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WHAT A LEADING AGRICULTURIST SAYS OF WESTERN CANADA.

Hon. Thomas Shaw of Minnesota University Gives an Unbiased Opinion.

In a letter to "The Farmer," St. Paul, dated Sept. 1st, 1901, Prof. Thomas Shaw of the Minnesota State University, has the following to say, after having made a trip through Western Canada:

"The capabilities of the immense area known as Western Canada are but little understood on this side of the line. Our people are apt to look upon it as a region of frost and snow, a country in which but a small portion of the land relatively will ever be tillable. So, some of the more of the climate." True, the climate is cold in winter, but Western Canada has, nevertheless, just the sort of climate which makes it the most reliable wheat producing country in all the continent.

Not Alone in Wheat Area.

"Western Canada is not only an immense area, but the same description will apply to those portions of the country that are capable of being successfully tilled or grazed. Nearly all of the prairie Province of Manitoba can be brought under cultivation, although probably not one-third of its surface has been laid open by the plow. Assiniboia to the west is a grain and stock country. Saskatchewan to the north of Assiniboia has high adaptation for the same. This also may be said of Alberta to the west. Here lies what may be termed a grain-growing and stock-producing empire, the resources of which have been but little drawn upon comparatively, viewed from the standpoint of the agriculture alist. When it is called to mind that even in the Peace River country in Athabasca, and several hundreds of miles north of the Canadian boundary, wheat was grown which won a premium at the World's Fair in 1893, the capabilities of this country in wheat production loom up more brightly than even the brilliant northern lights of the land that this country owes its power.

Adapted to Stock and Grain Production.

"The region under consideration is, however, mainly adapted to growing grain and grazing stock. It is well adapted to growing both grain and stock, but certain areas, especially towards the north, are only adapted to ranching, except where irrigation will yet be introduced. This, of course, is a matter of necessity, as there are many streams that flow down from the Rockies and water the country towards the east and north. The adaptation of the country for wheat production is of a high character. The cool nights of August are characteristic for ripening season are eminently favorable to the filling of the grain, and to the security of a plump berry, and consequently high yields. The crop this year is a magnificent one. In Manitoba and the territories it should certainly give an average of more than twenty bushels per acre. But should the yield be not more than 20 bushels, the crop will be a most handsome one, owing to the large area sown to wheat. Many farmers only grow grain. But those who do succeed as well in growing oats and barley as in growing wheat, hence these foods for stock should always be abundant. Some grow cattle mainly, and others combine the two. The last named, of course, is doubtless the safest. Hitherto, the cattle industry has been confined to the ranchers, but it is now being taken up by farmers, and, in one respect, it is a most favorable one, namely, that the cattle can be fed on the prairie grass, which is nutritious, and, in some cases, it is necessary to utilize it, as there is not sufficient cultivated land to feed the cattle. Many farmers, for the sake of a change, are now turning their attention to the growing of cattle, and, in some instances, they are feeding the cattle on the prairie grass, and, in other instances, they are feeding them on the cultivated land. Many farmers

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"PACE THAT KILLS"

Mr. McGovern, like almost all the rest of the great men, didn't quit soon enough.

Queen Wilhelmina says it was only a little spat, and Duke Henry's pawn-tickets are again hopeful.

The crown prince of Servia goes through the streets, whip in hand, and thrashes all who refuse to love him.

The good will of the United States is in such general demand abroad that the European nations may yet quarrel over it.

A company has been formed in England to build flying machines for the trade. Prussic acid, however, is cheaper.

First, Sir Thomas Lipton thought he wouldn't, and now he thinks he will. It is hard to keep a true sport out of the game.

King Edward ought not to object to being anointed at the time of the coronation exercises. It will do his treasury good.

It is not true that Queen Willie is thinking of coming over and taking up her residence in Dakota with a view to getting a divorce.

There is talk of sending Aguinaldo to this country to keep him out of temptation. It seems hard to break him of the insurrection habit.

In opposition to the clergymen who lately stigmatized drummers as a godless class, Booth-Tucker praises the drum as a means to salvation.

If throwing things at the Monroe doctrine is a source of pleasure some of the European editors must be among the happiest people living.

A western judge has decided that sausage isn't sausage unless it is in links. We may yet have to admit that the color of the hair makes the dog.

London is said to be in the throes of a fashionable rage for red. Perhaps that is the reason an American has been chosen to paint the coronation scenery.

According to the testimony of Dr. Ortman, curator of invertebrate paleontology in Princeton university, the continents are not living where they used to live.

A peculiar condition exists in respect to the South African war. The Hague court of arbitration refuses to intervene, and the Britons and Boers are unable to finish it.

The reasons which actuated the Colombian rebels in evacuating Colon are not entitled to so much confidence as would have been the case had they not told them to our marines.

The persons who are arranging to construct a log house on the Kansas reservation at the World's Fair evidently will contribute something will be a novelty to the Kansans.

Now that the fame of New Jersey's mosquitoes has been wiped out the state has nothing left to make it famous but its applejack and the swift course of its judicial processes.

There are some new things under the sun, and one of them is stopping a battle until railway trains can pass. Perhaps the ishmian combatants welcome the locomotive which when things get too hot.

The example of the thoughtful testator of Lynn who has bequeathed $1,500 to a man who once loaned him $10 ought to bring about a boom in filthy-certo unpoustable I O U's. Let us have a spare dollar about our clothes after this.

The Hartford Times calls the establishment of a local police force under state control a rampant imperialism. And yet Boston, which is sometimes called the headquarters of anti-imperialism, manages to exist under this particular species of it. Why is this thus?

The British exchequer will now profit something over a million dollars more a year than it did before the death of the late of an American who has just died over there. The present financial embarrassment of Britain would be appreciably relieved were the mortality among these expatriate millionaires larger. Still there is no doubt that the Britons are grateful for occasional dispensations of this character. In fact, the chancellor of the exchequer blubbered so in his speech explaining his last budget.

A New York judge decides that a woman is not entitled to alimony from the husband from whom she is divorced after she takes a second partner. Some women drawing alimony under these circumstances regard it as a mean to render such a decision just about Christmas time.

An American syndicate is reported to have bought the English Shell line of steamers. If the game continues much longer John Bull should be able to put his finger right on the place where the little shell is hidden.

Chili tells Argentina that she Chili does not mean war by the construction of her roads in the mountains on the Boundary of the two countries. Nevertheless, Argentina is distrustful. Chili has the reputation of being a rather unpleasant neighbor.

Another Perry has risen to distinction in the naval service, which fact it will make it all the more difficult later on for superficial readers of American history to remember the name of that particular Perry they are thinking about.

"PACE THAT KILLS"

This is a story of the pace that kills.

Young George Pullman, age, according to the records, 26, born to the position of millionaire, attended through all his life by the luxurious surroundings that were his by right of parentage and opulence, died recently in California. The cause of his death was given in the dispatches as acute pneumonia.

George Pullman, as every one who reads the newspapers knows, was one of the twin sons of George M. Pullman, the inventor of the sleeping-car system, that bears that name. He and his twin brother Sanger were born on June 25, 1875. The character and achievement of the father are too well known to need exploitation here. Pullman, Sr., from humble beginnings amassed a colossal fortune. The foundations of his fortune were laid before his sons were born, and there was never a time thereafter that his fortune did not prosper. He died very suddenly, as it might be said, without warning. That is to say, he retired one night in perfect health, awoke in distress, and passed away almost before physicians could be summoned to lend him assistance and comfort.

A day after the newspapers were filled with flattering obituaries. It was only after the publication of the terms of his will that the world became aware of the great and mighty grief that had tugged at the heart strings of the rich man for years before Providence sent the stroke that took him out of the world. In this will he cut off his twin sons with a comparative pittiny pittance of $2,000 a year, being careful, however, to explain that the reason he did so was because the total inability of either to appreciate the blessings of business of the value of money. The country rang with the news of the disinheritance of the twins, and the event served to afford excuse for a recapitulation of the numerous and picturesque escapades of both. The bulk of the Pullman fortune of course went to the widow. The two daughters, however, Florence and Harriet, received a magnificent share. Both of these sisters are now married, one being Mrs. Frank O. Lowden of Chicago.

Sympathy for the two boys might have been more marked if it had not been for the known intention of their mother, made public very shortly after the publication of the terms of the will, to provide for them handsomely from her own apparently inexhaustible and good her promise in no uncertain way, and since their father's death the twins have suffered no lack of luxury. It was in their doings before and after their father's death that the newspapers of New York and Chicago took to speak of other cities, found the pretext for biographical sketches that were not always complimentary.

One of the beautiful features of this strange modern domestic romance has been the lasting and imperishable affection that has always existed between the two brothers. When either one has been in a scrape or in any sort of entanglement the other has invariably stood by him. Sanger Pullman was at his brother George's bedside when he passed away. He was never away from him when he was in trouble.

The first trouble came, perhaps, while the parents were in Europe, shortly after the twins had returned from separate schools in the East.

