THE MERCURY.

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BUS SCHEDULE

(Daily and Sunday)

Le. Carlisle	Ar. Lexington
7:00 a. m.	7:00 a. m.
10:00 a. m.	10:00 a. m.
12:00 p. m.	12:50 p. m.
5:45 p. m.	5:45 p. m.

On the first page of this issue is an age-old story of the deception of woman.

Coming close to us as it does, it makes a stronger appeal.

The editor of this paper has the belief of the English born in the majesty of the law.

And yet we believe there comes times when the law of man should be subservient to the Law of God.

There can be no justice, either of Man or God in punishing thig child for the act of a frantic, forlorn female.

What she did was done under stress of a tortured mind, else she might not have conquered the Heaven-given instinct of a mother for her child.

Human nature is much the same, be it North or South, and the little sweety paper of this child's home town hopes and does that topsho-our'Maz' not be found in Ohio who will feel it their duty to "cast the first stone at her."

ABNER'S MILL

Lillie Last has been visiting Gladys Sellers of Stoney Creek.

Homer Hughes and Henry Sampson have returned home from Covington.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Last have moved to Bourbon county.

Mr. and Mrs. Lilburn Roe and children, of Escondida, have been visiting Joe Hughes and family.

EAST UNION

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Stephenson visited Mr. B. S. Stephenson and family Saturday night.

Mr and Mrs. Leonard Sharp and son, Leonard, Jr., and Mrs. Millie Sharp, of Lexington, spent Friday with V. H. ehenoffer and family.

Mrs. W. W. House and daughter, Julia, and Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Stephenson and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Preston Stephenson.

Miss Minnie H. Terrell is visiting relatives at Paris.

Several from here attended the Ewing Fair Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Wills, of near Mountfield, visited Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Jenkins Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bison and baby spent Sunday with Mr. Will Stephenson and family.

CANE RUN

Mrs. Henry Griffin had as her guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Davis and children, Mr. and Mrs. Dow Davis, Mr and Mrs. Frank Davis and daughter, Margarette.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Vice were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Rose Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Myers spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Allen Brenaugh.

Mr. Berry Estill was the guest of Mr. Foster McLean Sunday.

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Mrs. Clint Stallard and little daughter, Marie, and Mrs. Annie E. Hopkins were the guests of Mrs. T. B. Vaught Wednesday.

Mr. Clinton McFarland spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hopkins.

Mrs. Charlie Shannon and Mrs. Mollie Street are on the sick list.

Rev. Shields will preach at the Cane Run school house Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night. There will be a baptizing Sunday afternoon. Sunday meeting at the school house every Wednesday night.

PLEASANT VALLEY

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Flora were in Lexington Friday.

Mrs. Sallie Throckmorton and Mr. Albert Throckmorton and wife spent Sunday with her son, Mr. Henry Throckmorton, at Cowan.

Mrs. Lillie Belle Caywood and children are visiting her mother, Mrs. Grant Wilcoxen.

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SUGAR CREEK

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Mr. and Mrs. Riley Macklin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hendon.

Mrs. Bill Barbee and three daughters spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Millie Laughlin.

Misses Martha and Alma Logan visited Elsa and Edna Pyman Sunday.

Miss Eula Snapp, of Barterville, spent the week end with her grandmother, Mrs. Anne Event.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Vinson and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Goebel Cassity.

LICKING

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Caywood returned to their home at Port Royal after a two weeks visit with her parent., Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McCann.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Brady and Mr. and Mrs. Mace Swarts and family visited Mr. Will Hunt and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bentley, of Flemingsburg, visited Mrs. Sallie Hunt Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Reid and children visited Mr. and Mrs. John Wright Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Purcell visited Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sunday.

The revival at Mt. Tabor closed Sunday night, August 18.

LONG RUN

Miss Sarah Murdock and Miss Allen Hunt spent Tuesday with Mrs. Earl Letcher.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McCann visited Mr. Leonard Cassity and family from Monday until Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hellar entertained the following guests Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Brant Wagner and daughter, Elsie, of White Chimney, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hollar and daughters, Ida and Rachel, of Goose Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hollar and daughters, Elsie, Mr. John Hollar, of Oakland Mills, and Mr. Spencer Mitchell, of Jacksonville, Ill.

Mrs. J. C. Black Miss Sarah Murdock, Mr. and Mrs. James McCann, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McCann and Mr. T. B. Vaught attended the meeting at Stoney Creek church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Frazee spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shannon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Robinson and two daughters spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Milt Crosby.

