The Sower of The Gospel

A sewer went out to sow his

The Gospel tells us so. A portion of it grew and thrived The rest was lost, we know. Some fell upon a traveled road As food for birds of air. Some fell upon the stony ground In sprouts and withered there. Some fell among the climbing

thorns, And struggling, came to grief. The thorns began to choke its life, A life obscure and brief.

In charity we pity him, Who sowed his seed in vain. The reason for his futile work Is that it did not rain. The birds would stay away;

roots In sand, or barren clay. If rain had drizzled on the seed That fell on stony ground,

And coaxed the seed among the thorns,

found. sower is God's anointed Priest,

God's word, the noble grain. Oh! let us pray that God may send

His grace, the needed rain. This noble seed the Precious Blood

Of Jesus Christ has bought. Containing germs of blissful life It must not go for naught. O Jesus through Thy Precious

Blood Send fructifying rain, Immortal souls to gain.

-Sister M. Laurentia, C. PP. Solomon and Felix

Tribune.)

Watermelon Day, her annual a festival reserved exclusively to our plot. Titonia-a pagan by her citizens a vital characteristic of Titonia, you must participate in these tantly accepted the office. epical days.

tion was held-jammed with never made a public speech, but people. Under the large, outspread- to ask a release from his obligaing trees dotting the grounds tion was unthinkable. were hundreds of people eating Felix imagined himself delivera picnic dinner. At one end of ing his Watermelon Day speech. the Midway stood the merry-go He mounted the platform and round with its music-box grind- looked out over the sea of faces. ing out, to the rapture of the He heard his own voice, but it youngsters and the boredom of sounded hollow and faint, and the elders, its metallis, ever- seemed to spend itself at his very lasting tunes. The Midway itself lips. Then his mouth became Titonia.

graph. He deserves it. Solomon of pomposity written by the was the property of David Moss. village lawyer. Weeks preceding Moss was a citizen of Titonia, and the celebration he shut himself in interested in banking, horse-rac- his room and addressed to the ing, and other forms of graft and corruption. The general distrust incurred by Moss, however, did horse: Solomon was the pride and idol of the village. Moss had trained him from his colthood days-well, I declare whose paragraph is this anyway-Moss' or Solomon's? At any rate, Moss has usurped so much of it tha we will give Solomon a new one

Minard's Liniment Relieves Garget in Cows.

Pains in the Back THIS SOLDIER TOOK tre symptoms of a weak, torpid or tagnant condition of the kidneys or ver, and are a warning it is extremely azardous to neglect, so important is healthy action of these organs They are commonly attended by loss of energy, lack of courage, and sometimes by gloomy foreboding and de-

"I was taken ill with kidney trouble, and ecame so weak I could scarcely get around, took medicine without beneft, and finally ecided to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. After the first bottle I felt so much better that I attitude its use, and six bottles made me new woman. When my little girl was a dby, she could not keep anything on her mach, and we gave her Hood's Sarsapala which cured her." Mas. THOMAS INS. Wallaceburg, Ont.

Hood's Sarsaparilla ares kidney and liver troubles, re-eves the back, and builds up the

Solomon was an intelligentappearing horse with a rangy, elongated, body, seemingly in an advanced stage of attenuation and reminding the onlooker of a If rain had poured upon the road skinned rabbit. He possessed considerable speed, as an ex-The seed would strike its tiny amination of his record would strongly suggest. He had won every race he had entered on a Watermelon Day affair. There were backers who asserted that his native speed, coupled with the fact that he ran without New strength it would have a jockey, made him unbeatable. The argument carries weight. Jockeys, are a permanent makeshift, a needless custom, the resort of the slothful: the speed of horses in general could be greatly

enhanced by a world-wide introduction of Moss's innovation. Solomon's training had been thorough; he was reliable and faithful. He would take his place a short distance from the wire, start with the jockey-encumbered horses, then thrust his head forward and run his uttermost, usually coming in a good twenty yards in the lead. Is it And help the sowers of the seed, any wonder that the animal was

the pride of Titonia? The races were to begin at one o'clock and last approximately two hours, Directly upon their conclusion came the feature of The Speaker the day—the voice, as it were, Titonia. A caiload of ripe watermelons was to be distributed among Titonia's guests. Felix (Albert A. Eisele, in the Catholic Schoner, newly-elected mayor of of Titonia, was to make a speech

of welcome and exhortation monstrous celebration, was being directly preceding the feast. And staged at Titonia. In that part around that oratorical portion of of the state Watermelon Day was the day's program we have built

