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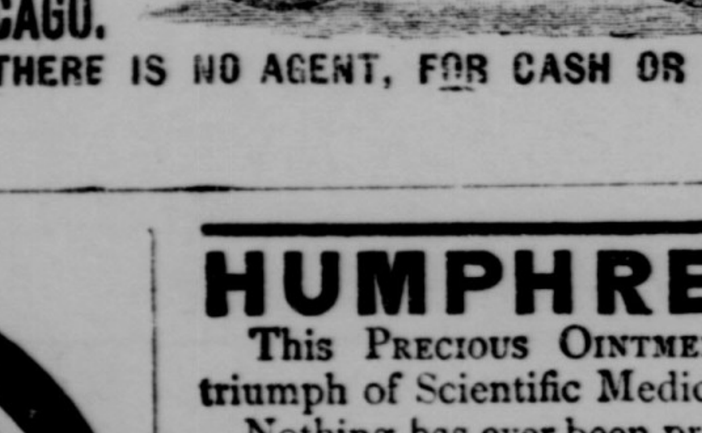
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He was found there at 11 o'clock almost dead. When Mr. Johnson did not return home to supper his brother started out in search of him. He could not find a trace of the missing man. A posse was then organized, and at 11 o'clock some one thought of the vault in the Treasurer's office. It was opened and there on the stone floor, bound and gagged, lay Mr. Johnson.

Treasurer Johnson said that at 6 o'clock there was a knock at the door. He opened it, and in the dusk was confronted by two masked men with revolvers. One of the intruders said: "Hold up your hands and don't open your mouth or you are a dead man." Johnson complied.

After searching him they compelled him to open the big safe, from which they took the $5,000. They then bound Johnson and gagged him with a handkerchief and pushed him into the vault. They locked up the vault and the outside door of the office.

Mr. Johnson has served two terms as treasurer, and was getting ready to turn over the office and cash to his successor. He remained later than usual at the office to fix his books. His brother was also employed in the office.

Descriptions of the robbers have been sent in every direction, but no trace of them has yet been found.

MRS. MARY NOONAN and her daughter, Mrs. John Swinler, of Fort Wayne, Ind., became frightened while in a elevator in a store in that city, and leaping out on a narrow platform, fell backward down the shaft a distance of 40 feet. Both were killed.

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A Child's Plea.

Like every other decent man, I am fond of children. Their bright, fresh faces, their clear, ringing voices, their thoughtless sayings—all have a charm for me. Were I to live my life over again I would not be the old bachelor I am to-day. Instead of spending so large a part of my years in roaming in foreign lands, I would devote it to making some sweet woman happy. The children I should most admire to lift upon my knee would be my own children. But alas! as the poet says, "who can live youth over?" As we sow, so must we reap. And this reminds me, by a curious sort of mental association, to tell a story about one of the prettiest little Portland girls I know. I will call her Rosie, because that, I think, is a charming name for any little girl.

Last summer Rosie's mother had just put her to bed in her little room up one flight, and heard her repeat her evening prayer when a flash of lightning lit up the partially darkened room, followed by a heavy peal of thunder. Rosie was frightened and wanted to go down stairs. But her mother told her there was no danger. "God is here with you, my child. Nothing can harm you where God is." So she consoled and comforted Rosie, and left the chamber. Hardly had the mother got seated in the sitting-room, where her husband was reading his evening paper, when another terrific crash of thunder rolled over the house. Before the reverberating peal had fairly died away the door of the sitting-room was opened and in ran little Rosie and threw herself into her father's arms, sobbing out: "Papa, papa, let mamma go up in my room and stay with God, and you let me stay down here with you."—Portland Argus.

A MINE CAVING IN.

Four Men Go Down With It But Are Rescued.

A serious cave-in occurred at the Calumet Iron Mine, Salida, Col. Four miners were caught in the mine but were rescued after being seriously injured.

Nineteen men quit work claiming the mine was unsafe and refused to return to their work until the mine has been made safe. Others are expected to quit.

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OATS—Southern & Penn.	39		42
Western White	38½		42
Mixed	37		38½
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Good to Prime	14 50		15 00
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Clear ribsides	9		9½
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Hams	12¾		13
Mess Pork, per bar			16 00
LARD—Crude			10¾
Best refined			11½

BUTTER.

