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### ATHENS MODELITES

Address by Rev. I. N. Beckstedt to the Students

Athens, Dec. 1.—The fifth series of addresses at the model school, Athens, was delivered by the Rev. I. N. Beckstedt, B.A., on Friday, Nov. 25th. He opened his address with the remark that he fully appreciated the honor and privilege given to him in addressing the students of the A.M.S. The topic of his address might be taken as "Life—Our Exam" and the speaker gave his opinion and advice in an earnest, sympathetic manner. The very fact that he was allowed to address the students before him proved that they were acquiring the power to distinguish truth from heresy, and right from wrong. This liberty is the fruit of the educational ideal, that the freedom of the individual is the all-important aim. In other words, the idea is not to accumulate, but to develop the ability to think and feel powerfully.

The speaker then asked the question, why is it more important to be able to think than to be able to retain? The answer came that no course of education is sufficiently wide to cover all the conditions and experiences of life. In other words, the accumulated facts and formulae might be compared to the raw material or stone, mortar and timber, ready for use, but unless they have the power of the mind to build up, this material would be absolutely useless. What we require then, first of all, is not the ability to accumulate, but to think. The supreme power of the mind is to be able to think powerfully, clearly and with a definite purpose. This power should be adjustable, flexible and a ready instrument, to manipulate the experiences of life. There is nothing to be said against the cultivation of the memory, but our point is that this is an subordinate part of education, and it must be used as an aid in attaining the power to think. The impression is of more importance than the fact. To illustrate this the speaker told of an old lady who, when questioned by her pastor concerning the previous Sunday's sermon, could answer nothing. The pastor, profoundly disappointed, told her that she had received no benefit, but the lady quickly replied that she had received a good impression, that she had greater hopes and a brighter future. A person of strong and retentive memory might have remembered nearly all, in a cold, barren, mechanical fashion, but the person who received the lasting impression was lifted to a higher sphere. The conclusion drawn by the speaker was that the retention of facts is not the ultimate and end-all of education. The aim of all education is or should be the formation of character. In other words, it is, to train the mind to think, the heart to feel, and the hand to do. This theory then is directly opposed to the system of rote-learning. It should not go so far as to have a depressing effect upon the mind. The reason for this is that it spoils the memory, leaves the heart untouched and the mind untrained in originality. The late Principal Grant, of Queen's College, Kingston, did not wish his students to take notes. He preferred them to fall back upon their own ability and to seek after ideas rather than words. The use of the mechanical method does not require much ability on the part of the teacher. It lays emphasis upon the ability to reproduce all that is poured into the ears. Better is an ounce of originality than a pound of dry facts. It seemed to him that our educational system, up to very recent dates, has been to encourage the return of a single pound, to force our pupils to give back, ounce for ounce, pound for pound and word for word. A true educational system would regard the child's mind as a garden plot, in which to implant some beautiful thoughts and ideas which would grow and bloom a hundred fold.

The speaker wished the students abundant success. They would have many discouragements, depressions and difficulties, and would often be tempted to lose faith in themselves and their work. They would meet pupils of dull morals and mischievous propensities, and the task would seem hopeless and the results hard to find. But the task is far from hopeless, and the results are bound to be good.

The speaker now turned his attention toward the question of "ideals." It is fatal to lower an ideal; in other words it is a spiritual death. But this statement depends upon the ideals we have set up. People often find that they have over-estimated their capabilities. On the other hand, they must

not stifle the heavenly voice and vision; they must be true to the highest and best that is in them.

After the address had been delivered by the reverend gentleman, Mr. Gordon Hamilton moved a vote of thanks, on behalf of the Modelites. This was seconded by Miss Maenace Pinkerton, A.M.S. Executive, in behalf of the students.

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Sen. 2nd—P. Greenham, W. Arnold.  
Inter. 2nd—A. Peterson.  
Sen. part 2nd—R. Burnett, H. Greenham, G. Briggs.  
Jun. part 2nd—J. Lee, N. Briggs.  
Sen. 1st—A. Lee, A. Gra.  
Jun. 1st—A. Briggs, John Dancy.  
Average attendance, 22; per cent, 86.

T. B. RHODES, Teacher.

### DELTA JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

The following are names of pupils who obtained more than 75 per cent, of the marks given during November.

Ralph Stevens, Agatha Sawyer, Vera Birch, Claude Williams, Mary Hutcheon, Alice Knowlton, Clara Darling, Mary Mallory, Julia Sloan, Stella Russell, Olive Russell, Ernest Garrett, Flossie Day, Eva Morris.  
ANNA ALLYN, Teacher.

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I'll tell you how it happened, how I came to marry Ruth,  
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She was living with her parents 'way out in Plum-fallow Glen,  
True, there wasn't much about her to attract the most of men,  
For she wasn't very stylish nor her figure of grace,  
Nor her features wasn't dolly, people called her platter face.  
But her kindness towards her parents spoke to me and plainly told  
That beneath her homespun garments beat a heart of purest gold.

All her sisters they were courted and got married one by one,  
So I got to thinking 'bout it and I wondered what she'd done,  
Wondered if she'd had no chances, she the best girl in the pack,  
Left to grub there on the homestead with a burden on her back.  
You might say just merely grubbing and a-slaving out her life,  
Just because I wasn't man enough to get myself a wife,  
So I got to kind of courting her a little now and then,  
And concluded she was about the choicest girl of all the Glen.

The wife of Ephraim Hopkin had been dead a year or so,  
And he was courting all the girls and running to and fro,  
He finally got intimate with Ruth and I'll be blowed,  
If I didn't meet them walking one night down the Holler road,  
He was taking her to parties and a-beavin' her about,  
And the gossips all were talking 'bout the way he'd cut me out.  
She acted independent like and he would sneer and slur,  
But somehow the more she snubbed me the more I thought of her.

Well the harvest days were over and I was loafing 'round,  
But a more unhappy feller in the Glen could not be found,  
I couldn't settle down to work, life seemed a misty blur,  
In fact I didn't do much else but sit and think of her.  
So one night when we were talking kind of on the marriage line,  
I mustered all my courage and I asked her to be mine,  
She consented, and least someone else might pack her off some day,  
I made up my mind to take her, and it happened just that way.  
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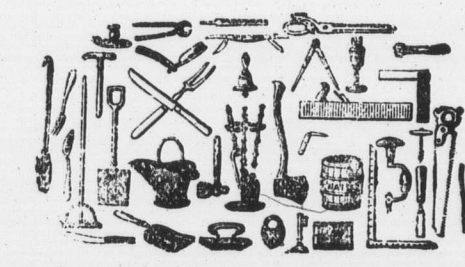
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### LEAVENS THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

#### A Public Park Not Only Influences Children, But Homes as Well.

The playgrounds which the city provides for the children of the poor are usually regarded as excellent things for giving the little folks a good time and keeping them out of mischief, but few have any idea of the part they really play in the life of the city.

A properly conducted playground leaves the whole neighborhood, says Mrs. Caroline A. Crumley, of Hamilton Fish Park, "and the playgrounds of the city, even more than the public schools, are making American citizens out of the foreign population of the tenements."

"These children have never known that freedom was beyond their grasp. They have known that respect for laws was Order in maintained in the tenement districts only by the presence of the 'cop,' but on the playground the children learn that the laws exist for the good of the community, and obey them willingly. They learn in fact that liberty is not license, and that is the most valuable training they could get for American citizenship."

In some of the playgrounds there appears to be a more law than in the tenements. Unsupervised playing has been found to be out of the question, and how to supervise without checking spontaneity is a problem which has not always been satisfactorily solved. In Hamilton Fish Park, the contented spontaneity and good behavior are marked by all corners. The children regulate their own play to a great extent. During the crowded hours there is always a girl in charge of the swings or 'teeter-saws,' and in return for counting the swings that each girl takes and directing her to vacate in favor of the next girl in line at the end of the prescribed number she is allowed to have one turn in every twenty-five herself.

This work very well, as a rule, but occasionally a girl succeeds in getting hold of the swing out of her turn. Then there is an appeal to Miss Crumley, but she frequently declines to interfere.

Why did you let her get ahead of you? she asks, after listening to the complaint of the injured party. "You should stand up for your rights. This useful lesson the little girl probably is not so easy to get ahead of her."

The playground has had a far-reaching effect upon the neighborhood, many things have changed since it was opened. It has added much to the interest of the home life in giving the children something to tell their parents when they go home.

"My children never used to talk at home," said one mother. "Now their tongues run all the time."

"The chief effect is that the children, both boys and girls, get home to their evening meal in time, and show little inclination to run the streets afterward."

"They get so tired and hungry in the playground that they are glad to eat and go to bed," Miss Crumley says. "Of course, they had their play before, but it was different. It excited them and did not make them healthily tired. For instance, they didn't even know how to clean their playground when it was opened. They had never had space to set one foot before another, and space to set off rapid progression through the streets meant dodging under horse's heads, avoiding the trolley cars and keeping an eye on the policeman's hand."

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### FROM SLAVERY TO WEALTH.

#### How an African Black Became Rich and Famous.

A British cruiser swooped down on a slaver off the West Coast of Africa, the human cargo was set ashore and among the "pickaninnies" saved was a little boy whom the missionaries christened Richard Blaise. This happened many years ago, and yesterday Mr. R. B. Blaise died at Lagos, a millionaire, a great philanthropist and an honored citizen of the Empire.

It was to Sierra Leone that the released child slave was taken, and a missionary society taking him, he was educated in the Christian faith, and later entered the printing department at Lagos, in which he rose to be head printer.

But the great Manchester trade that is done on the West Coast claimed him, and, beginning in a small way, he very soon established a good business. His knowledge of printing was useful, for, carefully noting the designs which were mostly affected by the natives in their native patterns, and soon secured a large trade in Manchester goods bearing his favorite designs.

"I have never met a keener man of business," said a West African trader who had intimate business relations with the native magnate. "His business methods were excellent and up-to-date; his correspondence was always couched in the most perfect English, and looking at the hand-writing 'one would have imagined he was a hard-headed, unimaginative merchant who had never left his Liverpool or London office."

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"One day in Wheaton," Gary said recently, "I took dinner with a clergyman and his family. The clergyman had an eight year old son, called Joe, and he was a very bright boy."

