

WOMAN AND WAR.

Ministering Angel in Time of Need.

Mrs. R. C. WEBB, of Anderson, read the following paper before a meeting meeting of the Robert E. Lee Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy:

Woman's relation to war is of the deepest, truest and tenderest kind, for our armies are composed of those nearest and dearest to her. A husband, perhaps, or a beloved son, a father or a brother. There was never a soldier shouldered arms but has been loved by some woman, for each and every one is some mother's son. That mother may be at home eagerly, yet tremblingly, awaiting the latest war news, or she may have passed over the silent river into that mysterious land beyond, where no wars are waged; but, no matter whether she lives or is dead, as the soldier boy realizes he is on the eve of battle, his thoughts wander back to childhood, home and mother. As he lies on his hard bed at night, with often times no shelter but the starry heavens above, in imagination that gentle face is bending over him, her presence is hovering around him, and back to memory flits the almost forgotten childhood's prayer—"Now I lay me down to sleep"; and well that boy knows, if mother lives and is a true woman, that often and often, day and night, she wafts her silent prayers heavenward for the safety and welfare of her soldier boy. And to the husband, with the tender remembrance of mother comes the thrilling thoughts of the beloved wife left at home; and with all these tender recollections flooding memory this stern resolution is made: "I will be brave, no matter what the danger; I will do my duty, no matter what the cost, for after all when we fight for our country are we not also fighting for our homes and those we love best." And such men are generally the ones who perform the greatest deeds of valor. They go into battle, not with a dare-devil, reckless kind of bravery, but with a steady courage and a resolute determination to do or die.

The poets recognized this influence of the absent but beloved woman, and many of our beautiful poems are fraught with the tender sentiments of the soldiers in the field for their much loved women left behind. And besides this general relation history, both written and unwritten, contains many peculiar instances of the relation of woman to war. David, because he admired Bathsheba and wanted her for his wife, ordered Joab to place her husband, Uriah, one of his soldiers, at the front in the next battle. He did so, and Uriah was killed. David married Bathsheba, and to punish him for this, God permitted Absalom, David's favorite son, to make war against his father. The flight of Helen of Troy with Paris caused the famous Trojan war. The interference of Pocahontas stayed the hands of Powhatan's men and saved the life of Capt. Smith in the stormy days of the early settlers. Joan Arc! The young French girl's name will live through all ages as a great leader in time of battle. Perhaps this feminine influence has been felt a very little bit in the present war. We all know how much was dared to rescue Miss Cisneros, and with what enthusiasm she was received in this country. We have heard a pretty little story, that may or may not be true, about the gentle invalid lady of our White House. The President was sending her away to escape the excitement attending the war proclamation. As she bade her husband good-bye her last words were, "Remember, the poor Cubans are starving," and since then war matters have been rushed right along.

We are all familiar with the grand work done by women in the army hospitals. Miss Clara Barton with her corps of assistants, under the protection of their red cross badge, goes everywhere. Miss Wheeler, of Alabama, daughter of Gen. Joe Wheeler, of Confederate fame, and now a great commander with the American army in Cuba, was, a few weeks ago, in Tampa, Florida, awaiting Miss Barton, hoping to join her band of nurses. She said, "My father and brother are at the front, and I cannot remain idle at home."

It is with feelings of pride we listen to a recital of the heroic struggles of our mothers during our war of the sixties. How they fed the hungry from their meagre pantries, clothed the naked, knitting the sox and making the garments, and from homespun cloth at that, with their own hands; how they housed and cared for the sick and wounded, and without even a regret parted with cherished table and bed linen, and even fine undergarments, impossible then to replace, for use as bandages, &c., in the Confederate hospitals.

good woman. Each one at her daily devotions should ask God to protect our soldiers from the twofold foe—namely, the armies of Spain and the many diseases peculiar to that tropical land. Life is a struggle from beginning to end. Each day has its battles. Every household is a seat of action, and here woman is no longer a power behind the throne, but seated on the domestic throne she is Queen of the home; and when, with duty as a guiding star, by her wise counsels and gentle, but firm, commands, she makes her home a haven of peace and rest, her victories are greater than those of the mightiest warrior; and when the battles of life are over, and her soul takes flight heavenward, we believe the hosts of the Almighty will proclaim, "A mighty conqueror comes," and her greeting at heaven's gate will be, "Thou has fought a good fight, welcome to the eternal home of the blest." Her reward will be neither medal nor laurel wreath, but a crown resplendent with the radiance of heavenly light, and joy and peace throughout all eternity.

Value of Water.

One of the greatest essentials to health is undoubtedly an abundant and free use of pure water. Water is the only fluid capable of circulating in all the tissues of the body and penetrating its finer vessels without irritation or injury. No other liquid than water can dissolve the various articles of food taken into the stomach. It is water only which forms the fluid portions of the blood, and thus serves to convey its nutriment to all parts of the body for its growth and replenishment. It is water, again, which takes up the decaying particles and conveys them by a most complicated and wonderful system of drainage from the body. In the morning the stomach contains a considerable quantity of mucus, spread over and adherent to its walls. If food enters at this time the mucus will interfere to some extent with the direct contact between the food and the stomach necessary to provoke the secretion of the gastric juices. A glass of water taken before breakfast passes through the stomach and gives it a thorough exercise and washing. In local troubles like chronic gastric catarrh, it is best to take hot water.

