

MINISTER OF THE FUTURE

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speaks to the heart and conscience of the average man as one of them. His message is pervaded with the gospel of deliverance from sin through the grace of God in Jesus Christ, and with the summons to every sincere soul to help men to gain that deliverance. President Roosevelt is a preacher of a different type, but none the less a minister appealing to men to do what they know they ought to do and showing them how to do it. He has been often criticized as a rehearser of commonplace truths which no one denies. But his strength lies in making those undoubted truths pregnant in the souls of men because they are pregnant in his own.

"These two ministers at large are only conspicuous examples of many who are laboring up and down the land to hold up before men the divine ideal and to persuade and compel them to answer their inward aspiration to realize it. They help us to see that the ministry is not decaying, but only that provisional and unessential interpretations of it are fading away. The man who knows God and is inspired by love to men for what they may become as children of God is a prophet and belongs to the ministry of the future. Dr. Hall names five traits which distinguish the ideal minister—simplicity, unselfishness, humanity, hopefulness, reverence. As related to these characteristics he suggests the littleness of controversy over things unessential, the attractive power of worship in contrast with forms of entertainment too often substituted for it in plans to draw audiences to the house of God, and the absorbing impulse of the missionary motive to give a minister vision and power."

RIVERSIDE PARK ADDITION

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on the river front. The company has signed a contract with the Consumers company for the extension of water mains to the addition paying \$1,000 cash for the improvement. One of the features of the sale will be a free bungalow worth \$2,000 to some one of the buyers of lots, to be built in this city or Spokane. The sale begins tomorrow, when free excursions will be run to and from the city at 11 a. m. and 2 p. m. This is an opportunity to look the addition over without expense.

SIZING UP COLIN.

An Amusing Story of Keene's Great Two-year-old.

An amusing story is being told of Colin, James H. Keene's wonderful two-year-old, that has done such wonderful work on the track the past season. Early last spring Doc Street, who trains several of the castoffs of the Keene horses during the winter meeting at New Orleans, paid a visit to the Keene barn and looked the youngsters over. He was on the lookout for the best of the discards that James Howe was willing to dispose of. After inquiry he found that there was little or no chance to secure a bargain. Howe liked this, that and the other one and gave Street very little encouragement. After the inspection Street wended his way slowly and sadly to a friend's house, and when asked what prospects he had of obtaining several good breadwinners for the winter he said:

"The prospects are not very bright. I suppose about the only horse I'll get will be that fellow with the big hock. Just my luck. I can't get a horse to train that's worth more than a shilling."

Colin was the colt with the big hock.

Skirts Carry Mosquitoes.

Chief William Hill, expert mosquito fighter of the Baltimore health department, declares that thousands of mosquitoes are brought into the city by women in their skirts. He says: "If there's anything dangerous to be contracted and picked up, lovely woman will get it with her skirts. The city was nearly free of mosquitoes when I discovered that the latest crop of pests had been brought into town by women who chase about the country fields for daisies and jimson weeds and get their skirts full of mosquitoes. One woman with skirts of ordinary fullness can bring into town with her at least 2,000,000 mosquitoes, some alive and others in the embryonic state."

Danger in the Mosquito.

Speaking recently at the New York Academy of Medicine, Dr. Edward A. Ayers, a member of the faculty of the New York polytechnic, declared that the little pest commonly known as the mosquito is responsible for the death of 250,000 persons annually. The spread of at least five diseases, he said, may be traced directly to the mosquito.

The Flax Expert.

Parvenue (going over his estate with his steward)—The flax is very short this year. Seems to me they will only be able to make children's shirts with it.—Fliegende Blätter.

Laziness is the deadliest of all diseases, for the disease itself prevents one from taking the remedy.

Babies as Bait.

"Wot do ye think," said the sailor, "of usin' live babies for bait? We done it in Ceylon."

"Babies for bait? Fishing for shark?"

"No. Crocodile. Baby bait is the only thing for crocodile, and everybody uses it. Ye rent a baby down there for half a dollar a day. Of course," the sailor went on, "the thing ain't as cruel as it sounds. No harm ever comes to the babies, or else, of course, their mothers wouldn't rent 'em. The kid is simply sot on the soft mud bank of a crocodile stream and the hunter lays hid near him, a sure perfection. The crocodile is lazy. He basks in the sun in midstream. Nothin' will draw him in to shore where ye can pot him. But set a little fat naked baby on the bank and the crocodile soon rouses up. In he comes, a greedy look in his dull eyes, and then ye open fire. I have got as many as four crocodiles with one baby in a morning's fishin'. Some Cingalese women wot lives near good crocodile streams make as much as \$2 a week reg'lar out o' rentin' their babies for crocodile bait."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Has a Job Waiting.

