WASHINGTON

O ripples of Potomac's stream,
Break gently where the tread
Of thousands press the hallowed sod
Above our greatest dead;
Mount Vernon, Freedom's dearest shrine
Guard well thy sacred trust,
Locked in thy loyal heart of hearts
Ye keep the Patriot's dust.

I see him glide among the huts
That dot the cheerless gorge—
The Joshua of a struggling band,
The Man of Valley Forge:
Where'er he goes his smile illumes
The shades that thickly lie,
And all who hear his words resolve
With him to do or die.

The pilgrim comes from lands enslaved,
Beyond the restless sea,
To meditate where sleeps the man
Who taught men to be free;
The glitter of the sword I see;
Makes bright the world today,
And hands unborn will crown its hilt
With laurel and with bay.

He needs no granite shaft to tell
Of glorious actions done;
His monument—the freest land
That lies beneath the sun!
Today with swelling pride we seek
The banquet board once more,
And drink to him whose fame is far
Beyond Virginia's shore.

He is not thine, Mount Vernon, though
Upon thy sacred breast,
Wrapped in the mantle Glory weaves,
In peace he takes his rest;
The voice of Liberty proclaims:
"He is my honored son."
And Fame with lofty pride proclaims:
"The World's one Washington."

—*T. C. Harbaugh*

Washington the Man

No Nation or people ever had a richer legacy than Americans have in their ideal of Washington. Great as was his real character and inestimable as were his services to his country Washington was not a demi-god nor even a man of genius. But he did possess a genius for honesty and patriotism and was the incarnation of common sense. His mother, after reading a letter from him during the Revolutionary war which conveyed good news, said: "George generally carries through anything he undertakes." Mrs. U. S. Grant once said, referring to her husband's determination and persistance. "He is a very obstinate man." Grant was not a genius any more than Washington, but both men had the gift of success.

It is well for the American people that they have idealized Washington, and it is to be hoped that they may never lower nor change their ideal, and yet he was "every inch" a young man and even after his marriage he was very fond of fox hunting. He could get very sagey on fat cocoons and sometimes when he drank a generous glass of wine every day at dinner and allowed his negro butler and servants a bottle of beer a day. Nearly thirty years ago a friend of biographer wrote:

"Eighty years have now passed since the death of George Washington, and already he is hidden from us in some degree by a haze of eulogy and tradition. He has been so uniformly extolled that some of our young men tell us with a yawn, that they are tired of hearing Aristides called "The Just." He has been edited into obscurity, like a Greek play. Where the genial and friendly soldier referred to one of his cherished friends, as "Old Put," a respectable editor, dull as a lexicon, has substituted "General Putnam;" until, at length, a lover of the truth has to defend him against the charge of perfection."

Washington himself never pretended to be more than an average man, though all his contemporaries knew that he was. All that he claimed was to be perfect master of himself and to use such powers as God had given him the best he knew how. Once at a procession in his honor passed through the streets of a city he heard a little boy exclaim: "Why, father, General Washington is only a man!" He looked with kindly amusement on the child and patting him on the head replied: "I am, my son, I am; but that's all." He was one of the most dignified men that ever lived and one of the most modest. One finds pleasing evidence of his common humor. Up to the fact that while quite young he fell easily in love and wrote verses —and sentimental verses at that. When he was twelve years old, short, by after the death of his father, he was sent to school at Fredericksburg and after practicing his elder brother he "already." It was a mixed school of boys and girls and one of his schoolmates a woman, and the later life that while George was remarkably studious he was also fond of "romping with one of the sweetest girls," this was no unusual fact. It entitled no little comment among the other lads. It was while at this school that George wrote the following sarcastic

From your bright sparkling eyes I was undone
Have you seen a more transparent than the sun
Amidst the glory in the rising day,
Some rays are shaded by your bright array;
Constant in your calm and unspotted mind,
Equal to all, but will to some prove kind;
Is beauteous, unbent one so young you'll find.
Ah, Sir! 's me that I should love and constant be,
Long have I wished but never dare reveal it,
Even though severely Love's pain I feel;
Still with a respect I strive free from the guile
Of all the greatest heroes the fair invent.