BUTTER—Fine Crmy	$30	@ $	31
Under fine	24		25
Roll	21		22

CHEESE.

CHEESE—N. Y. Factory.	$11¾	@ $	12
N. Y. flats	12		12¼
Skim Cheese	7		9

EGGS.

EGGS—State	$29	@ $	30
North Carolina	25		26

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CHICKENS—Hens	$8	@ $	9
Turkeys	12		13
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MUSKRAT	$10	@ $	11
Raccoon	40		45
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Mink	—		80
Otter	—		6 00

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FLOUR—Southern	$3 15	@ $	4 60
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	78¾		79
RYE—Western	54		58
CORN—No. 2	49		49¾
OATS—No. 3	36½		37½
BUTTER—State	30		31
EGGS—State	29		30
CHEESE—State	8½		11

PHILADELPHIA.

FLOUR—Southern	$3 60	@ $	4 00
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	75¾		76
CORN—No. 3	47¾		48
OATS—No 2	39		40½
BUTTER—State	31		31
EGGS—Penn. fst	33		34

The employes of two electric street car systems and the electric light companies of Toledo, Ohio, struck without warning. Much of the city was left in darkness, the trolley wires were cut in many places and the cars stopped running.

A NOTED character named Mark Edwards was roasted to death in his house at Sag Harbor, Long Island. It is supposed that Edwards went home drunk and upset a lamp.

CURIOUS FACTS.

Gilt tracery is found on nearly all glass.

Of all symbolic signs none is so ancient as the barber's pole.

A locomotive on the Reading road has covered a mile in thirty-seven seconds.

The Shah of Persia will not remain at a table on which is either lobster or salmon.

In Shakespeare's day there was no other scenery than tapestry hangings and curtains.

The first woman on the English stage was Mrs. Coleman as Ianthe, in the "Siege of Rhodes," 1656.

Three men named Brown, Jones and Robinson are members of Queen Liliuokalani's Hawaiian Cabinet.

John Wesley used the expression "Cleanliness is indeed next to godliness," in a sermon on "Dress."

The English clergy were at first very bitter against the fork, one man declaring that its use was impious.

In the South Pacific Ocean is found a wonderful species of the seaweed called the "vegetable boa constrictor."

The people of many of the South Sea Islands manufacture their entire suits from the products of palm trees.

Archie Leroy, of Boston, is seventeen years old, but is only forty-two inches in height and weighs sixty pounds.

Within the last thirty years there have been on the British coasts 66,277 wrecks, with the loss of 22,312 lives.

A recent experiment has proved that carrier pigeons may be trusted to convey messages from ships several hundred miles at sea.

The prosecuting attorney of Kalkaska County, Michigan, was elected in 1886 by one majority, in 1887 by two and in 1891 by four.

There are nine 110-ton guns in the British navy at present, and every time one of them is fired 960 pounds of powder are used up.

A woman in Ohio has a churn which has been in her possession for fifty-five years and which has made more than $10,000 worth of butter.

George Washington was the Commander-in-Chief of the Army at the age of forty-three; Cromwell entered on his remarkable career at forty-nine; Napoleon conquered Italy before he was thirty; Gladstone was a member of Parliament at twenty-three; Macauley began his literary career at twenty; Columbus started on his voyage of discovery at thirty-six; Frederick the Great began the thirty years' war at the age of thirty, and Blackstone finished his commentaries before he was thirty-five.

An Official Animal Fight.

The following particulars of an official tiger and buffalo fight that took place at Padang Panjang, in the residency of the west coast of Sumatra, are given by the Batavia Nieuwsblad. The Assistant Resident of the district had determined upon giving this performance to the people, owing to the capture of a large tigress in that neighborhood. The tigress had vainly been offered to the zoological gardens at Batavia and Amsterdam, and by the time of the fight had lost much of her fierceness. The people of the place got together stout bamboos to fence round the arena, a circular piece of ground more than thirty feet broad, with galleries for spectators, who were charged admission fees.

A few weeks before the fight the Assistant Resident secured a tiger, and the people provided two stout buffaloes to measure themselves in the arena with it and the tigress. On the day of battle crowds thronged the arena, into which the tigress stepped at about ten a. m. to meet a buffalo. The latter quietly held its own against the tigress, which, reduced by her long imprisonment, showed no inclination for further attack. To stir them up both animals were pricked now and then with bamboo darts. The buffalo then got some spear thrusts, the wounds being freely drenched with extract of chillies. The tigress was aroused by the application of burning torches and crackers, and, in short, every effort was made to give the onlookers their money's worth.

