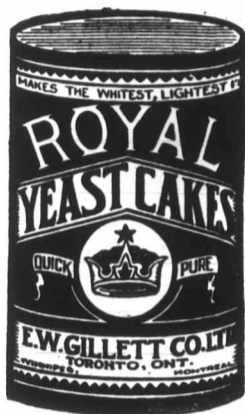


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called us for his dear Son's sake! But in this kingdom of Christ it is not as in the natural world, where God suffers His sun to shine upon the evil and upon the good, and His rain to fall upon the just and unjust. In this kingdom of Christ of which we are citizens, we forfeit the blessings if we cease to value them. What an awful thought is this! We may be bartering away our birthright. All unconsciously to ourselves perhaps we may be suffering ourselves to be drawn away from the faith which is the condition of salvation, from the holiness without which no man shall see the Lord. But now in this solemn season of withdrawal from the world we can hear the pleading voice of our mother, the Church, speaking of Righteousness and of Judgment to come, of Christ the Mediator between us sinners and a just God, of the death and passion of Jesus, of the hope of forgiveness and peace! Not vainly shall she plead with us, that faithful mother. Lord, we will come unto Thee! We will lay our burden of sin at the foot of Thy Cross, Thou wilt speak peace to our souls, and by Thy grace we shall walk again as the children of Light.

SOME VALUABLE SUGGESTIONS

Whoever you are and whatever your condition, remember that under all circumstances your Rector is your best friend. He watches for your soul as one that must give an account.

If there is any sickness or affliction in your family, notify your Rector without delay.

Make no engagements for those week evenings when there is an appointed service. Church engagements should always stand first.

If you change your residence address, let the Rector know at once.

If you are a newcomer, promptly do three things.

1. Make the acquaintance of the Rector of the Parish and present your "letter of transfer."

2. Offer yourself for duty in some department of Church work.

3. Consult the Treasurer of the Parish, and become a regular contributor toward the support of the Church. Don't wait to be asked.

Canon 20, Title I, of the Church's regulation for her members reads as follows:

"All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in

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hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation."

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."—The Parish Leaflet.

AN ELEPHANT AND HIS MOTHER.

Elephants are said to dearly enjoy a joke. When engaged in the timber trade in Burma, I observed some queer pranks played by them. On one occasion I saw a calf play a most

ludicrous trick on its mother. The older animal was hauling a log, which fifty coolies could not have moved from a river to the saw mills, quite unconscious of any guile in the bosom of her offspring. The youngster took a turn with his trunk round one of the chain traces, and pulled back with all his might. This additional weight caused the mother to stop and look behind her; but on discovering the cause she gravely shook her head, and prepared to resume her task of drawing the log to the mill. This was just what the little imp expected; and, before the strain was put on again, he kicked out the iron hook which fastened the long chain to the log. As the mother again began to pull, he held back with all his strength on the chain until her muscles were in full play, and then suddenly let go.

The effect was disastrous in the extreme. Down went the old elephant on her knees, and her driver described a most graceful and prolonged curve before he landed on the ground. But, like a cat he struck on his feet, and blurring out some heavy Burmese exclamations of wrath, he whispered a few words in the ear of the amazed victim of this unfilial practical joke. She seemed to understand him at once, and there ensued one of the most exciting chases it has ever been my good fortune to witness.

The calf scented danger the moment he saw the driver whisper to his mother, and he placed a large stack of timber between the enraged animal and himself as speedily as possible.

Elephants seem too clumsy to do much running, but these two coursed up and down the yard in a manner which astonished me.

The younger was more quick in turning, but at last he was cornered. The maternal trunk smote him on the loins. He gave a shriek; at a second stroke he dropped on his knees, and took his punishment bravely and patiently. A few minutes later he walked past us to the shed; but his trunk was drooping, and the great tears were coursing silently down his india rubber cheeks.

I was sorry for the poor little fellow, and I noticed that at dinner time his mother was gently rubbing him down. With a timid "if we could;" signs of affection.

A legend was told me the other day which may interest you. A young man, discontented with his lot, dreamed a wonderful dream. He was carried into a beautiful country, and was driven in state through leafy bowers and under arching trees, through groves redolent with orange blossoms. Rare exotics bloomed on every side. The place seemed a perfect fairyland of beauty.

After driving for miles and miles he stopped before a magnificent palace. It was built of marble, and the carving was of the finest workmanship. Its minarets and domes were ornamented with rare jewels, which flashed in the sunshine. The doors were of pearls, the floors of gold, and the ceilings instead of being frescoed, were studded with rubies



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and diamonds. The building was of enormous size, covering, with its wings, fully a square mile, and everything was on a scale of rare splendour.

Stepping to one side of the palace, his eyes rested on a dark brown niche, small, but in such a striking contrast to the palace, that he asked the guide what it meant and why that was not marble also, and set around with precious stones. Imagine the young man's surprise when he said:

"The fault is yours. This is the palace Beautiful, and this is your niche. You have been unhappy because of your lowly station in life, and since you could not have a position of prominence, you have spent your time discontented, while others have been improving their time and talents. It rests upon you alone to make this place perfect."

The young man awoke, saw the lesson taught by his dream, and set to work to marbleize his brown niche.

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