Mother's Influence.

"A Christian gentleman who was travelling took a seat in a railway train next to a man, and in his conversation learned that he had just become a Christian. He said that it was through a letter written him by his mother. My friend asked to see the letter which would mean the conversion of a man, and he answered: 'It is not so much in what she says, but in the way she signs her name you can see that her hands have trembled, and when I read it I said: 'If she dies no one else will ever ask me to be a Christian again.'"

Who can rightly estimate a mother's influence? It is surrounded by it, and yet we do not fully understand it. The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world, is true today and always will be true. It does not seem as though the women of our time realize this power. It is true that a few still hold fast and are cherishing this great gift from God, but how many whose actions and conduct seem to ignore this gift? There is a great unrest among the women of today. Some are struggling for social prestige as their highest aim in life and others for professional influence. Neither one of these is the way to highest usefulness. We don't say that women should not seek to be social stars in the community in which they live, nor do we say that they should not enter upon the professions. But we do claim that the opportunity for highest and best usefulness lies not in these attainments alone, but in that of Christian motherhood. The women who have written their names upon the very leaves of the world in letters that shall never be erased are the educated Christian mothers. And if not fully known and appreciated in this world they shall not lose their reward, for in the world to come they shall shine forth as the stars of heaven.

The Revolutions in Russia.

By Clement C. Gill, Theolog.

Blood has always been the price of freedom. In the history of nations this seems to be the unalterable Mede­an law: that without the shedding of blood there can be no release from political slavery and servitude. This irrevocable law is once more declared by the event of the last few days in the Russian capital. Before this appears in print the revolution just begun in St. Petersburg, in which so many working men have lost their lives, may have spread to the remotest bounds of the Russian Empire. But whether it does or no, and whether the attainment of the end be immediate or remote, this one thing is certain, that the Russian people are determined to have proper human treatment accorded them or court death in the struggle for it, which is, to them, far better than life under present conditions.

The inability of the inadequately armed mob to stand against the trained and well disciplined flower of the Russian army may cause a temporary cessation of hostilities between the Government and the people, but although the revolutionary movement may be checked at the present moment, yet it is not destroyed, and we may look forward to a serious change in world politics consequent on the overthrow of the Russian monarchical system as it exists.

"I'm getting along all right now," said the author. "Groceries were mighty short with me till the new breakfast foods came in and I whirled into writing for free samples of 'em. If they'd only start up a free-sample dinner food now I'd be in clover!"—Atlanta Constitution.
Teachers employ various methods of identifying papers carelessly sent in by students who neglect their signatures. In the psychological tests Monday a sheet was found with all the blanks filled except the place for the signature. In the blank in which the occupation of parent was to be named there was written "blacksmith." The teacher promptly went to the Freshman Class to have the sheet identified.

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"The Boston papers have published the very able address of Prof. Kelly Miller, on the work of Howard University delivered before a Boston society. Read it for yourself and see.

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Histology.

Of all the 'ologies under the sun Histology is just the awfulest one, Week by week we puzzle our brains With the structure of cells composing membranes. By day, by night, our thoughts on this dwell Till we almost wish the whole thing in—!

Of the tissues the first was mucoid, Of the adult is almost devoid. Arcular next, with fibers white and yellow Meshed like a web to entangle a fellow. Adipose then, with its particles of fat Deposited around to make the form pat. Adenoid last, its fibers like trees, The cells held within like cones full of bees.

Cartilage comes next—of this three kinds; Which help our bones together to bind; Hyaline first with its matrix of grey; It is characteristic of this—what more need we say? Modified forms are the yellow elastic, Found in the ear—that's why it's so plastic—and white in discs of the vertebral column Which keeps man erect, so straight and solemn.

Of the development, bone what shall we say? But that calcium salts into the cells find their way? And soon around these deposits there springs A series of small concentric rings, Which give passage to blood vessels from nerves.

And all which serves for its nourishment serves. Of muscle, the involuntary or plain We are most conscious of when in pain; Each fiber is an elongated, spindle shaped cell With the nucleus within—note this point well. In voluntary each fiber is enclosed in a sheath And holds the nucleus just underneath. Transverse striation this kind marks— Some of them light—others dark.

Of one other kind there remains to be told, "Twill not take long, so do not scold. Tis cardiac muscle, found in the heart. Of which structure it forms the largest part The cells are symmetrical, branched at one end. And the fibers to all directions tend; No investing sheath its fibers surround But numerous striations transversely abound. 

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Why is it that nine times out of ten when you drop a pencil the sharpened end will be the first to hit the floor?

Some who went to hear Parsifal are now eating crackers and cheese.

The report that Mr. Rivera has left—“Howard” for “Princess Ann” is not true.

Initials are such charming things,
Especially B. A. B.
Now who would be much better pleased,
If final B were D?
The answer to this rhyme,
Is surely very simple,
Who would rather have it changed
Than little B. A. B. Y. Dimple?

The answer to this little rhyme
You have now in this issue
Has not a bit of truth in it
It’s just as thin as tissue.
If I were called upon to write
I would not foster fraud,
For in the last line of the rhyme
I’d make the Dimple, Dodd.

You have it wrong, my little Miss.
I beg to disagree,
For he will be most highly pleased
When both B’s change to D’s.

Prof. Miller, who is doing post work at Harvard, is studying race psychology. He made several psychological tests at the University last Monday.

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