







Cincinnati, Selma and Mobile Railway Company.

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At Meridian with Mobile and Ohio railroad and Vicksburg and Meridian railroad, for Mobile, New Orleans, Vicksburg and the South.

PARKER'S GINGER TONIC advertisement with text and a small illustration of a bottle.

THE GREAT LIGHT advertisement for a lamp, with text and a small illustration.

PURE IDEAL advertisement for a sewing machine, with text and a small illustration.

Alabama Baptist.

THE FAMILY CIRCLE.

From the Standard. Idle Words. BY SYDNEY DAYRE.

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"Oh, now, grandfather—you are a most fearful critic." "I shall try not to be alarming. How did you manage to reduce yourself to a solid condition so soon after being melted?"

"Did you really think the glee club would sing all night?" "No sir."

"Then, when you said you thought so, did you tell the truth? If not, what did you tell?" "The tears came into Mabel's eyes. 'Grandfather, do you think I would tell an untruth?'

"No dear, not intently, but, Mabel," he laid his hand tenderly on her head—"I want you to think how many things you have said in the last fifteen minutes which are simply not true. I want to caution you earnestly against indulging in this loose, thoughtless speech. I am sorry to hear so many young people giving way to it. It is vulgar—it is foolish—and if not wicked, its direct tendency is to wickedness, for, remember, what is not true is false. And even where careless expression does not involve disregard of truth it may be well to reflect that it is heard by the Lord, who has assured us that 'for every idle word that man shall speak he shall give an account in the day of judgment.'"

The Mother.

There is no human love like a mother's love. There is no human tenderness like a mother's tenderness. And there is no such time for a mother's first displaying her love and tenderness toward her child, as in the child's earliest years of life. That time neglected, and no future can make good the loss to either mother or child. That time well improved, and all the years which follow it can profit by its improvement.

"When gruff old Dr. Johnson was fifty years old, he wrote to his aged mother as if he were still her wayward but loving boy: 'You have been the best mother, and I believe the best woman in the world. I thank you for all your indulgence to me, and beg forgiveness of all that I have done ill, and of all that I omitted to do well.'"

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A Silver Ball.

You all know the golden rule: 'Do unto others as you would wish them to do unto you.' Here is a rule which is almost a part of the golden rule, but which we will put by itself, and because of its value call it the silver rule: 'Think and say all you can of the good qualities of others; forget and keep silent concerning their bad qualities.'"

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A Drop of Oil.

The sewing machine went hard. Brother Will came and looked over Amy's shoulder and knit his brow, as was his custom when in a puzzle. At last, turning back the machine, he glanced over the works and said, 'Do you oil it here, Amy?'

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