A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Friday, March 9.

Cardinal Benoit Leon Thomas, archbishop of Rouen, France, is in a dying condition and is not expected to live many hours.

During a fire in a tenement on Eighth avenue, New York, Michael McCutcheon was burned to death and Elizabeth Hetherington seriously injured.

During a riot in the province of Liege, Belgium, over the appointment of an unpopular school teacher, two were killed and a dozen wounded by gendarmes.

The jury in the case of Daniel Coughlin, who has been on trial in Chicago for weeks for alleged complicity in the murder of Dr. Cronin, rendered a verdict of not guilty.

Saturday, March 10.

Cardinal Francesco Risci Paracciani died in Rome yesterday, aged 64.

John C. O'Donnell has been nominated by the president for postmaster at Pittsburg, Pa.

Congressman McCreary, of Kentucky, believes that he will succeed Mr. Blackburn in the national senate.

The senate confirmed John P. Hunter as United States marshal for South Carolina and Samuel B. Mutchler as postmaster at Phillipsburg, N. J.

At Munroe, La., Thomas and Mary Maguire received a $20,000 verdict against the Vicksburg and Shreveport railroad for the killing of their son.

Monday, March 12.

Senator Coke, of Texas, will retire from public life at the end of his present term, 1895.

The National Republican league convention will met at Denver, Colo., June 26, and continue several days.

John C. Houk, congressman from the Second Tennessee district, failed to secure a renomination by the Republicans. Henry R. Gibson was chosen.

A memorial service in honor of George W. Childs was held in New York yesterday by union printers. Congressman Cummings was the orator.

The British steamer Briscoe, from Hamburg for New York, was towed into St. John's N. F., in a disabled condition. The seventy sailors on board were nearly famished, provisions having given out.

Tuesday, March 13.

The Ohio legislature voted in favor of biennial sessions.

Premier Rosebery announces that home rule for Ireland is still a main principle of the Liberal cabinet.

The charter elections in Michigan and Maine yesterday resulted in Republican victories where party tickets formed the issue.

Dr. Ellauri was elected by congress president of Uruguay in succession to Dr. Herrera Y. Obes. Dr. Ellauri, however, declines to serve.

At the meeting of the New York presbytery there were some objections to the admission of divinity students from Union seminary, but Dr. Briggs' pupils were finally admitted.

Major Thomas E. Rose has been placed on the retired list of the army on account of age. During the war he led the movement for the escape of Union prisoners from Libby prison by means of a tunnel, and was known as "the hero of Libby."

Wednesday, March 14.

Ex-Governor Proctor Knott, of Kentucky, will not be a candidate for congress to succeed W. C. P. Breckinridge.

The United States supreme court refused to interfere in the case of Alden Fales, the convicted boy murderer of Newark, N. J.

Fire at Houtzdale, Pa., yesterday threatened the destruction of the town. It was finally quelled by assistance from Altoona, Tyrone, Phillipsburg and Osceola, after doing $30,000 damage.

At a meeting of Prohibitionists in Pittsburg last night, at which delegates from all sections were present, the title "American party" was chosen on which to make a national fight for supremacy.

Thursday, March 15.

Trainmen of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois road voted to reject a proposed 10 per cent. wage reduction.

Three hundred guests at a Hebrew wedding in Boston were poisoned by eating chickens cooked in copper boilers.

Three robbers who tried to hold up the store of William Price, at Okarche, O. T., were themselves captured and jailed.

The German reichstag voted 4,000,000 marks for a monument to Emperor William I. The government's original demand was for 8,000,000 marks.

Joseph Weill, who is charged with selling diseased beef to the Soldiers' home at Fort Dodge, Ia., said it was "good enough for the d——d old soldiers."

STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

Closing Quotations on the New York and Philadelphia Exchanges.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Except during the hour between 12 and 1 o'clock today the share speculation was fairly active, and the business was well distributed throughout the list. Closing bids:

Lehigh Valley.....	40¾	W., N.Y. & Pa.....	15¾
Pennsylvania	59¾	Erie pref. Whs..	17¾
Reading	23¾	D., L. & W.....	166¼
St. Paul	63	West Shore.....	104
Lehigh Nav.....	54½	N. Y. Central.....	100¾
N. Y. & N. E.....	45¾	Lake Erie & W....	19¾
New Jersey Cen...116¾		Del. & Hudson....	136¾

General Markets.

