Colored Gentility combinations of Christian humanity and worldly pride one frequently enin the Happy Valley

By Emily McGuire

A Southern Woman Tells Quaint Anecdotes About Some Colored Folk She Met in Old Virginia-Secluded Abode on the Top of the Alleghanies Which Has Been Visited by Many Noted Persons, Including Washington and Jefferson, Whose Names May Now Be Seen There on the Hotel Register.

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On the top of the Alleghany mountains, in the very heart of the "Old Dominion." lies the most perfect modern reproduction of that real old Arcadia so beloved by the poets. Nor is it such a very modern reproduction, either, because the "happy valley" of which I am speaking has been visited by succeeding generations of devoted pilgrims since the early days of our young republic, and among the many names found on the register of the quaint little hotel there can be seen those of Washington and Jefferson and many others which are also inscribed upon the roll of fame.

which I am speaking not only does the sunshine seem of a different character, its rays coming to earth softened and veiled by a mist, which, though golden during the day, turns to purple toward evening, but the song of the bird becomes more melodious, the bee hums more drowsily, the streams ripple more musically, the leaves rustle more soothingly; but our fellow beings whom we meet there are of a different order from any whom I have met elsewhere, and are possessed of a quaint and humorous turn of mind and have an originality exclusively their own.

Of course it must be explained that I am speaking now only of the colored race. The first time I entered this "happy valley," more than 20 women's bathhouse has been as long years ago, I said to an old negro, who looked as if he had grown old with the mountains: "Is the train on time this morning?" and he responded: "Oh, no, indeed, honey, dat train ain't on time." Then I asked: "How much is it behind time?" and he said: "Fo' hours." I was appalled, and asked: "Has it ever been as much as four hours late before?" and he answered: "Yes, indeed, honey; one day las' week de train never come at all ' But a little circumstance like that did not seem to have the power to overthrow the equipoise of that calm community.

They also have a phraseology and a vocabulary all their own, but what had dined with Queen Victoria at her they say never for a moment leaves any doubt in your mind as to what All of which I knew to be true, be

combinations of Christian humanity counters in that peaceful valley. I once attempted to adjust a difficulty which had arisen between two old female colored autocrats living in that mountain gap, and finally one of them said to me: "The trouble is in this here Gap that these niggers will speak mistruths which ain't outright, and make it hard for Sister Jane." "Oh," said I, "if you are Jane's sister, I can soon settle the whole diffi-

culty. She placed her arms akimbo, cast a baleful and rebuking eye upon me, and replied: "Sister in de Lord, honey, and de First Baptist church,

colored." She flouted the idea of their being of the same family or blood.

At the sweet little old Warm Springs hotel near by, presided over by two sisters, high-born, high-bred Carolina gentlewomen, one meets al the true aristocracy of the southern states, and there the rude world never seems to enter, there being nothing to attract the flashy element. On the contrary, a high-bred distinction seems to characterize the place, and it is neither impressed by the presence or depressed by the absence of the "smart set."

A woman at the north once wrote to a friend at the Warm Springs that she was not able to join her there, and gave as one reason that she had not been able to provide a summer wardrobe that season. The friend at the Warm Springs responded, say ing: "Here one needs no new wardrobe nor any large bank account, but one does require a 'family tree;' so In this Warm Springs valley of if you have ancestors, bring them, as here every one is the granddaughter of a dead president, or, at least, of Patrick Henry."

> The wonderful thermal baths here are presided over by two most typical and interesting colored people, and these hot pools are 50 feet in diameter and the water has a temperature of 98 degrees. Jackson, who has been at the men's bathhouses for these many years, is a great authority upon gout and rheumatism; a great believer in the occult and the unseen, in omens, and conjuring, and is regarded with deep respect by his own kind as a reliable and dependable interpreter of dreams. Fanny Shepard, whose term of service at the

as Jackson's, is as picturesque and interesting a character as is he. She was indignant because the hotel official who "personally conductfunny gestures, while you recite, ed" President McKinley to see "her pool," had not only not officially presented her to him, but had not even told her who he was. She complained to me that "when he come

