

EVENING STAR

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PRIDE OF THE OLD SOUTH

Says a writer in the Baltimore Sun:

Never were braver soldiers or prouder men than those who composed the armies of the Confederacy. Neither poverty nor hunger nor defeat nor death could bring disgrace to them. They were defeated, but never conquered. The same spirit survives today in the veterans of the Civil War who are still with us. Sometimes this crops out in pathetic incident which brings a tear to the eye.

A few days ago Col. Marcellus Pointer died in a bare little room in an obscure hotel in the poorest section of New York. Broken in health and fortune, he had been unable to provide enough even to supply his very modest wants. Old and infirm, he could find no means of support. He was too proud to allow himself to become a burden to others. His distinguished services in the war, his loyalty and high-mindedness availed him nothing in the struggle for bread, but the old soldier fought on bravely to the last, neither asking nor accepting charity, with a smile on his face and allowing no complaining word to escape his lips.

"I guess he died partially of a broken heart and pride," says a doctor who knew him. "He was too proud to beg."

The spirit of pride and courage is one of the things that distinguished the old South which the new South can ill afford to lose. Neither business success nor commercial prosperity can take the place of devotion to high ideals, and while gaining in wealth, population and power, the South will do well to treasure not only its honorable history and heritage of sensitive honor and personal pride which raised its people above the level of mere traffickers in the market place.

CHILDREN'S QUIANT SAYINGS

"Judge" Rose Bender, the superintendent of one of the model family houses on the East Side of New York, is so called because, with sympathy and acumen, she settles all the disputes of the 800 tenants in her charge, says an exchange.

"Judge" Bender was talking the other day about the host of children in her enormous model house.

"They delight me," she said. "They are continually doing and saying the quaintest things. For instance, a little chap told me the other day that his yellow dog Salome had died.

"An' I bet the angels wuz scart," he said, "when they seen Salome comin' up the golden stairway, for Salome wuz allus cross to people what hadn't much clo's on."

"Another little boy," pursued Judge Bender, "said last month to his mother:

"Ma, get me a little baby sister, will ye? I'm awful lonesome."

"Yes, my child, I will," the mother answered, with a glad smile. "I promise you either a sister or a brother."

"A baby sister is there now but that boy often grows in the middle of the night at her."

"Say, if I'd knowed what a yeller ye wuz goin' to be, I wouldn't have ordered ye."

AN ESQUIMAU EXPLORER

Mene Wallace, the homesick Esquimaud, who sailed from New York last week for North Greenland to rejoin his own people, issued a "farewell statement" in which he declared that upon reaching his destination he will organize an expedition of natives and sail with them in search of the pole. He believes that he can succeed where white men have failed, and he carried with him a set of scientific instruments, the gift of friends, which he hopes to use in his expedition.

"I don't believe that Peary or any other white man will ever reach the pole," he declared. "But I and my people will do it. If we meet Peary in the north we shall pay no attention to him."

Before sailing Mene's former guardians, who have found him a somewhat troublesome charge, prevailed upon him to sign an agreement never to return. Mene attributed this action to jealousy, as he said:

"The other explorers do not wish me to bring word to civilization that I have succeeded where they have failed."

BACHELORS' EXCUSES

At a wedding breakfast the bachelors were called upon to give their reasons for remaining so, says Tit-Bits.

The following were among them: "I am like the frog in the fable, who, though he loved the water, would not jump into the well because he could not jump out again."

"I am too selfish, and honest enough to admit it."

"I prefer, on the one hand, liberty, refreshing sleep, the opera, midnight suppers, quiet seclusion, dreams, cigars, a bank account, and club to—on the other hand—disturbed rest, cold meat, baby linen, soothing syrup, rocking horses, bread pudding and empty pockets."

"I have a twin brother, and we have never had a secret from one another. He is married."

ENGAGEMENT RINGS

When you see the diamond engagement ring encircling the snow white finger of a girl you may think it was slipped on to the accompaniment of a manly voice, saying, "You are mine." Nothing in it, says the Atchison Globe. The girl has worked and schemed for that solitary diamond, and many times had to come right out and ask for it. At least, an Atchison woman who has had a good deal of experience says if a man can get out of giving an engagement ring he will. She says she was engaged a whole year and he did not mention engagement ring until one evening she said to him: "Jim, aren't you going to give me an engagement ring?" He said, "I had not thought of it; what kind do you want?" She told him a solitary diamond. He was quite poor, and so

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