SALTWELL

Dr. W. F. Asbury, of Campbellsburg, visited Emory Asbury and family the past week.

Elizabeth and Anna D. Allison visited Russell Hall, of near Mount Sterling, Sharp, of Lexington, spent Friday with V. H. ehenoffer and family.

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LIFE AFTER DEATH

One of the last requests of Mrs. Laura Huddleson was that the following beautiful poem by Ella Wheeler Wilcox be read during her funeral service, which request was complied with:

Beyond.

It seemed such a little way to me
Across to that strange country—the Beyond;
And yet, not strange, for it has grown to be
The home of those of whom I am so fond;
They make it seem familiar and most dear,
As journeying friends bring distant region near.

So close it lies that when my sight is clear
I think I almost see the gleaming strand.
I know I feel those who have gone from here
Come near enough sometimes to touch my hand.
I think I could call for our veiled eyes
We should find heaven right around about us lies.

I cannot make it seem a day of dread.
When from this dear earth I shall journey on
To that still dearer country of the dead,
And join the lost ones so long dreamed-of absent.
I love this world, yet shall I love to go
And meet the friends who wait for me, I know.

I never stand where a bier and see
The seal of death set on some well-loved face
But that I think, "One more to welcome me
When I shall cross the intervening space
Between this land and that one ever there,
One more to make the strange Beyond seem dear."

And so for me there is no sting to death,
And as the grave has lost its victory.
It is but crossing—with a baited breath
And white, set face—a little strip of sea,
To find the loved ones waiting on the shore.
More beautiful, more precious than before.

BAREFOOT

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Livingood entertained Sunday: Mr. Cecil Livingood and family, Mr. Ernest Cox, Mr. Coy and son, Raymond, and Mr. Henry Livingood.

Miss Blanche Wagoner was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Ben Hall, for a few days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Burden were the guests of their son, Ransom Burden and family Sunday morning.

Mrs. Ann and Nancy Burden and Ellie son were the guests of Mr. Ora Freaks and family, Mr. Paris, a few days the past week.

Mr. Charlie Hosker and family were the Sunday guests of George Brasher and family near Paris.

MILLTOWN

G. H. Neal and wife spent Saturday night and Sunday with J. W. Neal at Hilltop.

Bro. Natter, of Millersburg, Bro. Glass and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Glass, James Sousley, of Lexington, Lee Neal and John Clark spent Sunday with W. E. Chrisman and family.

Elgin Clark and wife spent Sunday with Tom Cameron and family at Myers.

Earl Seamonds and wife spent Sunday with John Neal and family.

Mrs. George Smart, of Paris, is visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Natter, of Millersburg, does Millinery work. Prices reasonable. Bro. Natter, of Millersburg, does the Ron Christian church last Sunday night with 29 additions.

Rev. E. Carver will fill his regular appointment at the Christian church Sunday night and Sunday. Let us all be out and hear Bro. Carver's last sermons. We also want to make arrangements for the Sunday school meeting which begins Monday night, August 27, conducted by Bro. Sousley of Carrollton, one of the leading preachers of the brotherhood.

The ladies aid of the M. E. Zion will have an ice cream supper and a sale of hand embroidered quilts at the Apple Grove school house Friday, night, August 29. Also fine work will be sold.

RE-OPENING OF MT. PLEASANT CHRISTIAN CHURCH SUNDAY

The past few weeks has marked the time when the Mt. Pleasant Christian church will observe its Harrison county, has undergone extended repairs and remodeling. Many of the friends already know this because they have contributed liberally to the carrying on of the work.

On next Sunday, August 26, we are going to have a re-opening of the old church and a home coming time. All the friends, both far and near, are invited. It will be an all day session, so bring your dinner. We will have Dr. E. G. B. Mains, former presiding elder of this district, to preach the morning sermon. In the afternoon we will have a Sunday school rally. For this occasion we will have with us representatives from the Harrison County Methodist Sunday School Union. Mr. C. A. Cooper, the president, W. J. Kohler, secretary, Prof. W. M. Williams and Hon. Hanson Peterson will make speeches along Sunday school lines. Special music will be furnished, both vocal and instrumental, from the Methodist church at Cynthiana. Arrangements concerning the night services will be announced later.

Tell all your friends and let us all come and have a great day together on next Sunday, August 26.

