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much of his opinion. Every wish that he had, I wanted to grant, then if he wished me to walk home with him, that was the thing that I thought I ought to do.

I must tell about my mother, we didn't have any bathtubs in those days, we had to use the round tub, and my mother was very careful. She'd have some chairs around the tub. The kitchen was the only warm room in the winter. We had a parlor that had a stove in it, and when people would come to see us, we'd always rush in and make a fire. We had to carry in the coal and wood. The kitchen would be warm, so Saturday night would be the night to bath; we didn't have any taps to turn to get the water, so mother would heat the water on the stove Saturday night she had all the clothes ready for us to put on Sunday morning.

Keith What was the relationship between you and your mother?

Laura She would have the clothes in piles for each child to put on in the morning.

One Sunday when I was getting ready for Sunday School, I noticed that my shoes were kind of shabby, and I said, "I won't go, you didn't get me any new shoes". My brother spoke up and said "Whats the matter? Everyone knows you could have new shoes". He took those shoes and shined them up and blacked them up for me. Thus I was perfectly happy to go to Sunday School with my old shoes. On Sunday my mother kept the Sabbath day holy, she did her baking and cooking on Saturday, so Sunday she would set the table, and we would have a lovely dinner. Her dishes would be put away in a pan till Monday morning to wash them. She allowed my brothers to go out and play ball on Sunday. My brother would go out on the street with another boy, and when it was time to go to Sacrament meeting, at 2 o'clock, she'd call him, "Horace you must come in how we're going to meeting". My brother and I as little children would take hold of our mother's hand and go to Sacrament meeting.

Keith What were some of the other things you did?

Laura My mother was very orderly, and a very beautiful person; she kept her person very beautiful. She would put a little white collar around her neck, and was a very dressy person. She would never allow me to go out with any pins anywhere, and I had to have all my other clothing just as neat and nice as my outside clothing. "If you should happen