Young George and his brother Sanger had cut a young gods in these days, became the dual center-piece of a rapidly moving coterie of young men of the town, who quaffed champagne by the bucket, patronized all the first nightlights, the theaters, consumed all the lobsters and Welsh rarebits that were to be had for money, and in other ways managed to interest themselves in the industry of burning the candle of life at both ends.

These, of course, were wild oats of the more trivial sort. The tragedy began to darken when the blessed state of matrimony hove into view as a possible solution of the destiny of the twins. It was the matrimonial experience of both that gave the newspaper historians their best opportunities, and that brought to both brothers a notoriety that either, no doubt, would have glady escaped.

The two engagements were announced almost simultaneously. Miss Lynne Fernald, the daughter of Mrs. J. W. Fernald of Chicago, plighted her troth to Sanger Pullman. Within a few days it was announced that George Pullman, Jr., was engaged to Miss Pelicie Ogleby, a daughter of the former governor of Illinois of that name. Immediately after the publication of the terms of the Pullman will disinheriting the twins, both young ladies promptly sought release from their respective engagements.

After their disinheritance, the twins seemed to thrive fairly well, though there was no appreciable diminution of the fervor with which they sought the gayeties of life. Neither seemed to grieve over the loss of his fiancee. Young George went the pace as of yore, and the next piece of news to startle various communities was to the effect that he and Miss Fernald had eloped from his mother's summer cottage at Kilburn, N. J., where the young lady was an honored guest. The two were married privately in New York, and when Sanger heard of the event he telegraphed his brother his sincere congratulations.

Not so long after this Sanger himself was married without parental consent to a young woman in California, and when he arrived in Chicago to seek his mother's blessing, he was met by his brother George, who gave him every assurance of his affection and support. From that time on Sanger and his wife have lived happily. It was to the doomed George that the trouble came.

Very shortly after his brother Sanger's marriage he resumed a former friendship with Mrs. Blanche Bowers, one of the playmates of his childhood, and the wife of the composer of several popular songs. The two were seen together constantly. George took Mrs. Bowers to New York, and it was while living with her at the Gerrard hotel, on Forty-fourth street, that Mr. Bowers brought suit for divorce against his wife and an action against Mr. Pullman for $50,000 damages for alienation of the lady's affections. Mrs. Bowers has since secured a decree of divorce from his wife. The damage suit probably terminates with the death of Mr. Pullman.

Mrs. Pullman (formerly Miss Fernald) secured a divorce from her husband last December, with balm for her feelings in the way of $1,000 annual alimony. The balm may or may not cease with the death of the offender. Fourteen days after that divorce Mr. Pullman married Mrs. Brasefie, a sister of his brother Sanger's wife. The ceremony was performed in the Arlington hotel in Washington. Since that time and up to the day of Mr. Pullman's death he and his wife lived in California.

LORD THOMAS BRASSEY.

conscientious and public spirited citizen in more ways than one. He has held several offices in the admiralty and is regarded as the highest authority on naval affairs in Great Britain.

Royal Love Match.

Prince Otto Windisch-Graetz is the fiance of Princess Elisabeth of Austria. This is according to all the gossip that comes to this country from Vienna. A purely love match, and if the prin-

Yankee in Manila.

The question of house rents has become a serious one for Americans living in Manila, who have reason to believe that they are the victims of unjust discrimination at the hands of landlords. A young man from the United States recently sought to rent one of several cottages owned by a Spaniard and managed by a Filipino agent. He was told that the rent was 50 pesos per month. There were Filipinos living in some of the cottages and the American asked if they paid that price and the agent did not care to reply, but when threatened with arrest he finally, after asking that he be kept secret said that his instructions were to charge the Spaniards and Filipinos 25 pesos per month and if any American applied to ask them double that price, which he did.

An Indian Church Worker.

Rev. Charles T. Wright, who is in charge of the Episcopal church work among the Indians at Leech Lake, is a full-blooded Indian. He is the eldest son of the famous Indian chief White Cloud.

JUST LIKE CARLYLE.

Savage Epitaphs from the Biographer of Oliver Cromwell.

An unpublished and most characteristic letter of Carlyle's has recently appeared in the London Times. He had been asked to subscribe toward the raising, at St. Ives, of a statue to the Protector, and his adherence was qualified with no little ferocity for the people who presumed to celebrate at the same time Cromwell and "King Hudson," the great railroad speculator. The project for the Cromwell monument lapsed, and St. Ives waited until the other day for a memorial of its greatest citizen. The dedication, the Times correspondent assures us, passed off without the "ocean of flummery and mere idle baldersdash," which Carlyle deprecated. The biographer of Cromwell writes: "My private suspicion, I confess, is that the present generation of Englishmen, who have filled their towns with such a set of public statues as were never before erected by any people, ugly brazen images to mere commonplace adventurers with titles on them, and even sometimes to mere paltry scoundrels, worth of immediate oblivion only), and who have winded up their enterprises in the statue or memorial line by subscribing £25,000 in a memorial for King Hudson—are not likely to do themselves or anybody much good by setting up another to Oliver Cromwell. I fear they have forfeited the right to pretend to remember Cromwell in a public manner. Cromwell's divine memory, sad, stern and earnest as the gods, says virtually to them, 'Forget me and pass on, ye unhappy canaille; carry your offerings to King Hudson and strive to emulate him!' Nevertheless, I have privately resolved, if such a thing does not, in the course of my little mite to it on occasion, and to wish privately that it may prosper much better than it can with my assurance hope. I think it will be very difficult to avoid the introduction of such an ocean of flummery and mere idle baldersdash that the affair (if the 'public' are fairly awoken to it) as will be very distressing to any one who feels how a Cromwell ought to be honored by the nation that produced him."—New York Evening Post.

CARD-SHUFFLING MACHINE.

It Has Elected Wonders of Several Professional Gamblers.

A card shuffling machine has been invented by a Cleveland man. It should make business poor for crooked card-players. The device is complicated, yet simple in its action. "Card-players who want a fair and honest game are enthusiastic in their praise of my machine," says the inventor. "They say it shuffles cards more thoroughly than can possibly be done by hand, and that it is impossible for a dealer to put up a hand to suit himself. I have exhibited the machine to a number of professional gamblers. Some of the keepers of gambling rooms told me they would do all they could to prevent the machine being put in use, because it takes away all the advantage which the dealer skill in shuffling gives to the house. But when the machine gets into the rooms where square games are played the fair players will go there, and the crooked rooms will then be compelled to adopt the use also." The shuffling machine is a metal box about twelve inches high, three inches wide and six inches from front to back. All the mechanism is inside. The cards are dropped in at the top and rest on a tiny shelf. Below this there are five small fingers, one on each of five thin steel blades extending across the full width of the machine. When a button on the front is dropped the shelf fall's and the cards drop upon the blades and are separated into five little packs by the action of the fingers. The blades separate, and one by one cards drop from the variation a receptacle at the bottom, the drop being regulated by a clockwork mechanism.

Islands in the Indian Ocean.

If you should want an island—that is, an uninhabited island—for the purpose of carrying out Robinson Crusoe like, or to use it for romantic fiction or any other purpose, to the exclusion of all others in the world, you need have no trouble in finding one if you see fit to make a journey to the Indian Ocean. The waters between Madagascar and India you can find more than 15,000 of them, where there is not a human being, and if you wish, you will, be monarch of all you survey. An English traveler has recently been among the small islands that lie between extent of the Indian Ocean to make an inventory of them and reports that he found 15,000 and that he left about 600 of them unexhibited. Now, there is a good chance for any one who may want an island. These particular islands are not large, as islands go, but very many of them are sufficient for the purpose of a Robinson Crusoe or any other novel hero, or for even a small colony of shipwrecked mariners or other persons who might be cast on one of them by the wreck of the purpose of making a home pretty much out of the busy world.

Tons of Dutch Cheese.

In the Dutch town of Alkmar, on the great northern canal, about twenty miles from Amsterdam, which is noted for being one of the biggest cheese markets in the world, not less than 5,000 tons of cheese are disposed of in the course of twelve months. The Dutch cheeses are made in spheres of two sizes, respectively, of four pounds eight pounds, and twelve pounds in weight, and the best quality fetches about twenty guilders, or about thirty-five shillings, per 100 pounds. Immediately after being made they are salted and smoked and are taken to the canal boats nearby, and then the cheeses which they contain are rolled one by one into the hold, through a wooden chute, to be transported to their various destinations. Before exportation they are given a coating of vegetable red, and it is in this guise they are known and recognized the world over.

The cheese that flourishes itself is often far from flourishing.

THE TIMES

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Village News

The snow shovel is again called into use.

Mrs. Fansel's location is the attraction, evenings.

Every lady should read Mrs. Hoadell's advertisement.

Some of the prompt ones have already paid their taxes.

The pedro club does not seem to get started this season.

A good many cisterns were empty before the rain on Sunday.

