NOW AND THEN

THE CARPENTER

By Adaline H. Tatman

His great form stopped throughout the sunny day,
Above the timbers as he slowly wrought
The long, low manger, where, when herd boys brought
The cows at eventide, the spicy hay
Would taste as sweet to them as grass of May.
He visioned, as he worked, their tender eyes,
Their perfumed mouths, their deep, contented sighs—
Their young, that, in the Spring, beside them lay.

He loved his task. He loved to cut and fit
Each fragrant, fresh-hewn log of fir or pine,
With patience and with care, and bit by bit,
He built a manger for the gentle kine.
He did not dream as, tired, he homeward trod,
That he also had built a bed for God.

There was another carpenter shop and a carpenter whom all the Christian world worships. The shop was in Nazareth, a little town among the hills of Galilee.

In those days, there were no nails and the workmanship had to be very perfect, "all the parts fitly joined together."

His followers know, and all, who study the life of this carpenter, know that he did his work well, that he was "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

The President and the First Lady are enjoying their sight seeing trip, though of course the President has other fish to fry in his journey through the west. Mrs. Roosefelt is a woman of great initiative, and tact. Her Cousin Alice Longworth has criticized and laughed at any manerisms which she possesses, but Mrs. Roosevelt always laughs too and says Alice has been a great help to her, for she tries to correct any mannerism which she may possess.

Mrs. Longworth thoroughly enjoys criticizing and laughing at those who are in the lime light, Farley is one who comes under her ridicule and a number of others who help to run the Government. Poor Dolly Ganns, the sister of the late vice president Curtis, had anything but a comfortable time while hostess for her brother on account of Alice's taunts and gibes.

Osgood Perkins, a playwright of note had just finished his play, "Susan and God." When it was accepted he went to his hotel in Washington very much pleased. But a few minutes afterward he was seized with a heart attack and died.

He never had the chance to witness the performance of his play.

The great Baker estate, which shyster lawyers have claimed to amount to many millions, has been found to be a fake, that such a man as Baker never existed. And yet thousands of people have been paying money to these lawyers hoping to be found heirs of the estate.

Those who have been found engaged in this nefarious business have been put in penitentiary, but the foolish people who paid their money to them will never get it back.

There is an immense estate in England for the Jenkins' heirs, but they have never been able to prove their claim. And there it lies accumulating many thousand a year. Every once in a while there are letters written to the many heirs in America urging them to make an effort to prove their claim. But though thousands of dollars have been spent they are still unproved.

Dickens in his book, Bleak House tells of a similar case, Jardyce vs. Jarndyce.

The story tells of a promising young man, who spent his life trying to obtain it, how when finally the trial ended the whole estate was consumed in costs.

BUST OF JOHN JAY WILLED HIGH COURT

NEW YORK, Sept. 25—(A. P.)—A bust of John Jay, first Chief Justice of the United States, was bequeathed to the Supreme Court to day in the will of Helen Shelton Clarkson. Mrs. Clarkson was the widow of Bonyer Clarkson, a descendant of Jay's.

Black will soon take his seat in this Court in spite of the great opposition to him, on account of his once belonging to the Ku Klux Klan,

Though mnay have declared that they will never have a case before him, yet he is to sit in the highest court in the country, and perhaps in time people will forget their opposition to him.

Gypsey Smith is in Baltimore for two weeks at the Fifth Regiment Armory, Great crowds are going to hear him. He says:

"I'm not here to talk creeds. If I had my own way I'd burn them all and make you go to Jesus. The less religion you have, the more you talk about denominations.

"You are not a Christian just because you have your name on the church rolls. You are not Christians until Jesus lives in your heart."

Uncle Sam is in a quandary. One party says "Do not meddle with foreign affairs" while those who have possessions in China are anxious for him to intervene.

WOMANS COLUMN

Mona Lsa painted by Leonardo Da Vinci is one of the most famous pictures in the world. It is a portrait of the third wife of Francisco del Giconda.

She was a beautiful woman and tradition says that during the painting of this picture, which lasted four years Leonardo always had an orchestra to play during the hours she sat for him.