Such a time honored custom as soup at the beginning of dinner could only have been so persistently adhered to because of its having been found by experience to be the most appropriate time. It does what warm or hot water, with the addition of salt, does, in that it is nutritive and excites the flow of gastric juice.

Spanish Prisoners of War.

WASHINGTON, July 6.—Admiral Sampson has been directed to send his prisoners to the United States. Possibly the Harvard will bring some of them. The St. Louis is filled with wounded soldiers and cannot be used to convey the Spanish sailors. The enlisted men and non-commissioned officers among the prisoners will be sent to Portsmouth, N. H., where they will be confined on Seavy's island, in the harbor. Orders for the immediate preparation of that place for the reception of the prisoners are going forward. The commissioned officers, from Admiral Cervera himself down to the ensigns, will be sent to Fort Warren, Boston harbor, where they will be turned over to the army for safekeeping.



"Is She Your Daughter?" Have you a young daughter just at the age when young girls most need a mother's loving care? Is she physically strong and well or does she suffer from any weakness of the delicate organism which most intimately concerns her womanhood? If so, you understand her suffering better than anyone else can. You know that such troubles, unless remedied, mean a life of incapacity and wretchedness for her. You appreciate her reluctance to undergo physician's examinations and "treatments," and you will be glad of assurance from the most eminent medical authorities in this country that in nineteen cases out of twenty these mortifying methods are absolutely unnecessary. Any mother who will write about her daughter's case, to Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y., will receive free of cost the best professional advice obtainable, and instructions whereby a complete cure may, in nearly every instance, be effected by simple, common-sense home methods. No living physician has a wider practical experience or a higher reputation in the treatment of diseases peculiar to women than Dr. Pierce. His "Favorite Prescription" is the only proprietary remedy ever designed by an educated authorized physician specifically to cure women's diseases. His great 100-page illustrated book, "The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser," is of priceless value to every mother. It will be sent free on receipt of ten one-cent stamps, to pay the cost of mailing only. Address, World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.; or, send 31 stamps for a heavy, cloth-bound copy. The unfailing, never-gripping cure for constipation—Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

Lieutenant Blue, of South Carolina.

Atlanta Constitution.

When the old Confederate veterans meet in Atlanta this month there will be tears of joy shed over the victories that southern blood is achieving in the present conflict between this country and Spain. It is a pardonable pride that causes the blood in southern veins to leap faster along when the wires flash fresh from the field of battle the story of some new and daring exploit executed by a son of the south. We of the south have always known the valor of our people, as well as their loyalty to the American eagle; but we have been living so long beneath the misrepresentations of northern and eastern political mountebanks that the world, especially Spain, has come to look upon us as a band of rebels who were waiting only for an opportune time to strike a death blow to the stars and stripes.

When those huge wire cables which linked Cuba to the outside world were to be cut, it was a southern boy who led the schooner up to and beneath the fire of the arms of Cienfuegos—and it was Bagley of North Carolina who fell. When Cervera, with his fleet, had anchored within the harbor of Santiago and Admiral Sampson wanted the cork put into the bottle, it was a southern boy who planned the work and executed it beneath the most deadly fire that has yet issued from Spanish guns. And as a result Hobson of Alabama is held in a Spanish dungeon. When it became necessary for us to communicate with the insurgent general-in-chief, Gomez, whose army was on the mainland of Cuba, it was a southern boy who, with 12 picked men, led the expedition and ran the gauntlet of Spanish gunboats and Spanish soldiers. And when Admiral Sampson desired information concerning the number and position of Cervera's fleet, which was hidden behind the hills in the harbor of Santiago, he dispatched this same southern boy to the perilous task of passing the Spanish ranks and obtaining a position close enough to the harbor to give him the information desired. He covered 70 miles on muleback in accomplishing this feat. That boy was Lieut. Victor Blue of South Carolina, executive officer of the Suwanee with Sampson's fleet off Cuba. He bears the honor of having planted the first American flag on Cuban soil, and, therefore a few facts concerning his life may prove interesting.

Lieut. Victor Blue was born in eastern North Carolina about 30 years ago, and is descended from the early Scotch settlers of that district. It may be interesting to note in these days when heredity claims such an important part in affairs, that he is the son of Col. John Gilchrist Blue, of the Confederate army; the grandson of Col. John Blue of the war of 1812, and the great-grandson of Capt. John Blue of the Revolutionary war and of Capt. John Gilchrist of the British navy. His father was a native of North Carolina and was a member of the body who declared for secession, his vote being cast for the affirmative. When his term expired, he raised a company and went to the war, being with Lee in the Army of Northern Virginia until the surrender at Appomattox, having attained the rank of colonel.

