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Homestead Regulations.

Any one numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the 160 acres more or less.

Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district in which the land is situated. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at an Agency on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

The homesteader is required to perform the homestead duties under one of the following plans:

(1). At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.
(2). A homesteader may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. Joint ownership in land will not meet this requirement.

(3). If the father (or mother if the father is deceased) of a homesteader has permanent residence on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of the homestead, or upon a homestead entered for by him in the vicinity, such homesteader may perform his own residence duties by living with the father (or mother).

(4). The term "vicinity" in the two preceding paragraphs is defined as meaning not more than nine miles in a direct line, exclusive of the width of road allowances crossed in the measurement.

(5). A homesteader intending to perform his residence duties in accordance with the above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of such intention.

Six months' notice in writing should be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of intention to apply for patent.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
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Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Office of Newcastle, Red Bank, Robertville and Route Offices, and at the Office of the Post Office Inspector at St. John.

G. C. ANDERSON,
Superintendent,
Post Office Department,
Mail Contract Branch,
Ottawa, 8th July, 1908.

A special meeting of the senate of the University of New Brunswick was held last week when an appointment was made to the chair of Economics Philosophy on the faculty. This is the position that Dr. M. S. MacDonald, Ph. D., recently resigned in the face of much pressure to have him continue and his successor is Rev. Dr. Wilfrid C. Kierstead, Ph. D., at present in charge of the United Baptist Church at Woodstock N. B.

Johnny Helps Cupid.

By Abraham R. Grob.

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This is the simple narrative of the great services rendered by Johnny Gaylord to Den Cupid. Who was Johnny Gaylord? Why, Johnny Gaylord, captain of the Little Giants baseball team, of course.

Furthermore, Johnny was the son of John Gaylord, president of the big Gaylord-Lorraine Iron company. Also, and this is more germane to the present narrative, Johnny was the small brother of George Gaylord.

George Gaylord had no rival as the social queen of Reading. Personal beauty and tact seemed to have united with the wealth and social position of her family to place her on a pedestal. Marshall M. Joslin was the small brother of George Gaylord.

Never was fate kinder to two young people. The sky of their future shined.

This tale opens with the gathering of thick clouds. Marshall Joslin, son of a wealthy house, graduate of a great university, brilliant member of a famous law firm, remarked that evening to George Gaylord, social queen and lovely woman:

"If that is the way you feel about it, there is nothing for me to do but go."

To which George Gaylord nodded her head slowly, but with dignity. Then the young man moved to the hall, calmly put on his coat, took his hat, his stick and his gloves and only broke the intense silence to say in a distant, odd sounding voice:

"Good evening, Miss Gaylord."

And from the depths of the large, half darkened drawing room came back in a low, controlled voice:

"Goodby."

Then he went out and shut the door behind him. Miss Gaylord did not move until his steps had died away down the stone walk that led through the big yard to the street. Then she dropped her lovely head on her arms.



"OH, YOU'RE A DEAR LITTLE BROTHER," SHE DECLARED.

and sobbed, for George Gaylord had behind a thickly curtained corner in the depths of her woman's heart a very, very warm feeling for Marshall Joslin.

Marshall Joslin made his way home in a sort of dazed condition. It is true he shed no tears, but neither did he sleep a wink that night nor eat a bite of breakfast the next morning nor smoke his usual maternal cigar in the office. These things were mere outward signs which he succeeded fairly well in concealing.

But there was an effect upon his brain which he was powerless to conceal. He and Shackleton, the senior partner, were working on a suit which involved thousands of dollars for their client, the big iron company. This morning Shackleton quietly noted the brain tag of the junior partner.

"What on earth is the matter with you, boy?" he demanded in his quick way. "Where are your wits this morning?"

The junior partner smiled a sickly smile, and out of his dry throat came some words about not having slept very well. In his heart he didn't care what came of the lawsuit.

He suddenly wanted to get away somewhere and be alone with this greatest trouble that had ever come upon him. Life without George Gaylord meant life insipid, useless, objectless.

The air of the office seemed to stifle him, and the questioning gaze of the senior member of the firm, looking so fit and strong on the other side of the polished table, tormented him.

"I believe I will take a walk in the fresh air, if you don't mind," he said finally. "It will clear my brain, perhaps, and I will come back better able to do some work."

He left the office abjectly miserable, but relieved to find himself alone with his wretchedness. He remembered now that George Gaylord had spent considerable time recently in the company of a certain dashing Captain Mosty, who was visiting in Reading. Yes, there must have been something serious behind that affair in spite of her assurances to the contrary. She no longer loved him. He laughed in bitter contempt of himself.

And right at this critical point in where signal service was rendered to

Den Cupid by Johnny Gaylord, captain of the Little Giants baseball team. Into the consciousness of Marshall Joslin, waiting to clear his brain, penetrated a boyish voice pronouncing his name:

"Hello, Mr. Joslin!"