She is handsomely dressed and her hands are lovely in the extreme.

But she has an inscrutable smile, a smile which has puzzled every one who has studied the picture. It is hardly larger htan a large napkin yet every one who goes to the Louvre in Paris makes a journey to this picture first. Leonarda was expelled from Italy by some political party which was then in power so he went to France and sold it to King Frances Since then it has been in France until one morning about, four years ago the guards noticed that it was missing. What a calamity it was! Then searchers were sent out to look for it. For two years they looked in vain. Then one Perugia sent them word that it would be returned if they promised not to punish him. He had stolen it because he thought it ought to belong to Italy. The Louvre was so glad to have it returned that they promised and now the lovely picture is hanging in its accustomed place.

Many copies have been taken of this picture, but it is rarely that one does justice to the original.

Another famous picture by Leonardo is "The last supper." This is painted on the wall of one of the convens in Italy, and consequently requires the greatest care to keep the ancient wall from cracking. It shows what wonderful skill, that this painter who was a metal worker and an electrician, possessed.

MRS. BISHOP'S MILLIONS

In the same breath with which she candidly confessed that she had only 78 cents in cash, a small, chunky woman in her sixties, last week admitted the she had turned down an offer of $10,000,000 for some property that she owns in Calfornia's Mojave Desert, near Cantil.

There are a lot of things she could do with $10,000,000, the grey-haired mother of six grown children conceded. Born and bred around mines, she knows "what it means to be down on your luck and hungry and have no place to turn to," and she'd like to build a home for old prospectors and miners. She also would like to help some of the many thousands of persons who have written her for money.

Although she "could cry" because at present she isn't able to help all those who have appealed to her, Mrs. Josie Bishop was confident that she had done the right thing when she turned down the $10,000,000 after for her property. The land which she owns, near Red Rock Canyon, is a 170 acre patch of sandy desert on which is situated her small shack-like house On top of the yellowish-grey soil only a scattering of desert plants grow, but beneath it lie deposits of deep brown pitchblende.

Examining this pitchblende a month ago, a California assayer declared that it contained the richest supply of radium yet found in the United States. The Madame Curie Institute in Paris subsequently confirmed this report by its findings of one gram of radium to eight tons of pitchblende from Mrs. Bishop's mine. Her 170 acres contain innumerbale tons of pitchblende, and each gram of radium found in the ore is worth nearly $30,000.

Even if no radium were present in Mrs. Bishop's property, she could still count on amassing great riches. The pitchblende, according to the assayer, also holds millions of dollars in silver about $7,000 a ton.

The announcement of Mrs. Bishop's and rare helium gas, and is thus worth "find" after twenty years of prospecting in the Mojave Deser, has brought thousands of telegrams, letters, and callers—almost all pleading for money—to her tiny wooden house. She has had to hire two secretaries to take care of the situation. Mrs. Bishop, who is separated from her husband, has turned all her affairs over to "the judge," Jess Dorsey, a Kakersfield, Cal., lawyer. "The judge and I," said Mrs. Bishop las week, "are not signing anything until we know how much we've got."

Facts About The Children's Aid Society

By RITA SWAN

Do you want to adopt a baby? Have you dreams of a goldenhaired little girl, or perhaps a sturdy, romping boy to fill out your family circle?

Many people have, hundreds of them, and most of them in Baltimore on the lists of the Maryland Children's Aid Society, which has the guardianship of some 854 boys and girls, ranging from tiny babies to minors eighteen or twenty-one years of age.

All these wards of the society are not eligible for adoption. In fact, only a very small number are, for many are orphans with small estates of their own, others have parents living who

MAKE INVESTIGATION.

To obtain one of these children will not consent.
families must submit themselves to a searching investigation. Authorities maintain that if they really want a baby they should be willing to cooperate in the matching process now considered necesary for the future happiness of both child and family.

Children who suffered hardship in their babyhood are like twisted little twigs, and one must be sure that when they are replanted the soil is suitable to their particular problems.

Some monhs ago a little girl was so mistreated by her parents that residents of the small town in which she lived complained to the authorities, who found a tiny creature of skin and bone.