PHILADELPHIA, March 14.—Flour weak; winter super., $2@2.10; winter extras, $2.25@2.50; No. 2 winter family, $2.50@2.65; Pennsylvania roller straight, $2.90@3.10; western winter, clear, $2.75@3. Wheat quiet, steady, with 60¾c. bid and 61c. asked for March. Corn quiet, firm, with 43¾c. bid and 43c. asked for March. Oats dull, weak, with 37c. bid and 38c. asked for March. Beef steady. Pork easy. Lard slow; western steam, $7.10; refined quiet. Butter firmer; western dairy, 10@15c.; do. creamery, 15@22c.; do. factory, 10@15c.; Elgins, 23c.; New York dairy, 14@20c.; do. creamery, 14@17c. for old; state creamery prints, fancy, 22c.; do. fair to choice, 18@21c.; prints fancy, 23@26c. Cheese steady; large 10½@12c.; small, 10½@13c.; part skims, 3½@10c.; full skims, 2@3c. Eggs lower; state and New York, 16½c.; western fresh, 15¾@16c.; southern, 14@15c.

Live Stock Markets.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Beeves slow, steady; native steers, choice, $4.60@4.70 per 100 pounds; good to prime, $4.25@4.50; medium to fair, $3.90@4.20; inferior to ordinary, $3.65@3.85; fair to good Texas, $3.40@3.70; oxen, $3.25@4.10; bulls, $2.65@3.60; dry cows, $1.50@2.90. Calves steady; poor to prime veals, $4@7.25 per 100 pounds; one fancy car, $4.50. Common to choice lambs, $3.50@4.75. Hogs steady; good to choice state hogs, $5.40@5.60 per 100 pounds.

EAST LIBERTY, Pa., March 14.—Cattle dull; prime to extra, $4.25@4.50; fair to good, $3.75@4; common to fair, $3@3.50; fat cows and heifers, $2@3.25; bulls, $2.15@3.25; bologna cows, $5@12; fresh cows, $20@35. Fifty-eight cars of cattle shipped to New York today. Hogs very dull; all grades, $4.90@5. Sheep slow; fair to good, $2.50@3.25; common, $1@2; lambs, $2@4; veal calves, $4.50@4.65; heavy and thin, $2.50@4.

In a Michigan Forest Fire.

"The most exciting experience I ever had," said T. E. Spencer, "was in a forest fire near Manistee, Mich. I had visited a small lumber camp and retired to rest in one of the bunks provided for the choppers. I was awakened by a strong light from the north, and going outside of the wooden shanty it seemed to me that the entire world was on fire. It cracked and snapped, danced and jumped as if the demon of fire was holding a high carnival and celebrating the end of the world. From every side could be heard sounds like the firing of cannon and the shrieks of dying human beings. It was the falling of the boughs and the sighing of the wind, but I never heard so horrible a sound nor witnessed so weird and terrible a sight. Hastily awakening the other men in the camp, I mounted a horse and fled from the flames. But the horse could not keep pace with the progress of the fire. The lurid heavens looked as though they were at molten heat, the air was stifling, the smoke almost suffocated me, while falling leaves and boughs burned my horse, and the sickening odor of burning flesh added to the horror. Within two or three hours I was in an opening, where I was no longer in danger, but my horse was badly injured, while my clothing was full of holes where embers had struck me. I will take my chances with cyclones or earthquakes, but not with a burning forest again."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Smothered by a Dog.

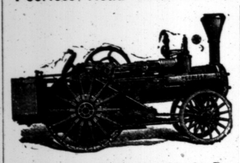
A 3-months-old infant of Charles Salmus of Bucksboro, N. J., was smothered to death the other evening by a large Newfoundland dog sleeping on its head. The baby was left alone early in the evening and was sleeping soundly. The dog went to the bedroom unnoticed and curled himself on the child. It was dead when found. The distracted father shot the dog.—Philadelphia Press.

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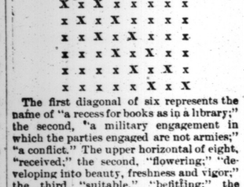
THE PUZZLER

No. 53.—Double Diagonal.