Despite all this neither buffalo nor tigress would fight, so that in the end orders were given to kill the tigress. After her corpse had been removed the second buffalo was let into the arena, followed by the tiger. This buffalo, aided by its comrade, attacked the tiger, which soon had enough of it, and sought safety by clambering up the palisading until several spear thrusts made it let go. No amount of urging with pricks, thrusts, and fire proved of any avail in arousing the champions to battle until the prolonged torture of the tiger was ended by killing it with spears. Both corpses were taken to the Assistant Resident, but the skins proved worthless from being scorched and pierced. The spectators left disappointed at not seeing a fight which they had paid so high to see.

Tanning Walrus Hides.

One of the largest hides ever tanned has just come from the tannery of a local firm. It is eight feet wide and fourteen feet long and weighs 700 pounds. It is one of a dozen or more walrus hides brought to this city five years ago by a whaler from the Arctic.

Twelve years ago experiments were made on the hide of the walrus, and it was conclusively proved that it could be tanned. Then came the question of a market for the leather which was seldom less than an inch in thickness. Local silversmiths found it an excellent substitute for the old-style emery wheel, and from the first it was a success, used as a means of polishing silverware and surfacing precious stones. Once a use was found for it the price advanced until in 1890 it had reached $5 a pound. Other firms commissioned captains of whalers to secure hides for them, and with competition the price of the tanned hides receded to $3 a pound, at which figure it is now quoted in the Eastern markets.

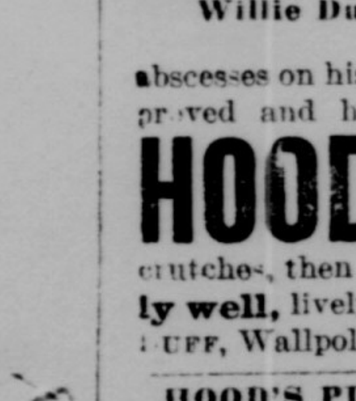
The green hides are enormous and cumbersome, weighing from 500 to 700 pounds each. The process of tanning them is the same as that used for ordinary leather save that the walrus hides are laid away for six months out of the twelve and it takes five years to complete the process of curing. The average run of the hides in thickness is from three to four inches when green. When tanned they run from two to three inches in thickness.

The hide spoken of in the opening of the article is two inches in thickness near the edges and in the center is over four inches thick. The neck is at least six inches thick and has been perfectly tanned.—San Francisco Chronicle.

The ease with which a crisis can be percipitated in France is remarkable.

A Mother's Story

When my boy was 2½ years of age, a fall brought on hip disease which gradually grew worse until, when he was 6, he could not walk, and we had him treated 6 months at the Children's Hospital in Boston. But when he came home he was worse, and the doctors said nothing could be done. I began giving him Hood's Sarsaparilla and he improved at once. The 14 abscesses on his hip healed up, his appetite improved and he could walk, at first with



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REV. DR. TALMAGE.

The Eminent Brooklyn Divine's Sunday Sermon.

Subject: "God Among the Centuries."

TEXT: *"Consider the years of many generations."*—Deuteronomy xxxii., 7.

At 12 o'clock last night, while so many good people were watching, an old friend passed out of our homes and a stranger entered. The old friend making valedictory was 1892; the stranger arriving is 1893. The old friend was garrulous with the occurrences of many days, but the stranger put his finger over his lip and said nothing, and seemed charged with many secrets and mysteries. I did not see either the departure or the arrival, but was sound asleep, thinking that was for me the best way to be wide awake now. Goodby, 1892! Welcome, 1893!

As an army is divided into brigades and regiments and companies, and they observe this order in their march and their tread is majestic, so the time of the world's existence is divided into an army divinely commanded; the eras are the brigades, the centuries are the regiments, and the years are the companies. Forward into the eternity past, out of the eternity to come! Forward is the command, and nothing can halt them, even though the world should die. While obeying my text, "Consider the years of many generations," I propose to speak of the "Chronology of the Bible, or God Among the Centuries."