The Lowery Schaffer Co., have a new advertisement this week on 2nd page.

Wm. Burtless did not buy any stock of Chicago last week. He found it was too high.

Our local papers went out with dogs and guns after the snow fall, in search of rabbits.

There was a slim attendance at the methodist church Sunday morning, but the sermon was all right.

The regret on the streets last week that the People's bank had bought Kingsley's lighting plant proved untrue.

Yocum, Marx & Co. announce the result of the guessing on the weight of the ponies mentioned in their advertisement.

The Sunday schools are preparing for christmas exercises. We understand that the methodist church intends to have a tree.

The star chapter ladies, the committee we mean, are making great preparations for the social Friday evening at masonic hall.

Stockmen say that work in their line is very dull. The farmers have not been obliged to even shoe their horses yet this winter.

Our merchants are all getting such goods as are suitable for holiday presents, in plain sight. It is only two weeks til Christmas.

Seaton W. Anderson, of the popular white front dry goods store, Tecumseh advertises the opening of holiday goods this week.

Bryan's commedians passed through here Monday morning, but they did not stop. A good show ought to get a good house here now.

Large numbers of ladies are out every afternoon shopping. The approach of christmas demands prompt selections of goods needed for presents.

Township Treasurer Clark has some nice brass dog tags properly marked which he will furnished upon receipt of a receipt, to all who swip up for their dog tax.

We are adding a good many new names to our subscription list this month and will be pleased to add yours. If you are already a subscriber, have the paper sent to some friend for 1902.

About as pretty and natural a piece of taxidermy as we have seen, is a cover of quail shot by W. Sloat and mounted by Ed. Kief. They are an attractive present on W. H. Lehr's sideboard.

The fire laddies had a meeting Monday night, but as the snow was falling, and the ground was covered with wet snow, they concluded not to take the engine out for practice. They took it out last night.

When you send a letter or an item to the newspaper, why not, you also put your name? Do you expect the Editor to believe what you say is true when you are not willing to let him know who sent it?

Some of the stockholders in the canning factory are kicking because the company that built and equipped the factory did not pay for the land on which it is located, but left that for the stockholders to do.

A gentleman on our streets Saturday morning, in the long row of teams hauling stock to the depot, remarked that he should think that the farmers would be about sold out of stock, so much has been shipped every week.

Whitney and Son are at work at Fitzhugh's raising stock for a $11,000 canning factory. At the rate canning factories are being built throughout the state there will be plenty of competition in the price of canned goods.

The pond was frozen over solid last Sunday morning and the young people had a fine time skating, but the rain came and spoiled all their fun. There are few places that afford as convenient skating accomodations and as much as Manchester.

Tomorrow, Friday at 10 a. m. Frank Hauffner and enclosure will sell to E. R. Peal on the Geo. Paul farm, four and one-half miles east of this village a large amount of stock, vehicles, farming tools, grain, etc. Those who go early will be in time for business.

Our advertisers are requested to get their copy for change of advertisement in early. Don't wait until Tuesday afternoon. Our first forms go to press that evening, after asking that the advertisements are printed so when you want a change let us know in time to avoid disappointment.

Next week there will be an exhibition of the Majestic malleable iron and steel range. Mr. Blosser has been busy on notions in his attractive advertisement this week. The successful exhibition given last year and the satisfaction the Majestic range has given users, will help to make this exhibition popular.

James Martin sold the Graham place corner of Liberty and Vernon streets, to Andrew Brown for $800 and Andrew has taken possession.

Officers of Manchester Hive No. 626 were all re-elected Tuesday evening: P. L. Ocon.—Sarah Hendershott; Lady Com.—Laura S. Glover; Lady Lieu. Com.—Lizzetta Bauer; Lady R. K.—Jennie Schaad; Lady F. K.—Pauline Beauchenberger; Lady Chaplin—Julia Kapp; Lady Sargeant—Hattie Hall; Lady M. at A.—Carrie Briegel; Lady Sentinel—Polly Hicks; Lady Picket—Emma Ferris.

Kate B lodge No. 83 Degree of Honor elected officers for the ensuing year as follows:

Past Chief of Honor—Julia Kapp
Chief of Honor—Chloe Fisk
Lady of Honor—Polly Hicks
Chief of Ceremonies—Odilia Trahn
Recorder—Eva Deale
Financier—Francis Jackson
Receiver—Barbara Kohler
Usher—Anna Wheaton
Inner Watch—Mary Pfeffle
Outer Watch—Oliver Gumper
Medical Examiner—C. F. Kapp.

Following are the officers elected by Comstock post G. A. R. for the coming year:

Commander—S. S. Sherwood
Sr. Vice Com.—R. M. Teeter
Jr. Vice Com.—G. R. Putnam
Surgeon—A. A. Stringham
Chaplain—J. E. Teeter
Quartermaster—H. Kirchhofer
Orderly—George Hole
Outside Guard—T. H. Ogston
Inside Guard—J. Servis
Alternate—G. R. Putnam

There will be inspection at the meeting next Tuesday evening.

E. G. Cook, who has been ill for some time, died suddenly at his home Thursday. Mr. Cook has been suffering from cancer for a long time. He was about 70 years of age, and leaves a wife to mourn his loss. The funeral was held from the house at one o'clock Sunday with interment at Clinton.—Tecumseh Herald. Mr. Cook was well known in these parts and at one time was of the firm of Cook, Hewett & Burtless proprietors of the southern Washtenaw mills in this village. He was a heavy grain and wool buyer a quarter of a century ago.

School Notes.

Mrs. Anzer visited the first primary Monday afternoon.

The paper by the juniors was the drawing card Monday night.

The Alpha Sigma, notwithstanding the stormy night, was very well attended. The receipts were $3.20.

The debate as to the owning of the coal mines by the government was decided by the judges Misses Ida Silkworth and Jennie Pulman and Frank Lesson in favor of the affirmative.

Will Build a Club House.

The hunting party of which James Moore of this township was a member was composed of Jas. Shuart of Brooklyn, C. and C. L. Lowe of Ridgeway, Chas. Underwood of Tecumseh, and H. Van Winkle and Wm. Underwood of Britton. They spent three weeks in Chippewa county and are so well pleased that they propose building a club house in the woods there the fall this year, and will make that their headquarters annually hereafter. Mr. Shuart who was captain of the party, killed a buck that weighed 200 pounds and had a set of antlers with 8 point horns. The animal was probably a cross of the two breeds, which accounts for its unusual weight and different horns. He will have the head mounted and it will make a handsome ornament. The party killed 11 deer and brought eight of the dead animals home with them.

IRON CREEK.

J. S. Wood is in very poor health.

Miss Bessie Dorr visited in Detroit last week.

There are 57 dollars taken by people along road tests No. 2.

Albert Green is working for the Page Fence Co. at Adrian.

Charles Merker of Chelsea was here the fore part of the week.

There is a social at A. E. Bostic's Thursday evening of this week.

Mr. & Mrs. James Sargeant of Lansing visited here the past week.

Miss Mayme Payne spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Abby Lamson of Clinton spent the past week at Thomas Holmes.

Mrs. Adelia Whelan of Tecumseh visited at Dudley Wilberells last week.

There was no services at the church Sunday on account of the rainy weather.

C. M. Cooley who is serving as a juror at Ann Arbor was at home over Sunday.

Mr. & Mrs. C. J. VanValkenburg visited at Tecumseh Saturday and in Macon Sunday.

Mr. & Mrs. J. D. Holmes of Clinton county has been visiting relatives here about the past week.

Mr. & Mrs. C. D. McMahon went at Jackson Saturday going by way of Grass Lake where they visited relatives.

Dr. Zell L. Baldwin, mayor of Niles and son of our townsman Lyman Baldwin, is in receipt of a letter from a friend in Denver, who is one of the mine at Grand Encampment, Wyoming, in which he is president and a large stockholder, give platinum in paying quantities. The discovery was made in the construction of the stock holders.

FREEDOM.

Henry Altenburst is visiting at Macon.

Thos. Guinan visit in Chelsea Saturday.

Henry Kothe is erecting a new wood house.

Bank Sodt was in Ann Arbor Tuesday on business.

Alfred Braun went to Detroit on business last Thursday.

Gottlieb Schoedt has rented the Adam Gehringer farm.

G. M. Hughes has gone to Adrian to work in the electrical works.

About half a dozen sportsmen of Saline hunted for hare Tuesday.

Henry Steinsweg Sr. had the misfortune to break his thumb recently.

Albert Dennelhower and family and Mat Guinan were in Ann Arbor Saturday on business.

Mrs. Stimson returned to Ogden Saturday morning after a two week's stay with her daughter, Mrs. Will Mapes.

Arthur and Minnie Stalb of Clinton visited at Mr. & Mrs. Frank Detling's over Sunday. Miss Minnie will remain a week.