Warner P. Davis, pastor

Classified Ads

Advertisements in this section are 1 cent a word. Positively cash in advance. No single ad accepted for less than 25 cents. Count the words, and send cash with order. Stamps will do.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Fancy thoroughbred single comb Anconas, ready to sell April 1st. Call or see J. P. Ross. 8-16-tf

FOR SALE — Southdown bucks. Harry Letton, route 4. 8-16-6t*

FOR SALE—Good, second- hand Ford touring car. Apply to Harper's Garage.

CLOSING OUT SALE

Starts Saturday, August 23. Every article in the house goes in this sale at big reductions. All fixtures included. W. J. Wise, Noah's Ark. 15

FOR SALE—Two good Hampshire rams, one two years old, one four. Will sell at a bargain. W. D. Speer, Carlisle, route 1, between Jacksonville and Flat Rock. 8-21-2t

FOR SALE—Grapes at 15 cents per gallon. Mrs. Mary C. Wilson, 101 Carlisle street. 8-21-2t

FOR SALE—The Farmers Home Journal and The Mercury, one year for $1.50. The Farmers Home Journal will be issued twice a month, 24 issues a year. 8-7-tf

FOR SALE—Registered shorthorn cattle of all classes. A. L. Caywood, Carlisle, Ky. 8-29-tf

WANTED

WANTED—To buy 2 dozen White Leghorn pullets or cockerels. Call 152-6 rings, after 6 o'clock. 8-16-tf

WANTED—Good men to help house 1,200,000 acres of tobacco. Apply D. G. Taylor, Paris, Ky. Phone 467, Cumberland. Paris exchange. 8-16-4t*

SALESMAN WANTED—A congenial out our salesman to sell Harper's Garage

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Two store rooms on Main street, one 22x60 feet, the other 22x42 feet. A good location. Water and gas. Rent reasonable. Call phone 152-6 rings or call at Prather's store. 8-16-tf

LOST—Or stolen from my automobile Saturday evening, on Main street, bunch of three keys, with tag bearing my name, and Masonic emblem. Return to Dr. W. H. Martin. 8-21-2t

LOST—Last Thursday between ice plant and Lower Jackstown pike, a small pocketbook containing about $30 in change and two safety deposit box keys. Mr. Ed. Finnell, please return keys to Mercury office or Bascom Bassett. 8-21-2t

For home grown watermelons, call at Flora's grocery.

CARD OF THANKS— We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses during the sickness and death of our beloved husband and father. Mrs. Robert Tuttle and children.

Columbia and Banner Records for September will be in this week.

Best line of home grown watermelons. Also peaches, safe, tomatoes, etc. Noah's Ark.

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MILLINERY

On Saturday, August 23, I will open my parlor with a distinctly new line of fall millinery. You are invited to call and look them over. Mrs. Zella Smith, court day.

BIG CLOSING OUT SALE

Starts Saturday, August 23. Every thing to go in the next 30 days. W. J. Wise, Noah's Ark.

Home grown watermelons receive fresh every day. All sizes and prices. J. E. Flora & Son.

ELECTRIC NOTICE

All persons having a claim against the estate of W. M. Holliday, deceased, are requested to file same properly proven as required by law. Persons owing said estate are requested to come forward at once and make settlement with either of the undersigned.

Harry Kennedy, Attorney.
Mollie Holliday, Executrix.
8-27-3t

There will be an ice cream supper at the Mineola school house Saturday night.

New Fall Gingham, suited for school dresses; prices right.
S. T. Barlow

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE

All persons having claims against R. L. Boone are requested to present them properly proven, as required by law, and those indebted must pay same at once to the undersigned or my attorney, U. M. Swinford.
8-16-2t R. L. Curtis, assignee.

...SELL IT THRU THE WANT ADS

NOTICE

To the stockholders of the Growers Loose Leaf Warehouse Company of Carlisle, Ky. The checks for the third distribution are ready for payment. Call at the office of Ratliff Bros. Co., with your stock certificate and get your check. W. F. Clark, president. 8-21-2t

An agent for the Louisville, Ky., Southern Trust Co., will loan money to anyone first class as to land—personal interest, no fees, no stock, pay one fifth each year. Call if you need or keep it all ten years.

Dr. W. H. Martin's application from actual farmer for a 3½% year Federal Land Loan, from $1,000 to $25,000, either buy Federal Land Bank Bonds. Absolutely safe, 4½ per cent semi-annual interest, no tax, call 282-4 rings.

