

### At Home

Come in & Chat Awhile

—Ruth Raeburn.

Dear Prudence:

Your letter received and glad the first two books I referred to have suited you so well and possibly you will yet be able to find the place where you can procure Merriam C. Young's story of "Grass".

This time I have decided to tell you a little of one of the many "Adventure" books that are for sale. This one is "Adventures in Humanity" by Wm. L. Stidger. There are other books from the pen of this author but this is the only one I have read.

"Adventures in Humanity" is a series of short stories of a professional life that too many seem to think is lacking of adventure, but in these twenty-six chapters we see plenty of adventure and many various ways that a minister receives the pay that is better than gold.

The friendship of a good, clean, boy who acknowledged that he had taught him not to be afraid even of death, was better pay than much fine gold.

Some of the richest pay that a minister gets, often comes from the aged shut-ins, who are unable to rise from their beds for years, and who develop a beautiful Christian fortitude and a smiling sunny outlook on life.

The story of "The Singing Son of the Dawn", shows us how little we know of the lives we touch unconsciously. 'Twas told to the minister by the lady in their country's uniform because they knew he would be interested, how a little Russian boy had regenerated a whole company of soldiers. The story of this lad is a nugget of spiritual gold.

A minister one day paused on the sunny shore of the stream of life to pan some of the sands he had dipped from that stream's shining shore and found this nugget of a story, "The Night of Little Stockings."

One of the richest rewards that comes to a preacher is learning the deep spiritual possibilities of human nature when it is put to the real test, and the story of "A Miracle of Human Nature" gives us a glimpse of what can be accomplished when sympathy is awakened.

"An Epic of Service" is a splendid missionary story.

As with preachers, so it is with editors, statesmen, teachers, fathers and mothers, they rarely know whether their messages were heard or not, whether the seed that they planted in a human heart ever bore fruit, but now and then in a wonderfully startling way they catch a flashing answer to their light coming back through the darkness, and the years indicating that some ship has seen that light and is guided safely along the sea-paths.

Perhaps some of the readers may have had some delightful moments with other stories from this author, and tell us about them.

You were also asking for a Christmas poem that I liked. Here is one that appealed to me:

#### The Christmas Carol

By Alix Thorn

I, too, would join in singing  
A carol old and sweet  
And pause before some doorway  
Which faced a splendid street  
And up to windows curtained  
Whose lights were sad and low,  
I'd raise my voice triumphant  
In strains of long ago.

And those who sat in shadow,  
Whose eyes were dim with tears,  
Would listen to the story  
Which glorifies the years;  
So wonderful, so simple,  
The fret of earth above,  
About a child, who, coming,  
A winter's night, brought love.

May your Home be filled with happiness this Christmas season.

Sincerely yours,  
RUTH RAEBURN.

### Fashion Fancies

An Afternoon Gown is Draped Effectively



The charm of lace is perennial, and this season we have welcomed it back into vogue with real enthusiasm. It is used with great success on afternoon and evening frocks.

Expressive of drapery with a forward movement is this dress of black velvet and lace for formal wear.

The plaited over-dress has a deep flounce of lace that falls below the normal hemline in front. A narrow belt is used with a jeweled ornament and this, with a vestee of lace, complete an unusually attractive costume.

#### IN OTHER COMMUNITIES

**Charged With Assault; Beat It**  
Charles Shewell, of the Township of Bentinck, alleged to have assaulted a woman in Chesley recently, was not on hand last Wednesday afternoon, when Magistrate Walker opened court in Chesley, to hear the case. The \$500 bail was estreated by the Crown and a warrant issued for the arrest of the accused. To date he has not been apprehended. —Walkerton Telescope.

**A Narrow Escape**  
Mr. T. H. Reburn had a narrow escape from serious injury one night last week when motoring home from Toronto. In making the turn at Primrose the car skidded on the pavement, turned completely around and landed in the ditch with the wheels in the air. The only damage done was a little tear on the top. Mr. Reburn and Mr. Johnson Lucas, who was along, escaped without even being shaken up. With the assistance of others, who gathered, the car was righted and proceeded on its way.—Markdale Standard.

The small boy was making his first acquaintance with stewed figs, which he didn't like. "Eat up your figs like a good boy," said his mother. "I don't like 'em," he replied. "They're just skins full of full stops."

Make this store your headquarters for Christmas shopping. It will pay you.—The Variety Store.

Read The Chronicle Ads. on Page 9.

### OTHER PAPERS' OPINIONS

#### Must Have Permit to Drink Liquor

No person may purchase, have or consume liquor unless he is the holder of a Government Control permit. This in effect is the definite ruling handed down by the Liquor Control Board in reply to a request for an interpretation of the act.

The request was lodged by John Murray acting in the case of a young man, charged with having liquor in his possession without a permit. He claimed that the bottle of liquor found in his room had been left there by a brother when leaving the city.

The letter in reply, signed by F. P. Brennan, Assistant Deputy Attorney General, reads in part as follows: "No regulation has been framed by the Board, which would permit of treating or giving of liquor to a person who is not a permit holder. A person who is not a permit holder is not recognized as having any rights to purchase, have, or consume liquor."

"I appreciate that section 90 is rather stringent, but you will also see the difficulty in framing a regulation which would allow liquor to be given away as one of the most frequent defences raised in a charge of selling or keeping for sale is that liquor was given away and not sold."

The Board, however, points out that such an offence as giving a 'social' drink is a highly technical one and while it is not the desire to prosecute a person for such an offence, nevertheless this may be done.

The young man who appeared a week ago, was fined \$100 on the charge of having liquor in his possession illegally and a charge of having liquor not purchased from a government vendor was dismissed.—Stratford Beacon-Herald.

A rich man doesn't know where to go and a poor one can't afford the trip.

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