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(Margaret E. Sangster.)

When the goldenrod has with red and the maple leaves are red,
When the robin's nest is empty and the cricket's prayers are said,
In the silence and the shadow of the swiftly hastening fall,
Come the dear and happy home days, days we love the best of all.

Then the household gathers early, and the firelight leaps and grows,
Till the old hearth in its brightness wears the glory of the rose;
Then the grandsire thinks of stories, and the children cluster sweet,
And the floor is just a keyboard for baby's pattering feet.

If the raindrops dance cotillions on she roof and on the eves,
If the chill wind sweeps the meadows shorn and bare and bound in sheaves,
If the snowflakes come like faries, shod in shoes of silence, we
Only crowd the closer, closer, where the cheery kindred be.

Oh, the dear face of the mother, as she tucks the laddies in,
Oh, the big voice of the father, heard o'er all the merry din;
Home, and happy homely loved ones, how they weave their spells around,
Heart and life and creed and memory, in the farmstead's holy ground.

When the goldenrod has faded, when the maple leaves are red,
When the empty nest is clinging to the branches overhead,
In the silence and the shadow of the hurrying later fall,
Come the dear days, come the home days, in the year the best of all.

— Woman's Home Companion.

A VIRGINIA RECTOR.

Interesting Sketch of Rev. Sewell Hepbron, Formerly of Kent.

Rev. Sewell Hepbron, a brother of Mr. Edward W. Hepbron, now most acceptably fills several parishes in Virginia. He has refused numerous tempting offers (from a financial standpoint) by rich congregations and to handsome churches in fashionable centers, believing that the field of his greatest usefulness is among the people of his rural parishes, whom for more than twenty years he has served so faithfully and so well.

The Virginia rector owns a valuable property in Kent where he comes for a more or less protracted stay each summer among the friends of his boyhood and the scenes which he loves so well.

Ernest Hamlin Abbott, a northern writer who has been writing most interestingly of impressions of the South the result of recent journeys to that hospitable but in some respects unfortunate country, makes protracted reference to a visit to Rev. Sewell Hepburn, who has become one of the most picturesque as well as one of the most useful figures in the latter day history of Virginia clergymen.

Mr. Abbott was on his way to the home of the "Virginia parson" when he met him on the road and was taken into the vacant seat in the carriage. Among other things Mr. Abbott says in the *Outlook*:

Now he was free to make the pastoral calls he had planned, and I gained an hour more of his company. The first impression he made on me was of strength, dignity, virility, and kindliness. As he sat there erect with his blue military cape thrown over his shoulders yet not concealing the clerical coat-collar beneath, with the reins held taut in strong hands that seemed to respond with sympathetic control to every nervous movement of his high-strung horse, with his felt hat shading a pair of friendly eyes, his hair just tinged with gray, his chin strong and clean-shaven, his neck and face bronzed with exposure to the weather, he looked the very figure of what the minister of God in the Church militant should be.

For twenty years he had been traveling on this circuit in Virginia. Its boundaries had changed in the course of years. Now it covers a territory sixty miles long and eight miles wide, containing no villages whatever, only scattered houses. It is a region full of historic interest as the scene of the attack on Richmond. Within this parish he preaches regularly to six churches, in two of them every two weeks, in the others once a month. One of these churches is at Hanover Court House, made famous by the Civil War.

In this circuit he had seen within twenty years a great social revolution. The character of the population has absolutely changed. He used to have for his congregation people of refinement. One in his congregation was a railroad manager, another was a Judge of the Court of Appeals; there were lawyers and other men of high intelligence and education. Now this element of refinement is no longer dominant. He accounted for this change by referring for the cause to the introduction of electricity, which had so displaced the horse that the breeding of horses, which once was the source of wealth for the community, had ceased to be profitable. With the disappearance of wealth, leisure disappeared also; and with leisure went the opportunities for mental cultivation. Now the young people have to scramble for their living, and scrambling does not refine.

The first house we drove to in the course of the pastoral calls was a visible symbol of this vanished prosperity. Mr. Hepburn told me that it had been the mansion house of a Southern major and had been the scene of true old-time hospitality and gayety. Down below, where a level field lay brown and uncultivated, he pointed out to me the place where the training track had been. For all this I had to take his word. To my eye there was no sign of even a past greatness. My mind had formed an image of what a ruined Southern mansion and its place would look like, and, though the image was one of sadness, it was picturesque. On this February day there was nothing picturesque in the scene before me. It looked merely poor, unkempt, uninteresting. The present occupant of the house, an old, white-haired gentleman of no kin to the former owner, met us at the gate and bade us both welcome. Here he dwelt with his daughter. The wide, open hallway and the high-ceiled sitting room were bare and scarcely furnished. There was no more sign of the past within than without. But the way in which the old, courtly gentleman and his gentle-voiced, fair-faced daughter entertained us, with the same courtesy and freedom from apology that they would have shown had their house been a palace, was a sign of the happier and easier past, the more pathetic because of the utter disappearance of all other signs. These people on whom the Episcopal minister made his pastoral call were Methodists.

From the old, time-disguised mansion we drove to a new and small house, where a son of the old major lives with his family. There he maintains the traditions of the family by raising and training horses. The two negro boys showed us with pride a few of the thoroughbreds. We then went to the house where the mistress graciously received us. Her two young daughters were charming in their spontaneous welcome, not only to their old friend, but also to me, a stranger. These parishioners were Campbellites, or as they preferred to be called, "Christians."

Leaving there, Mr. Hepburn turned his horse's head toward home. Through the bare, silent woods we drove, often over tree-stumps left in the road itself. Sometimes Mr. Hepburn would wind his way among these stumps as a skipper steers his vessel through a channel full of reefs; at other times he would "take" a stump with a wheel as a boatman shoots a bit of rapids; but always the masterful hands that held the reins guided the horse with unerring instinct. Once, as we went with a lurch into what seemed to be a veritable morass, he turned to me and said:

"You are not used, I rekon, to such a road as this." It is impossible to reproduce his Virginia ways of speech that fell so pleasantly on my Northern ears. "I should never get around my parishes if I did not use such short cuts. I've been driving over these roads for twenty years, and understand them by this time."

"Have you ever estimated the number of miles you have driven in the course of your duties?" I inquired.

"A lady once asked me that question, and I told her that I had driven around the world once and was on my second journey. Ever since then each time she sees me she asks how far I've gone. The last time I told her that I was homeward bound near Wheeling on my third trip."

One would imagine that twenty years of such persistent labor among a people that had been declining all the time in wealth, leisure, and refinement might dismay and embitter him. Not so. On the contrary, his observations of conditions within the limits of his circuit had increased his hope and faith. True, with wealth had disappeared leisue; but in former days that leisure, he said was used for the development, not only of high and charming qualities in the Southern people, but also of moral weaknesses. It was, he said, the young man who had been brought up in idleness that, with his chivalry and courtesy, and also an uncontrolled passionate nature which found slavery providing objects for it, and had also the disinclination for useful work which results in shiftlessness and improvidence. Now with the necessity for occupation there had come an improvement in character. In rural Virginia the mind of the young man of today is undoubtedly not so cultivated as the mind of the young man twenty years ago, but his will is more efficient; he does not appreciate the amenities of life so well, but he values more highly its achievements. He has less suvaity, more force.

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