"Why, good morning, Johnny. How are you?" said Joslin.

The question was merely formal, but it started Johnny's willing tongue. "Oh, I'm all right," he chuckled. "I never had anything the matter with me in my whole life except the mumps and the measles and the whooping cough. But I think sister's sick today."

"What?" cried the young man, blushing so phlegmatic. "Sick, did you say?"

"Oh, I don't think she's very sick," said Johnny. "I guess she isn't very sick. Say, are you coming out to see us play the Little Giants? We've got a game with them Saturday. Say, you don't want to miss it. We're going to put it all over them."

Marshall Joslin's excited gesticulations could not stop Johnny when he was talking baseball until Johnny had finished.

"But your sister, Johnny—your sister! You said she was sick!" he cried when at last he had an opportunity to speak.

"Oh, I don't think she's very sick," said Johnny. "Only she wasn't down to breakfast this morning, and she generally gets up before I do. And last night I heard her in her room, and it sounded as if she was crying. I was awfully sorry, because she's about the best sister a fellow ever had. She gave me the money out of her own pocket to organize the Little Giants. I gave her an annual pass."

The captain of the Little Giants grinned as he raised his eyes to those of Mr. Joslin. The face of that young man had had a considerable change, it fairly beamed with joy.

"Is there anything else you need for your club?" he demanded suddenly.

"Well, I want to get uniforms for all the regular men," Johnny said seriously, "as soon as we get the money."

"How much will that take?" demanded Mr. Marshall Joslin.

"We can get some bully ones for \$12 a dozen, but—"

The next moment Johnny Gaylord, in something thrust into his hand and saw Marshall Joslin striding down the street with rapidity. Johnny looked at what was in his hand. It was a gay back for more than enough to buy the uniforms.

"Well, I wonder what I said to earn that?" he mused as he carefully stored it in a place of safety.

When Johnny came home at noon a voice called him from the big, half darkened drawing room. It was the voice of Miss Gaylord, and he hurried to her.

"Look what Mr. Joslin gave me," she cried as he came toward her. His displayed the greenback.

"Johnny Gaylord, what have you been doing?" she demanded. George Gaylord, serious eyes fixed upon him. "I didn't tell him anything," averred the captain of the Little Giants. "We were just standing on the street talking, and I happened to mention that I was going to get uniforms for the Little Giants as soon as I got the money. And then he just stuck this in my hands and rushed off before I could even get a chance to thank him. Oh, say, but won't the team look fine in those blue uniforms with white stripes?"

But George Gaylord did not join with her usual enthusiasm in the plans for the Little Giants.

"Johnny Gaylord," she said solemnly, "you told Mr. Joslin something else. Now, tell me what it was you said."

"Why, that's all we talked about, honest," protested Johnny, "except that I told him I was well and that you weren't well because you didn't come down to breakfast and I heard you crying last night and—"

"Johnny!"

The serious tone of her voice caused Johnny to look up in wonder.

"So that is why he came," murmured George Gaylord, biting her lip.

Johnny was beginning to feel very uncomfortable when suddenly he was swept into the warm embrace of two strong arms, and George Gaylord placed a kiss right on his pouting lips.

"Oh, you're a dear little brother," she declared, hugging him.

Johnny went away mystified over the two strange events of the day, but happy in the possession of means to uniform the Little Giants.

When Marshall Joslin arrived again at the office he was so cheerful of spirit and vigorous of mind that Shackleton remarked upon it.

"Your walk seems to have done you good, my boy," he said.

"I took a new man of me, sir," declared Joslin warmly.

A Spanish Ghost Story.

The atmosphere of Spain agrees most perfectly with all sorts of spirits, and a delightfully ghastly story is told of the punishment of a bold bad man who killed a friar. At the time of the crime the murderer escaped to Portugal, where he remained so long that on his return nobody recognized him.

One morning, when he was walking along the street, he saw a fine sheep's head in the market place and, feeling it might be purchased while he went home for a servant, he secured it, but, ashamed to be seen carrying a package, he concealed it under his cloak. Unfortunately, blood trickled from the head, and a member of the holy brotherhood, perceiving it, stopped him and asked, "What hearest thou, cavalier?" "Nothing," was the mendacious reply, which naturally excited suspicion, and the monk cried, "My brother, thou hast somewhat unlawful beneath thy cape." And behold, when the cloak was torn aside there was the head of the murdered friar!—Los Angeles Times.

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Persons may join the club at any time during the year, but must, of course answer the 52 questions hereinafter explained, to qualify for the prizes. It is, moreover, desirable that the questions be answered as the lessons are studied.

The International Newspaper Bible Study Club is for the purpose of promoting, in an unfettered way among the masses, a wider study of the Bible, the basal truths of Christianity, and the problems which enter into every man's life. It is composed of all those who join a Local Club, and take up the simple course herein outlined, hailing only ordained clergymen. We have the sympathetic co-operation of the latter, but it is not considered fair to have them compete for the prizes. Sunday school teachers, Bible class scholars, and church-goers generally, may belong to this Newspaper Club, also non-churchgoers, of all shades of opinion. All such who have not joined are warmly invited to do so and to compete for the prizes.