from the men's pool that I seen Jackson a-bowin' and a-congeerin' to him.' but that had not enlightened her. She said further: "The president would have been interested in me if any one had told him that I have a son who is a missionary in Africa, trusts. and who is a fellow of the Royal Geo graphical society, of London, and who

own table at Windsor castle." Bostonian who bought an estate in cause I knew this son, William Shep Scotland called Glen Accra. The Bos-I once went into the cabin of a poor ard, and during my early years at tonian bought this estate without having seen, it. He believed that he the waiters in the dining-room and at could trust the man he bought it from. And last summer he went over to have a look at the place. The drive from the nearest railway station to Africa. There it was soon manifest Glen Accre was a matter of 12 miles. that he could exercise great influence The Bostonian hired a Highlander to over some of the most savage of the drive him. As the cart jogged along, the Bostonian said: who has penetrated the farthest into



THE DWARF.

How to Have a Great Deal of Fun, with a Very Little Trouble.

This is a peculiar looking dwarf hat stands on the table, is it not? You could, with the assistance of a friend and some of mother's ward-

robe, make the dwarf and so delight

On the Stage.

your playmates at an afternoon or evening company, says the Brooklyn screwed into it to hang the frame up Citizen. It is done in this way: Your hands are placed in a child's shoes, after which you must rest your hands on the table. They will have the appearance of real feet. Put a bonnet on your head, a shawl over your shoulders and a child's petticoat to cover your arms. Now your friend stands behind you, concealed by the curtains. She thrusts her arms out on each side of your body, giving the dwarf the missing arms and hands. If your friend is original, she can make all sorts of

sing songs and see what fun it is and how easy it is to work.

NOT A GARDEN OF EDEN.

He Thought Worthless. Upton Sinclair was discussing in New York the government's attacks It is Easily Made and is Artistic and upon predatory and lawbreaking

"It looks as if these trusts." said Mr. Sinclair, "will have to obey the law, or else their owners will find themselves as badly sold as the rich

he accorded to human nature alone

Nothing in nature can be as beau-

of waving Roman hyacinths.

"Blue isjes of heaven laugh between And far in forest depths unseen, The topmost eim trees gather green From draughts of balmy air."

QUEER.

Miss Agatha Dunn sat out in the sun And faded her pretty plak gown. Mamma scolded, well, until the tears fell In torrents that threatened to drown.

Your dress is a sight, I declare it is white But wear it you certainly must! Tis a poor recompense that a child of Your sense

Is too much of a baby to trust."

Miss Agatha Dunn sat out in the sun In a gown that had one time been pink "If I could only bring it back-oh, I would!"

She cried, and proceeded to think. Some raspberry ice, so cooling and nice, In the freezer stood waiting for tea. Said Miss Dunn, "Oh, I guess, if I dip in my dress A beautiful pink it will be."

Miss Agatha Dunn rose out of the sun And slipped off the gown in a trice; She rolled it up tight, there was no one in sight.

And she soaked it in raspberry ice. It came out quite pink, but what do you think!

When the news of it reached mamma's ear.

She scolded much more than she scolded before. Now, don't you think mothers are

queer? -May Clay, in Washington Star.

WOODWORK.

Dry Branches of Trees Which Can Be Turned into Beautiful Ornaments.

Any boy who is clever with his knife can make many pretty and useful articles from dry branches of trees. One shown here is a keyholder, the other a photograph stand. They are cut with a sharp pocketknife and the different parts glued together or nailed with thin wire nails. The most important point about it is the joining of the pieces. Notice how the joints are cut to fit well together (see illustration). When the keyholder frame is ready hooks and rings should be

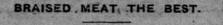
Things You Can Make.

and to hold the keys, says Washington Starl The back support of the photograph stand is fastened with thin strips of leather nailed down over Scotchman's Neat Description of Land | the horizontal ends of the support.

A WALL CABINET.

Useful.

Here is a wall cabinet very easy to construct on account of its simple lines, and very attractive, also. The upper part of the back has a beveled

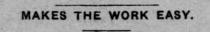


Many Advantages in French Method of Cooking.