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x x x x x x x x
x x x x x x x x
x x x x x x x x
x x x x x x x x

The first diagonal of six represents the name of "a recess for books as in a library;" the second, "a military engagement in which the parties engaged are not armies;" "a conflict." The upper horizontal of eight, "received;" the second, "flowering;" "developing into beauty, freshness and vigor;" the third, "suitable;" "befitting;" the fourth, "engrossed," "engulfed;" the fifth, "relating to the deposits of sand, clay or gravel made by river action;" the sixth, "to depress by haughty, stern looks, or with arrogant speech and dogmatic assertions."

No. 54.—Suggests an Old Saying.



No. 55.—Numerical Enigma.

My whole, composed of 36 letters, is a Spanish proverb.
My 12, 19, 23, 7, 36, 17, 34, 1, 28, 8, 11, 32, 20, 5 is a large city.
My 14, 22, 18, 15, 6, 10, 3 is to mislead.
My 27, 2, 9, 30, 29, 26 is entirely.
My 13, 33, 4, 24 is a place for worship.
My 21, 25, 31 is a river in Scotland.
My 16, 31 is a preposition.

No. 56.—Charade.

My "first" may be made of gold,
Of bronze or common brass,
Of delft or china old,
Of zinc, wood, tin or glass.

My "next" is best to pay
As soon as it is due,
Perhaps not just day by day,
But at least in a week or two.

In my "whole" we may put our clothes,
—Our hats, our boots and shoes,
Our house, if we so dispose,
Or anything else we choose.

No. 57.—Curtailment.

A ONE small pattern for a dress
Will cause a woman much distress.
She'll two the goods with careful eye
And often shake her head and sigh.
She'll place the pattern o'er and o'er,
And skimp and piece, and snip and gore,
And then the product of her skill
Will seldom seem to fill the bill.

No. 58.—Satisfactions.

Satisfy the first blank in a couplet and then prefix a letter to that word to satisfy the second blank in the same couplet:

1. Do you see yon heavy storm-cloud ——?
   I fear 'twill harm that delicate ——.
2. You will find it much to your ——
   If you can visit us ——.
3. Now put the steak upon the ——;
   'Twill keep it fresh and safe from ——.
4. This man, so lean and ——,
   Was as black as ——.

The four prefixed letters give a word signifying "renown."

John	Wood	2 weeks
2,000 lbs	Steamer	Due
Board		

No. 60.—Crossword Enigma.

In proof, not in sin.
In battle, not in din.
In rank, not in file.
In rig, not in style.
In snow, not in dew.
Three cities now you view.

No. 61.—Hourglass.

My central letters, reading downward, spell a portion of nearly every book.
Crosswords: 1. Specimens. 2. A spray. 3. To ask earnestly for. 4. In sufficient. 5. A hobby. 6. One of the numerous small eyes which make up the compound eyes of insects. 7. A supreme monarch.

No. 62.—Decapitations.

Behead motive power and leave always.
A sweetheart and leave above.
To frighten and leave trouble.
A fruit and leave a part of the head.
A sphere and leave everything.

Rhyming Comparisons.

As round as an apple,
As black as your hat,
As brown as a berry,
As blind as a bat,
As mean as a miser,
As full as a tick,
As plump as a partridge,
As sharp as a stick,

As clean as a penny,
As dark as a pall,
As hard as a millstone,
As bitter as gall,
As fine as a fiddle,
As clear as a bell,
As dry as a herring,
As deep as a well,

As light as a feather,
As hard as a rock,
As stiff as a poker,
As calm as a clock,
As green as a gosling,
As brisk as a bee,
And now let me stop
Lest you weary of me.

Key to the Puzzler.

No. 42.—Arithmetical Question: Tench, 45. Carp, 15. Roach, 90. Bream, 47.
No. 43.—Enigma: The letter R.
No. 44.—Buried Trees and Plants: 1. Fern. 2. Beech. 3. Cedar. 4. Maple. 5. Ivy. 6. Heather.
No. 45.—A Heartless Change: Horse, shoe, hose, hoes.
No. 46.—Metagram: 1. Dean, bean, mean, lean, Jean. 2. Cat, mat, bat, rat, eat.
No. 47.—Lost Birds and Packed Fruit. Heron, crow, loon, owl, swallow, rail, robin, dove, wren, kite. Lemon, olive, orange, pear, apple, yam, peach, lime, pomegranate, date.
No. 48.—Quotation From Whittier: "The wild bee's morning chase."
No. 49.—Hourglass: Centrals, willows. Crosswords: 1. Showers. 2. Sting. 3. Ale. 4. L. 5. Dog. 6. Sower. 7. Chasing.
No. 50.—Decapitation: P-rice.
No. 51.—Progressive Enigma: Toleration.
No. 52.—Concealed Shakespearean Names: 1. Shylock. 2. Portia. 3. Hamlet. 4. Orlando. 5. Celia. 6. Hero. 7. Beatrice. 8. Prospero. 9. Romeo.

