

Here's How

BY E. W. HOWE
"The Sage of Potato Hill"



THE HUNDRED DAYS → GOOD CONDUCT — ADVICE

Fiction is a poor thing compared with facts. I suppose I know the story of the siege of Troy, from having read a little of it, and hearing of it many years. It never interested me, its incidents seeming childish, especially that one of the river taking sides, and leaving its banks, at the command of the gods, to inconvenience some of the combatants.

But I read of Napoleon, a real man, with absorbing interest. Every little while there is a new book about him, and I am not satisfied until I get hold of it. His life was crowded with incidents an ordinary man can in some measure understand.

His first wife had an impudent, troublesome, highly-bred and ugly little dog he hated; he was so frequently away from home on his big affairs that the dog did not know him, and it occasionally bit the conqueror. He tried to bribe a servant to get rid of the dog, but could not, with all his power.

I have heard all my life that when a man "amounts to something," his wife reverences and obeys him. Probably Napoleon amounted to more, considering everything, than any other man that ever lived, but both his wives were unfaithful, and made a specialty of nagging him.

To my mind the most remarkable incident in Napoleon's life was his return from Elba. He was a prisoner of the allied nations, after his disgrace at Waterloo. His own country was in hostile hands; his soldiers had turned against him. Yet he landed in France, almost alone, and marched toward Paris. As he encountered soldiers sent against him, he spoke to

them, and they were converted to his cause; when he approached the gates of Paris, he had a vast army at his heels, and the king fled, taking his treasure with him, which the people on the other side of France captured to lay at the feet of this impudent, strangely powerful and lovable man.

He walked the steps of the king's palace, removed his travel-stained clothing, went to bed in security, and fell asleep to the sweet sound of "Long live Napoleon!"

In all his omnipotence God never witnessed a stranger scene.

When good conduct does not pay, I do not urge it; indeed, I believe that when a man's conduct is not generally profitable, it is not good, and he should change it. The scheme of life contemplates a healthy, normal body, and in 95 per cent of births is natural inheritance. This entails food getting, shelter, association with pleasing creatures of our kind, and thus conduct is born. As it is good or bad, we succeed or fail.

When most people talk, they are merely barking what others have said.

The utility of good advice has often impressed me. . . . A gentleman in Michigan who has long made a business of giving advice about securing employment, and who has written extensively on the subject, writes to me to confess he is out of a job, and cannot find one. . . . Somehow this old gentleman reminds me of a doctor who has spent all his life in advising others as to health, and is himself ill, and writing to others for advice.

CROSS HILL NEWS

Miss Clara Dial, who has been in Westfield, Mass., for several weeks, returned home Saturday.

Miss Frances Hawkins left for Heath Springs Wednesday where she will attend school.

Miss Agnes Ivaman is at home after spending her vacation in Whiteville, N. C. with relatives.

Margaret Bryson of Hamlet, N. C., is visiting Mrs. Bigie Leaman.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Leaman and little daughter, Helen Miller, are visiting relatives in Monticello.

Miss Elise Hawkins is back from several weeks' visit to friends in Heath Springs and Myrtle Beach.

Miss Helen Johnston returned to her home at Davidson, N. C., after visiting her sister, Mrs. McGill.

H. C. Leaman spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Leaman.

Mrs. M. C. Pinson and little daughter, Faye, are spending this week in Springfield with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Wasson of Charleston, are visiting Mrs. Lou Bryson.

Burton Mathews of Ninety-Six, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lathan Crisp.

Mrs. R. D. Nance, Jr., is at home from a month's visit to the mountains.

Dr. and Mrs. Fred Klugh and little daughter, Marion, of Atlanta, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Miller and children of Whitmire, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. McKinnon and

children, are in the mountains for several weeks.

The new Cross Hill gin is rapidly going up. It is hoped to have it completed by Sept. 15. The capital stock is \$10,000.

The Ladies club met with Mrs. Conway Dial Thursday afternoon. Punch was served by Miss Eleanor Dial, and block cream and cake was served by the hostesses, Mrs. Tom Crews, Mrs. Luther Young, Mrs. Conway Dial and Miss Emma J. Dial.

The Cross Hill school will begin its 1929-30 session on Monday morning, Sept. 2. The superintendent for the coming year will be V. P. Weldon of Sumter. The complete corps of teachers, with their home address, follows:

V. P. Weldon, superintendent, Sumter, S. C.

Miss Eleanor Hood, Hartsville, S. C., Latin and mathematics.

Miss Elise Hawkins, Cross Hill, French and English.

Miss Isabel Patterson, Rock Hill, S. C., home economics.

Miss Elizabeth Thompson, Laurens, S. C., 7th grade.

Miss Lucy Good, Sharon, S. C., 5th and 6th grades.

Miss Margaret Finley, Clinton, S. C., 3rd and 4th grades.

Miss Helen Timberlake, Columbia, S. C., 1st and 2nd grades.

Miss Margaret Rasor, Cross Hill, music.