Braising is a combination of roasting and stewing small joints of meat in a shallow stewpan, called a "braisoire" or braiser, which has a close-fitting lid with a grooved edge round it, on which hot coals (charcoal) are placed, whereby the meat can be cooked with a fire above it as well as under it. This process of cooking, it is said, greatly decreases loss by evaporation. It is a favorite method with the French, and is supposed to bring out an unusually fine flavor and aroma. The pan in which a braise is to be

made should always be lined with slices of bacon, carrot, onions and herbs, upon which the meat is placed. It is usually moistened with stock or stock and wine. The more delicate meats, such as sweetbreads, fillets, fowls and turkeys are sometimes covered with buttered paper; this is done to prevent the heat from the top of the pan scorching or imparting toe much of a roast flavor to the meats which are to be braised. Occasional basting during the

process of this method of cooking is essential. When done, the meat is taken up, the fat removed from the vegetables and gravy, which latter is then reduced, strained and blended with some kind of gravy or thin sauce



How One Clever Woman Minimized Her Labor.

One woman who does her own housework from preference, ends the day with less fatigue than many housewives who have an assistant. She has a kitchen cabinet, a coal range, and a gas stove, and a stool just high enough to allow her to sit comfortably before the ironing table. Her house is as neat as any woman I can call to mind. Her husband has never ceased to marvel at her and her achievements, but system and thought are responsible for it all. It cannot be very comfortable for a man to go home from a hard day's work to find disorder, a tired woman and picked-up meals. Left-overs can be disguised, you know, and dainty table appointments and an air of serenity will cover many shortcomings of the larder. The majority of men dislike the bustle of home dressmaking and should be spared that ordeal-and a few others.-Montreal Herald.

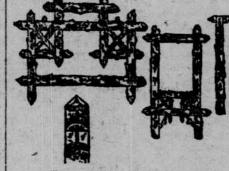
Laundry Notes.

To make any clothing extra stiff when laundering, it is best to dry the garments first, then run through starch and dry the second time. Flour starch should not be used for dainty waists, since it gives a yellow tinge to them. A mixture of lump and gloss starch will be best and such articles should be wrapped in damp towels instead of being sprinkled before ironing. First iron the sleeves, then the front, lastly the back and collar and place the waist to dry on a hanger made from a rolled newspaper



TEN BOOTHA

minded forcibly of the man Moses of In England to-day, as in every other sacred writ. And like Moses he has country, Gen. Booth is honored as a ed multitudes out of their Egypts of great man who has performed a great slavery to sin to the promised land work, but within the memory of men of blessing in God. Like an angel of not yet old he was looked upon as a light he passes swiftly from place to religious crank whose methods were place exhorting, encouraging, admon- thought to be an outrage on good ishing, instructing. With tireless en- taste and respectability. It has fallen ergies he directs the activities of the to the lot of very few men who have great army of workers throughout the lived for the benefit of their fellows world who have enlisted under the to receive during their lifetime such banner of the cross and the Salva- measure of recognition and honor as n Army He is always on the go



they mean.

woman where death had entered, and, the Warm Springs he was one of not seeing any means or methods of burial, I asked: "What will be done?" the same time a Baptist preacher and the woman replied: "Why, Mr. but he felt called upon to go into Crizer has always undertook in our the missionary field and he went to family, and always done it well."

Old Uncle Billie, who was always regarded as a "last court of appeal" in matters meterological, was once African tribes. He is one of those asked what he supposed was the cause of some peculiarly disagreeable some of these African wildernesses. weather, and his explanation was: He was invited to London by the "The heavy respections of the at. Royal Geographical society, which mosphere make the elements dismal." | made him one of its members, and he Which really sounded so exactly as was invited by Queen Victoria, and if it had been promulgated by the did dine with her at her own table weather bureau that we almost hoped in Windsor castle. to secure "Old Billie" a position in the signal service on the strength of it.

