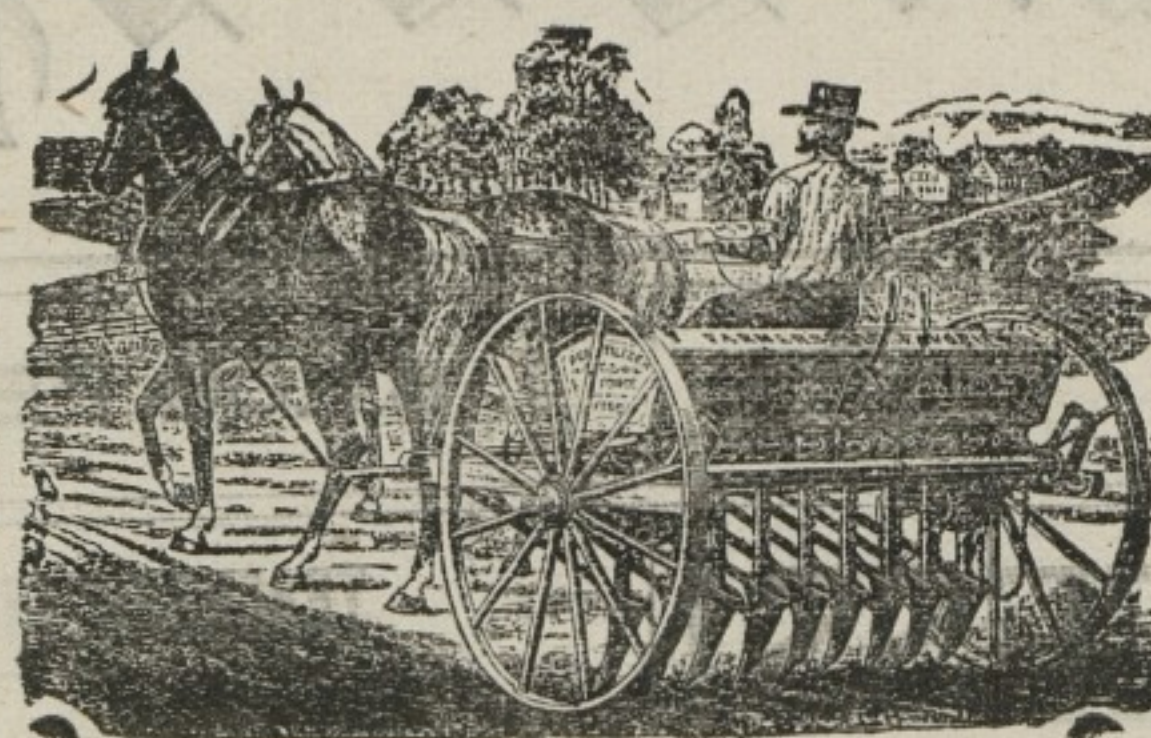


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THE BRAZEN SERPENT.

A new generation of Israel, one that had not been debased and corrupted by the servitude and idolatry of Egypt, but instead had enjoyed a Divine tutelage, and been inured by the hardships of the wilderness—such a nation was approaching the borders of Canaan.

One last order for their faith and patience remained to be endured. Between them and the land of promise lay Edom. Moses had sent a deputation requesting in most fraternal language the privilege of passing through, assuring the king that they would keep to his own highway, and not deploy through the country to the endangering of the fields and vineyards. As custom was, promise was made, in addition, to pay for the water used en route.

To this civil petition Israel got a church answer, a blank refusal, emphasized by warlike demonstrations. The Israel of forty years ago would have gotten angry on the instant, and, whether God willed it or not, would have undertaken to have forced a passage. But the generation bred in the wilderness was more docile.

But hope deferred, and the exceeding difficulty of the way—faint, arid, and sand-swept as it was—finally broke down the spirits even of the new Israel. They raised the old murmuring that ought to have died and been buried with their fathers. In their petulance they failed to mention its real cause; namely, the postponement of the entrance to Canaan, and fell to depreciating one of the greatest boons of providence—the manna, without which they would have long since perished.

Their punishment was by natural means. Their path lay through a track infested to this day with venomous serpents. At that day undecimated by the Bedouin, who, familiar with their traits and haunts, avoided them, they had bred in prodigious numbers. In these serpent dens the people, sullen and unwary, walked. The serried hosts in the rear, unaware of the subtle danger, pushed the foremost ranks forward, and made escape almost impossible.