TIMELY ANNIVERSARIES.

Some Current Selections From History's Broad Page.

March 18.

978—Edward, Anglo-Saxon king, murdered.
1584—Ivan the Terrible died.
1625—King James of England died.
1718—First use of inoculation for smallpox.
1745—Sir Robert Walpole, prime minister to George I and II, died; born 1676.
1768—Rev. Lawrence Sterne, author of "Tristram Shandy," died; born 1713.
1812—John Horne Tooke, English political writer and grammarian, died; born 1730.
1837—Financial panic in New York city.
1848—Revolutionary outbreak on the palace plaza, Berlin; 100 citizens shot down by the soldiery.
1877—Admiral Sir Edward Belcher, arctic explorer, died; born in Halifax 1799.
1884—Madam Anna Bishop, singer, died in New York; born in London 1816.
1888—Horace Fairbanks, ex-governor of Vermont, died; born 1820.
1891—Steamer Utopia collided with British ironclad at Gibraltar and sank; 500 persons drowned.
1892—Charles J. Van Depoele of Lynn, Mass., the first to adapt electricity to mining, died.

March 19.

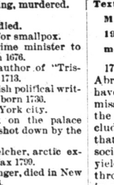
235—Alexander Severus, Roman emperor, murdered; born about 205; emperor 222.
1702—William III (William of Orange) died at Kensington; born 1650.
1734—Thomas McKean, "signer," born in New London, Pa.; died 1817.
1748—Elias Hicks, founder of the "Hicksite Quakers," born in Hempstead, N. Y.; died 1830.
1828—John Jay Knox, famous comptroller of the currency, born at Knoxboro, N. Y.
1858—Lucknow, stronghold of the Indian insurgents, taken by the English.
1872—Dusseldorf hall and famous art gallery destroyed by fire.
1873—City of San Salvador destroyed by an earthquake; 50 persons killed and $12,000,000 in property destroyed.
1876—Colonel C. C. Chesney, English military historian and biographer, died; born in 1827; Colonel Chesney was the reputed author of "The Battle of Dorking."
1893—Tremont temple, the famous Baptist house of worship in Boston, partially destroyed by fire.

March 20.

43 B. C.—Ovid, Roman amatory poet, born; died 18 A. D.
386—Gallienus, Roman emperor, assassinated.
1413—Henry IV of England died; born 1366.
1687—La Salle, explorer, murdered in Texas by his discontented followers.
1727—Sir Isaac Newton, philosopher, died; born 1642.
1810—John McCloskey, cardinal, born in Brooklyn; died 1885.
1811—Birth of Napoleon II, king of Rome, Bonaparte's only child; died 1832.
1815—Bonaparte re-entered Paris.
1852—"Uncle Tom's Cabin" first published.
1871—Professor George Gottfried Gervinus, German historian and Liberal leader, died at Heidelberg; born 1805.
1875—John Mitchel, the noted Fenian convict and M. P. for Tipperary, died.
1891—Lawrence Barrett (Brannigan), actor, died in New York city; born 1838.
1893—Commodore Horatio Bridge, U. S. N., retired, died in Washington; born 1806.

March 21.

1616—Pocahontas, Indian princess, wife of John Rolfe, died of smallpox at Gravesend, England; born 1595.
1656—Archbishop Usher of Armagh, Ireland, author of a Biblical chronology, died; born 1580.
1685—Johanna Sebastian Bach, greatest musician of the famous family, born at Eisenach; died 1750.



BACH.

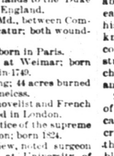
1775—Lucian Bonaparte, second brother of Napoleon, born at Ajaccio; died 1840.
1804—Publication of the famous "Code Napoleon," the law of France since that date. On the same day the Duc d'Enghien was shot at Vincennes by Bonaparte's order.
1806—Benito Pablo Juarez, statesman of pure Indian blood, born in Oaxaca; died 1872.
1809—Jules (Claude Gabriel) Favre, French Liberal statesman, born at Lyons.
1841—The opera house at Nice burned during a presentation of "Lucia di Lammermoor;" 62 spectators, about one-half the audience, lost their lives in the struggle to escape.
1856—Dr. Dio Lewis, hygienist, died at Yonkers, N. Y.; born at Auburn, N. Y., 1823.
1890—General George Crook, noted soldier and Indian fighter, died at Chicago; born near Dayton, Pa.; died 1837.
1891—General Joseph E. Johnston died in Washington; born 1807.