Write Carlisle, Ky., R. F. D No. 2. Box 8. Caldwell

PUBLIC SALE

As administrator of the estate of J. A. McConnaughhay, I will sell at public auction on the premises of Jacktown, six miles from Carlisle, 12 miles from Paris, on

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

at 10 o'clock, a. m., the following property:

4 head of work mules
1 jack
1 head of yearling cattle
2 cows and calves
50 head of good ewes
1 buggy
1 two-horse wagon and harness
1 mowing machine
1 Meyer road wagon
1 set of blacksmith tools
2 stacks of hay
Lot of household goods
Farming implements, some household goods.

Terms made known on day of sale.
JOE McCONNAUGHHAY, Admr.
8-14-2t

MASS MEETING OF BURLEY TOBACCO GROWERS

On Saturday, September 1st, at 2 p. m., at the court house, all members of the Burley Tobacco Growers' Cooperative Association will meet for the purpose of selecting 10 delegates to vote for an delegates to elect a director for this district for the ensuing year. 5 delegates to be elected. All members urged to be present.

E. T. Henry, chairman.

MILLER STATION

Mr. Joe Shannon, of Georgetown, and Mr. Ben Shannon, of Carlisle, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Shannon Sunday.

Mrs. Ben Shannon and Mrs. Joe Shannon were guests of Mr. Crump's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crump, Thursday.

Mrs. E. Hill has returned home after a few days visit with his son Mr. John Hyde.

Mr. and Mrs. James Honaker were guests of Mr. Honaker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Honaker, Ohio, last week.

Mrs. Hyde, of Indiana, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. John L. Shannon.

BEAVER

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Morris spent Saturday with the fiftieth Morris reunion, near Barterville.

Mrs. H. G. Gaunce and son spent Tuesday with Mrs. John Hollar near Carlisle.

Little Miss Ada Gaunce has been visiting Mrs. Wood Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hollar and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Cleaver visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward, near Ewing Sunday.

Miss Edith Dalzell has returned from a visit at Millersburg.

Miss Myrtle Hollar spent the past week with Miss Emma Hamilton.

BIRTHDAY DINNER

Friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mrs. Lyda Smith on August 14, it being her fiftieth birthday and enjoyed a very pleasant day and delicious dinner. Those present were Mrs. Arthur Riddell, of Connersville, Ind.; Miss Florence House, Kenton, Ohio; Mrs. Miles Buntin and son, Robert, Covington; Mrs. Sarah Blount and sons, Harold and Everett, Mrs. James Curry and Mrs. Bertha Hancock, Lexington; Mrs. R. House and daughters, Maysie and Nettie, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Smith and daughter, Gladys Cassin, Mr. Sam Smith and Mrs. Lyda Smith.

THANKS

The Carlisle Mercury, which Editor Warren Fisher is making one of the very best weeklies in the state of Kentucky, is encouraged by being converted into an all home-print sheet. Those who appreciate good, timely country newspaper Editor is giving them, they have no one to blame but themselves.—Falmouth Outlook.

SWIFT'S PRODUCE REVIEW

Abundant rainfall in more northern territory has restored pastures to a condition favorable to better production. In the more southern sections, dry, hot weather continues and the production of butterfat is showing a material decrease.

Demand for butter continues good, and markets, as well as country prices for butterfat, have shown some advance.

There are no changes of consequence in the fresh egg situation. Receipts are lightening up, as is usual at this time of the year. The quality runs irregular, so that some trade is turning to storage eggs; this may result in an accumulation of fresh stock and a slow market for it.

There is an increased movement of spring chickens, and heavier receipts have meant some decline in paying prices. All indications are for a large crop of poultry.

MT. ZION

Miss Alice Clavell spent Sunday night with her sister, Mrs. George Forbes.

Mrs. Harry Johnson is visiting her brother, Mr. Jim Jones, at Flemingsburg.

Misses Viola and Jimmie Clay, Lena and Ruby Brumagen, Mattie and Josie Lyons, Pauline Peck and Opal Clavell spent Tuesday night with Miss Alice Clavell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Barber spent Saturday night with Mrs. M. E. Vice and family.

Henry and Minnie Burgess, of Dale, are visiting their brother, Mr. Dave Burgess.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Hickerson spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Mary Flora.

