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We do not place smoking on a par with these, but childhood's smoking approximates them. We do not believe, however, that there is any fair doubt, the parent of our boyish youth. They then let the attention it deserves from all good citizens.

"What are you going to do about it?" Make these two suggestions: First, let our dealers take the only proper stand in the matter, and do not sell to school boys. This has been done in some communities. It ought to be done here. Second, let parents open their eyes to the facts and exercise their watch, care and authority to prevent or overcome the vice. And let them think only of the temptations to which their boys are exposed, and follow these habits, which so surely discount the future. If they are, much may be done; if they are not, they are blind as to be careless in the matter, we can only hope that the various moral agencies of our community may be able to accomplish more than we dare expect.—*South Norwalk Republican.*

John Sherman at Home. From the Washington *Republican* we take the following account of the home life of this great worker: "At home he is not the secretary of the treasury nor senator in congress, he is a man of letters and to good advantage, in order that he may get through his task and leave his work behind him. When he leaves his office at night he leaves his table clear, and he begins the next day with a blank sheet of paper. Nothing is carried forward. At home he is the most domestic of men. He is demure, quiet, he is considerate, he is thoughtful and affectionate. As he does not take his home life to the department, so he does not take his business to his home. His home in Washington is on the most fashionable street in the city. It fronts on Franklin Square and is a lovely place. He has a garden and an adjoins the old double mansion of the late Secretary Stanton. It is of brick painted brown, with brown stone facings and basements. The windows are round and old-fashioned, and the steps to the front door are winding from the side, with iron railings and a well kept lawn in the front. The place is well furnished. A few pictures, some of the late Secretary Stanton, and some of his own, are on the walls. The dining room, running across the end of the house, is a large room. The house would be considered a country seat in the west. It is a very comfortable and elegant home, and is a credit to the Sherman family. He spends most of his evenings at home, and with his wife, pursuing his reading. He is a great reader. He takes great pleasure in reading. He has a large collection of books, and he reads them all. He is a very good man, and he is a great worker. He is a man of letters, and he is a man of action. He is a man of God, and he is a man of honor. He is a man of peace, and he is a man of love. He is a man of wisdom, and he is a man of power. He is a man of grace, and he is a man of glory. He is a man of heaven, and he is a man of earth. He is a man of truth, and he is a man of beauty. He is a man of life, and he is a man of hope. He is a man of joy, and he is a man of love. He is a man of peace, and he is a man of power. He is a man of grace, and he is a man of glory. He is a man of heaven, and he is a man of earth. He is a man of truth, and he is a man of beauty. He is a man of life, and he is a man of hope. He is a man of joy, and he is a man of love."—*South Norwalk Republican.*

General Garfield's Wife and Children. (Mrs. T. L. Nixon's Sketch.) Mrs. Garfield is a very pleasant but not a demonstrative woman. She is well educated and appreciates the good things in literature and art. She reads "solid" books, and the magazines; looks well after the house and teaches her own children; she is a "helpmeet" and an entertaining society. Her husband and abundant ability to entertain his most intellectual friends and visitors. I should think her most marked characteristic is that of perfect attention to her own business, and no meddling with other people's. She is unostentatious. She refused to allow her picture to be sold, and she presented to a number of photographers, engravers and many friends. I suspect she don't care to be written about much either, and I don't wish to do violence to her desire in this respect by extended comments.

The children are—**Boy**, one girl, and two boys. Their first child was a girl, which died when a few months old. Their last one was a boy that died when about two years old. Harry, the oldest living, is six years old; Abram, the youngest, is eight; "Jim" is fourteen; Molly, twelve; and Irvin, ten years old. Harry is quiet, and very respectful toward his parents and grandmother. The writer had an opportunity of seeing a characteristic letter which he wrote to his mother shortly after the Chicago convention, headed "Jim" being in school at Concord, N. H., at the time. He spoke of the fact that some of the gentlemen had manifested a great deal more interest in himself and "Jim" since they thought "Jim" was nominated for President. He said he didn't consider that they were a bit bigger or better than they were before, and that he would respect him as much as he would respect anything else.

Jim is what is called a rolicking boy. He is never known to be still unless asleep. Both physically and intellectually he is very strong and very quick. He is particularly respectful toward his father and grandmother. The writer had an opportunity of seeing a characteristic letter which he wrote to his mother shortly after the Chicago convention, headed "Jim" being in school at Concord, N. H., at the time. He spoke of the fact that some of the gentlemen had manifested a great deal more interest in himself and "Jim" since they thought "Jim" was nominated for President. He said he didn't consider that they were a bit bigger or better than they were before, and that he would respect him as much as he would respect anything else.

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The funeral of Miss M. O'Neil was held at her home in New London, Wednesday, for a new drill room for boys belonging to the naval training school, from California. General P. A. Walker states that the work of making the census is complete, and will be speedily published in the report.

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