The first letters spell Frances Alexa. Alexa was the abbreviation of Alexander, and the acrostic was addressed either to a schoolmate of his mother's named Frances Alexander living in Alexandria, where the boy was well acquainted. There is reason to believe that young Washington was as susceptible as the average young man of the present day. For about seventeen years old he fell in love with a young girl, who was living up in a letter to a friends as "your Lowland beauty," and says going into company always with reference to the passion for her. He adds:

"Were I to be more retired from young women, I might alleviate in some measure my sorrows by burying that chaste and troublesome passion in the arms of oblivion or eternal forgetfulness, for as I am very well assured that is the only antidote or remedy that can be found to relieved by or only recess that can administer any cure or help to me. As I am well convinced, were I ever to attempt (unfortunately) I should only get a denial, which would be only adding grief to uneasiness."

Intelligent Dog.

The descriptive reporter of a certain daily paper in describing the proceedings of the last day of the session of the bench recently detailed the occurrence as follows: "Judge Hancock's canine as he was unconsciously dragged from the room cast a glance at the judge full of reproach for being able to mentify him at some future time."

THE SHORTER COURSE.

Hurry the baby as fast as you can.
Hurry him, worry him, make him a man;
Off with his baby clothes, get him to school.
Feed him on brain foods and make him spool.

Hustle him, soon as he's able to walk,
Into a grammar school, cram him with talk.
Pill his poor head full of figures and facts,
Keep on a-jamming them in till it cracks.

Once boys grew at their natural rate;
Now we develop a man while you wait.
Rush him through college, compel him to grub
Or cram down subject a dip and a dab.

Get him in business and after the rush
All his attention he can grant for a crouch.
Let him be worried and fret and stew
Make gold, get rich and die before his joy.
Keep him a-hustling and cheat out of breath
Until he wins—nervous prostration and death.

TWO SMALL BOYS IN GARDEN

John and Frank Brown of Clyde, Kan., Make Money in Raising and Selling Vegetables.

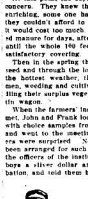
Here is the garden story of two little boys at Clyde, Kan., their picture and a wagon load of their profits on the crop produce, grown on a plot of ground 100 by 140 feet.

John and Frank Brown are eight and ten years old. Their father is a traveling salesman, but he and Mrs. Brown and the boys became interested summer before last in garden vegetables. The boys attended the meetings of the farmers' institute arranged by the Kansas State Agricultural college through its agricultural extension department, and they listened to every suggestion.

Mrs. Brown encouraged the boys in every way when they announced one day their intention of cultivating the lot upon which their home stood and the one adjoining it. She hired a man to plow and harrow the ground and she bought two dollars forth of seed.

At this point the boys drew much concern. They knew that land needed enriching, some one had said so, and they couldn't afford to buy fertilizer. It would cost too much. The boys hauled manure for days, after school hours, until the whole 160 feet had a fairly satisfactory covering.

Then in the spring they planted the seed and through the long vacation, in the hottest weather, they toiled, hoed, mow, weeding and cultivating and pedding. Their success was unusual. It justified no little comment among the other lads. It was while at this school that George wrote the following sarcastic



Boys and Vegetables.

were to have two little boys in Clyde that weren't afraid of work.

The boys put $12 in the bank the result of their peddling, and they supplied the family table all summer and far into the fall. Besides, the boys' family cellar contained for winter use one and one-half bushels of popcorn, one bushel of beets, three bushels of beet, of carrots two bushels of potatoes, a barrow of field pumpkins, and a few of cabbages. There were enough tomatoes to keep the family supplied for months.

Dolls' Factory Comedy.

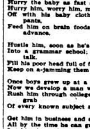
While a little boy is off on a factory at Vicennes, the rumor spread that a number of children were being burned to death. Crowds collected, and it was seen that what looked like bodies were being thrown from the windows. But it was soon discovered that the place was a doll factory, and the "bodies" were those of large dolls, of which over 2,000 were destroyed.

What Aunty Could Carry.

"Well, Tommy," said his Aunt Mary, "what's carry your hat and your stumps for you?"

