed during November, 363,813 bales, compared with 346,435 in October this year and 322,593 in November last year.

Cotton held Nov. 30, in consuming establishments totaled 1,107,826 bales, compared with 875,981 on Oct. 31 this year and 877,486 on Nov. 30 last year.

Cotton held Nov. 30 in public storage and at compresses totaled 3,983,041 bales, compared with 4,124,589 on Oct. 31 this year and 4,952,202 on Nov. 30 last year.

Cotton spindles active during November numbered 15,859,962, compared with 15,831,959 in October of this year and 15,489,965 in November last year.

Cotton exports for November were 858,337 bales, including 2,827 bales of linters, compared with 798,664 bales including 1,535 bales of linters, in October.

Dozier with State Welfare Board.

At the December meeting of the State Board of Public Welfare Major James C. Dozier, of Rock Hill, was elected executive secretary of the Welfare Board to succeed Rev. G. C. Williams resigned. Major Dozier was with the 118th Infantry, 30th Division, in France and is one of four living South Carolinians to wear the coveted Congressional medal having been cited for conspicuous bravery during the World War. He is also a director of the Rock Hill Chamber of Commerce, a director of the Rock Hill chapter of the American Red Cross and a Rotarian. He received his education in the public schools, Wofford Fitting School and Wofford College. Major Dozier is recognized as a man of the highest character, integrity and executive ability, and his general training and inclination fit him admirably for his new position.

Stone bridges were first built by the Romans.

WANTS THIRTEEN-CENT STAMP.

The Entire History of United States Bound Up in Figure 13.

Postmaster General Work has received from members of the American history class of the Shepherd College State Normal School, Shepherdstown, W. Va., a petition that the Postoffice Department again issue stamps of the 13-cent denomination, which was recently abandoned.

The petition declares that the entire history of the United States is bound up in the figure 13 and gives the following historical reasons why the 13-cent stamp should be issued: America was discovered on the night of the 13th of the month. The republic originally consisted of 13 colonies.

The first official flag had 13 stars and 13 stripes. The "American Eagle" requires 13 letters to spell it, as does also the motto, "E Pluribus Unum."

The first word to pass over the trans-Atlantic cable was transmitted on the 13th of the month. The silver quarter is written all over with 13: Around the head of Liberty are 13 stars; the eagle bears an olive branch, with 13 leaves in one claw and 13 thunderbolts in the other. On his breast is a shield bearing 13 bars, and in his beak is a ribbon bearing the motto with 13 letters; each wing has 13 feathers, and it takes 13 letters to spell "quarter dollar."

There are 13 letters in John Paul Jones' name. There were 13 ships in the first American navy.

Perry's victory on Lake Erie was won on the 13th of the month. The Stars and Stripes were raised over Fort Sumter on the 13th of the month.

Gen. Pershing arrived in France on June 13, 1917. The 13th amendment to the Constitution freed the negro slaves.

It would not cost any more to make a 13-cent stamp than any other one.

The petition to Postmaster General Work also suggests several designs for the stamp, all commemorating the 13 colonies.

Furman Honors Bishop Finlay.

A Greenville dispatch says: The honorary degree of doctor of divinity was conferred by Furman University recently upon Bishop K. G. Finlay, of the Upper South Carolina Episcopal diocese, and the degree of doctor of laws upon Rev. E. J. Forrester, pastor of the First Baptist church of Sparta, Ga. The conferring of the degrees was a part of the annual Founders' Day exercises at Furman. The two honorary degrees were voted by the board of trustees of Furman during the commencement exercises last June, but neither Bishop Finlay nor Rev. Forrester was able to be present at commencement exercises, and the conferring of the degrees was postponed until to-day.

Bishop Finlay and Rev. Forrester were the principal speakers at the Founders' Day exercises. Bishop Finlay is a graduate of Furman of the class of 1899. Mr. Forrester graduated from Furman with the class of 1877.

Job for Husband and Cook.

(Charleston News and Courier.)
There is a certain young matron of Charleston who is a bit absent-minded, and consequently apt to confuse matters at times. On one occasion she was fearful lest she would forget to order the chicken in time for dinner. Throughout the forenoon she kept repeating to herself, "Chickens—grocer! Chickens—grocer." Finally when the hour approached, when she was accustomed to call the grocer, she took up the phone and asked: "Have you any nice young grocers?"
"Why, yes, madam," came in a surprised tone from the other end.
"This is Mrs. Jones talking," she went on, "and I want you to send me a couple, dressed."
"Send you a couple, dressed!"
"Well, no; you had better send them undressed, and then when my husband comes home he'll wring their necks and the cook can dress them."

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"Flowers that Bloom in the Spring."

A Greenwood dispatch says: Purple Iris that normally blooms at Easter when Easter comes late in April are in full bloom at the home of Mrs. J. O. Mattison, on Edgemoor avenue here, and the plants are filled with buds, which are expected to be in full bloom Christmas. No protection has been given the plants, and they were only induced to bloom out of season by the mild weather that has prevailed throughout the fall. Strawberries have been ripening here in the gardens for the past few weeks where grass has protected the plants from the few slight frosts. A great many green leaves are still clinging to trees, and some Christmas evergreens being gathered are not evergreen at all, but plants that have not yet been killed by frost.

Bolling It Down.

(Washington Star.)
"Moses," said Uncle Eben, "was a great lawgiver. But he way he was satisfied to keep de Ten Commandments short an' to do point shows he wasn't no reg'lar lawyer."

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