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GOOD ROADS.

(From the "Gospel of Good Roads.")

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That night when Hubmire had finished his work at the barn, we sat together and smoked. I thought it was a good time to talk with Hubmire about the roads; so I suggested to him that he could do all his plowing and farm work with two horses, and that if there was a good hard road running down to the village he might do all his teaming without adding to that number; that he was now feeding five horses when two or three ought to be enough.

"Now don't," said Hubmire, "don't tell me I've got too many horses; I think I know a thing or two about farmin', and I tell you I hain't got horses enough. My bay team will haul a smashin' good load of hay to town any day, and that's all any man's team'll do. I tell you I ain't askin' for better roads than we've got right here in this township." Hubmire thinks a good deal of himself and is a hard man to convince. He never takes a drink at the town pump without first rinsing the dipper, inside and out, and in matters of argument he is just as cautious not to be contaminated by suspicious ideas. But I like Hubmire. We've had many a good day's hunt together in old times, and I've always found him a good companion and a humane sportsman. He is an honest man and a good husband, and there's always hope for a man like that.

So I kept up the fight. I said to him: "Hubmire, you are wrong. I know you keep good horses; there are none better in the country; everything about your farm is in the best condition, and there isn't a farmer in the country who has done more hard work in the last twenty years than you have done. Everything that you have found to be value to the farmer you have added to your possessions, and if I could show you that a good road is one thing necessary to improve your prosperity you would be the loudest preacher for improved roads in this State. In spite of all your hard work you are not clear of debt. There is a mortgage on your farm that draws interest night and day; it eats into your prosperity; there is someting wrong with you and with all your neighbors. Farming is no longer as prosperous as it was in times gone by. The population of our agricultural district is less than it was ten years ago; the mortgage indebtedness of American farms is increasing at the rate of about eight and a half millions of dollars per year, and the decrease in farm values since 1880 is estimated at $200,000,000. In the single state of Ohio this loss amounted to about $7 per acre for the entire State and there are other States where the proportion shows a still worse condition of affairs.

"The country is losing and the towns are gaining; the farmers are growing poorer; the government is growing richer. Every minute, night and day, the United States Government collects $178 more than it spends. Think of it. Ten thousand six hundred and eighty-six dollars per hour; $256,230 per day; $7,687,900 per month; $93,556,800 per year. Something is wrong. It is not so in other countries. I have been looking it up, and I have at home reports from more than twenty European countries relating to their internal affairs. In those countries the farmers prosper in about the same proportion that prosperity follows other lines of business; agriculture holds its own, and there is no more independent class of people in those countries than the farmers."

"Now, singularly enough, the most striking difference between these countries and ours is found in the condition of the country roads. With them communication is easy and quickly accomplished. Their governments, instead of rolling up and hoarding a ridiculous surplus, spends large sums in the building and repairing of the country roads. The result is that in Europe the farmers drive twenty to thirty miles from home to market with immense loads, in all kinds of weather at all the seasons of the year, and return home the same day. A European horse hauls twice as much as an American horse, simply because the roads are much better. He can visit his neighbors at any time; drive to town; make social calls and enjoys all the personal advantages of a resident in the city and still maintain the independence and pleasures of country life."

"Nonsense," said Hubmire, "I'd like to see the fairyland you're talking about. I have got five as good horses as ever pulled a strap, and I know how to take care of them. I don't drive to town excepting when the roads are good, and then, for hauling loads, my horses won't take a back seat for any man."

"Hubmire," said I, with some impatience, "I see we can never agree on this question till we settle one important difference. You say you never drive to town until the roads are good. Now, leaving out the fact that you are losing plenty of good time while you wait for the mud to dry up, just tell me what you call a good road."

"Well, said Hubmire, "any road is good enough for my horses when the mud begins to stiffen up so it will pack and roll under the wheel."

"Then let me tell you, Hubmire," said I, "that you don't know what a good road is. You never saw a good road in all your life. A good road has no mud to dry, roll or pack. It is made hard and stays hard and smooth at all times of the year, and when once made it is easier and cheaper to keep it in repair than any dirt road you ever saw." But Hubmire only smiled in his good-natured, doubting way, lighted his pipe and went out to do his evening chores.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

TOPICS FOR WEEK OF PRAYER

Monday, Jan. 4. Confession and Thanksgiving.—Confession: Of personal, social and national sin; of sectarian jealousy and rivalry. Thanksgiving: For united prayer; for the success of the Florence Conference and for all blessings spiritual and temporal.—Ps. 51; Dan. 9.3-19; Ps. 34; Eph. 1: 15-23.

Tuesday, Jan. 5, The Church Universal.—Praise: For the real unity of all believers, and the growing desire for its fuller manifestation. Prayer: For a larger comprehension of Christ, a more perfect love and loyalty to him, a more complete union with him and of his disciples in him; that ministers and all believers may be filled with the Holy Ghost.—John 17; Eph. 4:1-16; Acts 2:1-22.

Wednesday, Jan. 6, The Family and the Young.—Praise: For the gracious promises to the godly and their children and for the increasing number of young disciples. Prayer: For a deeper sense of sacredness of the family relation; for invalids and the aged; for sons, daughters and servants; for the consecration of sons to the ministry; for Sunday schools and all christian associations for young people; for public schools and all educational institutions. Ps. 128; Col. 3.16-25; Isa. 44: 1-4.

