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ROAD WORK.

The Maryland Geological Survey is preparing an unusually active season of work for the improvement of highways throughout the State. In order that the time of experts may be fully occupied for the most profitable results, the road engineer, Mr. A. N. Johnson, has recently addressed to the commissioners of all the counties of the State a circular letter requesting early communications from those who expect to apply for the Survey's assistance this year. The letter, explaining in itself why it has been written, follows:

For the past few years the Highway Division of the Maryland Geological Survey has afforded the officials of the counties of the State material assistance in the improvement of the public roads. Estimates of cost, plans and specifications for improvements have been drawn up for more than half of the counties.

This work has steadily increased so that during the past season it was necessary to delay some of the road construction until late in the season. This would not have occurred if the various boards of commissioners had sent their requests for examinations, surveys, estimates, etc., early in the season, so that everything could be ready for construction in time to finish the work before winter.

The spring is the best time to begin road work, and in order for everything to be ready it is necessary that the surveys be made just as soon as the weather permits. Your board, therefore, is urged to communicate at as early a date as possible any proposed improvement about which you desire the aid of this office. If this is not done it may be found that owing to previous requests received from other counties it will be necessary to delay your work so as to seriously interfere with its completion before the begining of another winter.

All assistance furnished by the Highway Division of the Maryland Geological Survey is free of any charge to the counties save actual field expenses while making a survey. Usually this cost does not exceed $10 per mile of road.

THE LOST SIXTEENTH OF A SECOND.

If one grain of sand on the shore of the ocean were lost, and scientists were to spend years in trying to find it, they would be attempting a task resembling that to which leading astronomers of England and France are now devoting themselves. One-sixteenth of a second is missing, and no one can tell where it is gone. Between the sun's time, as recorded at Greenwich and as understood at Paris, there is that brief and seemingly unimportant discrepancy. No expense is being spared to trace the missing fraction. A special building has been erected at Paris, costly instruments installed, a corps of mathematicians engaged, and a process that may take years to complete has been commenced. The inaccuracy is more important than will appear to the lay mind. Longitude is calculated on the basis of Greenwich time. It determines the boundaries of many countries. A slight variation of time may change the nationality of thousands of people. The pursuit of the missing fraction of a second is, therefore, of world wide importance. We shall all be much relieved when it has been found, for then not a grain of the sands of time will be missing.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

Don't keep the pigs too long. The first hundred pounds cost less to produce than any other hundred pounds. We should consult the constitutional limitations of the hog. It costs more to let him down from that limit than it did to raise him up to the limit. An interesting experiment was reported, when the speaker raised a hog to compete for a premium, which he had won regularly for several years. But the hog reached his constitutional limit a month before the annual fair and steadily lost ground each week after reaching this limit.

Fell asleep in Jesus, on February 15, 1903, SUSIE A., aged 17 years, beloved daughter of Sarah E. and the late Joseph L. Usilton.

Hour by hour I saw you fade
And slowly sink away.
Yet in my heart I often prayed
That you might longer stay.

Dear sister, how can I give you up
You whom I loved so well,
How can I drink this bitter cup
And say the word "farewell"

Jesus while our hearts are bleeding
O'er the spoils that death has won,
We would at this solemn meeting
Calmly say, "Thy will be done."

Though cast down we're not forsaken
Though afflicted, not alone,
Thou didst give and thou has't taken
Blessed Lord, "Thy will be done."

SISTER MAY.

In St. Marys county Md., KENT LEROY, son of W. H. and K. L. Dudley, died Feb. 15, 1903, of cerebral abscess.

"Safe in the arms of Jesus"
Safe on His gentle breast.

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PITHY SERMON

IN THE

SUNDAY "NEW YORK HERALD."

BY THE LATE REV. GEORGE H. HEPWORTH.

Make Your Own Heaven.

The kingdom of God is within you.—St. Luke, xvii., 21.

There can be no heaven without a heavenly frame of mind. Your environment is a mere detail in the problem of happiness, your mental attitude being the element of chief importance. If you are overcritical, oversuspicious, uncharitable in judgment, you would be miserable, and would deserve to be miserable, even though you were enveloped in eternal sunshine and lived amid tropical splendor. On the other hand, if you are generous with your sympathy, helpful because you find satisfaction in being so and have trained your eyes to look for the good rather than the evil in the world you will create the blessings for which you pray, and impart encouragement and hopefulness, even though the sunshine gives way to shadow and the air you breathe is misty with tears.

