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"The lovers of poetry were delighted with 'Kentucky Mountain Rhymes' and 'How Long, Massa Jesus, How Long?' and others which were read before literary societies.

"The father reported that ministers of the city found helpful articles pertaining to their work and private study. 'The Misunderstood Christ' and 'The Two Worlds' received much attention.



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history, and politics. One of the professors bore testimony to the fact that no other publication gave him such an intelligent understanding of European affairs. Everywhere in his travels did the college president find Christian lay-

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"The whole family agreed that the bound volumes of The Outlook furnished a thesaurus of information convenient and reliable which is indispensable to every modern home."

Findlay College, Findlay, Ohio.

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THE COURIER BY EDYTHE I. DRAPER

I must have a courier who will bring to me reports of the doings and thinkings in the great empire of the world. The Outlook is my courier, wise, yet guileless, smiling often, presenting the two sides or more that most things have to them, but not leaving me in doubt as to which side is fairly to be judged the right side; stern rarely, but always when truth is subtly and dangerously assailed.

I suppose I smile always when I see The Outlook among the papers and letters one day in each week. I remember that I did to-day. For what could I be thinking about as I darn Sonny's knees or pick up all the things three children and one man can bestrew a house withal each hurrying morning if I could not have a minute or two at breakfast time to read just a little of The Outlook? The waffles are crisp and hot. I feel the ever-new excitement of sensing the dawn coming up out of the woods beyond the pasture. I prop The Outlook against the water-pitcher and read bits to Jim and we talk just a little-and my day has begun. I read the paragraphs about politics, see a few fat faces of Representatives, etc., then the Angels' Advocate wants me to smile at him, and I do. Mary Garden next! I saw her once in a movie of "Thaïs," and I am a better woman since. (What will Mr. Pulsifer say?) Then I look almost tearfully at Joyce Kilmer's little tree poem, one of

ITY mind to me a kingdom is, but my nicest friends among poems, and I am ready to put off my courier until the babies are in bed and my wood fire is ready to comfort my toes and inspire my fancy. And don't I adore the play reviews then! I can enjoy my black sea of an onion patch and still hie me "to the well-trod stage anon" and catch a little of what a modern Jonson is doing in his learned sock. I hope Mr. Walter Damrosch will never see this, but I did adore him so when I was eighteen and stayed on one hard bench hour after hour, day after day, at Willow Grove in Philadelphia, one summer to hear every, note of his music. The Outlook is good to let me have news of him occasionally. I have read Mr. Fuessle ever since the first time when I just happened to read him one day. He quarrels so deliciously.

Here in Kansas men and women of the Old World are rare. The Outlook is doing something which a compulsory plan for peace can perhaps fail to accomplish in making us all in the New World more understandingly kind towards our tired but spirited friends of the old countries.

I do not read much about sports, nor, I am ashamed to say, do I always pursue the economists and the business writers to the bitter ends of their articles. (I mean to, though, when the babies are grown up.)

My mother, away across the miles to the East, reads The Outlook. Her guide





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and friend for many rich years has been Lyman Abbott, and as I go on facing life's responsibilities and trying to answer its questions I find he is more and more mine. I climbed the arid way from Calvinism to Unitarianism a good many years ago, when I was very young and very ardent, and I think Lyman Abbott's wise hand often helped me over bitterly rough places to the wider, happier plain where reason and faith shine together. The Outlook has meant sanity, you see, to an extremist, a pendulum-swinger.

Oswego, Kansas.

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HOW I FEEL ABOUT THE OUTLOOK BY ALICE E. CATE

HAVE in my mind a vivid picture of my father about to take the first sip of his breakfast coffee. It was a ceremonial. He would put in the sugar, stir cautiously, as if fearing that its aroma might escape. Then, with his head on one side, would seem to listen, as if hearing could help his attuned sense of taste to enjoy to the utmost that first sip of the delectable.

Some such emotion possesses me when, expectant, I slip the wrapper from the current number of The Outlook. I stop, look, and listen in that first sublimated enjoyment, scanning headlines, peeping at pictures, reading a paragraph here, an editorial there, an advertisement, a joke, knowing that later I can settle down to a full and satisfying meal. Just now I am exultant over its 8 by 11

As to subject-matter, I do not enjoy everything, for I am not interested in everything within the compass of any magazine, but there is such a wealth of subjects that I always find more articles that are appealing than I can possibly find time to read. I especially enjoy The Outlook's book reviews, for they are honest and not nauseatingly flattering. I like its vitality, which makes me feel as if the writers were all on tiptoe

in their eagerness for life—more life and fuller. I am amazed each were are the scope of the articles, and feel as the correspondents sailed about on magic carpet to view this old world, every fantastic angle. They seem each to touch life and make it flame, arouse sympathy with the unfortunational make people act, yet they are hever hectic nor sensational. For those who need to be soothed and calmed the salways the poet's magic touch and Lyman Abbott's crystal thinking and gentle philosophy.

As to its editorials, no matter what the topics, I know they will be treated fairly and sanely. I like their .. Des their clear-cut English, and good liverary form. I like the way they count to a point, then stop. I like their at a second sis of character and events. I like to at way of illuminating big issues, and the st of all, I trust The Outlook's edit tal judgments, knowing that moral - . F. will never be confused. Now I will a second fess to its greatest service to the sonally. Being somewhat wobbly-national I depend on The Outlook to stabil... to set me right morally, politicals; ethically, socially, spiritually. does. What more could any magazine ar

Belmont, Massachusetts.

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WHAT THE OUTLOOK MEANS TO THEM

THE character of The Outlook is described by contestants with almost endless variety. It has "the attributes of a perfect gentleman;" it is "an arsenal whence the thoughtful may draw their

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The Outlook as a means to that end. Thus I found a friend that has been my constant companion for twenty-eight

A lady in Columbus, Ohio, confesses that if she were asked what had exerted the greatest influence in her life she would answer, without hesitation, "The

ance and size of The Outlook.

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