Father And Son Brothers-In-Law

Greenville, Aug. 2.—To be the brother-in-law of one's own son and to be the father of a son who is a nephew of his half-brother, is the peculiar and unusual situation in which a well known Greenville storekeeper finds himself.

On the face of the above facts, it appears that the domestic situation is a bit tangled and twisted, but as a matter of fact, it is all very simple.

Mr. Blank, senior, married for the third time and later his son, by a former wife, married a sister of his father's bride. Father and son became brothers-in-law. Matters were further complicated when the elder Blank became the father of a new boy. The youngster, first of all, is a half brother of Mr. Blank, junior, but being the son of the junior Blank's sister-in-law, he is also his nephew.

Real complications will arise when, and if, the junior Blank becomes a father, for in that case his father will be the grand-parent of his own nephew or niece.

Babies must be protected from flies. Besides their torment and torture, flies transmit over thirty different diseases, any one of which may prove fatal. Every fly you see must be killed. INSIST upon and get FLY-TOX, the scientific product developed at Mellon Institute of Industrial Research by Rex Fellowship. It is harmless to mankind but sure death to all household insects. Just follow instructions on blue label of bottle. Insist on FLY-TOX with its perfume-like fragrance.—Adv.

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P. S. JEANES

Home Demonstration Notes

Miss Mary Shaw Gilliam, Agent

Farm Women Organize County Council

Members of home demonstration clubs and others in the county interested in this work assembled at the court house Friday morning for the purpose of organizing a farm council in Laurens county.

Miss Mary Shaw Gilliam, county agent, had charge of the meeting, which was opened with the song, "Carolina." After the devotionals, Miss Gilliam stated the purpose of the meeting and introduced the speakers on the program.

Miss Blanch Tarrant, district agent, gave the needs of such an organization in the county. She stated that such an organization helped the home maker, placed farm life on a basis of profit, comfort, culture and power. Again, quoting Miss Tarrant, as to what other county councils have done, she says they have afforded delightful social contacts, made friendly and sympathetic associations with other women's organizations. They have developed leadership among rural women and since it is the center of the combined efforts of all farm women, it has solved problems that have accomplished great results.

Mrs. J. L. Williams, director of the Piedmont district of county councils, gave an interesting talk on the method of working in the county council. Her viewpoint was that of a farm woman, living in a rural community in Greenwood county, and having no interest save that of farming.

Miss Louise Flemming, county agent, gave the county council's affiliation with home demonstration work, showing the great results in her own county due to the cooperation of the two organizations.

The group was keenly interested in the information, and proved this by organizing a county council of farm women, to begin work with the following officers:

President, Mrs. Annie H. Dunlap.

First Vice-President, Mrs. Pless Brown.

Second Vice-President — Mrs. Fred Cook.

Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Patterson.

Directors—Mrs. Melvin Abercrombie, Mrs. L. C. Taylor, Mrs. John Hunter.

Club Market Moves To Court House

The farm women wish to announce to all patrons of the club market that they will be prepared to serve the public Saturday morning in the hallway of the court house. This will be more convenient and will afford plenty of parking space.

Edison Has Three Favorite Flowers

The heliotrope, dahlia and golden-rod—these have been named by Thomas A. Edison as his favorites among all the flowers that grow. Utterly dissimilar in type and chosen for reasons as different as the flowers themselves, this selection by the greatest inventor of modern times will be received with interest by flower lovers everywhere.

Mr. Edison's selection of heliotrope and dahlia will be applauded widely, for both these flowers have many staunch followers. When Thomas A. Edison was a lad, the heliotrope was a general favorite. No bouquet or old-time garden was complete without its dainty, fragrant beauty. The heliotrope, whose name means "turning to the sun," was the flower of sentiment and romance.

The dahlia, on the other hand, is the darling of the modern horticulturists. It is the most splendid of the show flowers. The round, hard blossoms of earlier years have given way to a profusion of types of extravagant beauty. More than 3,000 varieties of dahlias are listed today, in colors to delight the eye. The newest forms have large, flat blooms somewhat like a chrysanthemum. But the variations are infinite, single and double blooms, round ones and those with long curling pointed petals.

It is rather a far cry from the showy dahlia to the common golden

rod as a harbinger of hay fever and a menace to health. Many will feel that this lowly weed cannot be classed with cultivated flowers.

But the golden-rod has points to commend it. A symbol of fall, the golden-rod brightens the dying fields; its waving fronds of yellow have given inspiration to poet and painter. Beauty, however, is not the reason for its selection by Mr. Edison. Its practical possibilities have given the golden-rod value in the inventor's esteem. For the golden rod, more than any other of the 15,000 plants, trees and shrubs, tested in his laboratories, has shown the highest percentage of rubber. It grows prolifically—85 varieties of it almost everywhere in the United States. And its fair name is by way of being cleared, also.

Scientists say hay fever is not caused by golden-rod, but by its inconspicuous little neighbor, the ragweed. The modest golden-rod may yet become a great benefactor to mankind and justify the faith which has led Mr. Edison to include it among his favorite flowers.

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