"Look here, Joe," I said, during the course of the dinner, "I have a question to ask you about your father."

Joe looked gravely at me.

"All right," I'll answer your question."

"Well," said I, "I want to know if your father doesn't preach the same sermon twice sometimes?"

"Yes, I think he does," said Joe, "but in different places from what he did the first time."

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#### An Unexpected Visit.

(Detroit Free Press.) Kansas City Clerk—What are you doing in this town? "I'm at home," he said. "No thing—Nothing: I didn't even intend to come here."

Hotel Clerk—That's queer; how do you explain it?

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Curiosity and Interest. If you could have friends, advises the Chicago Journal, be interested in them. There is a difference between interest and curiosity. Never be curious. Interest asks nothing, but is glad of other's joys and sorry for other's misfortunes. Curiosity seeks to find more than is written upon the surface, seeks it for the purpose of distribution, for innocent slander.

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# THE SECOND WAR DIET OPENED BY THE MIKADO.

## Emperor Says His Troops Have Been Victorious in Every Battle.

### Fighting at Port Arthur Continues and Japanese Seem Depressed.

A Tokio cable: The Japanese have captured and now hold 203-Metre Hill. The height known as 203-Metre Hill is a commanding position north-west of Port Arthur. All the harbor and a large part of the new or Russian town are at the mercy of guns mounted upon it.

Imperial headquarters made the following announcement last night: "Our force operating against 203-Metre Hill advanced at 10 o'clock today from trenches already captured near the summit of the hill, and are now struggling for the south-eastern portion of the fort on the summit."

"A fierce battle was still in progress at 7 o'clock to-night."

#### PORT ARTHUR DOOMED.

### No Refuge for Stoesse's Troops—At the Mercy of the Japs.

A Tokio cable despatch says: The Japanese have captured and now hold 203-Metre Hill. With this last range of hills in possession of General Nogi no part of the harbor nor of the city of Port Arthur will be concealed from the view of the Japanese gunners. The prompt destruction of the warships and burning of the city will follow unless surrender is offered without delay.

There is no refuge for General Stoesse's army except on the line of hills southwest of Port Arthur, known as the Laoti Mountain. There is no water there for the army's supply, and there would be no way of obtaining food except that carried in the flight which would follow the final assault of the Japanese.

This is accepted in Tokio as practically the end of the struggle at Port Arthur. The final charge against the splendidly equipped line of final earthworks, undoubtedly will cost the Japanese soldiers many lives, but their success will give them command of the entire city and harbor, and mark the capture of the great fortress. Its fall is expected not later than Friday.

#### ONE HILL OCCUPIED.

### The Other Was to Have Been Taken Last Night.

A Tokio cable: Reliable information has been received to the effect that the assault of the Japanese at Port Arthur has resulted in the complete occupation of Chifishan Hill, 300 metres north of the 203-Metre Hill. It was the intention to carry the latter position last night. It is reported that the army is continuing its operations against the Sunghushan fort, but has changed its tactics.

A steamer from Yinkow, reports that last Saturday morning, when off Port Arthur, she saw the Japanese fleet severly bombarding the fortress with indirect fire.

#### JAPS FALLING BACK.

### They Have Abandoned Attempted Turning Movement.

A St. Petersburg cable: Official and private despatches received here to-night indicate that the Japanese are falling back below Sintsintin, where for several days they had apparently been attempting a turning movement. After four days of severe but unsuccessful fighting they are now retiring with the Russians in full pursuit. It is impossible to tell whether either movement has real strategic significance.

#### BLOODIEST FIGHT OF THE SIEGE.

### Fierce Attack of Jap Swordsmen on Port Arthur Forts.

A Tokio cable: official advices received at the War Office from Japanese headquarters at Port Arthur state that the attack upon the fortress, which began in the afternoon of Nov. 26, is still in progress.

That day was one of disappointment to the Japanese. Generals Nakamura and Saito, leading specially trained bodies of swordsmen, charged into the fortress, regardless of the withering fire directed at them. Many of the attackers were shot in their tracks, but the others continued the wild rush over the bodies of their dead and wounded, and finally reached the parapets.

The attack was directed against the Sunghushan and Chifishan fortifications and the north-western forts of east Keekwanshan.

Simultaneously other Japanese detachments in eight mountain and field guns within range of the points of attack. While the swordsmen scaled the parapets and hurled themselves against the defenders, the guns shelled the breastworks with awful results. The meaning of the wounded, the yelling and shouting of the attackers and defenders could be heard distinctly in the valley below. Dead and wounded rolled down the inclined approaches.

Soon the attack, which was meant to be an onslaught of such overwhelming force that it would sweep the parapets clear of their defenders, developed into a hand-to-hand fight of such fury and fierceness as eclipsed any that has occurred since the beginning of the siege.

The valor of the defenders might well be termed unparalleled. In the face of the well-aimed slashes of determined swordsmen and the howling of the Japanese shells from below, they held out, at first only wounding every inch of ground, but later gradually driving back the attackers.

It seemed as though every available fighting force was being hurled against

pressed into service at the points where the Japanese onslaught occurred. Hundreds fell, killed or disabled. Their bodies, piled high, served as an additional means of defense. Rifles were thrown away and swords took their place, and after a while even these weapons became useless, so close was the fight. As the evening progressed it developed into fights of man against man, hundreds of them locked in deadly embrace at one time, the Russians endeavoring to drag their antagonists over the edge of the breastworks, the Japanese straining every muscle to hurl themselves with their victims down the incline, leading to the Japanese approaches. When this stage had been reached the Japanese guns had become useless.

A single shell would have killed as many friends as foes, more perhaps of the former, owing to their exposed positions. Then the fight began to grow uneven, and the order was given to retire.

Half an hour later the fortress was steeped in darkness. Not a sound proceeded from the spot where shortly before the most awful struggle of the past month had occurred.

#### NOGI'S TELEGRAM.

### Announcing the Capture of Metre Hill Cheered by the Populace of Tokio.

A Tokio cable says: Gen. Nogi's telegram announcing the storming and capture of 203-Metre Hill was received with cheers by the Japanese people. It revived the hope of an early capture of Port Arthur proper. The people have never despaired of the success of the besiegers, but the fortitude of the defenders and the prolongation of the siege which exceeds by months the most liberal preliminary estimate of the time required to accomplish the reduction of this stronghold has been a source of deep regret, combined with the loss of life and disappointment over the fact that the siege has occupied such a large force of men, decreasing Field Marshal Oyama's strength at a time when he needed every available man.

To-day was the date set under the conscription act, when recruits could join the army. Cheered by the news from Gen. Nogi, thousands of recruits through out the empire marched to barracks and donned uniforms for the first time. Following an honored custom the relatives of the recruits carrying flags and badges escorted the new soldiers to their barracks. In Tokio to-day there have been scores of little processions escorting detachments of popular conscripts. The number of men who have joined the colors to-day under the conscription act has not been made public.

#### FALL OF METRE HILL.

### The Russians Admit, Will be a Desperate Blow for the Port Arthur Defences.

St. Petersburg cable: The war office here is not yet prepared to accept the report that the Japanese before Port Arthur have taken 203-Metre Hill, but if it is subsequently officially confirmed the War Office admits that it will be a desperate blow for the gallant defenders of the fortress. The position commands the harbor and the Japanese can mount siege guns on its summit they can force out the Russian squadron or destroy it at its anchorage. Those familiar with the supporting parts of the forts think it is by no means certain that even if the Russians are forced to retire from 203-Metre Hill the Japanese can place in position heavy guns against the fire which the other forts can bring to bear upon it. Still the War Office officials delicately agree that such a breach in the chain renders the position extremely critical, and although the garrison might be able to hold out in the Golden Hill, Tiger's Tail and Laotie forts for some time it may mark the beginning of the end. The War Office is convinced that with the approach of the Russian second Pacific squadron the Japanese considered that the elimination of the Port Arthur squadron as a fighting factor was absolutely vital, thus accounting for the reckless sacrifice of life in order to secure a position directly commanding the harbor.

#### U. S. PRESBYTERIANS

### Devise Scheme of Federation of Their Churches.

Pittsburg, Dec. 5.—The commission representing the seven branches of the Presbyterian Church in this country at a meeting here to-day decided on a plan of federation for the various churches.

Rev. Dr. D. J. Steele, secretary of the commission, says the plan provides for the establishment of a council which will be called the Federal Council of Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian system. This council will have no power over the worship, creed or government of the churches, which will remain the same as they always have been. The council, Dr. Steele says, will be practically a board of arbitration. It will be composed of four ministers and four laymen from each of the denominations represented, with an additional minister and elder from each Church for each 200,000 communicants over 200,000. According to this agreement, the Northern Presbyterian Church, with about 1,000,000, will have sixteen representatives, and the other churches will be represented in proportion.

In mission work the federation will be a mission work. The aim of the federation will be to guard against duplication of agencies.

The plan of federation contains seven-teen articles, and will not be published until it has been passed on by the supreme judicatory bodies of the various



MRS. CHADWICK.

## UNITED STATES COAST DEFENCE.

### Gen. Storey Wants Torpedo Defence of All Fortified Ports.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Brigadier General Storey, Chief of Artillery, United States Army, in his annual report to General Chaffee, the Chief of Staff, dwells upon what he regards as the most urgent demands of the coast defences.

He says that the best and most economical use of the entire armament for the coast requires one complete relief to man each and every element of defence. He says that if torpedoes are co-operated with a proper armament as at Port Arthur and Vladivostok, it is not probable that any enemy, however enterprising, would attempt to force their line of defence. He adds: "It would be criminal neglect if I did not urge, as earnestly as I can, the immediate completion of the torpedo defence of all our fortified ports. To-day this defence is lamentably deficient, both in material and personnel."

#### DELUSION AND SNARE.

### Campbell-Bannerman's Opinion of a Colonial Conference.

London, Dec. 5.—Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, returning at Manchester to the rise in the price of sugar, said that was the first fruit of retaliation and colonial preference. The people in the West Indies gained a few thousands, but Great Britain lost millions. It was bad for the consumer, the manufacturer, and for employment, and precious little good for the colonies. Mr. Chamberlain's mistake was in treating imperial sentiment as a marketable article. The sentiment uniting Great Britain and her colonies would not be strengthened by identifying it with any huckstering policy, by treating the colonies as if they were items in a company prospectus, still less by suggesting that they were in the market and salable to the highest bidder. A colonial conference under present auspices would be a delusion and a snare. Why should the fiscal pretence be kept up any longer? The whole proposed policy was a colossal blunder and delusion.