Frank Kleinschmidt of Ann Arbor, formerly of this place and Miss Bertha Kruger of Ann Arbor were married Wednesday, Dec. 5th. The best wishes of their many friends go with them through life.

We have the laugh on one of our neighbors who drove to a neighboring town after a hog, a few days ago and on arriving home he threw the horse blanket over the hog in the back part of his wagon thinking of course the hog was there. But he found out later that the porker had jumped out a few miles away.

NORVELL.

We learn that Mrs. Wm. Brower is about selling her farm to Daniel Quigley of Redford.

The Norvell plain's school is to have a christmas tree and appropriate exercises next week Friday.

An impersonator gives an entertainment at town hall, Monday evening for the christian endeavor society.

Why does not some of our enterprising farmers agitate the telephone question. As other sections have advantage of telephones, why can not we?

Miss Minnie Squire and brother Frank drove to Hillsdale last week. Frank returned Monday but Minnie remained to visit with her sister.

Mrs. Jud Lowery is visiting her husband's parents here. She will soon go to Washington where her husband has been for some time and has bought a farm.

Mr. & Mrs. F. P. Coder of Jackson came here last Friday to attend the social at Mrs. M. R. Hunt's. Mr. Coder returned in the evening but Mrs. C. visited friends in town till Saturday evening.

Our merchant, C. Atkinson, had a narrow escape from serious injury last Friday afternoon. In company with a plumber from Jackson, he was examining his gas plant in the cellar, which was out of repair. Thinking there was no gas in the plant they were making their examination with a lighted lamp, when there was an explosion, striking both men in the face. Mr. A. having on a cap and his glasses, was not so seriously burned as the plumber, who lost his eye brows, eye lashes and hair and was seriously burned in his eyes. Mr. Atkinson at this time, Tuesday, could not open his eyes. His face, neck and eyes were badly burned. But no serious results are anticipated. No particular damage was done to the store.

BROOKLYN.

Dell Campbell of Tipton visited in town Sunday.

Carpenters finished work on Masonic hall Tuesday. Now the plasterers are at work.

Mr. & Mrs. W. S. Culver are making preparations to spend the winter in California.

Mrs. Will T. Parker and Mrs. Fred Van Dyke were in Jackson Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Effie Gary's house is enclosed and about all the work done that is to be done this winter.

The seniors were entertained Tuesday evening at the home of Howard Ambler north of town.

Mrs. Richards and son and the Misses Stickles are occupying the Kicker house on Monroe street.

Herman Wasch, Frank Ambler and David Neely went to Clinton Monday to look over the electric light plant.

Frank Stephenson is moving to Onsted his family remaining along and also his of the telephone exchange.

Last week while Geo. Barstow was assisting in removing a sick man his horse's foot he was kicked by the horse on the leg, and now both bones and muscle limps.

Miss O. L. Overmiller will have a sale of Hand Painted Water Color articles at Mrs. C. F. Young's on Tuesday the 17th. Please call.

Jester & Rauschenberger have a fine line of Christmas goods already for the holiday trade and solicited low.

Remember that dainty "Majestic" lunch next week at Fred Widmayer's. Everybody invited.

Before you renew your subscription to any paper or magazine, get the ENTERPRISE club price.

Feed grinding at the Sharon Mills at 8 cents a bag. — GEO. KIRKWOOD.

The methodists took in $21 at their chicken pie supper last Friday night.

Gallup & Lewis have a new advertisement this week. Read it.

New and old car seats seated at the Manchester Roller Mills.

SHARON.

Wallace Jones has commenced school in the Pierce district.

Mrs. John Schaible of Manchester is visiting friends and relatives in this township.

The north Sharon W. H. M. S. will meet with Mrs. J. R. Lemen this week Thursday.

The german lutheran missionary meeting will meet with Mr. & Mrs. Dan Butler this week Thursday.

A number of relatives and friends gathered together last Friday and gave a surprise christmas supplies for Addie Orbring at her home. Everyone spent a very enjoyable evening.

The Epworth league social was largely attended at the home of Webster Mount Tuesday evening, Dec. 3. The exercises were opened by prayer by Rev. Steininger; recitation, Clara Rowen; select reading, Mrs. E. Baker; recitation, Miss Edith Treat; select reading, E. Baker; Charles Pardee made an excellent auctioneer in disposing of the substantial shadows. Proceeds $7.

The literary society met at the home of Mr. & Mrs. F. Knickerbocker Saturday evening, Dec. 7. The following interesting program was rendered: music, violin and organ, Ernest and Ara Harper; recitation, Catherine Pierce; conundrums, Clyde Beckwith; recitations, Leroy Mackey and Blanche Knickerbocker; Tableau, signing the pledge; solo, Florence Abbott; critic's report, Leroy Mackey; tableau, picture of our host; song, Frank Knickerbocker. There was a good attendance of parents and friends and a general good time enjoyed. The next meeting will be held Twelfth Year eve. at the home of Ernest Harper.

A set of 17 copper, steel and enameled cooking utensils, well worth $7.50, absolutely free with every Majestic Range sold next week at Widmayer's.

Died.

SCHLICHT.—In this village on Saturday, Dec. 7, 1901, of heart failure, Mrs. Anna E. Schlicht, aged 53 years.

The funeral was held Monday at Emanuel's church.

WOLF.—In this village, at the residence of her daughter Mrs. M. Trash on Thursday, Dec. 12, 1901, of heart failure, Mrs. Catherine Wolf, aged 80 years.

The funeral will be held on Saturday at Emanuel's church.

Home Market.

SHEAS.—Fair demand, unsoaked, $1.40 per bu. of 62 lbs. Yellow cent, $1.75

BEEF.—Best steers, $4@4.25; heifers, $3.25@3.75; cows, $2@2.75; calves, $5.00 @$5.50

BUTTER.—Scores, 17c lb.

DRIED APPLES.—5c @ lb

CABBAGE.—5c@6c per head.

CORN.—Old, 30c ⅌ bu.; of 85 lbs.; ear, 27c; new, 25c ⅌ bu.

HAY.—Good demand; timothy, $8.50; mixed, $7.50; clover, $6 ⅌ ton.

HICKORY NUTS.—$1 per bu.

HOGS.—Better. Heavy, $5.30; demand, $5.50; pigs and yorkers, $5@5.25

HONEY.—15c per pound.

LARD.—5c@6c lb.

OATS.—Higher 65c bu.

ONIONS.—Good demand 75c bu.

POTATOES.—50c bu.

RYE.—50c per bu.

SHEEP.—Wethers and yearlings, $3.00 @$3.25; fat ewes, $2@$3; fat lambs, $4.25 @$4.50; feeding lambs, $4@$4.25.

WHEAT.—In better demand. Red old wheat, 58c; low grade, 50c@70c.

ALONG THE "PIKE."

E. Hoxsie is preparing to build a barn in the spring.

Geo. Earn was in Manchester and vicinity Saturday on business.

Wells will have a dance at Willow Grove hotel, Friday evening the 20th.

Miss Rena Baird has been visiting her parents in Brooklyn the past week.

Mr. & Mrs. W. Hoxie visited the latter's parents in Manchester Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Maggie and Mary Beech and Lizzie Ambler of Brooklyn drove to Tecumseh last Thursday.

Mr. & Mrs. Stevens of Monroe county are spending the winter with their daughter Mrs. E. Schaible.

Joe Hoxie, our popular fur buyer, was in Clinton and Tecumseh Monday. We noticed he brought home a load of furs as usual.

The grangers of this vicinity held a fair in their hall at Evan's lake last Thursday afternoon and evening. We understand it was a financial success. The proceeds are to purchase a carpet for their hall.

For Sale.

1 Top Buggy cheap. Inquire of F. Steinkohl.

House for sale or rent.

JOSEPH KRAMER.

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can get their little christmas selections attended to by us as well as though they lived in the city. We take orders each week for parties for different articles that are intended for christmas presents. We do not forget to pack and ship a few days before christmas, we do not forget to have packages tied up and ready when you call.

Christmas is close at hand and articles are needed in your home. Articles that you must buy sooner or later, and why not kill two birds with one stone, buy what you need now and make a christmas present at the same time. A Couch, a Table, a set of Chairs, a Book-case, a Bedroom suit, a Rocker, a nice Lamp, a neat Dinner set or even good Springs and Mattress do not come amiss. We have a beautiful assortment and we name prices on good merchandise that cannot be matched. Don't wait, drop in at once. Everyone comes at the last moment when they cannot get half waited upon. Come early and you will profit by it.

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Monday December 16 until Saturday Eve.,

and see this wonderful baking performance with your own eyes, have a dainty lunch and a delicious cup of coffee with us, and hear the demonstrator from the Majestic factory explain why a

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MAJESTIC RANGES are entirely different from all other cooking apparatus. Will not clog with ashes and clinkers, allow smoke and soot to escape into the kitchen, crack or break, or subject you to the annoyance of every other cooking apparatus.

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Those having business at the Probate Court please do not neglect to receive Judge Kinsley's order in regard to sale of advertising for the estate in the REVERSIVE DIRECTION.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1901.

Tramps seem to be more numerous now than they have been for some time.

The state authorities are investigating the Wabash wreck in order to ascertain how many people were killed.

Navigation on the lakes is closed and we hope that our dealers will be able to get a supply of coal on a good many of our citizens are out.

One can now make the trip from Jackson to Detroit by electric line, taking the Boland car for Grass Lake and then transferring to the Hawks-Ann Arbor line.

The snow storm Monday reminded those who had watched the flight of time, that winter has finally arrived. The blessed Christmas tide is almost here and the first year of the new century is fast drawing to a close. It is time to begin planning for the new year, time to form new resolutions; to swear off, on some of the foolish and uncomfortable habits and to try and do better in the future.

The month of December used to be the time for farmers to kill hogs, salt down pork, make sausages and smoke hams. Very little of that business is done now-a-days. Most of the hogs are sold alive. And they are not driven to market as was formerly the case. The farmer has great stock racks that he puts on his wagon, loads the fat porkers in and drives away, his horses on a trot. It is a short job to market stock now. As we said, but few hogs are butchered by the farmer, it pays better to sell hogs on foot, and some farmers even buy their lard, hams and sausage at the market. But there are others who keep up the old practice and they sell a few hogs to friends in town who want something prime, so they kill what is required to supply the demand. Dressed pork sold in this way brings $7 to $7.50 per hundred.

Washtenaw County.

We learn that Mr. & Mrs. Geo. Dray of Ann Arbor attended the funeral of Dr. Barnes at Tecumseh.

Packard, the cartoonist was at Ypsilanti last Thursday en route for Brooklyn, but the way freight was so late that he did not make his show.

Real estate transfers:

Charles R. Miller and wife, to Lloyd B. Hittle and wife, Bridgewater, $900.

Edward Brighton and wife to Henry F. Brighton and wife, Manchester, $600.

Park Dodemead to Cover Vaughn, 1 acre land on sec. 18 and 19, Colombia, $3 250.

Lima Centre is the first hamlet in the whole world to be moved to make way for an electric line. Rather than make a curve in their line in passing through Lima Centre the Detroit Jackson & Chicago road moved the church and the school house and half the houses. —Chelsea Standard. They paid for the job, Chelsea Winner did the moving.

The oldest son of Charles Finkbinder who lives in the Benton district, two and a half miles southeast of Saline was initially killed Saturday afternoon. The unfortunate boy's brothers were backing the empty wagon down hill to a wood pile, while he was at the foot of the hill. The brothers lost control of the wagon, which came down hill with great force. The back end of it striking young Finkbinder and jamming his head against a tree in such a way that his skull was fractured. Death was instantaneous. Times.

Dr. Henry Schmidt of Chelsea used the township of Sylvan for attending the Lake Guinan family "Dominoes" twelfth fever. Trial this week in Circuit court. The position of the plaintiff is best told by the opening made by Attorney Freeman. He told the jury that in April and May of last year the family of Mr. Guinan became afflicted with the disease and his home was quarantined. Mr. Guinan sent to Chelsea on three occasions for physicians but none responded. The fourth time he asked Mr. Riggs to go for the doctor. Mr. Riggs went to Supervisor Bacon and told him to get Dr. Schmidt to go out to care for the family. Dr. Schmidt did so and spent 20 days in the service. During the time the supervisor knew he was caring for the cases and on two or three occasions the supervisor sent out groceries. Members of the township board were also aware of the services. A bill was rendered by Dr. Schmidt to the township board, but they refused to pay it. The defense showed that the family to take only one call. However, the jury gave him $60.

Norvell Farmers' Club.

The meeting of Nov. 30 was held with Mr. & Mrs. C. J. Harper.

After a pleasant social hour and the usual excellent dinner, Pres. Halladay called to order and prayer was offered by A. T. Palmer. Mr. & Mrs. L. D. Watkins and A. R. Palmer were elected delegates to the state association meeting at Lansing on Dec. 10 and some discussion was had on the Torrens system of land transfers.

Bro. Palmer gave Green read an essay on "Our unlored duties." Some duties are pleasant to us and some the contrary. The loved ones bringing their own reward. The unloved ones are just as necessary in building and caring for the home. Persistent cheerfulness in their performance often results in their becoming more and more pleasant to us. Strive to be exceptionally perfect in these which will bring content. Do them in their turn, not allow them to accumulate at the close of day when tired and worried. The unloved duties are the test of character. Be loyal to them, they sometimes form the corner stone of life.

Mrs. J. G. Palmer spoke of current events, mentioning the close of the Panama canal expedition with its record of financial loss; and of Sabbath desecration; the final earthly event in the life of the assassin of Pres. McKinley; Pres. Roosevelt's announced purpose to receive no callers on the Sabbath day, but to give that day to home and family.

The subject of "Soil fertilization and rotation of crops" was introduced by a paper by A. R. Palmer. The great attention given this subject proves its importance. The object to be attained are three: to supply plant food, to change the texture of the soil, and to fit the land for some special purpose. Four methods are in practice, rest for a considerable time, the application of barnyard manure, the growth of manurial crops to be plowed under, the use of commercial fertilizers.

As a crop rotation the paper suggested a manured sod, plowed for corn, rye sown in the stubble to be turned under the next May for beans, this to be followed by wheat and seeded to clover. The objection to this is that the beans seem to use up so much of the residuary manure that the clover seeding is apt to be a failure.

John Green said that the fertility of our land is not so nearly exhausted as we are apt to think. We now produce better crops than were grown 47 years ago. We raise much better corn now and wheat is not a hopeless crop, when we get a good season we have wheat again. Experience repeats itself, let land rest to restore its fertility. The spring tooth harrow as commonly used is a bad tool. It leaves the surface so light and loose the fertility is readily washed away. It should be followed by a spike-tooth harrow. As a crop rotation, corn on a manured sod, followed by wheat sown in the stubble, clover seed sown in the spring will nearly always result in a good catch. Manure is often applied too thick for best results.

Jas. Hay thought our land poorer when first broken up than it is now. We could raise wheat then but not corn. Have been on our place 40 years and had just as good crops this year as we ever did.

J. G. Palmer has tried the rotation suggested by the paper, and has had two poor crops of beans. It brings the plowing for beans too late.

C. J. Harper practices putting all his manure on sod which he plows for corn. The next year he puts half to beans and half to oats, sows the whole to wheat, then sows clover in the spring, and believes his land is improving under the rotation. The clover succeeds better on land that has received no manure. Believes we should feed more stock and make corn the principal crop.

T. B. Halladay said that while it is not possible to exhaust the soil of fertility it is possible to use up nearly all the plant food that is available. Our sods lack humus or carbon perhaps more than any other element. Grow clover if we can, if not then Canada or cow peas to be plowed under until clover will grow.

Jas. Hay said that in the south, cow peas would make a great growth on the poorest land and he believed they would be valuable here.

The club will next meet with Mr. & Mrs. James Hay at Evergreen home on Dec. 26, at 10:30, a. m. Select reading, Bertha Palmer; current events, C. J. Harper; reports of delegates to state association and discussion; essay, Mrs. C. J. Harper; "Is co-operative housekeeping practicable or desirable?" Discussion by the ladies to be led by Mrs. R. D. Palmer.

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PAY YOUR TAXES.

I shall be at the store of Wm. Holmes every Friday and Saturday for the purpose of receiving township taxes.

H. S. CLARK, Treasurer.

For Sale.

One small Heating Wood Stove or will trade for wood. —Inquire of F. Steinkohl.

Personal Mention

Fred Steinkohl went to Lansing yesterday.

City Attorney Witherell of Chelsea was in town Sunday.

Miss Opal Hagaman visited relatives in Tecumseh last Saturday.

Arthur Jagger was prostrated by a severe cold but is recovering.

It is reported that D. R. Shier has opened a law office in Marine City.

W. C. Rogers and Mr. Mathews of Clinton were in town today on business.

Judge Watkins came over from Ann Arbor to spend Sunday with his family.

Wm. Ampsoker and family visited his brother and family at Clinton, Saturday.

Mrs. F. M. Freeman went to Detroit yesterday and returned home today with her husband.

Wm. Burtless and son Charles went to Tecumseh Sunday to attend the funeral of E. G. Cook.

A. J. Waters and family visited his brother John Waters and family at Tecumseh Monday.

Word has been received that Fred Hall and Ed. Morschheuser who went to Ballard, Wash., arrived safely.

Miss Lydia Braun returned to Jackson on Monday, her father having recovered so he could be about the house.

Mr. & Mrs. I. M. Robison returned Tuesday afternoon from a pleasant visit in the western part of the state.

Fred Kessler is doing the job act now. It is pretty tough trying to do business with a big boil on his right hand.

Miss Mabel Beason, of Manchester, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. H. Stark, of N. Fifth avenue.—Ann Arbor Times.

H. A. Dewey of Grass Lake having been over to his Sharon farm, drove into town last Friday afternoon with a load of hogs.

Mr. Mellon's foreman with the Page wire works at Monessen, Pa., and Mrs. Klein of Detroit visited at J. W. Kern's.

Miss Pearl Hart who has been training for Mrs. Yocum the past season returned to her home at St. Johns Tuesday.

Our neighbor Kennedy must be getting a cinch on that heirship he went to Syracuse, N. Y. to see about. We hope he has.

Miss Lizzie Graham has gone to Jackson where she has accepted a position in a millinery and dressmaking shop on E. Main street.

Lynn HardenBurgh came up from Tecumseh Saturday night to spend Sunday with his family. He is at work again in Brewer's foundry.

George Marble conductor on the Jackson electric railway was in town last Friday. He has a bankering for a farm and will buy one when he finds one to suit.

Ed Grossman who has been in North Dakota the past year or more, returned home Tuesday. His brother Mat is in Seattle, Wash., at work in a meat market.

A committee of four maccabees viz. Geo. J. Nisle, Mike Schaible, Geo. Deatte and J. A. Smith went to Saline last night and challenged their tent to a '60 day membership contest.

Ed Blythe received a letter this morning from his little girl who had her limb amputated, saying that she is feeling better, all of which is joyful news to her father and many friends here.

Miss Jassett Bower who has been trimming in Mrs. Rondell's millinery store this season, left for her home at St. Johns yesterday. Her work has given very good satisfaction and she may remain another season; She will be greatly missed in the young peoples' society.

Frank Ulrich who lives with his mother on a farm near Pleasant lake in Freedom called on the ENTERPRISE office, Monday. Frank likes sport and after working hard all summer thought he would treat himself to a vacation and hunting trip up north. He joined a party of friends at Saline and they took the Ann Arbor road for Alpena county and found a camp about 12 miles south of Munising where deer were plenty. Frank says that he was not a victim of "buck fever," but that he brought down the first deer he saw within gun shot. He killed three deer and shipped them home. He says that it is great sport, camping in the great woods, but says that it is not safe to be there without a compass. His party ran across a man who had been lost for four days and was almost exhausted. He had thrown away his gun and overcoat and had given up hopes of ever finding his friends again. The boys nursed him up and then finding where, he was from carried him to his camp and there was great rejoicing when they arrived with the lost one.

Janter & Rauschenberger are making a fine display of pretty baskets of various kinds which were made by the Indians. They make nice Christmas presents.

Attend the Cloak Sale at J. Roller & Co's Saturday the 14th and Monday the 16th. Special Bargains.

Don't fail to see the Great Majestic Range bake biscuits to three minutes next week at Widmayer's.

Call and see the beautiful Indian Baskets Janter & Rauschenberger are selling cheap.

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Lenawee County.

J. B. Hause and son will have fall away in Clinton as we learn that A. B. St. John has sold out his undertaking stock to them and will close out his furniture stock with a sale, and retire from the business.

A Franklin rural mail carrier suddenly round up to find himself envelopes in James. The cushion whereon he sat, and a blanket were destroyed. He is unable to explain how the conflagration started as he doesn't chew.—Detroit Tribune. He may not drink but he can't say he didn't smoke.

A News reporter was informed by good authority a few days ago, that it is the intention of the Toledo & Western company, which has built the electric line from Toledo to Adrian, to extend the road to Tecumseh. The road was completed to Adrian, last week, and the first cars ran over it Sunday.—Tecumseh News. There may be hopes of the line being continued on to Clinton and Manchester.

An attorney of Chicago was in the city Saturday and made arrangements with Attorney John R. Bird to collect his claim, which he is to institute against the Wabash railroad, to recover damages for the death of several Italians, who lost their lives in the wreck at Seneca on the evening of Nov. 27. They will apply to the probate court this week to have administrators appointed, and they in turn will bring suit against the road.—Adrian Times.

David Ford answers this question. "As I moved on Jack Tyler's farm of 40 acres, 12 miles west of Morenci, one year ago, I will give the results—then judge for yourselves: Hay, 15 tons, $120; oats, 225 bushels, $90; cloverseed, 8 bushels, $45.57; peas, 75 bushels, $75; corn, 900 bushels, $225; stalks, $25; hogs, $126; potatoes, 40 bushels, $20; wheat, 25 bushels, $10; turkeys, 42—$40—milk and butter, $16. Total, $817. Not quite so many nothing of our chickens and eggs, as we had bad luck with our hens. Total, $877.57."—Morenci Observer.

Yocum, Marx & Co. commence slaughtering prices on Cloaks. They are offering anything in their entire stock of this season's Cloaks and Capes at 20 per cent. Discount commencing Saturday morning of this week. Look for posters tomorrow.

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TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"WONDERS IN THE HEAVENS AND IN THE EARTH."

Text from the Second Chapter of Joel—"The World Constantly Advancing in the Right Direction—The Triumph of Christianity Over Infidelity.

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Washington, Dec. 8.—In this discourse Dr. Talmage shows some great events and shows that the world is advancing in the right direction; text, Joel ii., 30, "I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth."

Dr. Cumming—great and good man—would have told us the exact time of the fulfillment of this prophecy. As I stepped into his study in London on my arrival from Paris, just after the French had surrendered at Sedan, the great doctor said to me: "It is just what I have told you about France. People laughed at me because I talked about the seven horns and the vials, but I foresaw all this from the book of Daniel and the book of Revelation." Not taking upon myself any part of the interpretation of the passage I simply assert that there is in it suggestions of many things that are to come.

There were more far-reaching events crowded into the nineteenth century than into any other, and the last 30 years eclipse any preceding 29. We read in the daily newspapers of events announced in one paragraph and without any speech or emphasis—events which a Herodotus, a Josephus, a Xenophon, a Gibbon would have taken whole chapters or volumes to elaborate. Looking out upon our time we must cry out, in the words of the text, "Wonders in the heavens and in the earth."

I propose to show you that the time in which we live is wonderful for blessing, for there must be lights and shades in this picture as in all others—lest we conclude that our time is wonderful for disasters? Our world has had a rough time since by the hand of God it was hurled out into space. It has been shaken with convulsion after convulsion; frost pounding it with sledge hammer of iceberg and glacier; fire melting it in furnace of suns and times heated. It is a wonder to us that it has lasted so long. Meteors shooting by on the fly and grazing it; and meteors shooting by on the other side and grazing it—none of them slowing up for safety. Whole fleets and navies and armies and flotillas of worlds sweeping all about us. Our earth like a fishing smack off in the banks of Newfoundland, while the Majestic and the St. Paul and the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse fly past us. Besides that, our world has by sin been damaged in its internal machinery, and ever and anon the furnaces have burst, and the walking-beams of the mountains have broken, and the islands have shipped a sea, and the great bulk of the world has been jarred and upset; and the earth has quaked and groaned and been at once and anon threatened immediate demolition.

But it seems to us as if the last hundred years were especially characterized by disaster—volcanic, oceanic, epidemic. Seven thousand earthquakes in 1897 are recorded in the seismic catalogue of the British association; Tarajan, the emperor, goes to ancient Antioch and perishes in earthquake; Lisbon epoch is met by an earthquake that nearly destroys the emperor's life; Lisbon, fair and beautiful, at 9 o'clock, on the 1st of November, 1755, in six minutes 60,000 have perished; Europe and America feeling the throb—1,500 miles away in Boston gently and fully destroyed.

But the disasters of other times have had their counterpart in later times. In 1812 Caracas was caught in the grip of an earthquake, in 1882 in Chile 10,000 people were crushed by volcanic force upheaved to four and seven feet of permanent elevation, in 1854 Japan felt the grip of an earthquake, and shaken in 1857, Mexico in 1858, Mendoza, the capital of the Argentine Republic, in 1861; Portugal in 1862; the Sandwich Hawaiian Islands by such force uplifted and let down in 1871; Nevada shaken in 1872, Antioch in 1872, Calabria in 1872, San Salvador in 1873, while in 1883 what subterranean excitement! Ischia, an island of the Mediterranean, with a beautiful Italian wintering place, vineyard clad, surrounded by all natural beauties and historic reminiscences; yonder Capri, the summer resort of the Roman emperors; yonder Naples, the paradise of artists; this beautiful island suddenly toppled into the trough of the earth, 8,000 merrymakers perishing, and some of them so far down beneath the reach of human obsequies that it may be said of many of them, as it was said of Moses, "The Lord buried him." Italy, all Europe weeping, all Christendom weeping, where there were hearts to sympathize and Christians to pray. But while the nations were measuring that magnitude of disaster, measuring it not with golden rod but with that which is the sagacity of an honored heaven, but with the black rule of death, Java of the Indian archipelago, the emerald isle in the hand of all the earth, is caught in the grip of the earthquake, and mountain after mountain goes down and city after city, that island, which produces the best beverage of all the world, produced The ghastliest catastrophe. One hundred thousand people dying, dead!

But look at the disasters cyclonic. Cyclone in Kansas, cyclone in Missouri, cyclone in Wisconsin, cyclone in Illinois, cyclone in Iowa! Satan, prince of the power of the air, never made such cyclonic disturbances as he has in our day. And yes I not right in saying that one of the characteristics of the time in which we live is disaster cyclonic?

But look at the disasters oceanic! Shall I call the roll of the dead shipping? It is as long as the white scroll of the Atlantic surf at Cape Hatteras breakers. If the oceanic cables could report all the scattered life and all the bleached bones that they run against in the ocean, what a message of pathos and tragedy for both hemispheres! In one storm eighty fishermen perished off the coast of Newfoundland and whole fleets of them off the coast of England. God help the poor fellows at sea and give high seats in heaven to the Grace Darlings and the Ida Lewisses and the Rhubost men hovering around Goodwin sands and the Skerries! The sea, owning three-fourths of the earth, proposes to capture the other fourth and is bombarding the land all around the earth. The moving of the hotels at Brighton Beach backward 100 yards from where they once stood a type of what is going on all around the world and on every coast. The dead sea rolls today where ancient cities stood. Pillars of temples that stood on hills geologists now find three-quarters under the water or altogether submerged. The sea having wrecked so many merchantmen and footlines, wants to wreck the continents, and hence disasters oceanic. Alps for Galveston and other cities around Tarpeian.

Look at the disasters epidemic. Look at the yellow fevers and the choleras and the diphtherias and the scarlet fevers and the typhoids of our time. From Hurdwar, India, where every twelfth year 3,000,000 devotees congregate, the caravans leave with the cholera, and that one disease slew 18,000 in 18 days in Bossorah. Twelve thousand in one summer slain by it in India and 25,000 in Egypt. Disasters epidemic. Some of the finest monuments in Christendom are the hospitals and sanitariums we to doctors who lost their lives battling with southern epidemic.

But now I turn the leaf in my sermon and I plant the white lilies and the palm tree amid the night shades and the myrtle. This age is more wonderful for blessing than any other. Why? Because it is the time of the great harvest. Reapers parading, and some of them so far down beneath the reach of human obsequies that it may be said of many of them, as it was said of Moses, "The Lord buried him." Italy, all Europe weeping, all Christendom weeping, where there were hearts to sympathize and Christians to pray. But while the nations were measuring that magnitude of disaster, measuring it not with golden rod but with that which is the sagacity of an honored heaven, but with the black rule of death, Java of the Indian archipelago, the emerald isle in the hand of all the earth, is caught in the grip of the earthquake, and mountain after mountain goes down and city after city, that island, which produces the best beverage of all the world, produced The ghastliest catastrophe. One hundred thousand people dying, dead!

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON XI., DECEMBER 15, EXODUS XII 1-17.

Golden Text—Christ Our Passover 2—Sacrificed for Us—1. Cor. 5: 7. The National Birthday Anniversary—The Lamb for Sacrifice.

"The National Birthday Anniversary—Dec. 1: Memorial Day instituted to commemorate the last great plague, which would compel him to let the people go. Not a stroke would fall to did no; know, but God was hovering over him like a wind of Damocles. In the mean time, defended by the efforts of the previous plagues, the Israelites were to make preparations for their sudden departure. Now begins a period which is the history of Israel; it was and is the motto on the reverse of the United States seal, "a new order of the ages." It was the birthday of our nation, and needed a special commemoration; it was first commemorated by making that day to be the beginning of their year. It was their New Year's Day.

I. "The Name—The Hebrew Pesach (Greek, Paschal and the English Passover have exactly the same meaning, viz. "pass over" or spare,—and they are derived from the fact, mentioned in v. 23, that the destroying angel would pass over all houses wherein was the blood of the Paschal lamb, and not destroy the first-born there. There is perhaps more the idea expressed by the phrase "under the shadow of his wings," the angel accepting the protective union over the house to be saved from destruction, as in Isa. 31: 5.

II. "The Lamb—Its Sacrifice—v. 2. "Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month, etc." Upon retiring from Pharaoh's presence, Moses had undoubtedly withdrawn to the land of Goshen, to make arrangements for the departure of the people, which he was now to be close at hand. "That is, every man shall be without blemish." That is, entire, whole, sound, having neither defective nor redundancy of parts, in short, perfect in members, nor defective in aspect.—Bush. If it bore the mark of the slightest deformity or even defect, it would have been unfit to represent him of whom it was said, "Ye are redeemed by the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot."—Kitto. "A male." As taking the place of the male firstborn of all Israel—Bush. "Of the first year." A year old, literally, the son of a year. "Shall be unto you a lamb." Not merely a lamb, but a lamb for a house, or family, or household, or family or family circle should unite, and not in indiscriminate company.—Lev. 17. "If the household be too little." That is, if there be not enough persons in the family to eat a whole lamb.—Hitchcock. "Your lamb." Emphasis seems to be on the number for a Paschal company, and twenty is assumed as unreasonable.

III. "The Blood of the Covenant."—v. 6. "Ye shall keep it up fourteenth day, the tenth day until the fourteenth day." Keep it apart from the flock, and in the evening, at even." "Kill it in the evening." Literally, between the evenings. "Between the time the sun begins to decline to that of its full setting." Exodus 29: 39 and 40: 6. Zibermann. So as to be ready for the feast on the Passover day, commencing immediately on the fourteenth. "Eating the Passover."—v. 8. "And they shall eat the flesh." "Its Undoubtedly this feast had a typical reference to Christ.

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After waiting a few moments, he saw the tail coming up to join the body, taking sharp, quick little jerks. It came nearer and nearer until within a few inches of the three-quarter snake, when it gave a sudden jump and hitched on in the proper place, with a fuss resembling the popping of a cap. Osterhout knocked it to pieces several times, and each time it came together again.

He carried his amusement too far, however, in throwing the tail across the creek, "just to see," he said, "how long it would take to catch up," but it never caught up. The snake was carried to the house, where a new tail is beginning to grow out to replace the other.

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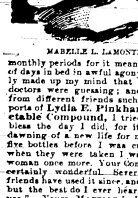

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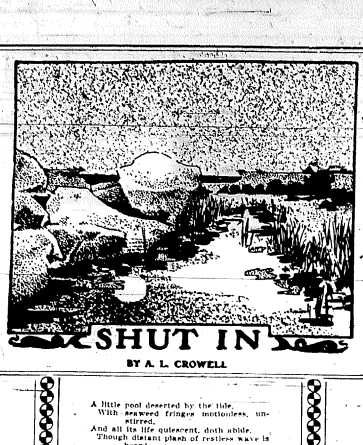


SHUT IN

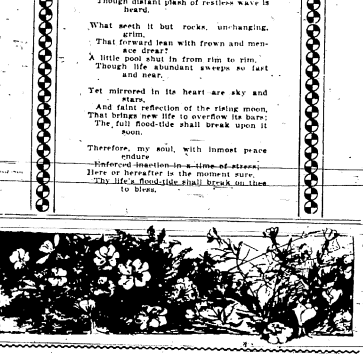
BY A. L. CROWELL

A little pool deserted by the tide
With seaweed fringes motionless, unstirred,
And all its life quiescent, doth abide,
Though distant plash of restless wave is heard.

What seeth it but rocks, unchanging, grim,
That forward lean with frown and menace dread?
A little pool shut in from rim to rim,
Though life abundant sweeps so fast and near,

Yet mirrored in its heart are sky and stars,
And faint reflection of the rising moon,
That brings new life to overflow its bars;
The full flood-tide shall break upon it soon.

Therefore, my soul, with immoist pace endure
Enforced inaction in a time of stress;
Here or hereafter is the moment sure,
Thy life-flood-tide shall break on thee to bless.



Van Ness's Honeymoon.

BY ADA MAY KRECKER.

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The boys had sent for Ashbee to help them. "She's the sort of thing a fellow never forgets," Dalbiac had written. "Sweeps everything before her without any body being able to impress her. We fellows are not at swords' points; I'd God-speed any lucky chap who got a run on her. You're a pretty clever one and say your heart's of marble so you'd better come over and vindicate us."

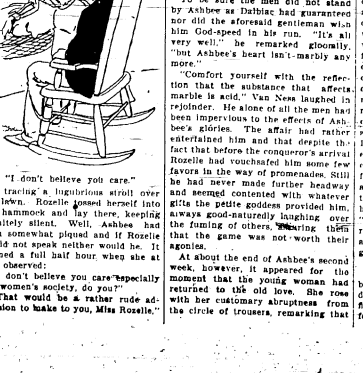
After that Ashbee had rather looked for something superb, and during his first few moments beside Miss Rozelle's hammock was perhaps at some loss to understand the potency of allurements which radiated from so nondescript a face and figure and certain boyish attitudes that flavored of a boarding-house hoyden out for fun. The apple of a score of glowing masculine eyes and the sole inspiration of half as many appealingly diligent tongues, the little lady in the middle of the evening suddenly leaped out of her hammock to scamper across to a cluster of wall-flowers. A number of men trailed after her. Ashbee, whose conversation with her had sparkled, turned fretfully to Dalbiac with:

"It's her blasted indifference that drives you donkeys mad. Why don't you get up a rival game? I see there are lots here that are worth while."

"That's where you're off it, Goosie," Dalbiac answered. "We'll all back you in anything you try but the chestnuty jealousy trick is no go. You should see her egging us on! But I thought you probably would be getting busy with the lady by this time so made other plans for the evening. Come along!"

"Thank you, I'll stay here," Ashbee rejoined thoughtfully, remaining in the very chair he had first chosen for an inspection of the lioness and seem growing dreamily apathetic to his environs.

Late in the evening when the desolation of the verandah had been perfected and the empty chairs were ghosts of the earlier mirth, Rozelle came fluttering back after a book she had left in the hammock. She glanced at Ashbee but he kept his eyes fixed upon a widow with her small



"I don't believe you care."

boy tracing a lugubrious stroll over the lawn. Rozelle tossed herself into the hammock and lay there, keeping infinitely silent. Well, Ashbee had been somewhat piqued and if Rozelle would not speak neither would he. It seemed a full half hour when she at last observed:

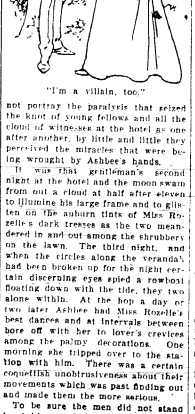
"I don't believe you care especially for women's society, do you?"

"That would be a rather rude admission to make to you, Miss Rozelle."

"Oh, no, you mustn't mind me," the girl laughed. "I think that's fine and wish I could talk with you. You won't care just for one evening will you? When it's almost over at daybreak?"

This irresistible ingenuousness melted away every barrier to a long and delectable tete-a-tete. As the two parted Ashbee suggested that they go for a walk on the morrow, and when she cried "Jolly!" he smiled a thousand times while reflecting upon the instantaneousness of his success. "A little coolness; that's all she needed."

As for the others, printer's ink cannot portray the paralysis that seized the kind of young fellows and all the cloud of witnesses at the hotel as one after another, by little and little they perceived the miracles that were being wrought by Ashbee's hands.



"I'm a villain, too."

The moonlit night of Ashbee's second night at the hotel and the moon swam from out a cloud at half after eleven to illumine his large frame and to glisten on the auburn tints of Miss Rozelle's dark tresses as the two meandered in and out among the shrubbery on the lawn. The third night, and when the circles along the veranda's had been broken up for the night certain discerning eyes spied a rowboat floating down with the tide, they two alone within. At the hop a day or two later Ashbee had Miss Rozelle's best dances and at intervals between bore off with her to lover's crevices among the palmy decorations. One morning she tripped over to the station with him. There was a certain coquettish unobtrusiveness about their movements which was past finding out and made them the more serious.

To be sure the men did not stand by Ashbee as Dalbiac had guaranteed nor did the aforesaid gentleman wish him God-speed in his run. "It's all very well," he remarked stoutly, "but Ashbee's heart isn't marbly any more."

"Comfort yourself with the reflection that the substance that affects marble is acid," Van Ness laughed in rejoinder. He alone of all the men had been impervious to the effects of Ashbee's glories. The affair had rather entertained him and that despite the fact that before the conqueror's arrival Rozelle had vouchsafed him some few favors in the way of promenades. Still he had never made further headway and seemed contented with whatever gifts the petite goddess provided him, always good-naturedly laughing over the fuming of others, "swearing them that the game was not worth their agonies."

At about the end of Ashbee's second week, however, it appeared for the moment that the young woman had returned to the old love. She rose with her customary abruptness from the circle of trousers, remarking that perhaps Van Ness would fancy an airing. He sprang up hurriedly to take advantage of this wonderful suggestion with every mark of delight. But they were not away long. Soon Ashbee, with a suspicion of vainglorious-ness, asserted an unimpaired power over the belle by drawing her away for a walk of his own, thus summarily repudiating and avenging his slights.

In the secret places of his heart, however, there was the most penetrating humility. Its "marblen ess was merely a shrine for very penitential prayers. Ashbee had dallied with gaiety, deceived ever since he had first donned the insignia of his sex's dress or even before, but he still bewailed every gentle heart he had afflicted. He felt now that it would not do to have this one more girl imagine he was serious when—well, when everything was a joke. Rozelle must be warned, even if it was going to be very hard and very awkward. So when they came out among the walnuts where he had always waxed most sentimental he began softly and slowly with:

"Miss Rozelle, I wonder whether you can understand a really frivolous man, a regular chump, you know that goes and does all sorts of things he ought not to, plays with fire when he knows it's going to hurt somebody at a very vulnerable place—and all for his own amusement?"

Rozelle said nothing.

"Rozelle, girl, you hurt me when you are so quiet, and I've got to tell you. I'm just that kind of a villain. There. It's mighty tough to say it. But don't you know I've acted the simple since I've met you. I—don't—"

His interlocutor continued ominously suppressed. He blundered the more. "But there are lots of nice fellows who would roll over in the mud if they thought it would please you. I've been thinking, and hoping that perhaps you cared for Van Ness a trifle! Now, he's a fine fellow, that boy. He's worth your while. I'm not; I'm—"

Then the lady spoke.

"Stop it, Mr. Ashbee. Never mind. It's all right. I'm a villain, too. Mr. Van Ness has told me all about it from the beginning. You see I have known that he's worth while. I—I'm married to him. We're on our honeymoon—we thought we'd do something out of the ordinary, you know, and it's been lots of fun. But between you and me, we're going back to the common rut of cooing bridal couples tomorrow morning, way up in the mountains all by ourselves. So good-bye, Mr. Ashbee, and don't feel too surprised and don't try it on other girls."

A GENIUS DISCOURAGED.

Dampening Effect of Knowledge of Remarks Behind His Back.

"There's one thing, Eugenie," he said, "that discourages me. I try to keep it from doing so, but I find it impossible. Ever since I can remember anything I have been imbued with a feeling that I was intended by Nature to be greater than the common run of men. There has always been a voice whispering to me to strive on, that I had a lofty mission, that I was created for a noble purpose." "It is strange," she replied, "how old, childish notions sometimes cling to us." "Eugenie," he cried, half-inclined to be angry, "are you joking with me?" "No; I assure you I wouldn't try to do that. But what were you going to say?" "I was speaking of the fear that sometimes comes over me. It seems that geniuses are, almost without exception, men who have queer ways. Many of them, I mean, are depraved tastes; most of them are irresponsible fools, who aside from the particular misdeeds which they are called to fulfill do little good and often much harm. I have been thinking about a number of great men lately and they all seem to have had their failings. Wagner, Carlyle, Byron, Shelley, Poe—it was the same with all of them. But for the one stroke of genius that made each of them great they would all have been in jails or madhouses." "Yes," she assented. "I find what has all this to do with your case?" "I have been trying to convince myself," he answered; "I have been endeavoring to find out what kind of eccentricities I have to prove that I am a genius, and I can't discover any at all." "Oh," she returned, permitting her dimples to assert themselves, "don't let that discourage you. Go on and try to develop the streak of genius. If you could hear some of the things people say behind your back you would never let the fear of a lack of crazy streaks in your make-up discourage you again—Yet for some reason he kept on doubting and hated the girl from that moment.—Chicago Record-Herald.

An American Wit.

The story here related is so typical of our distinguished representative at the court of St. James that one would have no hesitancy in vouching for its genuineness. A semi-state reception was given at the residence of a certain lord in London; our inimitable Choate in his "court dress" of plain broadcloth was extremely inconspicuous in comparison with the gold-laced and insignia-decorated representatives of other countries. When the night was waning one of the departing guests, whose indulgence probably made him forget that English lords on such occasions wore the livery of their office, approached Mr. Choate and requested him to call him a cab. The response was a blank stare. Upon his repeating the request, "Won't you call me a cab, please?" Mr. Choate responded, "Certainly. You're a cab." Imagine the indignation of the insulted Englishman, who, upon making complaint to the host, was asked as a favor to point out the offender. After a search through the crowded saloons the Englishman was quite at the elbow of Mr. Choate when he exclaimed: "That's the man!" The whispered reply: "Why, that's the United States ambassador." — Philadelphia Telegraph.

Sir Joseph Dimsdale, who has just been installed as lord mayor of London, is a graduate of Eton, and is the first Eton boy who has filled the office for a period of 130 years.

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Among the larger buildings of the group will be a memorial hall, mess hall and chapel, and a canteen similar to those which were maintained at army posts many years ago will be one of the features. The grounds will be laid out in parks, groves and driveways, and the landscape features will add to the picturesque appearance of the home. Gen. John T. Richards, of Maine, has been appointed superintendent of construction.

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