PRIZES DOLLY

Yesterday I saw the same child, neatly dressed, fat increasing on matchstick legs, eyes bright with good health and care, throw her arms around Miss Katherine Kirwan and tell how happy she was, how wonderful her new home, how she prized the dolly she had wanted all her short life.

Miss Kirwan is the director of the Maryland Children's Aid Society.

Her latest charge is being put into shape for adoption, physically and emotionally. When turned over to a new mother she will be in perfect health and past the stage where she constantly flinched because she expected a slap.

With her past experiences in mind the Maryland Children's Aid Society, now her guardian, very carefully will investigate homes offered her, as her future is their first consideration, not the making happy of a childless home.

STUDY EMOTIONS.

Scientists in Baltimore wlil have studied her, will know the scope of her intelligence, whether she has the capacity to be a scholar, if she is better suited to be a domestic, if farm life will content her, if city life is too nerve-wracking for her. When a chart of her character has been made, then a matching home will be sought so that a success story will follow from these bad beginnings.

The bbay wards of the society are not such a difficult problem, although they have a similar chart made of their capacities and a thorough study of their inheritance. Applicants for them however, are as painstakingly examined to find if the particular home offered fits the particular baby.

It is the little three and four year old ones who are in greatest demand, often to take the place of a child lost through death or to be a companion to one who will never have brothers or sisters.

When Wigs Meant Something

Wigs came into common use late in the Seventeenth century, and the possessor of a number of wigs was looked on as a man of affluence. Wigs were fashioned of horses' and cow's tails, goat's hair, thread and silk, and bore such names as "feather top," "full bottom," "fox tail."

STILL POND

The monthly meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missinary Society met at the home of Mrs. Clarence Ford last Thursday afternoon.

Miss Louise Toulson, of Greenville,, Del., spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. William Clark.

Miss Lucille Fellows returned to the Philadlephia General Hospital Sunday after spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Fellows.

Mrs. Anthony Durham is spending sometime with her father, Mr. Harry Jones. Mrs. Harry Jones is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weist of near Millington.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Toulson visited with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Feairheller, of Lititz, Pa., over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Ford visited with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Collnis on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Casey, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Howard Casey, Jr., and son, of Woodlyn, N. J., Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Casey and family, of Philadelphia, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meeks.

Miss Edith Hepburn returned home after visiting her sister, Mrs. Alice Bel, of Baltimore, last week.

Mr. Robert Bowers spent a few days last week in Wilmington.

Miss Doris Coleman, Mr. Harry Phillippi, Mr. and Mrs. Cristy and friend, of Baltimore, visited with Mrs. Jennie Boulden and Miss Pearl Coleman on Sunday.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Warner Geary next Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 8.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harris, of Baltimore, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Ford a few days this week.

Rev. and Mrs. Vaughn Moore and daughter, of Cape Charles, Va., visited with friends here a few days this week.

Miss Kate Ford visited with friends in town a few days this week.

The monthly meeting of the Epworth League will meet at the home of Mrs. William Haddaway next Thursday evening, October 8.

Miss Anna Bowers and Miss Lucille Parr were guests of Mrs. Judson White on Tuesday.

GALENA LADIES AID TO MET

The Ladies Aid of Galena M. E. Church will hold its October meeting at the home of Mrs. Linda J. Walls & Son on Tuesday evening, October 5th at 7.30 p. m. All members of the Aid are invited to come at this meeting.

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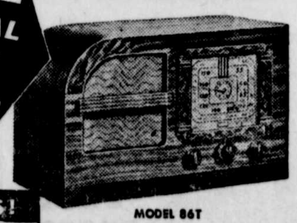

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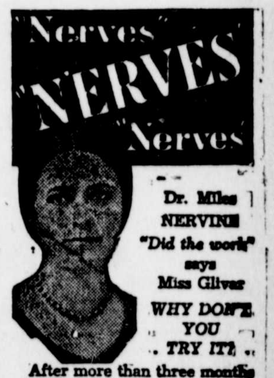

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