March 22.

1594—Paris opened its gates to Henry IV.
1599—Sir Anthony Vandyke, famous painter, born; died 1641.
1664—Cession of New Netherlands to the Duke of York by Charles II of England.
1820—Duel at Bladensburg, Md., between Commodores Barron and Decatur; both wounded, the latter mortally.
1822—Rosa Bonheur, artist, born in Paris.
1832—Goethe, the poet, died at Weimar; born at Frankfort-on-the-Main 1749.
1873—Great fire in Hong-Kong; 44 acres burned over and 5,000 people homeless.
1875—The Count de Jarnac, novelist and French minister to England, died in London.
1889—Stanley Matthews, justice of the supreme court, died at Washington; born 1824.
1892—Dr. David Hayes Agnew, noted surgeon and emeritus professor at University of Pennsylvania, died.

March 23.

1369—Peter the Cruel, king of Castile, slain; born 1334; king 1350.
1801—Crazy Paul, emperor of Russia, murdered by a band of nobles; born 1754.
1815—Treaty of Vienna. The Hornet intercepting the Penguin.



1819—Augustus Frederick Kotzebue, German dramatist, GEN. SCHENCK, died; born 1761.
1888—Morrison Remick Waite, chief justice of the United States, died in Washington; born 1816.
1890—General Robert Cumming Schenck, soldier, lawyer, congressman and ex-minister to England, died in Washington; born 1809.
1891—Ex-Governor Lucius Robinson died in Elmira, N. Y.; born 1810. Mrs. Charlotte Lynch Botta, author, died in New York city; born 1815.
1893—Destructive cyclone swept over Mississippi; 18 deaths; damage to property, $2,000,000.

March 24.

809—Haroun al Raschid, hero of "Arabian Nights" tales, died; born 765.
1455—Pope Nicholas V died; elected 1447.
1644—The commonwealth of Rhode Island founded.
1773—Philip Stanhope, earl of Chesterfield, author of famous letters, died; born 1694.
1801—Alexander I became czar of Russia, succeeding his father, Paul.
1808—Maria Felicia Garcia, famous as Mme. Malibran, singer, born in Paris; died 1836.
1844—Thorwaldsen, famous Danish sculptor, died at Copenhagen; born 1770.
1866—Marie Amelie, ex-queen of the French, died in exile at Claremont, England; born 1782.
1869—General Baron Jomini, famous writer on military science, died; born 1779.
1877—Thomas Walter Hazehot, writer and authority on economics and finance, died; born 1826.
1878—The British naval training ship Eurydice capsized on the coast of the isle of Wight, carrying down 300 officers and seamen.
1882—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, poet, died in Cambridge, Mass.; born 1807.
1888—John T. Hoffman, ex-governor of New York, died in Wiesbaden, Germany; born 1828.
1890—New extradition treaty between Great Britain and the United States.

That Tempting Wedding Cake.

A country visitor to the metropolis was wandering along Oxford street agape at the many wondrous things that met his view. Passing a large confectionery establishment, he paused to look at the good things temptingly displayed in the window, a huge bride cake particularly striking his fancy. Unable to resist the temptation, he entered the shop and inquired the price.

"Ten pounds," replied the shopman, eying curiously the very unlikely purchaser, who looked not a bit like a prospective bridegroom.

"Ten pounds!" echoed the countryman in astonishment.

Then he pondered the matter for a few moments and fairly petrified the shopman by saying:

"Then I'll hev' a ha'porth."—London Tit-Bits.

Theory and Practice.

Mrs. Tawker—I was at the theater last evening. It was an awfully sad play, about a man being thrown out of work and his family dying from starvation. I couldn't keep from crying to save my life. I don't know when I have been so affected.

Enter Servant—Mum, there's a woman at the door as wants some cold victuals. She do say her children haven't had bit nor sup for two days.