Thursday, January 7th, Nations and Their Rulers.—Praise: For the increasing influence of Christ in all human affairs. Prayer: For all in authority, that they apply the teachings of Christ to the problems of our times; for peace; for the absolution of the slave, opium and strong drink traffic and for all needed reforms—temperance, Sabbath, industrial, social and political; that the kingdom of this world may speedily become the kingdom of our Lord.—Ps. 67; Rom. 13:1-7; Isa. 2:4; Rev. 21:1-5; Rev. 22:1-4; Rev. 11:15-17.

Friday, Jan. 8, The Church Abroad.—Praise: For the increased preparation of the world for the gospel; for increasing number of those who have given themselves to the work of missions. Prayer: For a signal manifestation of the Holy Spirit's power; for the missionaries and native christians; for all who are persecuted for righteousness' sake and for liberty of conscience; for more co-operation; for an increase of intelligent interest in the salvation of the world.—Isa. 40:1 5; Joel 2:28-32; Matt. 5.10-12; John 4: 35 38.

Saturday, Jan. 9th, The Church at Home.—Praise: For a clearer recognition of need and a growing sense of responsibility. Prayer: For a larger apprehension of the mission of the church, to save not only the individual but also society, to purify all human institutions and relationships; for increased co-operation in behalf of city, country and frontier.—Isa. 65:17-25. Matt. 10:5-13; Luke 14:46-47.

COUNTY NEWS.

RUSHMORE RIPPLINGS.

Our little city is rather quiet since Christmas.

Rev. Mr. Triggs has gone to Minneapolis to regain his health as he is having a severe attack of the 'grip.

Miss Carrie Hovey spent Christmas at home returning Sunday.

J. D. Pettit went to Minneapolis Tuesday night, being summoned there by the death of his father.

W. J. Dougherty and bride are "at home" in their cosy residence in the park.

A large party of friends assembled at the residence of G. S. Mitchell to celebrate their tenth anniversary, and a very pleasant time was had among the tin and din.

Mabel Bryden is on the sick list.

Tilla Dahlberg is home on a visit.

Mrs. B. W. Kerr is visiting friends at Watertown, S. D.

Our lyceum was postponed on account of sickness.

DEWALD.

The rains in this month have been rather unusual for this country.

Mr. Hurd has been buying hogs and cattle in this vicinity.

Mr. Schinkel is pressing his hay with Mr. Sutherland's press. There is some threshing yet to do in this neighborhood,

Last Sunday Mr. Triggs was to have preached in the Boddy school house, but from some reason did not come.

Misses Richie Maxwell, Annie Moore and Rose Bass are at home for their for their holiday vacation.

Mr. Ely and family are occupying their new home on Sec. 13.

Pat Brady and wife have gone to Wisconsin for the winter.

Mr. Ager has sold quite a number of sheep lately.

On Monday, Dec. 21st while G. W. Cale, of Bloom was bringing grandpa Maxwell down to J. H. in crossing the prairie it being foggy, they lost their way and got two miles out of the way. It requires a skillful pilot to cross these bleak prairies where there is no track in fog. SEC. 12.

SEWARD.

The snow has covered the ground again.

Julius Nitsche received a telegram announcing the death of his father. Mr. Nitsche left on the first train, so as to be able to attend the funeral, to be held in Elkhart, Ind.

Some of our farmers haven't got their potatoes dug, but it will be needless to dig them now.

August Pfingston has his large barn all completed, and is enjoying the benefit this cold weather.

Daniel Worby is visiting his many relatives and friends in Dwight, Ill.

Wm. Mulhan and family will soon visit with friends in their old Kentucky home, which he has not seen for fourteen years. We wish them a happy visit and safe return.

Mr. Sooder left for Germany a few days ago, and will return in the spring with his bride.

The Christmas tree at the J. P. Vail school house was well attended and a pleasant time was the result.

We are sorry the surprise party at Mr. Thompson's was not more successful, but Calvin forgot to bring the girls.

We are informed that George Fillman has rented his farm and intends to move to his old home near Dwight, Ill. We regret the departure of Mr. Fillman, as he is one of our most esteemable citizens.

Your correspondent wishes all the readers of the ADVANCE a happy and prosperous New Year.

BREWSTER.

Christmas passed off very quietly, most of the people remaining at home having a good social time,

The revival meetings closed last Wednesday night, and we understand some good was done. Mr. Sulzer will be here this week, Friday evening, with a treat for the little ones, and promises plenty of presents for all those who may come.

Mr. W. O. Webber and family spent Christmas with Mrs. Geo Cunningham and enjoyed a regular old English dinner, and say the plum pudding could not be surpassed.

Mr. John McCarvel and his neice, Miss Mamie Beaton, are visiting friends in and near Boston, Mass.

Patrick McCarvel left Tuesday for Hartford, Conn., where he intends to make his future home.

P. Geyermann & Son received seven cars of coal this week with which they desire to supply the wants of their customers.

Mr. Frank Fairfield who had been to Minneapolis spending Christmas, returned Tuesday and the people were completely surprised at his being accompanied by his bride, formerly Miss Willa Newland, of Minneapolis. There many friends wish them a long and prosperous journey through life.

Mr. Rudolph Berreau, formerly of this place; now of St. Paul, visited his father last week, an enjoyable party was given in his honor Saturday evening and those who attended report a pleasant time.

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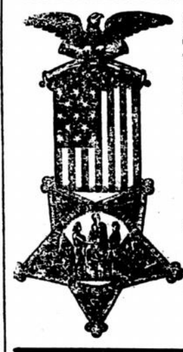

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