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Higher prices for meat also show that prosperity is again on the job.

Some automobilists are setting the football players a terrible example.

Surgeons begin to sit up and take notice at the first call for football teams.

This is the time to bring on your triplets and quadruplets. The census taker is on his way.

In moving, a little burlap will cover a multitude of things that do not concern the new neighbors.

If the world will only wait about a dozen years or so, the pole will be the great American summer resort.

If reckless chauffeurs cannot be made to slow down they should be given in jail a course of first aid to the injured.

One Long Island City man, aged 87, is the father of a newborn son. It is easy to guess who is the proudest man in the United States.

There has been an extraordinary influx of American visitors into Austria and Hungary this year; but the hotel-keepers know what to do about it.

The carrying of revolvers by boys of 16 is a practice which should be sternly repressed. Nobody is safe with deadly firearms in youthful irresponsible hands.

The county fair is one of those institutions which are perennial in their hold on the popular affections and which so-called modern improvements will never displace.

It is asserted that the czar's method of dealing with Finland is illegal, but as the czar is his own supreme court, there does not seem to be anything that Finland can do about it.

The Spanish treasure swindle is still in successful operation. The swindle is an old one, but apparently hale and vigorous, and with every prospect of reaching a green and profitable old age.

A New Jersey justice has decided that a man, at least in that state, cannot legally caress his wife against her will. But, then, what prudent and far-seeing man in any state would want to?

Trees are more a hindrance than a help to the aviators. Bleriot collided with one the other day. Golfers are also known to have serious objections to trees as blots on the landscape. But still the science of forestry will go on.

Already the long-distance weather prophets are at work on the coming winter. One of them predicts that the season will be long and severely cold. But until the goosebone man is heard from the country will really know little about the matter.

It may be that the unexplored fields of the upper air will prove as fertile for scientific research as the untraveled lands of the globe. Bleriot's aeroplane accident is attributed to the phenomenon of a boiling sea of air—a condition which suggests yet more strange phenomena to be revealed to the scientist who will work from an aeroplane.

Now a model reformatory in Delaware is under charges of gross cruelty to the inmates. The story is unpleasantly familiar and far too frequent. The details in this case are the same in kind and degree as usually shock the public, says the Baltimore American. The trouble appears to be everywhere the same old story of a board of directors who do not direct, and of irresponsible authority which naturally is abused.

Advices from Billings are to the effect that 5,000 homestead entries were filed in Montana during the first six months of the present year. Most of these lands are in the so-called "dry-farming" section of the state. Information concerning crop selection and cultivation which will be of incalculable value to dry farmers will be brought out at the Dry Farming congress to be held at Billings from the twenty-sixth to the twenty-eighth of October.

In the face of the unreserved good-will shown by distinguished Japanese gentlemen who are visiting this country with the purpose of extending business relations here, the warm expressions of regard for our people, the honor accorded to President Taft and the evident desire to strengthen friendly feeling between the nations the quietus should be put on the apprehensions of conflict in which the United States and Japan shall be involved. The "yellow peril" exists only in yellow imagination.

A British anti-slavery society wants to enlist the aid of America in abolishing slavery in European colonies in Africa. The general rule now appears to be "When in doubt, trouble or financial stress, turn to the United States."

Another unloaded gun has claimed its victim. The average household has but little use for firearms, and, furthermore, statistics will show that such weapons have done more toward the slaughter of innocents than in rebelling bugaboo burglars.

Blame Divided

Logical Solution of Divorce Problem

By FREDERIC G. PRESTON

HERE ARE various common causes of marital infelicity that lead ultimately to divorce, yet which are not always the immediate cause. Perhaps the most frequent cause is infatuation for some new object of affection, caused too often by the primary fault of the party who ultimately feels justified in asking for severance of the holy bonds. Taking too much for granted; neglect by one partner of the other's poverty; intemperance; too much fondness by the husband for the club or gaming resorts, or too much attention by the wife to social functions, whether in the higher or the lower spheres of life; parsimony on the part of the husband, or wastefulness and extravagance, or deficiency of tact on the part of the wife; selfishness, all breed indifference, if not repugnance, and the natural consequence is the injured or neglected wife seeks outside the family circle for comfort, affection or the means to provide for her fancies; or the injured husband seeks a congenial mate in pastures new.

It would be difficult to measure numerically, without a most elaborate statistical analysis; but experience of 25 years as a specialist in divorce practice leads me to the conclusion that the offender against the marriage vows and obligations, taking into account the remote as well as the proximate cause of divorce, is about as often the woman as the man.

There are many cases arising from marriages contracted too early in life, and even between parties of more maturity, with too short previous acquaintance; without due consideration of temperamental conditions, and neglect of proper investigation of antecedents, habits or financial conditions; but the almost universal rule is that marriages are contracted in sincerity and with an intention of fidelity to the sacred vows, and the aggravating cause of divorce is a matter of later development. It rarely happens that the marriage that follows divorce results unhappily, which is an indication that what in youth is mistaken for undying love is but a burning, blinding passion, which maturity and a practical experience in the prosaic realities of life learns to analyze in selecting a life partner.