In the "Cowardin Cap" of the Allephany mountains, at a little settle. The grand and beautiful scenery must ment bearing the classic name of be spoken of to those who have not Shake-Rag, stands a colored church, had the good fortune to see for them of what denomination I never have selves. been able to discover, and to be there when there is either a wedding in the tiful as to see the spring come up in church or a baptizing in the Jackson the Warm Springs valley. The whole river near by, to see the bucolic tray. face of the level country is white with esties upon the prevailing modes, es- the bloom of the locust and the dogpecially in the matter of chignons and wood and of the fruit blossoms, espompadours, is a liberal education. A pecially the apple, for which that re window's mourning, if one happens to gion of the country is celebrated. be there, is something fearful and Then there is a native thorn, which wonderful to hehold

At a baptizing in the Jackson river on one occasion I saw and heard cottage or farmhouse the atmosphere hundreds of the faithful singing and shouting:

"Now eve-ry one of you that thirst, Step down into the water, and free-ly drink and squench that

thirst. Like Zion's son and daughter.

At a recent wedding in the church are literally ablaze with laurel, rhodat Shake-Rag the preacher, who odendron and the wild mountain aza seemed to have heard rumors of the lea in pink, orange and pale yellow. matrimonial snares and pitfalls of the In all seasons of the year nature is outer world, made a charge to the at her best here but the beauty, charm contracting parties-a laundress and and enchantment of the spring are bea waiter from the Warm Springs ho- yond anything 1 have seen in the tel-and concluded by saying: "And world elsewhere. Upon a clear, exquimay you live together forever in un- site day these lines insensibly glide avoidable infidelity and may you into the mind: never suppurate.'

It is amosing, also, to see what rare



Mr. Bachelor-Suppose you call her "The White Sonall."

"'I suppose you know the country hereabouts pretty well, friend?' "'Ave, ilka foot o't.' the Scot answered. "'And do you know Glen Accra?"

"'Aye, weel,' was the reply. "What sort of a place is it?' the merican asked

The Scot smiled grimly. The whole of my account of this 'Aweel,' he said, 'if ye saw the part of the world, however, must not de'il tethered on it, ye'd juist say: Poor brute!""

CAN YOU IMPROVE THIS?

A Bit of Pure English Which Lincoln Wrote and Lived Up To.

It is not very well known that in the hall of one of the great colleges of England there hangs a frame inclosing a few sentences of which Abraham Lincoln is the author. They are considered the best English that was ever written. You or 1 might when in full bloom, looks as if snow read them over and call them very had fallen upon it, and in passing any simple indeed. And they are so simis heavy with the fragrance of li ple that any child who reads at all lacs and lilies of the valley, while the can read and understand them. That fields are heavenly blue with myriads is one thing that makes them great. It was his being simple and plain

that made Lincoln himself great, No pen can adequately describe the mountain sides at this season. They Now here is a little paragraph by Lincoln which he made a rule of his conduct. Suppose you try to write it over and see how much you can improve it. See if each word is the right one, and try to find a better word for the place. Notice how simple this is, all but two are words of a single syllable:

"I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live up to the light I have. I must stand with anybody that stands right, stand with hint while he is right, and part with him when he goes wrong."

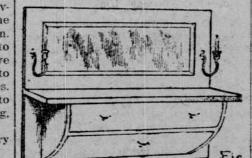
After-Dinner Naps.

Complete relaxation after eating-a uspension of mental and physical acivity-will favor the processes of natural digestion, not only because of its tranquillizing effect upon the nerves, but because the stomach may use the surplus unused energies of the body in the process of digestion. Happy the man or woman who can take an

"after-dinner nap." It means health, happiness and long life.-What to

Can You Write It Correctly? In a proclamation thanking the careful drivers of automobiles, the acting mayor of a New Jersey city says, "It is to them we are indebted for the few accidents experienced." There is o doubt of what he meant to say, but t is evident that his grammar teacher iid not warn him enough against false syntax when he went to school. How

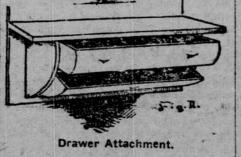
any boys and girls can write the



Completed Cabinet.

cannot be afforded, get a furniture dealer to cut out a piece of mirrorglass from a cracked mirror, usually to be found in such an establishment. If he does not have it, try a dealer in window glass. Your dealer may also keep in stock silvered mirror glass in various sizes.