This paper has secured the right to publish the International Sunday School Lesson questions by Rev. Dr. Linscott, which have aroused so much interest elsewhere, and they will appear weekly. One of these questions each week is to be answered in writing, and upon these answers the prizes are to be awarded.

This paper is authorized to form a Local Newspaper Bible Study Club for its readers, and guarantee to all who join and fulfill the conditions, that everything herein promised shall be faithfully carried out.

CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST.

1. Each contestant, or his or her family, must be a subscriber to this paper, (paid in advance), during the continuance of the contest, in order to qualify for membership in the International Newspaper Bible Study Club and this Local Club.

2. Each contestant in this Local Club, must answer each of the written questions, for 52 consecutive weeks, commencing for Sunday, July 5, 1908, and the answers must all be in the possession of this paper within two weeks of the close of this period, which allows two weeks grace after the close of the contest.

3. Each question must be answered separately, and the paper written on one side only. No answer must exceed two hundred words in length and may be less. It will be a convenience if students will write their answers on letter paper, about 8 1/2 by 11 inches.

4. Each answer must have the name and address of the writer at the bottom of the answer; so it can be identified, given a number, registered, and the answers from this Local Club must be delivered to this office, and they will be collated at the close of the contest, and forwarded to headquarters for independent examination by competent examiners. The prizes

will then be awarded according to the highest number of marks, won by members of The International Newspaper Bible Study Club, and prizes which may be awarded to members of this Local Club will be given out from this office.

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All who can write, and have ideas, are urged to take up these studies regardless of the degree of their education, as the papers are not valued from an educational or literary standpoint, but from the point of view of the cogency of their reasoned ideas.

PAST QUESTIONS.

For July 5th, the Lesson text was I Samuel xii. 1-22, and the verse to be answered in writing was:

Granted that God is a real Almighty person, so to speak, right at the elbow of every man, to protect him, and to supply all his needs, then what is the great defect in modern preaching, and in average Christian Experience?

For July 12th the text was I Samuel x. 17-27, the whole ninth and tenth chapters to be read. The special question to be answered in writing was:

When a company of godly men seek to know the mind of God, may that mind be found by a ballot or the casting of the lot, or is there a better method? (See Acts 1:23-30 Kilt:2)

and then the name cut off so the examiner may know it by number only.

5. Students should be careful to understand the question before answering. To do this, the lesson text must be read and especially the verse, or verses, upon which the question is based.

The special question to be answered in writing for July 19 was:

Verse 1—When individuals or the people choose a wrong thing, can it ever be made to work out for their good? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Suggestive Questions on the Sunday School

Lesson by Rev. Dr. Linscott for the
International Newspaper Bible Study Club.

July 20th, 1908.—I. Sam. xvi. 13-28.

(Read Chapters 13, 14 and 15.)

Golden Text—The Lord our God will be served, and his voice will be obeyed. Josh. xxiv. 24.

Verse 13—What had God commanded Saul in the matter of the war with the Amalekites, and how had Saul disobeyed? (Verses 1-12.)

Now can you justify God for commanding this wholesale slaughter of men, women, children and animals? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club, but do not attempt an answer without thorough enquiry and investigation.)

Did Saul know that he was lying to Samuel?

Is a lie ever justifiable, or ever necessary, either from a human or Divine standpoint?

May a person be guilty of continuous sin, lie to cover up his tracks, and succeed in deceiving himself that he is very pious?

Verses 14, 15—May a person, like Saul, be very religious and practice sin, without the "bleating of the sheep" being heard by his neighbors?

Is a professed Christian generally rated at his true moral worth by his fellows?

If a man keeps a part of God's commandments and breaks the rest, does

God give him any credit? Why or why not?

Is a professed Christian who knowingly breaks any of God's commandments, any better than an ordinary sinner?

Verse 16—Does God to-day ever give one person a revelation of another person's true character?

Verse 17—Does "worldly advancement" generally make good men better and bad men worse, or what is its moral and spiritual tendency?

Verses 18, 19—What was Saul's real motive in disobeying God?

Is "graft," that is a man enriching himself from a public position, ever right?

Verses 20, 21—Which is the guiltier to do a bad thing, or to put it off on some other person when it is done?

Verses 22, 23—How does God value prayers, or worship, of one who is living in known sin?

Does secret sin in a man's life, have any effect on the success of his business or profession?

Verses 24-28—Was Saul sorry because he had sinned, or because he had been found out and was suffering the painful results?

If a man quits sinning and turns to God, because his sin is hurting him, will God accept him?

Lesson for Sunday Aug. 2nd, 1908.—David Anointed in Bethlehem. I. Sam. xvi. 1-13.