Each man is a little world, and he governs it as dictator. I had almost said that each man creates his own world, and in a certain sense this is true. Its prosperity, its contentment, its happiness depends, and I say this with all due reverence, more on himself than on God. My meaning is plain. God has supplied all the material for a successful career, and has done so with lavish affection. The mission of the man is to use this material and to use it in the right way. He can do so, or he may refuse to do so. He is, therefore master of his own destiny. He is like a workman to whom an architect has given the plan of a building which will shelter him from inevitable storms, and furnish him with everything necessary for its construction, but who must himself do the work. If he labors faithfully he will soon have a house in which he will rejoice and of which he may be proud, but if he does no work he will have no house, and when the tempest comes and he is unprepared for it he must not say that God's favoritism gives all to one and nothing to another, for it is his own fault that he is homeless. He has had the ability but not the inclination to provide for himself, and is simply reaping a crop from the seed which he planted with his own hand.

If you want heaven, therefore, you must make it for yourself. You can render life very hard and intolerable by thinking along the wrong lines, just, as a boatman makes his journey hard by pulling against the stream. He who has the habit of constantly complaining, who grumbles because things are awry, but does nothing to set them right, whose attitude toward life is that of the faultfinder, can no more be happy than he who gashes himself and then wonders why he is wounded.

The world is beautiful to him who looks for beauty, but nothing is beautiful to one who insists on sitting in the shadow and brooding over the ills from which he suffers. It is possible to be wretched in the most fortunate surroundings, and equally possible to be serene and blest in adversity and sorrow. The heart and mind are the magician who make or mar our lives, and the outlook of mind and heart is largely your own product. You can control them both to a very great extent.

There are some thoughts which it is as fatal to cherish as it is to swallow poison; some thoughts which produce spiritual indigestion, with all the painful consequences thereof. They are to be avoided as evil companions are to be avoided. You have no more right to indulge in them, in a world like this, provided as it is with every opportunity to grow godlike, than you have to make your home in a dark, damp cave on the mountain side and declare that your fate is hard and there is no sunshine anywhere.

I like to believe that I am captain of the ship in which I am sailing toward eternity. The digniiy, the grandeur of human nature, is worth thinking about. You are not driftwood, at the mercy of the current. You have the stars above you and even the stormy ocean is the pathway to heaven. Faith in God, His wisdom and love; faith in the Christ as the expounder of a philosophy of cheerful endurance and peaceful resignation; faith in the possibility of finding in all experiences a stepping stone to higher things; above all, faith in that immortality which will give back the lost and provide wider spheres of usefulness to the ever growing soul—these thoughts will make us wealthy in spite of our poverty and fill us with that serene joy which is sometimes hidden beneath a sorrow. They are pearls of great price, and they are within your reach if you will make an effort to possess them. You can darken or brighten your life by the standpoint from which you look at it. This life amounts to nothing unless you can see the loom of another life on the horizon line.

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DR. FULTON ON KISSING.

His Views On a New Virginia Law.

Dr. R. B. Ware has introduced a law in the Virginia Legislature to prohibit kissing. The Baltimore Sun collected the views of various public men in Baltimore on the subject, among which appeared the following from Dr. John S. Fulton.

Dr. John S. Fulton, secretary to the State Board of Health, gave the following practical and scientific answer to the question:

"A good deal depends on the kiss, the more intimate kisses being in all respects more dangerous. Much depends also on the ownership of the kisses. All kisses have a rightful owner, possibly two. There are undoubtedly poisonous kisses, such as those of diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles and whooping cough. But these kisses belong for the most part to little people, who are not likely to bestow them except upon their lawful creditors, who in their turn are either wise enough to avoid the kisses or else immune to their danger.

"The most dangerous kiss belongs to whole of life after the age of 12, but the dangers are well recognized and the world is of one mind to take the chances. The hazard of smallpox, diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles, whooping cough or tuberculosis may be absolutely neglected. There is a possibility of course that one may get any of these diseases through excessive kissing and it is even possible that just one most innocent-looking kiss might make a victim.

"The most alarming consequences of kissing do not be ong, however, to the realm of physical disease, but to the domain of psychology. In all sanitary work one must consider whether the handships of restriction will be outweighed by the resulting benefits, and in this point of view my judgment is that, even allowing the highest possible weight to the psychical and pathological shock of a kiss, these are not to be compared for a moment with the strain of privation. Dr. B. Ware can hardly be unaware of the difficulty of certifying the quality of a single kiss even for one day and date; yet he proposes that all kisses shall be accompanied by medical certificates.

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