Sunday school at 10 o'clock every Sunday morning. Be sure and come. We welcome all.

8-16-2t

Wilson Bros. Shirts Stetson Hats

SUITS FOR ALL

Although we are scheduled for several more weeks of summer weather, the particular man is beginning to think about his fall suit and hat.

We have a complete line of fall suits in all of the newest styles and patterns at prices to suit everyone.

A complete line of hats and shoes for fall just received.

Enjoy the remainder of the summer in one of our Palm Beach, Mohair or Tropical Worsted suits.

Bring in the boys and let us outfit them before they start to school. Complete line of suits, caps, shoes and furnishings for the boys.

Nettleton Shoes Walkover Shoes

C. C. Cole & Co.
CLOTHIERS & SHOEMEN
CARLISLE, KY.

SCHOOL NEWS

The schools of Nicholas county will open Monday, September 1. We earnestly solicit the cooperation of parents and teachers in making this the most successful school year we have ever had. Trustees, please see that we please clean school rooms and sell pest floors before the opening of schools.

Oil, brooms and chalk can be gotten at County Board office.

County Board meeting will be held in my office on Saturday morning, Sept. 1st, at 9:30. Teachers' meeting will be held in court house on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 1st, at 1:30. We trust that every teacher will be present.

Eda S. Taylor, Supt.

Your Outfit Is NOT Complete
WITHOUT OUR NEW
STRAP OXFORDS

THEY will complete your outfit in a very charming manner with their simplicity of style— and the different shades and designs will enable you to select from this footwear what will best harmonize with your outfit.

Fine leathers and workmanship also lend to the desirability of these new oxfords.

GLOVE SILK VAN RAALTE HOSIERY
R.T. KIRKLAND & COMPANY

What Is The Coal Situation Going To Be This Winter?

ANSWER– If we have no mine or railway troubles.
If the mines have plenty of cars,
If the railroads are able to handle the heavy freight traffic they usually have in the late fall,
If we do not have a severe WINTER,
If general winter conditions are different from recent years.

THEN– There will be no coal shortage.

BUY

If conditions are the same as they have been in recent years we may reasonably expect a shortage of coal during the winter. You can help prevent a car shortage and consequent coal shortage, also render a distinct service to yourself and community by BUYING NOW at present we are able to furnish the highest grade of GENUINE JELLICO RED ASH, Elkhorn and Hazard coals at the most reasonable prices. Each different coal is handled in a bin to itself and you get the coal you buy. It will pay you to look our coals over for we are sure we can give you the coal best suited for the purpose you intend its use for the least money.

Carlisle Coal & Feed Company
PHONE NO. 20. FISHER B. HENRY, Mgr.

FORD CARS
Order Now And Be In Line For Delivery.

The Weekly Purchase Plan
Makes It Easy to Pay for Your Car.

GOODYEAR TIRES– You can buy no better value in tires. We have a large stock both cord and fabric, and all sizes.

SECOND HAND CARS– We have several and it will pay you to look at them before you buy. Great Southern Gas & Oil.

Harper's Garage

Harness Repaired

Auto tops trimmed, curtains and windows repaired and upholstering. Black-smithing, rubber-tiring.

Ford tires and tubes for sale. All work strictly cash. C. F. & H. M. Walker
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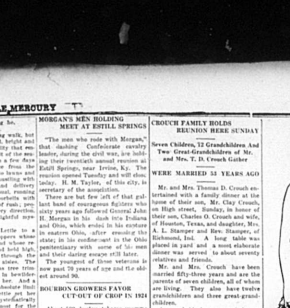

The Custard Cup

by

Florence Bingham Livingston

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Mr. Abbott fared about, appointed Lettie without any bidding of her part and shrugged a bored shoulder.

"Let her come by!" he said to his brother.

Lettie went.

Mr. Abbott smiled lazily at the small creature who had settled into the chair at the side of the desk. He was efficiently inclined to underrate the unit-worth of the impending interview.

"What's eating you, kid?" he inquired good-naturedly.

Lettie shot him a glance of scornful reproof. "I come to talk business," she announced coldly.

"Well, talk it then. What's the hitch?"

Those encouraged. Lettie jumped right in. Once the ice was broken, she could be good. "I gotta scheme—a good one. It'll make you a pile of money. Heaps and heaps!" she added, feeling her way. Mr. Abbott looked non-approving. Gambling propositions. "You don't say! Well, I'm interested!"