#### PREPARING FOR GREAT STRIKE.

### President of Argentina Confers With Ministers and Police.

Buenos Ayres, Dec. 5.—In view of the fact that a general strike will be inaugurated to-morrow, President Quintana had long conferences to-day with the Ministers of the Interior, War and Marine, and the chief of police, to arrange measures for the suppression of possible disturbances. An official statement was given to-night that the police are fully prepared to prevent any interruption of necessary public services, and to protect the purchasers of foodstuffs and those who are willing to work. The Government also has announced that it is in the possession of sufficient power to meet any emergency. Cavalry has been brought to the capital to aid in the presentation of public order, and prevent interference with railway or street car service, should it be necessary.

A state of siege has not been declared, owing to the fact that so far no serious breach of the peace has occurred.

The general strike movement has been planned to continue only two days, but the present signs indicate its possible extension. There is complete tranquillity in the city, and full confidence in the Government.

#### THE FOOL-KILLER.

### Balloon Believed to Have Caused Peter Nissin's Death.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—Peter Nissin is believed to have either smothered or frozen to death in his rolling balloon, the "Foolkiller," in which he started for a trip across Lake Michigan yesterday.

The opinion that Nissin was still alive general to-day, when it was found that after 24 hours of silence, there was still absolutely no word from the inventor, who some years ago shot the Whirlpool Rapids at Niagara Falls in a barrel. Possibility of Nissin's smothering to death was considered more definitely, when it was learned that his only supply of air was that pumped into the "Foolkiller" before the craft was launched. It was said by Nissin's brothers, however, that the navigator would compute his air supply carefully and figured that it would last him for many hours.

At the Weather Bureau it was said that, even if Nissin reached shore, he would suffer from the cold, as there was a snowstorm blowing from the Michigan shore, and that, as his boat had no means of heating and purring of course, the navigator would suffer severely. The wind toward midnight increased from 25 miles an hour to 40-mile gale.

## MRS. CHADWICK'S HYPNOTIC EYES.

### Dazzling Career of the Woodstock Woman.

### Had a Fondness for Most Expensive Jewellery.

### Latest Particulars of Her Monetary Affairs.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 5.—The story of the suspension of the Citizens' National Bank, of Oberlin, O., which closed its doors because it held much paper of Mrs. Cassie Chadwick, formerly of Eastwood, Ont., and wife of Dr. Le Roy Chadwick, of Cleveland, who is being sued by Banker Herbert Newton, of Brookline, Mass., and others for \$500,000, is a riot of splendid amounts. Mysterious millions glitter all through it. The name of a man as rich as any man in America, if not in the world, figures in the tale. According to the Cleveland newspapers, this man would be able to sign a valid cheque for \$300,000,000. The name is not disclosed, but it is stated to be Andrew Carnegie.

A promissory note with this signature is said to have been part of the wealth that induced Herbert D. Newton to lend Mrs. Chadwick \$100,000. But the main mountain of wealth that dazzled the money lenders who accommodated the physician's wife was a heap of securities amounting to \$5,000,000, which were supposed to be locked up in the vaults of the Wade Park Banking Company of this city.

A Mr. Ira Reynolds is presented as the trustee of this vast fund that was said to pay Mrs. Chadwick \$175,000 every six months, but Mr. Reynolds will make no statement concerning the securities that are in his charge.

Dr. Chadwick has long been a prominent physician in the middle west, and was such long before he married the present Mrs. Chadwick in 1897. Next Mrs. Chadwick, her son would tell anything of the history of Mrs. Chadwick before she became the wife of the physician. The doctor is said to be in Europe, but his present abiding place is not divulged, which certainly does not lessen the present mystery.

Ohio financiers are in a daze over the closing of the bank, for half a century deemed one of the most solid in the State.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, President C. B. Beckwith said that the bank is so heavily involved on Chadwick paper that unless there is an immediate settlement it cannot survive. From unofficial sources it is learned that Mrs. Chadwick has on different occasions borrowed from the bank sums said to aggregate \$400,000.

President Beckwith told a correspondent that he and Cashier Spear had made heavy loans some time ago on what he termed "right edged" security. These loans fall due on Jan. 1.

#### HYPNOTIC THEORY.

The theory that Mrs. Chadwick used hypnotic powers to borrow large sums of money was strengthened by a statement by Deputy Sheriff Potter, who is on duty at the Chadwick residence.

"Every time she looked at me I became dizzy," he said. "I tell you I can't understand those eyes. They are a mystery to me. The first time Mrs. Chadwick got a good square look at me I began to blink and blink under the piercing gaze, until I was forced to turn my eyes in an opposite direction. I grew dizzy from the effect, but some thing, some strange power, invariably caused me to return my gaze to hers, with like results again."

Local merchants told of Mrs. Chadwick's extravagance. One said he was the most richly gowned woman he ever saw. A jeweler said she bought tens of thousands of dollars worth of goods from him.

Money No Object.

"Money seemed to be absolutely no object to her. She bought silver by the chest, diamonds, and other jewels worth thousands," he said. "A few years ago she took a party of young women to Europe and paid all expenses. When she returned she showed me a necklace of graduated Oriental pearls worth from \$8,000 to \$10,000, which she said she bought in Europe. She brought back with her two dozen miniatures, hand-painted on ivory, of great value. We named these two-dozen miniatures in 14-karat gold, and Mrs. Chadwick presented them to her friends."

"We sold to her as Mrs. Hoover for several years," said Charles Cheney, vice-president of the Vincent-Barstow Company. "When she married Dr. Chadwick she had the account changed to her new name. The first Christmas after she became Mrs. Chadwick she came in and said she wanted to give the doctor a little surprise. So she bought \$6,000 worth of furniture. She took the doctor to the theatre Christmas Eve, and had the furniture put in during his absence. She always paid us promptly, and we have not sold to her for several years."

Has a Lien on Andrew.

From New York there comes the news that Mrs. Chadwick was in that city until Monday afternoon, when she disappeared from the Holland House. The most interesting item is that Andrew Carnegie has apparently come under her spell. Mr. George E. Ryall, Newton's New York attorney, is giving a statement respecting a meeting of her creditors in that city yesterday, said: "Mr. Newton said that he had seen a note for \$50,000 which was given by Mrs. Chadwick as collateral for a loan from the Citizens' National Bank of Oberlin, Ohio, which failed yesterday. My client told me that this note carried the signature 'Andrew Carnegie.' This will have to come out sooner or later, so I tell it now."

The following statement was made State

later at the residence of Andrew Carnegie by Mr. Carnegie's Secretary in reference to the report: "Mr. Carnegie read this report and pronounced it absurd. Mr. Carnegie does not know the woman at all."

Confirmation of Ryall's statement came from Boston last night in the following despatch, quoting Percy W. Carver, Newton's Boston lawyer: "I Mr. Newton's bill of complaint, which has been filed in the suit against Mrs. Chadwick, Mr. Newton alleged that as an inducement for him to loan Mrs. Chadwick \$100,000 Mrs. Chadwick showed him a note for \$500,000, which was signed by a man whom Mr. Newton believed to be fully responsible as one who could stand behind such a loan as was requested. I prefer not to state what name was signed to this note, but you can say that we do not contradict the statement that the note bore the signature of Andrew Carnegie."

Mr. Carver stated that Mr. Carnegie's reputation of the note for \$500,000 was not at all unexpected.

#### HOW DID SHE DO IT?

A Cleveland despatch says: How did she do it? Was it hypnotism? She grim and gaunt in appearance. Only her eyes are remarkable. Dark as midnight they are. Large, lustrous, commanding, compelling eyes—hypnotic eyes—they are. She wears her gray hair combed high, patrician style. Her mouth is stern, inflexible, unemotional, with thin, set lips, tightly drawn over false teeth.

She impresses one as being a person of power. She heightens the impression by her mode of living. She is surrounded by a retinue of servants, most of them French. She has given few interviews, and only when one of her three lawyers has been present.

Mrs. Chadwick is tall. Although she is 47 years old, her figure is well preserved and she dresses with exquisite taste. She suffers from deafness, and her voice has a lisp. Her deafness is quite pronounced, but she shows quickness in reading the lips.

She says she has not slept since the beginning of her recent trouble, but her looks do not bear out her statement. Her servants and lawyers say she has been hysterical and unstrung. But her voice is still strong, and there are no traces of tears. She laughs when she speaks of her troubles and the accusations against her.

"The lawyers tell me a woman talks too much when she is interviewed," she says. "Perhaps that is why she has a lawyer at her side, but his services apparently are not needed. Mrs. Chadwick does not tell too much. She keeps a remarkable control over her tongue. When she speaks she looks her listener in the eye. Her glance is full of force, her brows are prominent and heavy, and there is a world of power in the dark gleam of her eyes beneath. She often raises her brows to emphasize what she says."

She laughs at the story that she hypnotized the men from whom she secured large loans.

#### DID NOT COMMIT SUICIDE.

New York, Dec. 5.—Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, the Cleveland woman who has been made the defendant in a series of sensational suits for the recovery of large sums of money said to have been loaned her by individuals and banks, is seriously ill at the Holland House, two maids and a nurse are in constant attendance, and a physician is always within call. While the greatest secrecy is maintained at the hotel, and her presence there is not announced, it is said that Mrs. Chadwick is on the verge of a nervous breakdown. Up to yesterday, while it was believed that Mrs. Chadwick was still at the Holland House, where she registered last week, there was no certainty that she had not left the city. At the hotel it was said that she left there several days ago, and that her whereabouts was not known. Last night, however, when a report reached the police that Mrs. Chadwick had committed suicide, a prompt investigation disproved the suicide report, but established beyond question that she was still at the hotel. A meeting of attorneys representing the claimants and attorneys representing Mrs. Chadwick was scheduled to be held in this city to-day or this evening. It was understood that the meeting had been arranged in the hope of effecting a settlement of the many claims for large sums of money filed against her by banks and individuals. Where this meeting will be held has not been made public, but it will probably be in the Holland House or near there, where reports can be made to Mrs. Chadwick. It is not known whether Mrs. Chadwick will attend the meeting in person.