At either side of the mirror are "sconces" for candles, which give a



very beautiful effect in their reflection in the glass. Below the shelf are two curved supporting brackets, between which can be fitted two drawers, the upper one to pull out and the lower one to tip outward on the pins, which support it at either end. These pins pass through the lower point of the brackets into the lower edge of the drawer. This is all plainly shown in Fig. 2. If the whole is made of some handsome wood, says the Orange Judd Farmer, the surface will only need oiling and careful rubbing with a woolen cloth.

Easily Turned.

A small boy was asked to take dinner at the home of a distinguished professor in Princeton, says the Youths

Companion. The lad's mother, in fear lest he should commit some breach of etiquette, gave him repeated directions as to what he should and should not do

Upon his return from the great occasion, the mother's first question was. "Harold, did you get along at the table all right?"

"Oh, yes, mamma, well enough." "You're sure you didn't do anything that was not perfectly polite and gentlemanly?

> "Why, no-nothing to speak of." "Then something did happen. What was it?"

"But I fixed it all right, mamma." "Tell me at once."

"Why, I got along pretty will until the meat came, but while I was trying to cut mine it slipped off onto the loor. But I made it all right." "What did you do?"

"Oh, I just said, sort of carelessly. That's always the way with tough

tied in the middle with a string. This keeps the waist from creasing by being hung with other clothes on the rack. Small starched articles like cuffs and collars should be dried before the kitchen fire or they absorb any dampness in the room and become limp.

Rag Carpets.

The rag carpets once in such favor for the kitchen are really quite unsanitary from our modern viewpoint. They are bound to catch more than their share of grease.

If you feel your dignity demands a floor covering of some kind choose linoleum. This will last for years if a good quality is bought. One woman who has had hers on the bathroom floor more than a decade, attributes its perfect condition to washing it up once a week with skim milk. It costs her but a few cents and certainly the way in which the colors have been preserved warrants double the expense.

Winter Salad.

Several hours before you want to use it, slice fine half a head of cabbage. Put in cold water; peel a large parsnip, and put in water with cabbage. Do not cut parsnip. When wanted for use, drain cabbage and shake in a clean towel. Grate the parsnip on a vegetable grater. It should equal the cabbage in bulk. Arrange in alternate layers in a dish, with parsnip on top. Use any good boiled salad dressing. Do not pour it over salad, but pass in dish to each person. Then, if any salad is left over, it can be used in soup next day.

To Make Flowers Stand Upon Bowl Lay a large platter upside down on a good sized piece of white mosquito net. Then cut the net two inches around the outline of the platter. Overcast the material, taking stitches about one-half inch deep. Next run a drawstring-white twine-all around the inside of the stitching; fit over the platter, draw tight, and tie the twine. Fill the platter with water: stick through the net short stemmed flowers, preferably sweet peas, pansies, or violets, and lean small ferns against the outside of the platter to

German Pickles.

hide the mosquito netting.

One peck of green tomatoes and eight large onions. Slice and mix with a cupful of salt. Let stand five or six hours, drain and add one quart of vinegar and two quarts of water. Again drain and add two pounds of sugar and three quarts of vinegar; also two tablesponfuls each of cloves, cinnamon, ginger, allspice and mustard and a dozen finely chopped green peppers. Boil again from one to two nours, and seal in glass or earthen ars.

Dainty Biscuits.