Marriages, like funerals, need most of all the elimination of mawkish sentiment and the application of common-sense rules and herein is the logical solution of the divorce problem.

Frederic G. Preston

Harm in Knowing Things Too Well

By P. EVAN JONES

Very often folks get to know a thing so well that they don't have to think to remember it. Take, for instance, your home address. If you have been living in the same house in the same street for years your address gets easier and easier to recall. Except sometimes. It doesn't take the influence of liquor to make you forget, either. It merely is that you know it too well.

There was a man who was in the habit of writing letters to a girl and after a year or so he got to know her address by heart. One day, long after he started writing to her, he was addressing an envelope to the young woman, when suddenly he became suspicious of the number he had written. He read it aloud and tried other schemes of convincing himself. He wrote the same numbers on other sheets of paper, but they did not seem entirely right.

Eventually he had to go over to call on the girl, instead of writing, in order to satisfy himself that he still knew the address. His figures had been perfectly right, but the trouble was that he knew them too well. That sometimes occurs to a person giving an address in a store. It slips out so naturally that when by chance the shopman repeats "blank blanky-blankly street?" you begin to wonder if you have it right after all. And the first breath of suspicion kills your chances of remembering correctly. You simply have to go to the directory to verify the place you live in and naturally that leads to suspicions on the part of the shopkeeper.

Subsist on Natural Foods for Health

By EUGENE CHRISTIAN

I subsist entirely upon uncooked foods—that is to say, upon natural foods as nearly in their natural state as possible. I was led to adopt this diet because after many years' suffering and experimenting I found in order to make a science out of eating or establish a science of human nutrition, that it was necessary to partake of food, chemically speaking, in its natural or unchanged state.

The results have been a condition of perfect health gained from a condition of chronic invalidism.

I did not adopt uncooked foods because I had studiously thought out a great principle in nutrition, but because I was compelled to in order to put dietetics upon a scientific basis.

I believe that building up the human body and keeping it in perfect repair is the most important study among civilized people, and I believe this can be made a science. In order to make it a science we must have some starting place, some certainty which is the basis of all the sciences to begin with.

The reason no progress has been made in scientific dietetics during the last thousand years is because we have been led by appetite instead of hunger and have permitted the most uneducated, unlearned and unscientific classes to select and prepare our food.

Clergy Blamed for Neglect of Church

By HANNAH MORE KOHAUS

The churches would be full to overflowing if preachers would follow the injunctions of the Bible. The Bible says: "Heal the sick and comfort the sorrowing," but the ministers of to-day do not do it. If the members of congregations felt free to call on the preachers when they become ill or go to them in distress and sorrow, the church would mean much more to them than it does now. The trouble with most of us is that we are not broad enough. We should study not one thing but all things if we would be healthful, contented and happy.

Paul a Prisoner—The Shipwreck

Sunday School Lesson for Nov. 7, 1909
Specially Arranged for This Paper

LESSON TEXT.—Acts 27:27-38:10. Memory verses, 9, 10. GOLDEN TEXT.—"The Lord redeemeth the soul of his servants; and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate."—Ps. 34:22.

TIME.—Early in November, A. D. 60 or 61.

PLACE.—St. Paul's bay on the northeast shore of the island of Malta, in the Mediterranean sea, 150 miles southwest of the most southerly point of Italy.

SUGGESTION AND PRACTICAL THOUGHT. What the storm and wreck revealed as to the character of Paul, the missionary hero:

For nearly seven months we have been studying the character of Paul under a great variety of circumstances. We have found him conscientious, consecrated to God, devoted to the good and the salvation of his fellow men, energetic, wise, courageous, joyful, faithful, persevering, independent, unselfish, courteous, of strong feelings, but self-controlled, saintly and true. We have seen him chiefly in his missionary work.

In this storm and wreck we see him from another point of view, connected with bodily interests, physical needs, things pertaining to ordinary human life, as a man among men, not, as one has said, "a long-distance pastor," but in close touch with humanity.

I. The Manly Authority of a Tested Character.—Vs. 27-32. "The fourteenth night" (v. 27) from the time they left Fair Havens in Crete, when the storm began. "Driven up and down," tossed by the waves and "borne along" "in Adria," not the Adriatic sea, but the name then given to the central basin of the Mediterranean. "The shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country."

29. "They cast four anchors out of the stern." Anchoring from the stern is unusual, but much the best under the circumstances, for it would leave them free to sail to either shore when daylight came. During the dreary waiting, while they "wished for the day," the sailors tried to save themselves at the expense of all the rest by means of the boat, the one visible way of reaching the shore. But Paul, noticing the plan, appealed to the centurion and the soldiers to put a stop to it. The sailors had the boat, but the soldiers had the weapons and the power. Paul therefore appealed to the soldiers, for he saw clearly that (v. 31) "except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved," as had been promised. Those who went in the boat would doubtless be drowned, and even if they reached the shore, there were none left to manage the ship, especially if the officers of the ship were among those who planned so selfishly for their own safety.

The soldiers put an end to the plan by cutting the ropes and setting the boat adrift.