Phillip Carpenter, one of Mrs. Chadwick's attorneys, gave out the following to-day:

"Mrs. Chadwick states that Mr. Carnegie has never had any connection with her affairs. The statements that have appeared in the press to the contrary are untrue. She is too ill to make any general statement at this time." He said there would be conference at the Holland house this afternoon in Mrs. Chadwick's interest, but declined to say who would participate in it.

#### RUSSIA AND INDIA.

### Is There a Concentration of Troops on the Afghan Frontier?

St. Petersburg, Dec. 5.—The statement that Russia is concentrating troops on the Afghan frontier is denied. Nevertheless, it is undoubtedly true that Russia is watching with some misgivings the British plans for the reorganization and increase of the Indian army, as well as the despatch of a detachment to Persia.

Coming on the heels of the Tibetan expedition, these moves naturally create the suspicion that Great Britain is taking advantage of Russia's pre-occupation of the far east to strengthen her position on the Indian frontier of Persia. Russia seems keenly alive to the situation, but no open movement has yet been made, and the authorities are not disposed to admit that any is in contemplation, such as a counter-move in Persia.

#### A PACIFIC POLICY.

### Pope Thought to be Leaning Towards Reconciliation With St. Louis.

Rome, Dec. 5.—There is much comment here upon the fact that Monsignor Maffi, Archbishop of Pisa, who was received last week by King Victor Emmanuel at his country residence, San Rossore, which is within the Archdiocese of Pisa, has been called to Rome, and to-day had a long conference with Pope Pius X.

In well informed circles this incident is regarded as another indication of the adoption by His Holiness of a policy of conciliation between Church and State.

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DISTRICT NEWS

CHARLESTON, The family of A. W. Johnson have been ill with measles.

Miss Ida Beach and Miss Maggie Beach, Forfar, are visiting friends.

Mrs R. Foster visited friends at Lansdowne last week.

George Bradley is making preparations to erect a saw mill.

Mrs. H. Plunkett is visiting friends at Toledo

DAYTOWN, Mr. James Huffman has Mr. Albany engaged to work for him

Mr. Eli Wood has men engaged cutting wood for him.

Mr. Arden Huffman's horses ran away from Delta factory the other morning and made things lively for a while. A new horse blanket was lost.

Chicken roasts are the order of the day and evening down at the new shanty.

Mr. Lewis Ireland of Lilleville passed away last Sunday evening at 7 o'clock, after a short illness.

Mr. George Huffman is getting lots of fish in his nets.

Mr. Stephen Stevens of Courtois was calling on his grandfather one day last week.

GLEN BUELL, The farmers are taking advantage of the fine weather and lack of snow to cut their winter supply of wood.

Our cheese factory was closed on Monday after a most successful year of business.

Herbert Stargoon, who has been spending a few months in the North West, has returned home. Herb appears well satisfied with the prairie province and purposes returning again in the spring.

It is rumored that the celebrated Swiss Bell Ringers will give a concert here in the near future.

Nath. Stewart is on the sick list.

NEWBORO, Mr. L. S. Lewis has purchased Wm. Spicer's island near here for \$475, and will commence lumbering operations at once.

Mr. Jas. Abramson will open up a dry goods business in Mr. J. R. Wight's store on Drummond street this week.

Mr. Sanford Vickery, for many years a prosperous general merchant of this town, died at his home on Carleton street on Wednesday, Nov. 30th, aged 69 years. Deceased had been ailing and his demise had been expected for some time.

The funeral services, which was very largely attended, took place to the Methodist church on Friday, Rev. Wm. Pearson conducted the services.

Mr. R. H. P. Tett is spending this week in Elgin.

Dr. King, A. H. Tett and G. W. Preston attended the meeting of the Leeds County Hockey Association in Portland on Saturday. A. H. Tett was reappointed sec-treas. This year the league will be composed of teams from Westport, Portland, Elgin, Smith's Falls and Newboro.

Miss Maggie Ripley spent Sunday at her home in Portland.

Mr. N. Lepoint, who has been working at Lombardy for some time, spent Sunday at his home here.

Miss E. Knapp and Mr. Geo. Foster were visiting friends in Elgin last week.

Mrs. E. Steadman is having the interior of her house renovated. Mr. J. Cauley, Westport, has the contract.

Mrs. Ripley and Mr. Stephen Ripley of Portland, spent Sunday the guests of Mr. S. Ripley.

Factories in this vicinity are still in operation.

Mr. H. S. Foster was in Westport on Sunday.

Mr. Jas. Knellar will leave for England on Friday.

PHILIPPSVILLE

Roy Halladay has purchased from Mr. Arvin Brown 1/2 acre of land near his cheese factory, and in the spring of 1905 will erect, it is said, a brick residence. It looks very much as if there will have to be a little bird to look after the house.

A. E. Whitmore, merchant of this place, purchased at the sale on the 17th Nov. the property known as the Alvin T. Halladay estate for \$430.00. It is reported that he will erect a large store on the premises.

W. B. Phelps has been appointed Agent for the Canada Stockfod Co. of Brockville. He finds a ready sale for the feed.

R. C. Haskin has covered his large cheese box factory with steel shingles, and L. L. Brown has shingled his warehouse with the same material.

The Baptist people will hold their Xmas tree entertainment in behalf of the Sabbath-school on Xmas eve Dec. 24th. The Methodist Sabbath school will hold their entertainment on Monday evening Dec. 26th.

The Baptist people are holding their services in the Methodist Church while their Church is in the hands of the painters and decorators. P. Mc Cann of Westport has the contract of painting the Church. The work is being done none to soon.

J. Downy has been putting some improvements on his outbuildings.

Our blacksmith is kept busy, early and late, putting sharp corks on the horse shoes for the inhabitants.

Daniel Heffernan is a high-stepper since his wife presented him with a 10 lb. boy.

J. V. Philips has returned from the West. This is his second trip to that wonderful land. We did not learn if he is going out to settle.

W. B. Phelps laid one of his fingers on a rock and another rock fell on it. He says he removed the finger without being told to, and has been nursing it for the past two weeks.

George Whitmore and S. Carr are cutting wood for A. Lockwood. A number of the farmers are having their wood cut and are hauling it from the bush on wagons. Owing to the deep snow last winter, many people were short of wood.

Hog killing will be in order for the next two weeks.

H. W. Elliott is taking orders for framing pictures. He is having good success.

W. Case has just finished burning his last kiln of brick and tile.

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SALE REGISTER, On Wednesday, Dec. 14, J. A. Reed will sell by auction at his premises, Plum Hollow, 8 horses, 17 cows, 5 yearling heifers, yearling bull, 4 heifer calves, 3 brood sows, vehicles, implements, etc. Sale at 1 p.m.

CARD OF THANKS, Athens Dec. 1st 1904. To the friends who have so kindly given us their assistance and extended to us their sincere sympathy in the sad and lonely hour of our bereavement, we wish to tender our heartfelt thanks and appreciation.

Signed on behalf of the husband and family of the late Mrs. W. H. Moulton.

Gored by a Bull, A retired farmer named Peterson, living at Spenceville, was gored to death by a young bull. He went to visit his son who lives about two miles from Chesterville. In the morning he went out to the stable and a few minutes later the son heard agonizing cries for help. Rushing to the stable he found his father cornered by a young bull, the infuriated animal maddly piercing the old man's body with his horns. There was a big hole in his breast and in less than two minutes after the son's arrival the father was dead. Beating back the bull the son got his father out and summoned medical aid. Mr. Peterson was 65 years of age, was well to do, and had lived in the Spenceville district for many years.

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No. 1 No. 3, Brockville (leave) 9:40 a.m. 3:40 p.m.

Lyn. .... 10:10 " 3:55 " Seeleys ..... \*10:20 " 4:02 " Forthton ..... \*10:33 " 4:12 " Elbe ..... \*10:39 " 4:17 " Athens ..... 10:58 " 4:24 " Soperton ..... \*11:18 " 4:41 " Lyndhurst ..... \*11:20 " 4:48 " Delta ..... 11:28 " 4:54 " Elgin ..... 11:47 " 5:07 " Forfar ..... \*11:55 " 5:18 " Crosby ..... \*12:08 p.m. 5:18 " Newboro ..... 12:12 " 5:28 " Westport (arrive) 12:30 " 5:40 "

GOING EAST, No. 2 No. 4

Westport (leave) 7:30 a.m. 2:40 p.m. Newboro ..... 7:42 " 2:55 " Crosby ..... \*7:52 " 3:06 " Forfar ..... \*7:58 " 3:12 " Elgin ..... 8:08 " 3:22 " Delta ..... 8:16 " 3:41 " Lyndhurst ..... \*8:22 " 3:48 " Soperton ..... \*8:29 " 3:56 " Athens ..... 8:46 " 4:24 " Elbe ..... \*8:52 " 4:30 " Forthton ..... \*8:58 " 4:27 " Seeleys ..... \*9:08 " 4:48 " Lyn ..... 9:15 " 5:04 " Brockville (arrive) 9:30 " 5:30 "

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Such a contest took place on Wednesday evening last, the speakers being Miss Jessie Davison, Miss Jean Bilton, Miss A. E. Davis, Miss Ursula Mc Nish, Miss Maud Wiltse, and the prize was a handsome gold medal.

The judges were Rev. Strachan of Brockville, Williams of Delta, and Hughes of Athens. All the speakers did exceedingly well, and the task of the judges was not an easy one. However, they had marked the merits and demerits as the different orations were delivered, and after summing up totals and comparing notes they were able to reach a unanimous decision, awarding the medal to Miss Maud Wiltse. The announcement of the verdict was received with applause. Then Miss Wiltse was called to the platform and after a brief, felicitous address Mr. Strachan most gracefully presented her with the token of honor she had won.

Mr. A. E. Davis presided over the meeting very ably, and his remarks added to the interest and enjoyment of the evening. In announcing the first number, a piano solo by Miss Jessie Taplin, he paid a well deserved tribute to that young lady's distinguished ability as a musician and to the spirit that prompts her to give her services to the various concert enterprises of the village. His remarks were warmly applauded.