"I hear you're getting to be a real sport," a veteran in that line remarked to a youthful acquaintance of the conservative sort recently married.

The young man repudiated any such intention.

"Just placed a little bet among the boys in the office, you know," he added. "Put in \$1.50 and won \$40 in a trifling pool."

"Well, that's a good beginning, anyhow," said the veteran. "You'll grow up after awhile. What did you do with the \$40—put it on the races or open wine?"

"Bought a ton of coal and a set of false teeth for my wife," was the reply.

When the veteran revived his young friend had disappeared.

"Gee," he soliloquized, "that's a new one in sport! If I win tomorrow guess I'll buy my mother-in-law a new cork leg and some darning cotton."—New York Globe.

Given Her Choice.

Little Harry's experience with death was limited to the decease of a fat canary which had been sent to a taxidermist and now adorned the parlor mantel.

His grandmother, of whom he was very fond, was taken suddenly ill. For some time after he learned of her condition he sat in a brown study. Then, as if coming to a sudden resolution, he tiptoed into the sickroom and, cautiously approaching the bed, fixed his serious big brown eyes upon his dear relative and said, with a little quiver in his voice:

"Say, grandma, if you die, which would you rather be—buried or stuffed? 'Cause if you're buried we can't see you no more, but if you're stuffed we can set you in the parlor." Grandma immediately began to mend.—London Scraps.

Matter of Fact.

A visitor from London found in a cafe at Rotterdam a Dutchman who had been about a bit and who spoke English perfectly well.

This Dutchman was smoking a china pipe of remarkable size and beauty, and the Londoner, an admirer and collector of such bric-a-brac, took the liberty to comment upon it.

"You could not stumble upon a pipe like that every day," said the Englishman.

The Dutchman took three or four whiffs at the pipe and then slowly removed it from his mouth.

"Certainly not without breaking it," he said, gravely.—London Chronicle.

Soft and Light.

A lady famed for her skill in cooking was entertaining a number of her friends at tea. Everything on the table was much admired, but the excellence of the sponge cake was especially the subject of remark.

"Oh," exclaimed one of the guests, "it is so beautifully soft and light! Do tell me where you got the recipe?"

"I am very glad," replied the hostess, "that you find it so soft and light. I made it out of my own head."—Illustrated Bits.

How It Affected Him.

Mrs. Myles—When are you coming to call on us?

Mrs. Styles—Oh, I really don't know! "But you said you'd come soon and bring your husband?"

"I know I did, and I asked him last night to come over, and he said he'd like to dream over it, and, do you know, dear, he had an awful nightmare last night!"—Yonkers Statesman.

Something Lacking.

"These big hotels are not so complete."

"What's lacking?"

"The express elevator gets you to the fifty-second floor all right, but there a half mile corridor confronts you and no cabs."—Montreal Star.

Had Heard It Before.

"She looks very young to have a grown daughter."

"Yes; she was just telling me—"

"I know. That she was married when she was just barely fifteen years old."—Pittsburg Post.

Didn't Affect Him.

Stella—Mrs. Jones wants a new coat because Mrs. Smith looks so well in one. Jack—Yes, but Jones won't sign a check merely because Smith looks so pretty when he is writing one.—Harper's Bazar.

It is sometimes advisable to employ a night watchman to look after men who are as honest as the day is long.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The World's Gypsies.

The gypsies have passed under a variety of names, arising either from their supposed original country or the callings and characteristics of the race. The old English Egyptian, the Spanish Gitanos and the Magyar Pharas nepek (Pharaoh's people) all point to an Egyptian origin. The Scandinavian Tatars identifies them with the Mongolian hordes which terrorized early Europe, while the French Bohemian suggests yet another country as their cradle.

As to the names bestowed by their supposed character, the Arab boldly calls them harami (a villain), the Dutchman heydens, or heathens, and the Persian takes his name from their complexion and dubs them karachi, or swarthy. A charter of William the Lion, as early as the twelfth century, mentions their Scotch name of tinklers, which is commonly supposed to be a corruption of tinker, although possibly the substitution of "t" for "x" has produced this form of the Italian Zingaro, one of the most widespread of gypsy appellations.—London Chronicle.

Regular Caller.

Pearl—What ever became of that young man you used to like so much, the one you called "plain, everyday Mr. Brown?"

Ruby—Oh, he is "plain, every night Mr. Brown" now.

Pearl—Indeed! How is that?

Ruby—Why, we are engaged.—Chicago News.

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