Into a quart of flour sift two heapng teaspons of baking powder and a ounch of salt. Work in lightly with the finger tips one-half cup cold lard, and mix to a soft dough with fresh milk. Do not knead the dough, but roll out and cut one-half inch thick and put into shallow pans. Slip imme-diately into a hot oven and bake

and notwithstanding the fullness of of a most aggressive religious organiswing around the world. Just as present he is in America and both Canada and the United States are to feel the stimulus of his presence, as, according to present plans, he does not expect to return to

England until some time in November, the closing campaign of soul-saving to be waged in New York city. For most men approaching fourscore years such a trip as Gen. Booth don. His tabernacle was a tent has planned would be an ordeal too trying, but in the life of the patriarch- His audience was from the Whiteal head of the Salvation Army it is only an incident. Without successful that sprang from that sermon was contradiction he has been called the known as the Christian Mission, and greatest traveler in the world, every nook and eranny of which he has visited during his tours of inspection of

the 700 corps of his army. . In the present year Gen. Booth twice crossed the American continent on his trip to and from Japan, and during the few weeks spent in England since his return from the orient he has scoured the length of England from north to south in an automobile, sometimes holding as many as six

meetings a day in as many towns. Notwithstanding the honors accorded him in his later years, Gen. Booth lives almost as simply as the humblest soldier in the ranks of his army. When he comes to New York two months hence he will not have a royal suite at one of the big hotels. Two small rooms at the national headquarters of the army, No. 124 West Fourteenth street will be fitted up for the use of the commander-in-chief. "He lives like a monk," Lieut, Col.

Cox, editor-in-chief of the War Cry, said in discussing the democratic arrangements being made for the general's entertainment. "A bed to sleep on and some tea, toast and an egg to eat, constitute his material requirements."

Oxford university last June con-

ferred the degree of Doctor of Civil Law on Gen. Booth, the highest scholastic honor England can bestow on easier does the task become?

HIS RETORT TO COAT THIEF.	down the aisle rapidly and gra the coat as he went by. He three or four different color he saw that the coat was down. 'I thought that was m he said, as he looked around few of us who had noticed hin "'Yes,' spoke up the owner coat, 'and if I hadn't had it cl guess it would have been yo Cleveland Plain Dealer.
hain Probably Was All That Settled Ownership.	
"There is a little town out in lowa where our train stopped at the dinner our for a few minutes the other day hat is noted for the thieves about he station," said a drummer at the follenden the other day. "They	
now that most of the passengers have the train to get a bite to eat and they go through the train and ick up suit cases, overcoats or any- hing they can lay their hands on. Of ourse the conductors or the few pas- engers that are in the coaches can't lways tell but that the stuff belongs the man taking it and they don't ke to say anything. One man on ur train knew the reputation of the	More Than Pleased. "Weally, I detest slang," sai Boreall. "Oh, joy," laughed the pre- with the box of fudge. "There it goes again. If y 'Oh joy' again I shall go straigh I weally shall." "Oh, joy! Oh, joy! Oh, joy cago Daily News.
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at over the back of his seat he ran Mrs. A .- When my husband starts a little chain around the arms of the on his vacation he always tells me he is coming back shortly.

seat and through one sleeve of the coat and fastened it with a padlock. Then he moved back to another seat rtly?

wall dressed young man passed back short.

his years he thinks nothing of a zation. He has worked hard for what he has won. He worked for his organization, however, and not for himself.

Gen. Booth was born in 1829. He became a Methodist minister, and with a passion for the reformation of the individual he engaged in evangelistic work. He was 32 years old when he began his life's work as a Salvationist, at Mile End road, East Lonpitched in a disused burial ground. chapel district. For 12 years the work its endeavors were confined largely to the East End.

From that beginning there has sprung into being an organization in 53 countries that has 18,000 commissioned officers and 700 army corps. The work extends from England into Russia, Canada, India, Sweden, France, Switzerland, Germany, Africa, Tasmania, New Zealand, China, Korea and the United States.

Included in the charitable institutions of the army are the prison gate and rescue work, inebriates' homes, boys' and girls' homes, farm colonies, immigration, naval and military homes, Samaritan brigades, hospital and benevolent visitation, Indian day schools, a bank and an insurance society. Gen. Booth's life is so closely allied with the Salvation Army that any sketch of him necessarily includes a review of the gradual growth of that organization in all its branches.

Closest to the heart of Gen. Booth of all his social reforms is the one launched in 1890, outlined in his book "Darkest England and the Way Out." The scheme consists of three main planks city colonies, land colonies und colonies over sea.

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