Orchestral music was given by Mr. M. Kavanagh, violin, Mr. J. Cobey, piccolo, and Miss Taplin, piano, and the audience manifested their favorable appreciation of it in no uncertain way. Vocal solos were given by Miss Storey and Miss McCulloch, talented young ladies from Brockville, and they received rapturous encores.

At the close of the programme, the judges were called upon for addresses; Mr. Strachan complimented the contestants and the principal of the school on the very high class character of the orations that had been delivered. There was running through all the speeches a high moral and patriotic vein that would work for the present and future good of the speakers and of those who as pupils would be brought under their influence. Few sermons, indeed, contained as much solid moral teaching as did these individual addresses. These sentiments were endorsed by Mr. Williams and Mr. Hughes in short speeches. Principal McIntosh was then called to the platform and he acknowledged in a becoming way the kind words of appreciation that had been spoken.

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### Mr. Thos. Berney Nominated

A representative convention of the Conservatives of District No. 8. was held in Lamb's hall on Monday. An inspiring address was delivered by Mr. A. E. Donovan, the party's candidate in Brockville riding. For the office of County Commissioner, Messrs. J. I. Quinn and Edward Davis, Addison, and Thos. Berney, Athens, were placed in nomination. On a ballot being taken, Mr. Berney proved to be the choice.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Edward Davis; Vice-President, A. W. Johnston; Secretary, J. I. Quinn.

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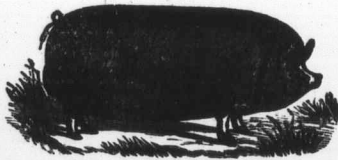
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Sunday School.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON NO. XII. DECEMBER 18TH, 1904.

Review—Read Psalm 63: 1-11.

Lesson I. In this lesson we have, in minute detail, a description of the ascension to heaven in a chariot of fire, and the succession of spiritual leadership, We learn: 1. That God bestows special honor upon his loyal ministers. 2. That the descent of the Spirit of God upon a man enables him to accomplish mighty deeds in the name of the Lord. 3. That spiritual power instinctively demands the homage of man. 4. That God always has a man of choice spirit and noble intellect to succeed even the most eminent among the priests and prophets.

II. In the passage chosen for study from II Kings 1, 7, we have an account of the sympathy of a great and powerful prophet for a poor woman distressed by debt and harassed by cruel creditors. 1. The woman made a powerful appeal to his sympathy on the ground that her husband feared the Lord. On devoted servant of God is sure to love another whose life is devoted to the same Master. 2. God has unsuspected ways of relieving distress. Who would ever dream that a pot of oil could in any way be the means of satisfying a heavy debt? 3. God's most wonderful works are done in lowly places. He dwells with the lowly and the despised. 4. When God blesses he gives an abundant portion. In this case he not only gave enough to pay the debt but supplied a fund for the support of the needy woman and her children.

III. The Shunammite was a woman of remarkable character. She was a great social standing and still greater in the possession of noble and attractive graces of character. She possessed sagacity and foresight, and her hospitality brought to her the coveted blessings of life. 1. She graciously provided for the comfortable entertainment of the prophet and God richly compensated her in granting her the joys of noble motherhood. 2. She was a woman of great energy of purpose and of faith in God. When her son was sick she saddled an ass and said to her servant to ride and go forward. Slack not thy riding for me except I bid thee. So she went and came unto the man of God at Carmel. 3. Upon the restoration of her son, she acknowledged that the favor was from God by falling at the feet of the prophet and bringing herself to the ground in humble recognition of his services.

IV. The fortunes of great men sometimes centre about insignificant personages. Naaman little thought the small captive maid would ever be the instrument in bringing to him the desirable blessing of pure abounding health. 1. This little maid was faithful in testimony as to the power of her God to heal. She artlessly expressed her assurance: "What faith and unselfishness! 2. God's ways are mysterious, but His wisdom is unerring. He knows just what a man should do in order to be healed, either in soul or in body. Naaman's way was to Jordan, and to Jordan he finally came. There he received the promised blessing.

V. The King of Israel found a faithfully ally in the man of God, and through his instrumentality the King was enabled to outwit his foes. The King of Syria was chagrined at being thus outwitted, and after enquiring as to the cause of his misfortunes set out to capture Elisha. The resources of the godly man are exceptional. 2. To the prophetic soul are given heavenly visions. 3. The despair of a discouraged soul may soon be turned into the exultation of victory. 4. The resources of an earthly king are naught when he has to cope with heavenly legions. 5. Pride may soon be humbled, if too boldly it seeks to harm God's servants.

VI. The man or woman who takes innocent life in pursuance of any political policy may be sure that from some quarter will appear an avenger. Athaliah thought she had secured all the royal, but in God's providence Joash was saved by the kindness of his aunt, who took him to the house of the Lord, where he was hid for six years. In the priest Jehoiada the young king found a powerful friend, who was in a position to make arrangements for the coronation of Joash, in the presence of the chief officers of the army. The plot was successfully carried out, the young king was crowned, and the new reign was begun amid universal rejoicing throughout the land. 1. "Man proposes, but God disposes." 2. In the Lord's house is a sure refuge. 3. Wicked rulers are sure to lose the respect and loyal support of their subjects.

VII. Every king whose heart was right in the sight of the Lord seems to have taken particular pains in repairing and cleansing the temple. Joash honored the house of the Lord and desired to have a clean, pure place in which to worship. The temple was sadly in need of repairs, and the king proposed the plan of providing money by means of voluntary contributions from the people. 2. Well, so far as the response on the part of the people was concerned, but the priests were delinquent in the performance of their duties. Jehoiada finally constructed a large contribution box and there was soon plenty of money on hand to meet all expenses. 1. A pious king is a great blessing to his people. 2. Dishonest or negligent priests are sure to disgrace the temple service. 3. A thoroughly honest man will deal faithfully.

VIII. In the first chapter of Isaiah is given a vivid description of the moral corruption of the people of Judah. 1. They were rebellious. 2. Stupid. 3. Sinful. 4. Laden with iniquity. 5. Seed of evil doers. 6. Corruptors. In verse six is found the most pertinent passage that has ever been quoted time without number. It proves the total depravity of man. The natural consequence of such moral degeneration had followed. 1. The country was desolate. 2. The cities were burned with fire. 3. Strangers devoured their land even in their very presence. The latter part of the lesson is a powerful exhortation to repentance, and ends with glorious promises to the people, if obedient, and with threats of punishment if they continue to be disobedient.

IX. In this lesson are given by the prophet Isaiah a few pictures of the evils that ordinarily attend the use of intoxicating liquors. Ephraim had become dissipated and drunken, and Isaiah tells in figurative language the woes that shall befall her and the terrible results of her sinful indulgence. 1. Strong drink robs a man of his intelligence and his

virtue. 2. It robs him of his reputation and destroys his character. 3. Here we have the account of a great religious revival inaugurated by Hezekiah. The house of the Lord was thoroughly cleansed and purified. 2. Sin offerings and burnt offerings were freely offered unto the Lord. 3. The song of the Lord began when the burnt offerings were made. 4. Then all present bowed themselves and worshipped. 5. They all sang praises with gladness. 6. All the people brought in sacrifices and thank offerings.

XI. The time came when the Lord could no longer look with complacency on Israel. What a record of willful neglect and rebellion is revealed in the history of this nation. They had been warned and entreated many times to return unto the Lord. They had the grandest of promises. They had been assured of free forgiveness. They had even promised a glorious future on condition that they should turn unto the Lord. But their feet were steadfastly set to walk in the ways of unrighteousness. God finally removed them from among the nations, and as a nation they perished from the earth. 1. God inflicts punishment for national sins. 2. The forbearance of God is sure to have an end in the case of those who are persistently disobedient. 3. Disobedience is as the sin of witchcraft. 4. Terrible punishments are necessary in the case of desperate sinners.

Albert H. Stilwell. Thoughts and Illustrations.—The law pronounced the leper unclean, and he was obliged to warn passers by the cry "Unclean, unclean." Leprosy is a type of sin. The leper was (1) defiled and defiled everything he touched, (2) extremely loathsome, and (3) shut out of society. This all applies with equal force to the sinner. The surroundings of the leper were also unclean (Lev. xiii, 47-59; xiv, 33-47). We must see to it that our surroundings are not infected. The clothes we wear, the books we read, the company we keep, the places we frequent, the scenes we visit, if leprosy will cause our death.

Look out for secret sins. Think often of him who said, "In secret have I said nothing" (John xvii, 20). Pray often, "Cleanse thou me from secret faults" (Psa. xix, 12). For as the hidden worm will finally sink a great ship, so a secret sin cherished will ruin a man's character. "By divine reproofs Israel became morally stubborn and incorrigible. Men grow hard under the mercenary ministrations of heaven. So great is the perversity of man's heart, he turns the elements of spiritual life and health into deadly poison, and uses the very means intended to soften and mellow his nature to harden it into stone."

If God spared not angels when they sinned, but cast them down; if he spared not the ancient world, but destroyed it by flood; if he turned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes and made them an example unto those that should live ungodly (II Peter ii, 4-6; Jude v, 1-7); if he sent his own chosen people into captivity, think not, O unrepentant sinner, that he will spare you. "Be not high-minded, but fear" (Rom. xi, 20). "For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee" (Rom. xi, 21).

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"I'M A WESTERN WOMAN."

Policeman Threw Her Off Her Guard and Grabbed Her. New York, Dec. 5.—A well-dressed but hatless woman walked into the Bellevue Hospital reception room last night. Frank Nugent and Michael Murphy, door attendants, were sitting in a small anteroom.

Walking up to the two men, she said: "I want medical attention, and I want it quick, no fooling about it. I'm a western woman, I am." Nugent approached her and asked her to sit down, remarking that her wants would be attended to in a moment.

"Now, that don't go with me, my man," she said. "I am in no mood to be bluffed. I want to see a doctor." The next minute she had the revolver out from under her coat. Pointing the weapon at Nugent she exclaimed: "Now, you'll see whether I'm a western woman, and will make good or not." She cocked the weapon before either of the two attendants could reach her. Nugent and Murphy bolted into the reception room.

Just then Policeman Burke started to enter the anteroom. She faced him and shouted: "I'll treat you the same way if you don't look out. What do you want here?" Burke realized that if he turned about he stood as good a chance of being shot as he would if he faced her. So he justlessly "Oh, this is no affair of mine, but if I can help you let me know." Tell me if I can do anything for you." The woman lowered her revolver and was off her guard for a moment. The next minute Burke had the revolver. She was taken to the alcoholic ward, a prisoner.