Mrs. Tawker—Tell her to go away; that we don't give anything to beggars. As I was saying, Mrs. Brown, it was a very sad play. Mr. Tawker says I ought not to witness such performances, they take hold of me so. He says that I am all heart.—Boston Transcript.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON XI, FIRST QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, MARCH 18.

Text of the Lesson, Gen. xviii, 17-21 (a Missionary Lesson)—Memory Verses, 17-19—Golden Text, Gen. xviii, 18—Commentary by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

17. "And the Lord said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do?" As we have choice between a temperance and a missionary lesson, I unhesitatingly choose the latter, believing that the greater includes the less, and also firmly believing that if individual Christians and churches, societies and Sunday schools would only yield fully to the Lord that He might through them accomplish all His pleasure in preaching the gospel to every creature, not only would the Lord be greatly rejoiced, His elect church hastened to completion, but these same individual believers, churches, societies and Sunday schools would know the blessing of the Lord as never before. These five verses of this lesson are in connection with the visit of the Lord and the angels to Abraham under the oaks of Mamre and the approaching destruction of the cities of the plain. It is a most suggestive missionary topic, as the same Lord who said, "Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do?" said also some 1800 years later, when here on earth in His humiliation, "As it was in the days of Lot, they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded, but the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed" (Luke xvii, 28-30), and now over 1800 years still later those who are Abraham's seed by faith in Christ Jesus (Gal. iii, 29), with this thing not hid from them, are as indifferent to the impending storm that is surely coming and the welfare of people about them as if the Lord had never uttered these words. Please do read Prov. xxiv, 11, 12; Ezek. xxxiii, 7-9.

18. "Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him." As to the farreaching blessing, see chapters xii, 3, and xxii, 18. Although it was not fully revealed to Abraham just how this glorious result was to be accomplished, it is not hidden from us to whom has been given the New Covenant as well as the Old. The New opens with the statement that Jesus Christ is the son of David, the son of Abraham (Matt. i, 1), and goes on to show that He is the one of whom Moses in the law and the prophets did write that though he was rejected by Israel, to whom He specially came, yet He suffered and died and rose again according to the Scriptures, that while the kingdom is postponed because of the rejection of the King He is by the preaching of the gospel of His grace gathering from all nations an elect company who shall reign with Him as His bride when He shall bless all nations through His elect, restored and holy nation, Israel (Luke xxiv, 25-27; xix, 11; Acts iii, 19-21; xv, 14-17). The national conversion of Israel will be accomplished when they look upon Him whom they have pierced, as He shall return in power and glory, bringing His bride with Him, then shall they be smitten with true conviction of sin, like Saul on the way to Damascus, and shall become their rejected Messiah's delight in Jehovah. We have waited for Him, we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation." Then shall Israel blossom and bud and fill the face of the world with fruit. See Zech. xii, 10; xiii, 1; Isa. xxv, 9; xxvii, 6.

19. "For I know him that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment, that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which He hath spoken of him." The Lord knoweth each of us thoroughly, even to our thoughts and imaginations, Ps. cxxxix, 1-4; 1 Chron. xxviii, 9), and He knows what He can accomplish through us, and whether we will walk in His way or not. By disobedience we hinder Him from accomplishing His pleasure in and through us. If we were only willing and obedient we would in every case eat the good of the land and be filled with the fatness of His house (Isa. i, 19; Ps. lxxxi, 13, 16; xxxvi, 8). The way of the Lord is as high above our ways as heaven is above the earth (Isa. lv, 8, 9), yet vain man clings to his own thoughts and ways, and thus knows neither the Lord's thoughts nor counsel (Mic. iv, 12). Much time and strength is thus wasted by individuals and churches by not knowing the Lord's way and purpose.

20. "And the Lord said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous." All sin cries unto God, and He hears the cry of all the oppressed. "The voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto Me from the ground" (Gen. iv, 10). The cries of the oppressed reapers enter into the ears of the Lord of Hosts (Jas. v, 4). His eyes and ears are open to all things on earth, but because He is long suffering He tarries to the utmost if perchance He may lead men to repentance and deliver them from eternal loss (II Pet. iii, 9; Joh xxxiii, 29, 30). And while judgment is restrained He gives us the privilege of interceding for men as Abraham did, and of beseeching men to be reconciled to God (II Cor. v, 20).