Col. Blue moved to Marion when Victor was a baby, so, though he was born in North Carolina, he is a South Carolinian every inch of him. It may be interesting to note in this connection that his father studied law under Chief Justice Pearson, who was the grandfather of Richmond Pearson Hobson. Lieut. Blue early evinced an inclination for naval affairs by building and floating on the old mill-pond of the old homestead boats whittled from the pines of the State, and when he had reached the proper age he was sent to the United States Naval academy at Annapolis, from which institution he graduated with honor in the class of 1887.

For the next two years he was with the European squadron on the Pensacola, during which time he made a tour of Palestine. He also spent several months in northern Africa, visiting the pyramids and other places of interest. Since then he has been in south African waters; belonged to the south Atlantic, north and south Pacific and the north Atlantic squadrons. He was at the Union Iron works and superintended the building of the Oregon, and also performed the same duty during the construction of the Texas at the Norfolk navy yard. He was in South American waters during several revolutions in that country, being present at the battle of Managua, Nicaragua, Central America. He went in 1895 on the Thetis, Capt. Hutchins, to make a survey of southern California, taking charge of the land survey and exploring a portion of the country which had never before been surveyed—locating and naming mountain peaks, streams, etc. The map he made is now being used by the secretary of the navy. In addition to this he was stationed for two years, in Honolulu, at the time when cholera raged so. The Blue home is at Marion, S. C., a cozy, flower laden place in the black

belt of the State, where live Victor's mother, one brother and two sisters. Mrs. Blue is a daughter of Gen. William Evans, whose family have always been prominent in South Carolina in times of peace and war, having furnished that State with one governor. In fact Maj. John Gary Evans is now with Fitzhugh Lee at Jacksonville. There are eight children in the family, five girls and three boys, three of the girls and one of the boys being married. Rupert, who is two years younger than Lieut. Blue, is in charge of the port of Portland, Ore., as chief surgeon; assistant editor of the Medical News and delivers lectures in the hospitals. He married Miss Juliette Downs of Galveston, Tex., whose father is at present superintendent of the Western Alabama railway. The remaining son superintends the old plantation in the beautiful, rolling black belt of eastern South Carolina. Miss Kate Lilly Blue, the elder of the unmarried girls, is a popular contributor to the Sunny South. Her sister, Henriette, being the youngest of the family, is the pet of the home, and is a constant joy to all; her radiant, beaming and happy face being always wreathed with smiles of contentment and joyful peace.

OLON H. BRYAN.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Of the Oakway, Townville and Anderson Telephone Company, adopted by Board of Directors, June 17, 1898.

- 1st. The President shall not endorse any account to be paid by the Treasurer unless the Manager gives his written approval on the account.
- 2nd. The Treasurer shall not pay any account unless endorsed by President and approved by Manager. The Manager's approval of accounts shall be the countersigning with the claimant.
- 3rd. The Secretary will make collections of all dues owing to the Company as often as convenient—at least every six months. Each 'Phone holder shall settle with the Secretary as often as every six months, or whenever convenient.
- 4th. The Secretary and Treasurer shall make a report of the collections and disbursements to the President and Stockholders at each annual meeting of the Company.
- 5th. The Manager shall make report of his actings and doings to the President and Directors each year.
- 6th. The President shall call a meeting of the Directors as often as is necessary for the best interest of the Company, and also call meetings of the Stockholders whenever as many as five Stockholders shall request.
- 7th. The Manager shall make all orders for material and repairs of the line and 'Phones necessary for keeping them in good repair.
- 8th. The rates of messages are as follows: From Oakway to Townville and intermediate points 10c.; from Oakway to Anderson 20c.; from Townville to Anderson 15c.; intermediates 10c.
- 9th. Parties owing 'Phones shall pay rent as follows on the line: If a farmer \$5.00 per annum; professional men and merchants \$10.00. Parties renting line and 'Phones shall pay: If a farmer \$3.00 to \$5.00. Professional men and merchants from \$6.00 to \$10.00 per annum. Left to the discretion of Manager and owner of 'Phone.
- 10th. All renters of 'Phones are prohibited from using the 'Phone for outside parties without paying regular fees.
- 11th. 'Phone-holders shall charge according to the aforesaid rates for every message sent and answer returned by any person or persons outside of the 'Phone-holder's own immediate family.
- 12th. Each 'Phone-holder shall charge for any message received and answer returned the proper rate from other lines connected with this line.
- 13th. Each 'Phone-holder shall guard as much as possible the interest of said Company, and prevent any dead-beat impositions.
- 14th. The 'Phone-holders are entitled to 25 per cent. of the proceeds of the messages sent by them.
- 15th. The Directors are entitled to one dollar per day for each meeting of Directors they may attend.
- 16th. The Manager shall be paid one dollar and fifty cents per day for performing his duties as such.

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Patriotism and Religion.

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"Now," she said, "tell me again who made the world and all that is in it?"

"God did," replied the boy, with commendable promptitude.

"God can do everything, can't He?" she asked again.

The boy hesitated a moment. "I don't believe He could lick Dewey," he answered at last, and his teacher sat silent between her religion and her patriotism. It wasn't her time to say anything, if she didn't want to lose that boy forever, and she had wit enough to let it go at that.—Washington Star.

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