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DR. MONTAGUE IN BOSTON.

Gives Eloquent Speech at the Banquet of Home Market Club. Boston, Dec. 5.—The banquet of the Home Market Club, which took place in Boston to-night, was one of the greatest banquets which have ever taken place in this city. Over eleven hundred people prominent in business and political life from all over New England were present, there being senators, congressmen, governors and lieutenant-governors from a number of States.

WRECKERS OF TRAINS.

Demands of Blackmailers on Canadian Railways in the West. New York, Dec. 5.—A despatch to the Herald from St. Paul, Minn., says: In spite of extraordinary precautions to prevent the fulfillment of threats made by a band of desperate criminals, the Dispatch announced that the Canadian Pacific and Canadian Northern roads have been unable to entirely suppress the band. Within three weeks eighteen attempts to wreck through passenger trains at widely different points have been made, and the result has been stringent precautions, coupled with good luck, has at least one terrible wreck been avoided.

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THE NEW ICE BREAKER. Halifax, Dec. 5.—The new ice-breaker "Mater", built in Scotland for the Dominion Government to be employed in keeping the River St. Lawrence open later and earlier in the season, arrived at North Sydney to-day for bunker coal.

Miss M. Cartledge gives some helpful advice to young girls. Her letter is but one of thousands which prove that nothing is so helpful to young girls who are just arriving at the period of womanhood as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I cannot praise Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound too highly, for it is the only medicine I ever tried which cured me. I suffered much from my first menstrual period, I felt so weak and dizzy at times I could not pursue my studies with the usual interest. My thoughts became sluggish, I had headaches, backaches and sinking spells, also pains in the back and lower limbs. In fact, I was sick all over. Finally, after many other remedies had been tried, we were advised to get Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I am pleased to say that after taking it only two weeks, I wonder what change for the better took place, and in a short time I was in perfect health. I felt buoyant, full of life, and found all work a pastime. I am indeed glad to tell my experience with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, for it made a difference girl of me. Yours very truly, MISS M. CARLEDGE, 233 Whitehall St., Atlanta, Ga."

The first tribunal of the Seine decided in favor of Countess Czaykowska, formerly Miss Edith L. Collins, of New York, and a great-granddaughter of Commodore Vanderbilt, in her application for a separation from her husband, Count Czaykowski, Secretary of the Turkish Legation at The Hague. The survey for the Chicago & Grand Trunk's mammoth ear shops at Battle Creek, Mich., has been begun. The building will follow in the spring. The buildings will be the most modern desirable and will necessitate an expenditure of \$1,500,000.

Market Reports

The Week.

Toronto Farmers' Market.

The offerings of grain on the street to-day were fair, with prices as a rule unchanged. Wheat steady, 500 bushels of white selling at 96 to 97, and 200 of good 200 of red at 96 to 97, and 200 of good 200 of red at 96 to 97. Barley—Receipts fair, and the market is steady at 46 to 50c per bushel. Oats—Steady, 1,500 bushels selling at 34 1/2 to 35 1/2c per bushel. Peas easier, one load selling 10c per bushel.

Dressed hogs are firm at 8.50 to 8.75, the latter for light. Wheat, new, white, bushel, 93 to 94 1/2; red, bushel, 91 to 92 1/2; Do., spring, bushel, 91 to 92 1/2; Do., goose, bushel, 91 to 92 1/2; Barley, bushel, 44 to 45 1/2; Rye, bushel, 40 to 41 1/2; Oats, bushel, 34 to 35 1/2; Buckwheat, bushel, 38 to 39 1/2; Hay, timothy, per ton, 9.00 to 10.00; Hay, clover, per ton, 8.00 to 9.00; Straw, per ton, 11.00 to 12.00.

British Cattle Markets.

London, Dec. 5.—Live cattle are quoted at 8 1/2 to 12 1/2c per lb.; refrigerator beef at 8 1/2 to 8 3/4c per lb.; sheep easier, 10c to 12c per lb.

Toronto Live Stock.

Receipts of live stock at the City Cattle Market were 11 carloads—54 cattle, 617 sheep and lambs and 164 hogs.

Wool, 200 bales and 100 hogs were readily bought up at Thursday's quotations.

Leading Wheat Markets.

New York ... 1.17 1/2; Dec. 1.18 1/2; Detroit ... 1.17 1/2; Toledo ... 1.18 1/2; Duluth ... 1.19 1/2; St. Louis ... 1.19 1/2; Minneapolis ... 1.19 1/2.

Failures in Canada.

Commercial insolvencies in the Dominion of Canada during the month of November, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co., were 99 in number and \$649,757 in amount of defaulted liabilities, which exceeded slightly the 89 failures for \$620,513 in the month last year, and compare with 89 failures and \$409,934 liabilities in 1902. Manufacturing defaults numbered 25, and involved \$198,484 liabilities, against 20 failures for \$280,494 last year, while trading suspensions amounted to 74 with debts of \$431,273 as against 67 for \$316,969 a year ago. There was no special feature in the November statement of failures in Canada. No single concern suspended for as much as \$100,000, and the only class with that aggregate was \$106,789, where 24 firms owed \$106,789. It was unusually satisfactory month in the Dominion as well as in the United States.

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The individual successes. The official report will present the following very interesting statistics: In hackney horses, Robert Beith, of Bowmanville, won all special prizes given by the English Horse Society, totaling in value \$900.

In Ayshire cattle, with 122 entries and a total prize list of \$3,705, J. G. Clarke, of Ottawa, won \$900, Robert Ness, of Howick, Quebec, won the premier championship for breeders.

In Shropshire, with total entries of 243 and a total prize list of \$3,215, Mr. Campbell, of Woodville, wins \$1,624, together with premier championship for breeder. In addition he won a special cash prize of \$50 for taking the largest list of prizes.

In Southdowns, Telfer Bros., of Paris and Senator Drummond, of Quebec, were large winners, securing \$533. In this class the total prize money was \$3,917 while the entries were 177. Senator Drummond won the honor of premier championship breeder, while Telfer Bros. secured the grand prize for championship ram.

In Leicester, there was a total entry of 237, with a prize list aggregating \$991, out of which the Canadian exhibitors were fortunate enough to secure \$2,786, or all but \$135.

In this class A. W. Smith, of Maple Lodge, won the premier championship as exhibitor and breeder, and one diploma. In Dorset, the entries were 144, total prize list of \$2,921, of which the Canadians won \$1,482. Col. J. A. McLivray was especially successful in this class, winning \$961, the premier championship for exhibitor and two diplomas, and two diplomas.

Cotswolds were represented by 223 entries, pitted for prize money aggregating \$3,915, out of which the Canadians were successful in taking \$1,632. J. C. J. vis won \$902 and two diplomas. T. H. Shore, of Glenworth, \$545 and one diploma, and E. J. Park, of Burgessville, \$183.

In Hampshire, Telfer Bros. also three wethers and won \$15.

In Suffolks, James Bowman won the prize winning swine breeder.

In swine the Tamworth were represented by 129 entries, aggregating \$2,074. Of this George Douglas & Sons, of Chell, won \$723, premier champion for breeder and exhibitor and two diplomas.

In Yorkshire there were 160 entries and prize money of \$3,241, of which E. H. Bradford, of Burford, won \$1,287, premier championship for breeder and exhibitor and two diplomas. Joseph Featherstone, of Streetsville, won \$148.

Essex were represented by 181 entries and a prize list totalling \$2,415, of which Joseph Featherstone won \$555 and two diplomas.

Trade at Ottawa is in a fairly good condition.

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The Unknown Bridegroom.

And it was not strange, either for Florence Richardson and Monica King, each the very counterpart of the other in all save dress, stood back to back, while each girl for the moment seemed to be gazing at her own reflection in a mirror.

Florence was the first to recover herself. "I beg your pardon," she said, with a smile of charming frankness, "but, really, this singular encounter almost takes my breath away, and makes me doubt if I be I."

"It is certainly very wonderful that we, who are utter strangers, should look so much alike," replied Monica, while she studied the countenance of her double with earnest scrutiny.

"And I am sure you must be an American, like myself?" said Florence, inquiringly. "Yes—at least my parents were both Americans. I was born in Mexico," responded Monica.

"Are you going back to America?" queried Florence, who was now gazing more and more interested at her companion. "I cannot tell at present," said Monica, hesitatingly. "But I am going on my way to England."

"Shall you go to Paris?" "No, we shall pass through Paris." "Oh, then we shall perhaps be companions for some time yet," said Florence, brightly, and wondering how she comprised the "we"; and you are agreeable, we will be glad to talk more about our singular resemblance to each other."

"Yes, certainly—I shall be glad to do so. It seems as if there must be some reason for it—some tie of blood that can account for it," Monica thoughtfully observed, as she gazed so earnestly into her face, and looking that it would be lovely to recover a relative, however distant, this bright, genial girl.

"Then I will see you later," Florence responded, with a hurried nod, for some one else will call on the room," and, with another smile and a friendly nod, she disappeared.

Half an hour later, as soon as she had made her toilet, Florence might her new acquaintance in a section, where she found her sisterly conversing with a woman whom she saw at once in a familiar way. "After exchanging a few words with Monica," she said to herself, "and two minutes later they were sitting side by side, and beholding them would have said they were twin sisters."

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father and mother never forgave her—that is, they told her they would not; and so, when papa moved from place to place, looking to better his condition, she did not let them know her address, and never heard from them. Papa said that she never expressed a regret for having married him contrary to their wishes, although she did sometimes grieve for her sister, whom she had loved most tenderly.

"Yes, and I once heard my mother say that the separation from her sister Helen, the uncertainty regarding her fate," was the one thing in life to which she had never become reconciled," Florence observed, as Monica paused.

"Papa and mamma had a hard time during the first years of their life," the young girl resumed, "and it seemed as if fortune would never favor them. They wandered from place to place in the far West, but finally they came to America, where papa very soon made a lucky find. Then he grew rich very fast; but mamma only lived about five years after that."

"And had you no brothers or sisters?" inquired Florence. "No; I was the only child; but Monica was suddenly interrupted at this point for Florence sprang to her feet as Mr. and Mrs. Seaver, having just completed their toilet, now appeared upon the scene.