21. "I will go down now and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me, and if not I will know." He never punishes without cause, nor without due and patient investigation. "Ye shall know that I have not done without cause all that I have done in it, saith the Lord God" (Ezek. xiv, 23). Before the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire, taking vengeance on them that know not God and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus (II Thess. i, 7, 8), there will be a judgment of the saints for their service (Rom. xiv, 10; II Cor. v, 10), and as there is a possibility of much work being burned up (I Cor. iii, 13-15), I for one desire to keep the way of the Lord and have Him work in me both to will and to do of His good pleasure (Phil. ii, 13).

A Marvelous Time Recorder.

One of the most wonderful machines in these days of miraculous mechanism is the chronoscope. It took form under the skillful hands of Wheatstone, the mathematician, who needed an instrument to measure smaller intervals of time than his clock or watch could indicate. Many improvements have been made in the chronoscope since Wheatstone patented it in 1840, and now the machine is employed to measure the flight of projectiles from a gun. So accurate is it that it will detect and record a difference of time amounting to a millionth part of a second and, electricity being used in recording the passage of a projectile, it is possible to determine to a very small fraction the rate of speed with which a shot flies from a gun.—London Standard.

ODDS AND ENDS.

An English bishop is properly addressed as my lord.

The word captain, so often used in the Bible, simply means officer.

The shah of Persia pretends to date his title back for a thousand years.

The most ancient title is that of king. It or its equivalent is found in every known language.

In formal letters to a duke it is etiquette to begin, "My lord duke, may it please your grace."

The holy Roman empire has but three genuine landgraves, those of Thuringia, Lower and Higher Alsace.

Ten million packs of playing cards are used in the United States every year, and that is one to every seven people—men, women and children.

In the days of the Emperor Diocletian a house painter's wages were 60 cents a day, while a schoolmaster received only 60 cents a month for each pupil.

A curator was a Roman official in charge of various departments of the public service. The title nearly corresponds to our word superintendent.

The fashionable end of Fifth avenue, in New York, is disfigured by a free lunch saloon. It is the only place of the kind in a stretch of four or five miles.

The Greek emperors of Constantinople called themselves "holy," and one of the official titles by which they insisted on being addressed was "your holiness."

The sticky, sweet, high smelling fluid secreted by the honey ant of Mexico is used as food and also for medicinal purposes, especially for diseases of the eye and ear.

The title of illustrious was never formally bestowed as a title of honor until the time of Constantine and was then given to such princes as had distinguished themselves in war.

The only genuine sheik is the governor of Medina. His office is said to date from the time of the prophet. It is now generally applied as an honorary title to the head man of an Arab village.

All hearses are provided with lamps. There are probably very few city people who ever saw a hearse with lighted lamps. That would not be so remarkable a sight, however, in the country, where hearses go long distances.

Market rights in Brussels and throughout Belgium are vested by prescription in communal councils, which have power to establish markets on public or private property and can increase or diminish them according to their appreciation of the wants of the community.

Small Fortune Under Her Mattress.

Mary Connolly, 60 years old, was found dead recently in the small rear room in which she lived for the last three years on the first floor of 59 Baxter street, a lofty tenement house known as the "Kerry Flats."

Under the mattress of the bed were found three bankbooks showing deposits in the Bleecker Street Bank of Savings, the Immigrants' Industrial and the Bowery Savings banks which amounted to $3,258.70. There was also found a purse containing $102.17.

Cornelius Sullivan, who keeps a saloon in the basement, was told by his wife that one of the windows of Mary's room had been open all the preceding day, and the lonely occupant had not been heard stirring around. Sullivan called in Policeman Brophy.

Brophy entered the rear room through the window. As his feet reached the floor he stumbled over the old woman's body. She had evidently been dead for several hours. The corpse was in a cramped position between the wall and a small table, with her chin pressed rigidly down on the breast. It is supposed that she became ill and was opening the window to obtain air when she fell back either unconscious or dead from heart disease.

She was rather eccentric and persisted in living alone. She was never married. For several years she was employed as a scrubwoman in Chambers Street hospital, but recently she had lived upon what money she had saved. Her nearest relatives are two first cousins—one living in Jersey City and the other in Port Jervis, N. Y.—New York Herald.

Thoughtless or Unkind.

"Here," said the very young man, "is a chameleon."

"Oh, Mr. Callow," she exclaimed, "this is very kind of you! I shall take good care of it."

"I hope you will keep it to remind you of me."

"I shall take the greatest pleasure in doing so." And after a pause she added, "What a pity it doesn't stay green all the time!"—Washington Star.

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