We make a distinction between time and eternity, but time is only a piece of eternity, and chronology has been engaged in the sublime work of dividing up this portion of eternity that we call time into compartments and putting events in their right compartment. It is as much an injustice against the past to wrongly arrange its events as it would be an injustice if, through neglect of chronological accuracy, it should in the far distant future be said that America was discovered in 1776, and the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1492, and Washington born on the 22d of March, and the Civil War of the United States was fought in 1840.

As God puts all the events of time in the right place, let us be careful that we do not put them in the wrong place. The chronology of the Bible takes six steps, but they are steps so long it makes us hold our breath as we watch the movement. From Adam to Abraham. From Abraham to the exodus out of Egypt. From the exodus to the foundation of Solomon's temple. From the foundation of Solomon's temple to the destruction of that temple. From the destruction of the temple to the return from Babylonish captivity. From Babylonish captivity to the birth of Christ.

Chronology takes pen and pencil, and calling astronomy and history to help says: "Let us fix one event from which to calculate everything. Let it be a star, the Bethlehem star, the Christmas star." And from that we go back and see the world was created 4004 years before Christ; the deluge came 2348 years before Christ; the exodus out of Egypt occurred 1491 years before Christ, and Solomon's temple was destroyed 586 years before Christ.

Chronology enters the first chapter of Genesis and says the day mentioned there is not a day of twenty-four hours, but of ages, the word there translated as "day" in other places meaning ages, and so the Bible account of the creation and the geologists' account of the creation are completely harmonious. Chronology enters the book of Daniel and says that the words "time and a half" mean a year and a half.

Chronology enters at another point and shows us that the seasons of the year were then only two—summer and winter. We find that the Bible year was 360 days instead of 365; that the day was calculated from 6 o'clock in the morning to 6 o'clock at night; that the night was divided into four watches—namely, the late watch, the midnight, the cock crowing, the early watch. The clock and watch were invented so long after the world began their mission that the day was not very sharply divided in Bible times. Ahaz had a sundial, or a flight of stairs with a column at the top, and the shadow which that column threw on the steps beneath indicated the hour, the shadow lengthening or withdrawing from step to step.

But the events of life and the events of the world moved so slowly for the most part in Bible times that they had no need of such timepieces as we stand on our mantels or carry in our pockets in an age when a man may have a half dozen or a dozen engagements for one day and needs to know the exact minute for each one of them. The earth itself in Bible times was the chief timepiece, and it turned once on its axis and that was a day, and once around the sun and that was a year.

It was not until the Fourteenth Century that the almanac was born, the almanac that we toss carelessly about, not realizing that it took the accumulated ingenuity of more than 5000 years to make one. Chronology had to bring into its service the monuments of Egypt and the cylinders of Assyria, and the bricks of Babylon and the pottery of Nineveh, and the metals struck at Antioch for the battle of Actium, and all the hieroglyphics that could be deciphered, and had to go into the extremely delicate business of asking the ages of Adam and Seth and Enoch and Methuselah, who after their 300th year wanted to be thought young.

I think it must have been in recognition of the stupendous work of making an almanac that all the days of the week are named after the gods. Sunday, after the sun, which was of old worshiped as a god. Monday, after the moon, which was also worshiped as a god. Tuesday, after Tuesco, the god of war. Wednesday, after Woden, the chief god of the Scandinavians. Thursday, after Thor, the god of thunder. Friday, after Frea, the goddess of marriage. And Saturday after Saturn. The old Bible year began with the 25th of March. Not until 1752 did the first of the month of January get the honor in legal documents in England of being called the first day of the year.

Improvements all along have been made in chronology until the calendar and the almanac, and the clock, and the watch seem to have reached perfection, and all the nations of Christendom have similarity of time calculations and have adopted what is called "new style," except Russia, which keeps what is called the "old style" and is twelve days different, so that, writing from there, if you wish to be accurate, you date your letter January 1 and January 13, or December 10 and December 22. It is something to thank God for that the modes are so complete for calculating the cycles, the centuries, the decades, the years, the months, the days, the hours, the seconds.

Think of making appointments as in the Bible days for the time of the new moon. Think of making one of the watches of the night in Bible times a rooster crowing. The Bible says: "Before the cock crow thou shalt deny me thrice," "If the Master cometh at the cockcrowing," and that was the way the midnight watch was indicated. The crowing of that barnyard bird has always been most uncertain. The crowing is at the lowest temperature of the night, and the amount of dew and the direction of the wind may bring the lowest temperature at 11 o'clock at night or 3 o'clock in the morning, and at any one of six hours. Just before a rain the crowing of chanticleer in the night is almost perpetual.