"No, aunty, 'fanks," replied the little boy, politely, "I carry hat an' 'umps. 'Oo tan tarry me!"

SONG OF THE KITE.



Mary must sit
On the grass for a bit,
To keep the kite right with the string,
Now Mary must run
Now I'll toss up the kite
Up, up in the breeze's wing.

It wriggles its tail
O'er the meadows and trail,
And wheels about in the air;
Then up to the stars
It goes, and it goes by
The fast that is circling there.

Up, up it flies
To the clear blue skies,
Let's all on the string in a row,
And watch the flight
Of our new kite so
As far as its string will go.

SUPPORT FOR WEAK ANKLES

Steel plate Fastened to Skate and Running Up Along Heel of Shoe Will Benefit Many.

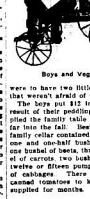
For persons with weak ankles the support designed by a Canadian will be found a great help in skating. It consists of a steel plate attached to the back of the skate and running up

Ankle Support.

along the heel of the shoe. At a point above the heel, or wherever the foot requires support, the support has a bend, which prevents the backward movements of the ankle, while at the same time preventing it from bending far enough to cause a sprain. Many people who are very fond of skating are unable to enjoy the sport because of weak ankles, which period by trifling. It is this turning, too, which makes it so hard for some people to learn to skate, there being difficulty enough in keeping a person circular position without having to watch the feet. The ankle support will be found useful for beginners for this reason, as it will give them more confidence. A strong strap at the top of the support includes around the top of the wearer's shoe.

PLAY NEW GAME OF BASEBALL

Apparatus Arranged so That Several Persons May Take Part—Marbleite Chute.



Game Apparatus for Baseball.

The apparatus shown in the illustration consists of as many inexpensive as the number of players may be, or more persons, and which involves the principles of the game of baseball. At one corner of the board is a chute down which a marble may be rolled, says the Scientific American. The marble is required to pass through a barrier and if it fails to do this the throw counts as a strike. If it stops in the area marked "out," this also counts as a strike. If it passes through the area marked "home" it counts as a run. The player who has the highest number of runs after a certain number of throws is declared the winner.

Prettier Pictures.

A little girl went visiting one day, and after a time was given the album of family photographs to look at. She turned the leaves over carefully, and pretty soon closed the book.

"Well, dear," asked the hostess, "did you look at the album?"

"Oh, yes," answered the little maid, brightly, "and we've got one 'nasty' like it, only the pictures are prettier."

HER TROUBLE.

She—How's your wife?
He—Her head troubles her a good deal.
She—Neuralgia?
He—No: she wants a new hat.

CURED HER BABY OF ECZEMA

"I can't tell in words how happy the word 'Cuticura' sounds to me, for it cured my baby of itching, torturing eczema. It first came when she was between three and four weeks old, appearing on her head. I used everything imaginable and had one doctor's bill after another, but nothing cured it. Then the eczema broke out on her face and body and I really thought her ear would come off. For months I doctored it but to no avail. Then it began at her nose and her eyes were nothing but sores. I had to keep her in a dark room for two weeks. The doctor did no good, so I stopped his coming.

"For about two weeks I had used Cuticura, soap for the sores on her face. I got a box of Cuticura Ointment and began to use that. In a week there was a marked improvement. In all I used two cakes of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuticura Ointment and my baby was cured of the sores. This was last November and she has had a growing out nicely and she has not a scar on her. I can not praise Cuticura enough, I can take off the sores where and people are amazed to see her without a scar. From the time she was four weeks old until she was three years she was never without the terrible eruption, but now, thanks to Cuticura, I have a well child." (Signed) Mrs. H. E. Hunsicker, 2004 William St., Baltimore, Md., May 10, 1910.

Caution.

"I have a remarkable history," began the lady who looked like a poseé to client.

"To tell or sell?" inquired the lawyer cautiously.—Washington Herald.

Knew His Cue.

"She told him that she must not see him any more."

"What did he do?"

"Turned out the gas."—Exchange.

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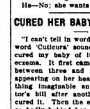

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