"Well—" Lettie squirmed to the edge of her chair in expansive excitement. "Say, you've got a swell business here, how they all line walk, when a fellow wants to get a shave or a haircut. I've been watching you. It's—it's cute the steps. It—"

"Oh! Sort of working machine!"

Lettie regarded her feet five one and then the other in a starved perfection. "Only more highly compelling to its own way than typewriting. Say, I'm going to be hell at it, I'm telling you. This—this machine of mine is going to be a—a—a—" Lettie and the toy bottle the machine inside—"a regular vacuum cleaner. It'll suck in the dimes and dollars and—and—"

"Sounds like a perpetual motion machine!" Mr. Abbott's tone was dry.

"Perpetual motion nothing!" Lettie's tone was scornful. "Perpetual motion's a fake. This machine of mine is a real thing. It's—it's—" Lettie groped for the right word. "It's—it's—it's a—a—a—"

"Slogan!" interrupted Mr. Abbott. "Point here! He paused, thinking that Lettie had come to the end of her suits.

Lettie came out of her chair with a bounce.

He looked at her keenly. "I get it now. You've got a machine and you want you say a dollar?"

"Yes, sir!" Lettie's tone was earnest; she summoned, more than she felt, the courage to look him in the face.

He said nothing. But presently he got up and walked to the plate-glass door and entered from it a great globe in which he slowly mixed with a dollar bill. Lettie's wide eyes fixed the process with fascinated attention. It was the key to fortyland, the thing she had hoped for, wanted, prayed for, but now that it lay before her she could not take it. Her eyes followed Mr. Abbott's every movement.

Her feet shook with noise. Her thin little arms twisted in the grass and the sharp oak leaves. Something was choking her, something choked in her throat. The cold touch fell on her face, and fingers fell on the soft curve of a cheek. She did not dare to sit up and brave her arms around the dear, familiar body. She could only lie there and wait for the sting of death and be bad worn small people suffer for the sins of their fathers. Lettie did not understand the words, but she understood the tone. It was the tone of a judge who has given sentence. It was the tone of advice with a nagging hell, from which there was no escape. Lettie did not move.

Lettie patted him more slowly, more and more drearily, her thoughts

Lettie Patted Him More Absently.

withdrawing into the seclusion of anonymous meditation. She scarcely noticed when Mr. Abbott left the room, returned, and left it again. She was conscious of a vague relief when the door closed behind the shattered ironn of Mr. Abbott's back. It was all over now, nothing. But it would take two cars and a street car transfer to get to the family hotel. Twenty cents was the price of her fare.

The next morning an insurrection of the spirit took place in Lettie. Back to The Custard Cup. She turned from the driveway and into Sam Goldberg's delicatessen. Mr. Goldberg was also whirled into the maelstrom of Lettie's enthusiasm. She had the singing part, and was off again, racing along through the driveway and up the street, running, running, hanging on the long pole with plunging compressions.

"I gotta new one, now," she repeated, at one pull over and over, "and—and—it's to be followed," persuading he, with a feeling of normality.

The Pendricks had a long walk, but the morning was beautiful, bright and crisp, with a hearty quality that enchanted the cheerful spirit of the two children. Lettie had been up early before, washing the hose from the hills, giving greener life to brass and copper. She was unusually pretty this activity. Excitement and delivery were kinder than most, running up steps and ringing doorbells with the same enthusiasm that she put into sure burrowing in every direction, carrying packages of delightful mystery.

Mrs. Penfield guided Lettie to a chair and waited for the excitement to devise some ambitious and whose request was small. Hoad told him Lettie pushed her way through the crowd that thronged the store. The first item on her list was tree trimmings. But she blinked in bewilderment at the array before her. And a little sick feeling of disappointment came over her. Lettie put her head and effectuated superficially that until she reached the need for the knot, which gave her three yards of ribbon for the top of the tree.

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With savage delight in her own self-forcing she beat down the price of the doll herself. Certainly if an ordinary person would turn the scales it was not a time for personal reserve.

"Now, you've got your mind," she said, grave and businesslike. "Now for home. I—I guessed it out, but you've got to help me. I've got the money. I've got it all. Mrs. Penfield, you've got to help me. You don't know how much money I've got. Enough to—to—to—" Lettie's face was flushed and effectuated superficially that until she reached the need for the knot, which gave her three yards of ribbon for the top of the tree.

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