Compare these modes of marking time with our modes of marking time, when 12 o'clock is 12 o'clock, and 6 o'clock is 6 o'clock, and 10 o'clock is 10 o'clock, and independent of all weathers, and then thank God that you live now. But notwithstanding all the imperfect modes of marking hours or years or centuries Bible chronology never trips up, never falters, never contradicts itself, and here is one of the best arguments for the authenticity of the Scriptures.

If you can prove an alibi in the courts, and you can prove beyond doubt that you were in some particular place at the time you were charged with doing or saying something in quite another place, you gain the victory, and infidelity has tried to prove an alibi by contending that events and circumstances in the Bible ascribed to certain times must have taken place at some other time, if they took place at all. But this book's chronology has never been caught at fault. It has been proved that when the Hebrews went into Egypt there were only seventy of them, and that when they came out there were 3,000,000 of them.

"Now," says infidelity, with a guffaw that it cannot suppress, "what an absurdity! They went down into Egypt seventy and came out 3,000,000. That is a falsehood on the face of it. Nations do not increase in that ratio." But, my skeptical friend, hold a moment. The Bible says that the Jews were 430 years in Egypt, and that explains the increase from seventy persons to 3,000,000, for it is no more, but rather less, than the ordinary increase of nations. The Pilgrim Fathers came to America in the Mayflower, one small shipload of passengers, less than 300 years ago, and now we have a nation of 60,000,000. Where, then, is so called impossibility that the seventy Jews who went into Egypt in 430 years became 3,000,000? Infidelity wrong and Bible chronology right.

Now stop and reflect. Why is it that this sublime subject of Bible chronology has been so neglected, and that the most of you have never given ten minutes to the consideration of it, and that this is the first sermon ever preached on this stupendous and overwhelming theme? We have stood by the half day or the whole day at grand reviews and seen armies pass.

Again and again and again on the Champs Elysees Frenchmen by the hundreds of thousands have stood and watched the bannered armies go by, and the huzza has been three miles long and until the populace were so hoarse they could huzza no longer. Again and again and again the Germans by hundreds of thousands have stood on the palaced and statued Under den Linden, Berlin, and strewn garlands under the feet of uniformed hosts led on by Von Moltke or Blucher or Frederick the Great.

When Wellington and Ponsonby and the Scots Grays came back from Waterloo, or Wolseley from Egypt, or Marlborough from Blenheim, what military processions through Regent street and along by the palaces of London and over the bridges of the Thames! What almost interminable lines of military on the streets of our American capitals, while Mayors and Governors and Presidents, with uncovered heads, looked on! But put all those grand reviews together, and they are tame compared with the review which on New Year's day you from the pew and I from the pulpit witness.

Hear them pass in chronological order—all the years before the flood; all the years since the flood; decades abreast; centuries abreast; epochs abreast; millenniums abreast; Egyptian civilization, Babylonian populations, Assyrian dominions; armies of Persian, Grecian, Peloponnesian and Roman wars; Byzantine empire, Saracenic hosts, crusaders of the first, the second, third and the last avalanche of men; Dark Ages in somber epaulets and brighter ages with shields of silver and helmets of gold; Italy, Spain, France, Russia, Germany, England and America, past and present; dynasties, feudal domains, despotisms, monarchies, republics, ages on ages, ages on ages, passing to-day in a chronological review, until one has no more power to look upon the advancing columns, now brilliant, now squalid, now garlanded with peace, now crimson with slaughter, now horrid with ghastliness, now radiant with love and joy.

This chronological study affords, among other practical thoughts, especially two—the one encouraging to the last degree and the other startling. The encouraging thought is that the main drift of the centuries has been toward betterment, with only here and there a stout reversal. Grecian civilization was a vast improvement on Egyptian civilization, and Roman civilization a vast improvement on Grecian civilization, and Christian civilization is a vast improvement on Roman civilization.