"Nothing was too good for Paul after that, and when at last the ship broke, and the roll call was made on land, every man, soldier, and sailor sang out cheerily, 'Here.' And when at last Paul got to Rome, Capt. Julius and his soldiers did not soon tire of telling to wife and child and sweet-heart how the little preacher had saved them from the angry deep."

II. Care for the Physical Comfort and Health of His Companions.—Vs. 33-38. "While the day was coming." As soon as it was light enough to find food. "Continued fasting," took no regular meals.

34. "I pray you take some meat," food: "for your health," safety, they would need to put their bodies in the best condition to give them the strength needed to reach the shore.

35. "He began to eat." To lead them on by his example, he himself did what he advised them to do.

36. "Then were they all of good cheer." "The hearty cheerfulness (is it too colloquial a phrase to say the 'pluck') of the apostle had communicated itself, as by a kind of electric sympathy, to his companions."

III. Paul Doing the Commonest Duties to Help his Companions.—Acts 28:1-6. 1. "They knew," recognized, "that the island was called Melita," now shortened into "Malta."

IV. Paul Healing the Sick.—Vs. 7-10. Publius, the governor of the island, living not far away, entertained the company for three days till they had time to make other arrangements.

The father of the governor lay critically sick of dysentery. Paul prayed for him and laid his hands on him, and healed him. This gave Paul an opportunity to preach the gospel. For Paul had no credentials that would be of use, and as a prisoner suspicion would be cast upon him. So that God himself gave him the best credentials by bestowing on him miraculous power. Paul healed many others; and as Christ's works of healing showed his kindness and love for men, and revealed the loving nature of our heavenly Father, so Paul's aid for the sick expressed the kindness of the gospel.

Casting Away Cares.

Treat cares as you treat sins. Hand them over to Jesus one by one as they occur. Commit them to him. Roll them upon him. Make them his. By an act of faith look to him, saying: "This, Lord, and this and this, I cannot bear. Thou hast taken my sins. Take my cares. I lay them upon thee and trust thee to do for me all, and more than all, I need. I will trust and be not afraid."—Rev. F. B. Meyer.

To low they build who build be seath the stars.—Young.

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Real Estate Bargains

The undersigned has a number of desirable town lots for sale in Colfax, Verda and other fast growing towns.

Also some splendid woodlands, good for farming purposes—both river and hill lands—will be sold on advantageous terms.

Some first-class farms for sale on the best of terms—river bottom lands or hill lands—on which the most liberal arrangements can be made for part cash, balance on time.

Parties having timber for sale should place it with me, as I am constantly in receipt of inquiries for timber of all kinds.

80. A bargain in 522 acres of pine woods land, about five miles southeast of Montgomery, close to railroad, the whole to be sold at the low figure of \$3 per acre. This land lies in two tracts, 301 and 221 acres respectively, and either of the tracts will be sold at \$3.25 per acre. Either of the tracts will be divided and sold at \$3.50 per acre cash, or on time at \$4 per acre, half cash, balance 1 and 2 years.

87. Forty acres, in four miles of Colfax, on Cold Branch, splendid never-failing cool drinking water, good for poultry or stock farm, 25 acres good level hill land, and about 15 acres in the bottom, only \$200 on easy terms.

88. Two hundred acres, good for poultry or stock farm, in three miles of Colfax, 110 acres in the hills, and about 90 acres in the bottom, will be sold in lots to suit purchasers, of one, two or more 40-acre tracts, at \$5.00 per acre, on easy terms, part cash, balance one and two years.

89. Desirable new house in town of Colfax, five rooms and commodious galleries, ceiling and nicely painted and finished, situated on 5 lots, 51x125 feet each, barn, woodshed and necessary outhouses, two tanks and underground cistern, situated in desirable portion of the town, will be sold for \$2700.

90. Desirable hill farm, 155 acres, 9 miles east of Colfax, 50 acres fenced, good well and spring branch, house with two rooms and gallery, two cotton houses and corn crib, 75 peach, apple and pear trees, price \$300, half cash, balance one year.

91. Desirable hill farm, 80 acres, 10 miles east of Colfax, 35 acres in cultivation, 21 acres hill land and about 14 acres splendid creek bottom, 2-room house with gallery, kitchen, smokehouse, double crib, barn, cotton house and syrup house, 3 good wells, 4 acres stubble cane, 100 assorted fruit trees and vineyard, price \$450, half cash, balance 1 and 2 years.

92. 240 acres, a desirable home, creek and hammock farm, 40 acres in cultivation, 160 acres black land, 80 acres hammock, in extreme northwest corner of Grant parish, in 12 miles of Winnfield, good 3-room house with gallery, kitchen and outhouses, 100 young fruit trees, fine well of water, splendid stock range, fine white oak, ash, gum hickory and walnut timber, all for \$2000, half cash, balance in 12 months.

93. 800 acres, fine cattle ranch and farm, S. Hopper & Son mill site at Stay, 440 acres inclosed with 2 plank and 3 wires, 30 acres in cultivation, good farm house, store building and other improvements, fine 4-inch pipe deep well supplying abundance of good water, and running creeks near by make it an ideal place for stock. