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DISTRICT

DANTE.

Peter McBrayne received a carload of cedar posts on Saturday.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rolston, on Sunday, March 3rd, a daughter.
Geo. Randall is able to be around again.
Mrs. John Coleman and daughter, Leah, spent a few days with Mrs. Thos. Coleman, of Cairo.
Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Stocking are visiting friends at Longwood.
Some of our young folks spent a pleasant evening with Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Webster, of Zone.
Miss Emma Randall, who has been

ill for some time, went to London Hospital on Saturday, accompanied by her sister Annie.

David Warren lost a valuable bolt last week.

Mr. Monck spent a few days in Chatham this week.

Mr. Mole is on the sick list.

Miss Edith Osborne spent Sunday at her home in Zone.

Miss Irene Rolston, of Dresden, is visiting Miss Pearl Broad.

Minard's Lintment cures Burns, etc.

A tan mushroom of satin straw be worn. Small mushroom shapes

The best of us owe more to chance than we are willing to admit.

ASK FOR Labatt's (LONDON) Porter

Undoubtedly the best brewed on the continent. Proved to be so by analysis of four chemists, and by awards of the world's great Exhibitions, especially CHICAGO 1893, where it received ninety-six points out of a possible hundred, much higher than any other Porter in the United States or Canada.

The Nordheimer Permanency of Tone

As a rule when a person buys a piano it is not with the intention of replacing it with a new one next month, next year or within five years. It is regarded as a permanent fixture in the home, and the most important feature next to the owners themselves.

It is evident that great care should be taken to select a piano which will retain its original brilliancy, power and quality of tone for years and years and years. And such a piano is the "Nordheimer."

It has a lasting, permanent tone, as you can prove for yourself if you play on one which has been in the home of a friend for ten, fifteen, twenty years or more.

The "Nordheimer" is perfectly constructed by experts from the finest grade of materials procurable. It is built with the idea of not only satisfying the most critical ear for tone-quality when new, but for retaining its original superb tone, so that it will still satisfy the critical ear in years to come.

Those who own a "Nordheimer" are the only ones who can really appreciate to the fullest sense the wonderful, pure, sweet, brilliant, yet powerful tone of the peerless "Nordheimer" piano. May we not have the pleasure of a talk with you, with the object in view of placing "Nordheimer" in your home?

Our Mr. R. V. Carter will visit Chatham frequently in our interest and will be pleased to furnish you with any information you may desire. Correspondence addressed to him in care of the Garner House will receive careful attention.

NORDHEIMER'S
LIMITED, LONDON

BIRTH OF THE MOON

LUNA WAS FLUNG OUT OF THE EARTH INTO SPACE.

She Once Filled, Perhaps, the Great Basin Now Occupied by the Pacific Ocean—Latest Ideas of Science as to Conditions on Our Satellite.

Millions of years ago the earth was not the land bound, sea swept globe so familiar to us, but a liquid mass on which floated crust some thirty-five miles thick. At that period, says the Strand Magazine, it turned on its axis at a constantly increasing speed that finally shortened the day to three hours. When that terrific velocity was obtained 5,000 cubic million miles of matter were hurled off by the enormous centrifugal force, and our moon was born. The clearing of so large a body must have left some scar on the earth's surface. It has accordingly been suggested that the great basin now occupied by the Pacific ocean was once filled by what is now the moon.

Our moon has the distinction of being the largest of all planetary satellites—so large, indeed, that to the inhabitants of Mars it must appear with the earth as a wonderfully beautiful twin planet.

Because the moon rotates on its axis in exactly the same time that it revolves around the earth we are destined to see little more than one hemisphere. So slow is this rotation that the lunar day is equal to fifteen of our days. For half a month the moon is exposed to the fierce heat of the sun; for half a month it spins through space in the densest gloom.

Smaller in mass than the earth is, the moon's attraction for bodies must be correspondingly less. A good terrestrial athlete could cover about 120 feet on the moon in a running broad jump, and leaping over a bar would be a very commonplace feat. A man in the moon could carry six times as much and run six times as fast as he could on the earth.

Although separated from us by a distance that at times reaches 238,000 miles and is never less than 222,000 miles, we know more of the physical formation of the single pallid face that the moon ever turns toward us than we know of certain parts of Asia and the heart of Africa. Powerful telescopes have brought our satellite within a distance of forty miles of the earth. Physicists have mathematically weighed it and fixed its mass at one-eighth of the earth, or 73,000,000,000,000 tons.

The moon presents aspects without any terrestrial parallel. Rent by fires long since dead, its honeycombed crust seems like a great globe of chilled slag. Craters are not uncommon on the earth, but in number, size and structure they bear for the most part little resemblance to those of the moon.

A lunar crater is not the mouth of a volcano having a diameter of a few hundred feet, but a great circular plain twenty, fifty, even a hundred miles in diameter, surrounded by a precipice rising to a height of 5,000 or 10,000 feet, with a central hill or two about half as high.

Water cannot possibly exist as a liquid, for the temperature of the moon's surface during the long lunar night is probably not far from 400 degrees below the zero mark of a Fahrenheit thermometer, and the atmospheric pressure is so low that a gas under pressure would solidify as it escaped. Ice and snow are the forms, then, which lunar water must assume.

Because of the present paucity of water the moon's atmosphere is so exceedingly rare that startling effects are produced. Perhaps the most striking is that of the sunrise. Dawn and the soft golden glow that ushers in terrestrial day there cannot be. The sun leaps from the horizon a flaming disk, and the loftier peaks immediately flash into light.

There is no azure sky to relieve the monotonous effects of inky black shadows and dazzling white expanses. The sun gleams in fierce splendor, with no clouds to diffuse its blinding light. All day long it is accompanied by the weird zodiacal light that we behold at rare intervals.

Even in midday the heavens are pitch black, so that, despite the sunlight, the stars and planets gleam with a brightness that they never exhibit to us even on the clearest of moonless nights at sea. They shine steadily, too, for it is the earth's atmosphere that causes them to twinkle to our eyes.

In the line of sight it is impossible to estimate distances, for there is no such phenomenon as aerial perspective. Objects are seen only when the rays of the sun strike them.

At times there may be observed spots which darken after sunrise and gradually disappear toward sunset. They cannot be caused by shadows, for shadows would be least visible when the sun is directly overhead.

They appear most quickly at the equator and invade the higher altitudes after a lapse of a few days. In the polar regions they have never been seen. What are they? Organic life resembling vegetation, answers Professor Pickering of Harvard university, vegetation that flourishes luxuriantly while the sun shines and withers at night.

A single day, it may be urged, is not sufficiently long for the development and decay of vegetation, but sixteen hours on the moon is little more than half an hour on the earth; a day lasts half a month and may be regarded as a miniature season.

The expressions "Hallelujah" and "Amen" are said to have been introduced into Christian worship by St. Jerome about A. D. 390.

CHURCHES

HOURS OF SERVICE

The services in all the churches in the city are held at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., except the following:—
Seventh Day Adventists—3 and 7.
Campbell A. M. E.—11 and 7.30.
St. Joseph's R. C.—7.30, 9.00, 10.30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m.
First Baptist—11 and 7.30.
Union A. M. E.—11 and 7.30.

NOTICE TO PASTORS.

Pastors and others who contribute news items to this department of Saturday's Planet will confer a favor by seeing to it that their "copy" reaches this office not later than Friday at 4 p. m. Matter received later than that hour cannot be guaranteed insertion.

INTERNATIONAL S. S. LESSON FOR TO-MORROW.

Woes of Drunkenness—Isaiah 28, 7-12.

Golden Text—"Wind and new wine take away the heart."—Hos. 4, 11.

Let teachers consider the terrible undercurrent of an strong drink stimulates in all lands, and they will be thankful for the break of a temperance lesson in our course of Bible study, to have the opportunity of faithfully warning their classes against its destroying power, that their boys and girls may not grow up to be enslaved; but to become free men in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The liquor traffic is a missionary work for the evil one. Our Christian churches send Bibles and missionaries to save men, and on the other hand, men of sin send hogsheads of their liquid fire that will drown men in destruction. The same ship may have God-sent men on deck, but a cargo of rum below, sent by Satan to frustrate them, and make the heathen ten times worse than before they ever saw the face of a white man. Even heathen rulers recognize this. King Khama, of South Africa, has prohibited the sale of liquor in his territory, and has petitioned England in vain to put a stop to its importation.

The Christian converts amongst heathen know on which side to stand. After a series of meetings in Canton, the Chinese Christians formed a union to bind together all who promised to abstain from—

- 1—Wine.
- 2—Opium and tobacco.
- 3—Bad language.
- 4—Debt.

Hundreds of men, women and children joined this union, to live and breathe a purer moral atmosphere. Teacher, scholar, parent, citizen, on which side will you take your stand? On the side of the Devil and his angels, those who destroy men, body and soul, for greed, and gain; or on the side of God, Holiness and Heaven?

Are we not persuaded, and will we not try to persuade others, at least, on the four points mentioned above, to become like a Christian Chinaman, and shall we not therefore, whether we eat or drink, do whatever we do, do all to the glory of God?

CHURCH NOTES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. A. H. MacGillivray, pastor. The pastor will conduct the services and preach on both occasions to-morrow.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p. m.

Regular weekly prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Fifth Sunday in Lent.

Rev. Robert McCosh, rector.

The rector will conduct the services and occupy the pulpit on both occasions to-morrow.

The following will be the order of services during Lent:—An early celebration of the Holy Communion every Sunday morning at 8.30. The usual Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Service every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Litany service every Friday, afternoon at 4.30.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p. m.

Christ Church Young People's Guild meets every Monday night at 8 o'clock.

ST. ANDREW'S.

Rev. Dr. J. R. Battisby, pastor.

The pastor will conduct the services and preach on both occasions to-morrow. The subject for the morning will be, "The storm of life," and in the evening on "The fundamental principles of marriage and how to carry them out."

Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p. m.

Regular weekly prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8.

HOLY TRINITY.

Fifth Sunday in Lent.

Rev. J. W. Hodgins, rector.

The rector will preach on both occasions to-morrow.

The Holy Communion will be administered at 8.30 a. m.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p. m.

HALF OUR ILLS ARE CATARRH.

"Every family should know the important fact that catarrhal diseases claim many thousands of victims in Canada each year. In spring and summer, catarrh of the stomach, bowels, liver, kidneys and pelvic organs is most common."

---S. B. HARTMAN, M. D.

Services will be conducted every evening next week.

Holy Communion every Sunday at 8.30 and 11 a. m. alternate.

Church Guild Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

W. A. M. A. Friday afternoon at 2.30.

Baptism any Sunday at 4 p. m. when previous notice has been given.

PARK ST. METHODIST.

Rev. W. L. Rutledge, pastor.

Rev. D. H. Glass, D. D., of Haven M. E. Church, Detroit, will preach in the morning. There will be a platform meeting in the evening.

When Dr. Glass will give an address, "The Call of the Mission Field to the Churches of Canada and the United States."

Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p. m.

Regular weekly prayer service on Wednesday evening at 8.

WILLIAM ST. BAPTIST.

The Rev. J. Atkins, of Harrow, will preach both morning and evening to-morrow.

Prayer meeting to-morrow morning at 10.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p. m.

Regular weekly prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8.

VICTORIA AVE. METHODIST.

Rev. F. E. Malott, pastor.

The pastor, Rev. F. E. Malott, will preach in the morning on "Love, the Fulfilling of the Law." In the evening an I. O. F. memorial service will be held.

Classes meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock and 12 noon.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p. m.

Regular weekly prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8.

LATTER DAY SAINTS.

Services will be conducted to-morrow as usual.

Religious Society every Sunday evening at 8.15.

Sunday School to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Regular weekly prayer service on Wednesday evening at eight. Question box at the door.

SALVATION ARMY.

Salvation Army, Union Depot—Knee drill at 7 a. m., meeting for promotion of holiness at 11 a. m., Christian fellowship meeting at 3 p. m., soul-winning service at 7.30 p. m. All services for citizens and soldiers.

CAMPBELL A. M. E.

Rev. Wm. Clark, pastor.

The pastor will conduct the services and preach on both occasions to-morrow.

Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p. m.

Christian Science Services

Sunday 11 a. m.

I. O. O. F. Block, Second Floor

Strangers Welcome

UNION A. M. E.

Services will be held as usual to-morrow.

Regular weekly prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8.

Sunday School at 2.30 p. m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST.

Services will be conducted to-morrow as usual.

Sunday School at 2.30.

FIRST BAPTIST.

Rev. W. T. Nickerson, pastor.

The pastor will preach on both occasions to-morrow.

Sabbath School at 12.30.

Regular weekly prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8.

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Opp. Power House

B. M. E.

Rev. C. M. Walker, pastor.

The pastor will preach on both occasions to-morrow.

Regular weekly prayer meeting on Tuesday evening at 8.

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SOME claim that all Manitoba Flour makes the best bread, but those who have tried "Kent Mills" Gold Medal Flour know better. It's the perfect flour—makes the best bread.

Don't confuse this blend with ordinary blends. It's different—as a trial will prove to your entire satisfaction.

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