What was the boasted age of Pericles compared with the age of Longfellow and Tennyson? What was Queen Elizabeth as a specimen of moral womanhood compared with Queen Victoria? What were the cruel warriors of olden times compared with the most distinguished warriors of the last half century, all of them as much distinguished for kindness and good morals as for prowess—the two military leaders of our Civil War on northern and southern side communicants members of Christian churches, and their home life as pure as their public life?

Nothing impresses me in this chronological review more than the fact that the regiments of years are better and better regiments as the troops move on. I thank God that you and I were not born any sooner than we were born. How could we have endured the disaster of being born in the Eighteenth or Seventeenth or Sixteenth Century? Glad am I that we are in the regiment now passing the reviewing stand, and that our children will pass the stand in a still better regiment. God did not build this world for a slaughter house or a den of infamy.

A good deal of cleaning house will be necessary before this world becomes as clean and sweet as is ought to be, but the brooms and the scrubbing brushes, and the upholsterers and plumbers are already busy, and when the world gets fixed up, as it will be, if Adam and Eve ever visit it, as I expect they will, they will say to each other, "Well, this beats paradise when we lived there, and the pears and plums are better than we plucked from the first trees, and the wardrobes are more complete and the climate is better."

Since I settled in my own mind the fact that God was stronger than the devil I have never lost faith in the emparadisation of this planet. With the exception of a retrogression in the Dark Ages, the movement of the world has been on and on, and up and up, and I have two jubilant hosannas—one for the closing year and the other for the new year.

But the other thought coming out of this subject is that Biblical chronology, and indeed all chronology, is urging the world to more punctuality and immediateness. What an unsatisfactory and indefinite thing it must have been for two business men in the time of Ahaz to make an appointment, saying, "We will settle that business matter tomorrow when the shadow on the dial of Ahaz reaches the tenth step from the top," or "I will meet you in the street called Straight in Damascus in the time of the new moon," or when asked in a courtroom what time an occurrence took place should answer, "It was during the time of the latter rain," or "It was at the time of the third crowing of the barnyard fowl!"

You and I remember when ministers of the Gospel in the country, giving out a notice of an evening service, instead of saying at 6 or 7 or 8 o'clock, would say: "The service will begin at early candle light." Thank God for chronological achievements which have ushered in calendars and almanacs and clocks and watches, and at so cheap a rate all may possess them! Chronology, beginning by appreciating the value of years and the value of days, has kept on until it cries out: "Man, immortal; woman, immortal; look out for that minute; look out for that second!"

We talk a great deal about the value of time, but will never fully appreciate its value until the last fragment of it has passed out of our possession forever. The greatest fraud a man can commit is to rob another of his time. Hear it, ye laggards and repent! All the fingers of chronology point to punctuality as one of the graces. The minister or the lecturer or business man who comes to his place ten minutes after the appointed time commits a crime the enormity of which can only be estimated by multiplying the number of persons present by ten. If the engagement be made with five persons, he has stolen fifty minutes, for he is ten minutes too late, and he has robbed each of the five persons of ten minutes apiece, and ten times five are fifty.

If there be 500 persons present and he be ten minutes too late, he has committed a robbery of 5000 minutes, for ten times 500 are 5000, and 5000 minutes are eighty-three hours, which make more than three days. The thief of dry goods, the thief of bank bills, is not half so bad as the thief of time.

Dr. Rush, the greatest and busiest physician of his day, appreciated the value of time, and when asked how he had been able to gather so much information for his books and lectures he replied: "I have been able to do it by economizing my time. I have not spent one hour in amusement in thirty years." And taking a blankbook from his pocket he said, "I fill a book like this every week with thoughts that occur to me and facts collected in the rooms of my patients."

Napoleon appreciated the value of time when the sun was sinking upon Waterloo, and he thought that a little more time would retrieve his fortunes, and he pointed to the sinking sun and said, "What would I not give to this day possessed of the power of Joshua and enabled to retard thy march for two hours?" The good old woman appreciated the value of time when at ninety-three years of age she said, "The Judge of all the earth does not mean that I shall have any excuse for not being prepared to meet Him."

Voltaire, the blatant infidel, appreciated the value of time when in his dying moments he said to his doctor, "I will give you half of what I am worth if you will give me six months of life," and when told that he could not live six weeks he burst into tears and said, "Then I shall go to hell!" John Wesley appreciated the value of time when he stood on his steps watching for a delayed carriage to take him to an appointment, saying, "I have lost ten minutes forever." Lord Nelson appreciated the value of time when he said, "I owe everything in the world to being always a quarter of an hour beforehand."