Felix was one of those modest, an event interfused with the very content to stand back and let the soul of the village. In that day parade go by, Yes, not only Titonia extended to her visitors content, but anxions, pleadingly the warmest welcome; on that anxious for the privilege. Felix day was she the gracious, enter- had been elected mayor of Titonia taining hostess. Ah, friend! but against his will, and only reluccelebrations to know them; my duties of the mayor of peaceful pen sags dismally before the task Titonia are few. He must preof portraying, even to the smallest side at the council meetings, acdegree, one of Titoria's joyful, celerate the departure of tramps from the town, and deliver the It was the noon hour. The Watermelon Day speech of welfair grounds-where the celebra- come and exhortation. Felix had

was the scene of a moving throng, dry as dust; his heart conjected and resounded with the raucous with blood and threatened to sries of the concession and side-burst; his lips, though uttering show people, the vociferations of no sound, began pathetic and

sandwich venders and the pleas- meaningless jerkings, like a chicking vivacious tones of try-balloon en after having its head chopped whistles, in the hands of delighted off. The crowd nudged one shildren. The air itself was agog. another, some began to laugh, Circling high above and over the others to jeer, and his friends air grounds were two airplanes, wilted with shame. Weeks before which landed in a nearby pasture, its advent, his Watermelon Day ready to entertain anyone having speech was to him a coming pila surplus of cash and courage. lory in which he was to be held On the race-track drivers were up to public scorn and amusement. warming up their horses, owners The citizens divined his state were leading blanket-covered of mind and guessed his predicahorses on the track, and, loping ment, but in Felix's presence around the track, without driver mercifully avoided the subject. or jockey, was Solomon, hero of All felt sorry for him but had many running races and pride of no help to offer. Felix resolutely set to work to learn and memorize Solomon gets this entire para- the speech which was a marvel



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OVERSEAS WITH HIM. Mr. William J. Packard, Shanty Bay, Ont., writes:—"Being a member of the C.E.F., I have had many brilliant opportunities of realizing the beneficial results derived from the proper use of Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Straw-

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four walls his elaborate speech. As the dreaded day drew nearer his rehearsals became more freuent and the orator less cautious -the widow Blakely being tendered a private rendition one evening as his stentorian tones e-echoed from a treacherous open window. He became pale and taciturn, and the subject of the Watermelon Day became a mater of grave concern to dignified, self-respected citizens of Titonia. The races were in progress,

Patrick O'Mallory, a leading itizen of Titonia, was hurrying about the grounds, an anxious look upon his face. "Say, Bill!" he said, stopping short another leading citizen, "We can't find Felix. He's got to speak in about an hour. You don't think-" That sounds bad," said the other, with concernment. "Let's wait a while; he'll probably be around. Let us hurry over and see that running race; I've got my wad on Solomon," "Me too." said G'Mallory.

Over on the furtherest turn in the race-track grew a clumb of trees. Hemmed in on one side by the high board fence circling retiring likeable fellows who are the outer edge of the track, and bordered on the other side by a field of corn, it was a place of seclusion and solitude, except for the pounding of horses' hoofs on the other side of the board fence. A human voice among those trees would usually be out of range of all ears-except those of the flying jockeys (who were, however, too pre-occupied with their duties to notice any thing short

> To this place of concealment Felix Schoner had half-walked and half-crawled, there to once more deliver his speech. To this refuge he had crawled in his misery, like a wounded, stricken animal, in the wild hope that one last encouraging rehearsal would polster his waning courage and

steel him for the coming trial. " Ladies, gentlemen, everybody !" began Felix, glaring at blackbird. " I, as the m-mnouth of Titonia-er-I mean,ladies-and gentlemen, as the mouthpiece of T-T-Titonia, and er-expressing, I mean voicing -er - aw - representing - voic ng the opinions -I mean sentiments of her c-c-citizens, I bid you a h-h-h-hearty welcome! To be Continued.

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