The brief and pitiful record is, that "much people of Israel died." Their manner of death was shocking. They were quickly affected with a burning and raging thirst, accompanied with a fiery inflammation.

The promptness and genuineness of Israel's repentance is a mark of improvement in national character. There seems not to have been a single instance of wholesome contrition on the part of the former generation. Moses' intercession was apparently the only ground on which they were spared. But this generation frankly says: "We have sinned." "Pray for us."

The means provided for restoration were striking and significant. The supernatural character of the case did not admit of question. It was patent to all that there could be no natural connection between looking at a bronze snake, clinging to a pole set up in the midst of a camp, and allaying the deadly fever incident to the bite of a venomous reptile. Strange antidote for poison that! But the power of the Almighty was in that improbable means to all who had faith enough to look towards it.

Many looked, and instantly the deadly fever was allayed and an impending awful death averted. The mourning of the stricken camp was changed into rejoicing. The mercy and power of God were magnified.

THE TEACHER'S LANTERN.

The Crucified Serpent is the most striking type of the Old Testament. It had the form of that which destroyed Israel, yet the very means of salvation. So Jesus had the likeness of sinful flesh without having sin. It must needs be lifted up. So must the Son of man be. It required faith to look at the serpent. It takes the same to look at the Savior. The cure is instantaneous in both instances.

Sin is poison. It sets one on fire of hell. It produces a raging thirst. It blinds, deafens, burns, kills, and damns. Might as well talk of educating the venom of an asp out of a man as to talk of refining and culturing sin out of a sinner. It requires a supernatural antidote.

A heathen poet, Lucan, in Pharsalia, gives a vivid picture of the effects of poison on the physical nature. All unwittingly he gives a striking portrait of sin's deadly dealing with the soul: Aulus, a noble youth of Tyrrhene blood Who bore the standard or a dipas trod, Backward the wrathful serpent bent her head, And, fell with rage, the unheeded wrong repaid.

Scarcely did some little mark of hurt remain, And scarce he found some little sense of pain; Nor could he yet the danger doubt, nor fear That death with all its terrors threatened there.— When lo! unseen, the secret venom spreads, And every nobler part at once invades; Swift flames consume the marrow and the brain.

And the scorched entrails rage with burning pain, Upon his heart the thirsty poisons prey, And drain the sacred juice of life away.

A fate of different kind Nasidius found: A burning pester gave the deadly wound, And straight a sudden flame began to spread And paint his vestage with a glowing red— With swift expansion swells the bloated skin; Naught but an undistinguished mass is seen, While the fair human form lies lost within. The puffy poison spreads and heaves around, Till all the man is in the monster drowned.

It makes all the difference in the world which way we are headed, how we mind the road. A regiment charging the enemy in our late war was ordered to retreat. The men came back their mouths full of curses against the road, the roughness of which they had scarcely noticed while they were charging the enemy. Sand-storms, rocks, and drouth were nothing as long as Israel was fac-

soever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life."

WHEN YOU ARE MARRIED.

Since you are married, you may as well make the best of it.

2—So make some maxims and try to live up to them.

3—And don't be discouraged if you fail. You will fail, but perhaps you won't always fail.

4—Never both be cross at the same time. Wait your turn.

5—Never cease to be lovers. If you cease, some one else may begin.

6—You were gentlemen and lady before you were husband and wife. Don't forget it.

Keep yourself at your best. It is a compliment to your partner.

8—Keep your ideal high. You may miss it, but it is better to miss a high one than to hit a low one.

9—A blind love is a foolish love. Encourage the best.

10—Permanent mutual respect is necessary for a permanent mutual love.

11—The tight cord is the easiest to snap.

12—If you take liberties, be prepared to give them.

13—There is only one thing worse than quarrels in public. That is caresses.

14—Money is not essential to happiness, but happy people usually have enough.

15—So save some.

16—The easiest way of saving is to do without things.

17—If you can't you had better do without a wife.

18—The man who respects his wife does not turn her into a mendicant. Give her a purse of her own.

19—If you save, save at your own expense.

20—In all matters of money prepare always for the worst and hope for the best.—From "A Duet," by A. Conan Doyle.

A Strike And a Lockout.

He tried the door with his key, but the thing was locked on the inside, locked and bolted. And, just as he was about to apply the knocker, a voice, stern and admonitory, reached him from above.

"Hallo! Who are you? What do you want?"

"My dear," he called, "isn't that a trifle gratuitous? I want to come in. D'ye see?"

"Where have you been to this hour?" "Club, my darling. Been down discussing the strike."

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