

GOD BLESS THE BOY.

The Editor Happy at Last--A Son and Heir to the Poetry, Democracy and Slender Fortunes of the Only Butler Family in Fredericton.

The expected and hoped for has come to pass. On Wednesday, May 26th, after returning home from the purchase of an addition to my printing material at the old Gazette office, I was made aware before I reached the door, by the hurrying in and out of the neighboring women, that

SOME VERY IMPORTANT EVENT WAS ABOUT TO HAPPEN.

Scarcely had I seated myself when I was despatched post haste for the family doctor, whom I fortunately found at home, and you may be sure I lost no time in delivering my message. The good doctor was equally prompt, and to make a long story short, I went into a neighbor's house, and in the course of about an hour and a half the lady of the house, who was one of the ladies in attendance on my wife, came in with the grateful announcement that

I WAS THE FATHER OF AN ACTIVE, WELL FORMED AND HEALTHY BABY BOY

weighing 8½ pounds.

I will not attempt to describe my feelings at this cheering announcement. Most of you are fathers, and know the thrill of exultation; the upswelling of all the fountains of thankfulness, love, hope and aspirations in the human breast, that move to tears and prayer, and while not unmindful of the responsibilities, the future struggles, tears, privations and often bitter dissappointments that it entails to a poor family, still it is a time when these forebodings are brushed aside; an hour of sunshine in a dark world, an oasis in the desert of life and

A MOMENT OF SUPREME AND UNALLOYED HAPPINESS.

I have always loved the children of others and I shall not love them any the less because I love him more, and I thank the Almighty Giver of all good things, that while He has sorely bereaved and afflicted me, that he has not withheld from me

THE CROWN OF COMPLETE MANHOOD.

With my friends I am plain and direct, (and I thank God that I have yet many true and steadfast friends.) I lay open my heart as a book for them to read, and make no attempt to conceal what therein lies--the bad and distasteful as well as the good. As Walt Whitman would say:--"By Heaven I will never deny them." whoever and whatever and wherever they are, and I expect the same from them or nothing at all. It is cohesion that keeps the universe in place. Particles that have an affinity for each other run together, embrace, commingle and particles which have not, repulse each other, separate, disintegrate. So it will ever be with true friends--there is no middle course, no lukewarmness, for love is and must ever be

THE POWER THAT SWAYS THE UNIVERSE.

To the many friends who have congratulated me on this momentous occasion;--have reached out a friendly hand and have even offered financial aid were it needed, (every one, man woman and child of whom I truly believe were sincere and heartfelt in their declarations) I thank them from the bottom of my heart, and shall endeavor to do my best to be worthy of

THEIR FRIENDSHIP, RESPECT AND AFFECTION.

I must now redouble my efforts. Let

those who have not done so already, show the sincerity of their professions by doing the same. Those in business not occupying advertising space do so at once--if not for myself

FOR THE SAKE OF THE BOY.

Those not subscribers put their names immediately on our lists. Those who have withdrawn their patronage for some real or fancied grievance, come back and receive our forgiveness and THE CALM OF AN APPROVING CONSCIENCE.

For this, the first fruits of my married life--this talisman to guide me in the path of right and rectitude.

I WOULD WISH ALL GOOD THINGS.

I want him TO INHERIT MY FAITH AND MY DEMOCRACY and to live in peace and concord with all, AND IN THE DEAR OLD CITY OF FREDERICTON where I have found the most friends and on the whole spent the happiest years of my life; and if he is only as good a man as his father he will be well treated; and if he is a better man, as I would wish him to be, he will receive even better treatment.

To my brothers of the press, particularly the editors of THE HERALD and THE GLEANER of this city and those of THE CHATHAM WORLD, THE ST. JOHN PROGRESS, THE ST. ANDREW'S BEACON and THE ST. CROIX COURIER, of St. Stephen, who have given me so many flattering notices and ever extended toward me the true hand of fellowship, and social recognition I cannot find words to express my thanks. I hope that the hand of God will ever be with them to guard and to bless--to sweeten enjoyment and

SMOOTHE THE FURROWED BROW OF CARE,

that their children may "rise up and call them blessed" and be a stay and a support to them in their advancing years.

For the future I have hope not unmixed with apprehension. My pockets are light, but so is my heart. My burdens are heavy in comparison to my resources, but thank God I still have

A HAND TO WORK AND A BRAIN TO PLAN and many true and trusted friends. Should all or part of these fail me and bridge the narrow gulf between victory and defeat, success and failure

I CAN GO OUT INTO THE WORLD AGAIN.

I at least will not starve, and will be content with a crust while I live, and when the time comes that I lay aside this burden of life to rest forever, I will be well content if my boy is among friends and in a position to make a comfortable living.

And as for thee, thou sweet mysterious stranger;

Star-faced and azure eyed. Before whose tiny feet the world's rude pathway

Stretches so deep and wide. Ah yes, for thee in future years succeeding

We crave all blessings sweet; And pray that He who feeds the famished ravens

May guide the baby's feet.

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