"Oh, my dear auntie," she cried, as they reached her station. "The most wonderful thing imaginable has happened—I have found an own cousin!" Monica, she continued, "dipping rapidly into her pocket, handed to her the card of the lady, as well as at the remarkable resemblance of the two girls.

"They greeted the stranger with cordial kindness, however; but there was no time for her explanations, just then, as they were at that moment entering the station at Boston, where they were to breakfast and spend a couple of hours before taking another train to New York."

"You must come with us, Monica," Florence observed, as Mr. Seaver began to get up to leave; "but who is the lady to whom I saw in the section with you?" "She was kind to me, but who she is I do not know," she said, with a shrug.

"Well, then, we will all make one party," said Mr. Seaver, and they all went together to the nearest hotel for breakfast. This having been dispatched, Mr. Seaver secured a private parlor, or study, and Florence resumed the history of their past.

"Mr. Seaver became very indignant as he listened to Monica's account of her father and wrong she had endured from Carl King and his daughter."

"They are robbers—almost murderers," he said, "and they should be made to suffer to the extent of the law for their crimes and treachery. What a heartless being this man must be—very different from your father, I should judge."

"Indeed he is," said the girl with a starting gasp, as she recalled how invariably kind and tender her father's manner toward her had always been; "he was always kind and tender to me, even when they were boys, and became even more so as they grew older, for papa loved his books, and was bound to have an education, and would not go among the rough associates with whom he could mingle. But after he followed papa to Mexico, and began to play in his mine, this changed him, and he worked very hard, and I remember, as you said, that he was a millionaire when he came home, and he grew up and was educated with me, and everything moved along very harmoniously until papa died, and Carl prevailed upon me to close him as my guardian."

"And this man has the unlimited control of my property," said Mr. Seaver, indignantly. "Yes, of everything; indeed, I might just as well be annihilated for all the good I get from my money. I am practically a pauper, as far as they are concerned. Monica replied.

"My first awkwardness to the fact was when, as I was beginning to uncover from that fever in Dr. Flint's sanitarium I overheard a conversation between him and the nurse which opened my eyes to the truth."

"And you may your cousins are now in Rome?" "I know that Inez is there, for I met her one day not long ago in a shop; her father I have not seen. I was so frightened after meeting Inez I rarely left the house."

"Uncle Robert," said Florence, turning to her, "do you remember that brilliant looking girl who was seated at the Goddess of Night at the masquerade ball?" "Yes, she wore a train about six yards long, which was carried by a couple of pages, and I never before saw so many diamonds on any one in my life," Mr. Seaver answered.

"Well, that was Miss Inez King," Florence observed. "Zounds!" cried the man, bringing his hand down upon his knee with a resounding slap, "I believe I see through the whole thing. She believed you to be your cousin Monica, and she planned that assault upon you that night."

"Uncle, I believe you are right!" exclaimed Florence with a shudder at the remembrance of that horrible experience; "and that train of hers was what was used to smother me, and I noticed it, too, afterwards on the arm of the young man who rescued me. Oh, do you suppose my pages were those two awful men?" "I should not be at all surprised," replied Mr. Seaver, with sternly compressed lips.

"Then, of course, Miss Inez King planned the whole scheme, and I am glad we came away from Rome with her," said Florence, with a sigh of infinite relief. "And if I had known what I know now, I would rather have remained and fought the battle out with that scheming woman and her rascally father," her guardian vehemently returned. Then, observing Monica's puzzled face, he smilingly added: "Our other ward thinks we are talking enigmas; tell her the story, dear, while I go to have a smoke."

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A couple of days after the departure of the Savers, as he was passing down the Corso, Sir Walter suddenly came upon his old friend, Ted Merrill. The two crossed each other with an appearance of great cordiality, yet each was conscious of a feeling of unusual constraint, and the root of the matter was secretly arranging a grudge against his former friend over since learning that he had presumed to aspire to the hand of Florence, with all the ill-luck which she had experienced as a result of his having trespassed upon the rights of Leighton.

"Well, well, Merrill, who would have thought that you and I would meet here in Rome? I have been doing with yourself during the last eight months?" Sir Walter inquired, with some semblance of cordiality, as he turned about to walk with the young man. "Oh, I have been traveling over a good part of Europe, with a most delightful party; and, by the way, Walt, the Savers, among the number," Merrill returned, thinking he might as well be frank about his movements.

"Um—so I have understood," said Sir Walter, dryly. "Merrill started and changed color at the tone as much as at the words. "Ah," he returned, recovering himself after a moment; "perhaps you have seen them recently?" "Yes," said his companion, with irritable brevity.

"Are they still in Rome?" "No, they left for Paris the day before yesterday. They're on their way home."

"I'm sorry to hear that. I fully expected to meet them here," Merrill observed, in a disappointed tone. "Sir Walter colored angrily. "Did you, indeed?" he questioned, exclaiming, "Don't you think it rather strange of you, Ted, to have been poaching on my preserves all these months?" "You are a little suspicious," queried his companion, with an skeptical lifting of his eyebrows.

"Being the girl is the same as my wife, and you know it, in spite of the fact that that marriage fell through last summer; and I say it is downright mean of you to have skipped over here on the same steamer and tried to crowd me out." And the young baronet spoke with considerable heat.

"Nonsense, I do not believe it—she shall not," he cried, after a moment of silence. Then he continued, more deliberately: "Wait, you and I have been good friends in the past; and, had your marriage with Miss Richardson been consummated as you had planned, our relations might have remained unchanged; but I will stand dead earnest about this matter. After having been in her society all these months, I have learned to love her as a man loves but once in his life, and I am determined to win her if I live."

"Then it is to be war between us?" demanded the young baronet, with lowering brow and fiercely blazing eyes. "Well, perhaps, unless we can be friendly rivals. The strongest weapon against me is your love for her."

"Never," fiercely interposed Leighton—"you traitor. And I warn you to beware. If you dare to interfere with my prior rights in this matter."

"Very well; then war it will have to be," retorted Merrill, as he wheeled suddenly about and left his companion to go his own way and nurse his wrath to his heart's content. (To be continued.)

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THE TIGER AND THE BICYCLE.

Two years ago we were travelling in the Malaysian islands, Sumatra and Java. When going down the river Banyu-Assu, which flows among enormous forests, we landed one evening at the settlement of Nuenweuhens. About a dozen Dutch colonists live there, with the entire population of Malays and Chinese in their service. We met with generous hospitality in the house of Myhrer Vander Ouwlander, a Dutchman.

The following morning, while our host was in the fields, I rose and, having taken a cup of tea went strolling about the dwelling. My attention was attracted by a magnificent bicycle standing in the light of the sun. The machine was seized with a wild desire to try it.

At first I resisted; then I took out the wheel and mounted, determined to confine myself to a short ride. A good road led from the dwelling house and into the fields; the bicycle was perfect, and the intoxication of the ride became irresistible. Sure of permission from our amiable host, I was soon speeding across the rice and coffee fields at a rapid pace.

Before long I was at the outskirts of the forest. Bewitched by the marvellous beauty of the spot, I dismounted from the wheel in order to enjoy the imposing scenery to the full.

A little lake shadowed by overhanging branches seemed the image of peace, and, seating myself on a granite rock, I was soon lost in contemplation.

While I was sitting thus there was a crackling in the bushes. Something both heavy and lightfooted was making its way to the edge of the woods. My heart stood still when I turned to see what it was. About thirty feet from my rick a powerful tiger issued from the shadow. It was a giant among its kind.

Hidden by hanging palm branches, I dared not move. In order to reach the bicycle it was necessary to regain the road, and this was impossible without attracting the attention of the tiger, who would easily overtake me in two or three leaps.

Besides, even if I should succeed in mounting the wheel alive, I would not be safe if the animal should decide to pursue me. A bicycle may cover a mile more quickly than a tiger; but at the start can it elude the enormous first bounds of the tiger? It did not think so; and, after the paralysis of the first few seconds, I sat trembling, with my

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In preparing the roots for the cellar, they should be dug up late in the fall, just before the ground freezes hard. They should then be left where they will be exposed to severe freezing for three or four weeks. If placed under cover in an open shed, or where they will not be buried in snow, it will be all the easier to get at them when it is time to take them to the cellar. About Christmas time they may be dug up and should be packed with earth to keep the roots moist. Care should be taken that

the plants are set right side up, as at that season it is sometimes difficult to tell which side of the ball of earth the crowns are on. In the course of a few days the roots will thaw out, and usually enough moisture is thus accumulated to keep them fresh for some time. They should be watched, however, as they may need watering once or twice during the winter to keep the soil moist. The warmer the cellar, the more quickly the growth will start, but for the best results a rather low temperature, about the same as that in which potatoes are kept, is best. In a partially lighted cellar the leaf blades will expand very little, and all the strength of the roots will go to the development of the stalks. If the cellar is light, it is well to darken the part where the plants are kept. If the roots are strong and vigorous, stalks one and a half to two feet in length and two inches in diameter will be produced with little or no expansion of the leaf blade at the top. When grown thus in the dark, none of the chlorophyll or green coloring matter of the leaf develops, and the stalks are bleached to a pearly white. When cooked and made into sauce or pies, they turn a beautiful pink color and are much finer in appearance and flavor than stalks which are grown in the ordinary way in the garden. Cropping may begin as soon as the stalks are well developed, and may be continued for several weeks, until the roots have exhausted themselves, after which they should be thrown out, as they are of little use for growing again.

We would suggest that our readers try growing two or three roots this winter, and let us know the results next spring.

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"GOOD OLD TIMES." Facts Which Show How Much Better Off We Are To-day Than Formerly. Not until February of 1812 did the people of Kentucky know that Madison was elected president in the previous November. In 1834 one of the leading railroads of the United States printed on its timetable: "The locomotive will leave the depot every day at ten o'clock, if the weather is fair."

The first typewriter was received by the public with suspicion. It seemed subversive of existing conditions. A reporter who took it into a courtroom first proved its real worth. In England some centuries ago if an ordinary workman, without permission, moved from one parish to another in search of work or better wages, he was branded with a hot iron. When Benjamin Franklin first thought of starting a newspaper in Philadelphia many of his friends advised against it, because there was a paper published in Boston. Some of them doubted that the country would be able to support two newspapers.