A clockmaker in one of the old English towns appreciated the value of time when he put on the front of the town clock the words, "Now or when?" Mitchell, the astronomer, appreciated the value of time when he said, "I have been in the habit of calculating the value of a thousandth part of a second." That minister of the Gospel did not appreciate the value of time who, during a season of illness, instead of employing his time in useful reading or writing, wrote a silly religious romance, which in some unknown way came into the possession of the famous Joe Smith, who introduced the book as a divine revelation, which became the foundation of Mormonism, the most beastly abomination of all time.

They best appreciate the value of time whose Sabbaths have been wasted and whose opportunities of repentance and usefulness are all gone, and who have nothing left but memories, baleful and elegiac. They stand in the bleak September, with bare feet, on the sharp stubble of a reaped wheat field, crying, "The harvest is past!" And the cough of an autumnal equinox moans forth in echo, "The harvest is past!"

But do not let us get an impression from chronology that because the years of time have been so long in procession they are to go on forever. Matter is not eternal. No, no! If you watch half a day, or a whole day or two days, as I once did to see a military procession, you remember the last brigade, and the last regiment, and the last company finally passed on, and as we rose to go we said to each other, "It is all over."

So this mighty procession of earthly years will terminate. Just when I have no power to prognosticate, but science confirms the Bible prophecy that the earth cannot always last. Indeed there has been a fatality of worlds. The moon is merely the corpse of what it once was, and scientists have again and again gone up in their observatories to attend the deathbed of dying worlds, and have seen them cremated. So I am certain, both from the Word of God and science, that the world's chronology will sooner or later come to its last chapter.

The final century will arrive and pass on, and then will come the final decade, and then the final year, and the final month, and the final day. The last spring will swing its censer of apple blossoms and the last winter bank its snows. The last sunset will burn like Moscow and the last morning radiate the hills. The clocks will strike their last hour, and the watches will tick their last second. No incendiaries will be needed to run hither and yon with torches to set the world on fire.

Chemistry teaches us that there is a very inflammable element in water. While oxygen makes up a part of the water, the other part of the water is hydrogen, and that is very combustible. The oxygen drawn out from the water, the inflammable hydrogen will put instantly into conflagration the Hudsons and Savannahs and Mississippis and Rhines and Urals and Danubes, and Atlantic and Pacific and Indian and Mediterranean seas. And then the angel of God, descending from the throne, might put one foot on the surf of the sea and the other on the beach and cry to the four winds of heaven, "Time was, but time shall be no longer!" Yet, found in Christ, pardoned and sanctified, we shall welcome the day with more gladness than you ever welcomed a Christmas or New Year's morn.

When wrapt in fire the realms of ether glow
And heaven's last thunder shakes the earth below,
Thou, undismayed, shalt o'er the ruin smile
And light thy torch at nature's funeral pile.

THREE TROUBLES.

3 Three things which all workingmen know give the most trouble in their hard-strain work are: Sprains, Bruises, and Soreness.

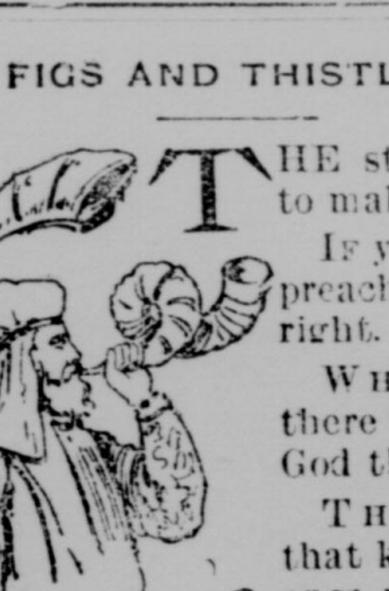
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IF you want to preach well, live right.

WHEREVER there is trust in God there is rest.

THE troubles that kill are the ones we borrow.

THE man who knows God knows how to watch and wait.

GOD never fails the man who faithfully speaks His truth.

NO MAN who is ruled by his feelings can travel in straight line.

THE man who tries to deceive God will not be true to anybody.

THE devil gets uneasy the moment a man finds out he is a sinner.

THE man who has Christ has everything God's law requires of him.