One hundred years ago, the fastest land travel in the world was on the Great North Road, England, after it had been put into its best condition. There the York mail coach tore along at the rate of ninety miles a day, and many persons confidently predicted divine vengeance on such unseemly haste. When Thomas Jefferson was elected President of the United States, on February 17, 1801, after one of the most exciting political campaigns in our history, the gratifying news did not reach the successful candidate for as many days as it now takes hours to transmit the result of a presidential election to the whole civilized world.

When in 1809 Richard Trevithick uttered the following words, there were many who considered him insane, dangerous person: "The present generation will use canals, the next will prefer railroads with horses, but their more enlightened successors will employ steam carriages on railways as the perfection of the art of conveyance."

When Benjamin Franklin first took the coach from Philadelphia to New York he spent four days on the journey. He tells us that, as the old driver jogged along, he spent his time knitting stockings. Two stage coaches and eight horses sufficed for all the commerce that was carried on between Boston and New York, and in winter the journey occupied a week.

Napoleon, at the height of his power, could not command our every-day conveniences, such as steam heat, running water, bath and sanitary plumbing, gas, electric light, railroads, steamboats, the telegraph, the telephone, the phonograph, daily newspapers, magazines, and a thousand other blessings which are now a part of the daily necessities of even manual laborers.

When the first two coal were brought into 1803, the good people broke it up and fourteen years later Shownkey sold coal in it in the same way. New money issued for Success.

How do you account for the fact," asked the doctor, "as shown by actual investigation, that 22 out of every 100 criminals in the country are left-handed?" "That's easily accounted for," said the professor. "Twenty-eight are right-handed."

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Florence was the first to recover herself. "I beg your pardon," she said, with a smile of charming frankness, but, really, this singular encounter almost takes my breath away, and makes me doubt if I be I."

"Oh, then we shall perhaps be companions for some time yet," said Florence, brightly, and wondering how else comprised the "we"; and you are agreeable, we will be glad to talk more about our singular resemblance later, as she remarked, hesitatingly, "but I am on my way to England."

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"I know that Inez is there, for I met her one day not long ago in a shop; her father I have not seen. I was so frightened after meeting Inez I rarely left the house."

"Uncle Robert," said Florence, turning to him, "do you remember that brilliant looking girl who presided at the Goddess of Night at the masquerade ball?"

"Yes," she said, "a train about six yards long, which was carried by a couple of valets, and I never before saw so many diamonds on any one in my life." Mr. Seaver answered, "Well, that was Miss Inez King," Florence observed.

"Zounds!" cried the man, bringing his hand down upon his knee with a resounding slap, "I believe I see through the whole thing now. She believed you to be your cousin Monica, and she planned that assault upon you that night?"

"Uncle, believe you are right?" exclaimed Florence with a shudder at the remembrance of that horrible experience; "and that train of hers was what was used to smother me, I recall now the feeling of velvet and I noticed it, too, afterwards on the arm of the young man who rescued me. Oh, do you suppose her pages were those two awful men?"

"I should not be at all surprised," replied Mr. Seaver, with sternly compressed lips. "Then, of course, Miss Inez King planned the whole scheme, and I am glad we came away from Rome when we did," said Florence, with a sigh of infinite relief.

"And if I had known what I know now, I would rather have remained and fought the battle out with that scheming woman and her rascally father," her guardian vehemently returned. Then, observing Monica's puzzled face, he smilingly added: "Our other ward thinks we are talking enigmas; tell her the story, dear, would it go to have a smoke?"

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 Miss Ida Bates, Elbe Mills, is visiting relatives at Ogdensburg, N.Y.  
 "Esmeralda"—H. S. hall, Athens, Friday, Dec 16.  
 Mr. W. S. Banta of New York arrived in Brockville on Monday.  
 —Market your poultry in Athens on Monday next.  
 Miss Lenna Brown will teach Temperance Lake school during 1905.  
 The Reformers of South Leeds meet in convention at Delta on Thursday, Dec. 8.  
 Rev. Prof. Elliott of Montreal will occupy the pulpit of the Methodist church on Sunday next.  
 The council of Rear Yonge & Escott will meet on Thursday, 15th inst., at 1 p.m.  
 On December 15, the annual Christmas festival and entertainment of Christ Church S. S. will be held.  
 Mr. Adam Ducolon has returned to Athens after a successful season in the cheese factory at Winchester.  
 The village council will meet on Thursday, Dec. 15, to wind up the business of the year.  
 Mr. J. W. Russell, bailiff of the 6th division court, was a visitor in Athens yesterday.  
 The Christian Guardian, the official organ of the Methodists in Canada, celebrated its 75th birthday a few days ago.  
 Mr. Massey is improving in health, but it is not likely that he will be able to resume personal direction of H. S. affairs until after the Xmas vacation.  
 Rev. I. N. Beckstedt went to Guelph this week to spend a few days, in connection with the Provincial Winter Fair.  
 The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. Everetts on Thursday afternoon.  
 Miss Ethel Imerson, a '04 graduate and medalist of the A. H. S., was compelled by illness last week to abandon her training course at the model school.  
 Mrs. M. H. Eyre and little daughter, Geraldine, are visiting friends in Plum Hollow. Geraldine is taking advantage of the holiday to have her share of the measles.  
 Rev. W. H. Rowsom, B.A. of Burlington, was instantly killed a few days ago while crossing the railway track at Boston. The deceased was born near Addison and was the son of the late Wm. Rowsom of Lyn.

Do your Christmas shopping early. There is money in it for you and much satisfaction, for you get the best choice of the good things. It is also a big convenience to the merchants and their assistants.  
 The municipal smile is beginning to appear on the surface of the prospective candidates for a municipal honors, says an exchange. In this town nothing is heard as yet about the approaching elections.  
 There were four applicants for the position of principal of the Arnprior High School. The successful one was J. H. Mills, of Waterford, Ont. a graduate of Queen's and a specialist in classics. He will enter upon his duties at the beginning of next school term. Mr. Mills before going to Waterford, filled the position of principal of the Athens high school, and was one of the very best of the many good principals this school has had.

The New York dramatic success—"Esmeralda"—H.S. ball, Athens, on Dec. 16. Don't miss it.  
 The rule dispensing with mixed choirs in the Roman Catholic churches has been adopted in Toronto.  
 The electors of Iroquois will vote on a local option liquor by-law on Saturday, Dec. 17.  
 Excellent ice covers the flats and ponds, and the children are thoroughly enjoying the skating.  
 Mr. M. C. Lee has his business now thoroughly installed in the Wm. Parish block.  
 The Athens Baptist Sabbath school intends having its Christmas entertainment on the evening of the 21st inst.  
 The Methodist Ministerial Association of this district will hold sessions here on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.  
 Messes of the old-fashioned kind are having a great run in this district, and the attendance at school is greatly lessened in consequence.  
 The children, grandchildren and friends of Mr. E. C. Sitter celebrated his seventieth birthday at Delta on Saturday last.  
 Miss Bessie Taylor of Auburn, N.Y., has returned to her home after a pleasant visit with relatives at Elbe Mills and Lyn.  
 Teachers wishing to renew their certificates are permitted to take up the preparatory work at home and write on the Model exam.  
 Mr. G. F. Reynolds of Westport caught cold while visiting friends at Iroquois last week and is again an inmate of Brockville General Hospital.  
 Mr. W. G. Johnston is opening out in the Green block a stock of seasonable hardware, and later will add a full line of builders' supplies. See adv't next week.  
 Following will be the location of some of Athens teachers during 1905: Miss A. Hagerman, the Soper school, Kitley; Miss Edna McLaughlin, Daytown; Miss Maud Wiltsie, Hart Island.  
 The grocery of G. A. McClary is being neatly decorated for the holiday trade. The first consignment of Christmas goods has arrived and is now being displayed. A first choice counts for something—call early.  
 At the poultry fair held at Bellamy's last week, the ruling price for turkeys was 14c, a few choice birds bringing 14½c. The buyers were Messrs. Lynch & Moffatt, who will buy here on Friday next.  
 —On Monday next, Dec. 12, poultry sellers will have the advantage of offering their birds in Athens to both American and Canadian buyers. The indications are that a good price will be paid.  
 The members of the Church of England of Addison intend holding their annual Sunday-school entertainment in Ashwood Hall on Saturday evening, Dec. 17. Mr. Cookin of Toronto is to take part in the programme and an excellent time is expected.  
 On next Sabbath Rev. B. W. Merrill, B.A., of Ottawa, will occupy the Plum Hollow Baptist pulpit at 11 o'clock, and the Athens Baptist pulpit at 7. Mr. Merrill is regarded as a fine speaker, and it is expected that he will be greeted by large audiences.  
 Mr. James McIntosh of Harriston has been in Athens for a few days, and has visited the scene of desolation wrought by the fire that destroyed the McIntosh mill. He sympathises with Mr. O'Brien, speaks very highly of him, and is desirous that the mill and business should be re-established.  
 St. Thomas, Ont., council has passed a resolution instructing the clerk to prepare a by-law for regulating the sale of cigarettes in that city by imposing a license of not less than \$100 per year for the privilege of selling them. The by-law is to become effective on Jan. 1st, 1905.  
 The ballot box investigation is still going on at Belleville, and the more that is told in court the worse the matter appears, and the more people are implicated. The villainy of the scheme is hardly greater than the idiocy of the men who expected to work it successfully and without being exposed.  
 A meeting of the Reform electors of Counties Council District No. 8 will be held in Lamb's Hall, Athens, on Thursday, Dec. 15, at 2 p.m., to select a candidate for the office of commissioner, and to transact general business. Meetings for appointment of delegates will be held at Addison on the evening of Saturday, Dec. 10, and at Athens on Friday, Dec. 9.  
 Horace J. Robinson, proprietor of the St. Lawrence Hall, Brockville, has received from the Imperial War Office, a very handsome medal presented in recognition of his services in the British Boer war throughout which he served with distinction with Brabant's Horse. The medal, suitably inscribed, has four bars attached, representing different sections of the country. One bar is marked Cape Colony, another Wepener, representing the siege of Wepener, and two others bear the names of Belfast and Wittenberger, indicative of engagements in the upper part of the Transvaal.

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