THE more mud the devil throws at a Christian the cleaner he looks.

THE money changers were in the temple when Christ was crucified.

UNTIL we have given ourselves to God we haven't given Him anything.

ABOUT the poorest man you can find is the rich man who never gives.

EVERY dollar a worldling makes is an unanswered prayer for happiness.

IF we had to be judged by one another nobody could ever go to Heaven.

NO MAN who tries to accumulate a great fortune has any mercy on himself.

ONE of the hardest things to do is to alarm the man who thinks he is safe.

IN getting riches we get a thousand other things that we didn't want to get.

IT is only when the Lord's forces are divided that the devil gains a victory.

NO MAN has any trouble in pleasing God who loves his neighbor as himself.

ONLY about one prayer in a thousand offered in church has any real meaning in it.

THE right kind of a good man is all the time telling somebody something about God.

FAITH can move mountains, but love only can make the desert blossom as the rose.

THE unchanging decree of God is that no drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of heaven.

IF the whole truth were known, the world would be full of people with hanging heads.

ONE trouble with the world is that so many people have more reputation than character.

IF men were not different in character God would not be able to manifest much of his grace.

THE right kind of a Christian character is something that the devil's mud won't stick to.

GOD has filled the world with things that we can see to tell us of things we cannot see.

THE love that men have for little sins is the same kind of love that devils have for big ones.

ABOUT the most foolish thing that can be done is to try to live a Christian life without religion.

Clothes may not make the man, but suits make the lawyer.

The heart writes its lines on the face.

Animals' View of Man.

Savage man, who has generally been first in contact with animals, is usually a hunter, and therefore an object of dislike to the other hunting animals, and of dread to the hunted. But civilized man, with his supply of bread and beef, is not necessarily a hunter, and it is just conceivable that he might be content to leave the animals in a newly discovered country unmolested, and condescend, when not better employed, to watch their attitude toward himself.

The impossible island in "The Swiss Family Robinson," in which half the animals of the two hemispheres were collected, would be an ideal place for such an experiment. But, unfortunately, uninhabited islands seldom contain more than a few species, and those generally birds or sea beasts; and in newly discovered game regions savage man has generally been before us with his arrow, spears and pitfalls. Some instances of the first contact of animals with man have been preserved in the accounts of the early voyages collected by Hakluyt and others, though the hungry navigators were generally intent on victualing the ships with the unsuspecting beasts and birds, or on noting those which would be useful commodities for "trafficke," than in cultivating friendly relations with the animal inhabitants of the newly discovered islands.—Popular Science Monthly.

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"And handsome, papa."

"Pooh, pooh, daughter."

"And honest and true, papa."

"Pooh, pooh, daughter."

"And well educated and bright, papa."

"Pooh, pooh, daughter."

"And of good family, papa."

"Pooh, pooh, daughter."

"And attentive to business, papa."

"Pooh, pooh, daughter."

"And he loves me, papa."

"Pooh, pooh, daughter."

"And I love him, papa."

"Pooh, pooh, daughter."

"And" (weeping) "I won't marry anybody else, papa."

"Pooh, pooh, daughter. Who asked you to? I didn't, I'm sure, for I'd rather see you married happily to Harry than to see you sold to the richest millionaire on earth."—Free Press.

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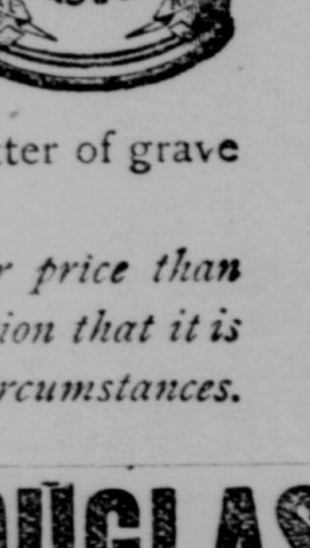
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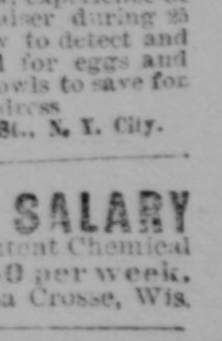
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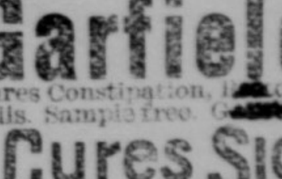
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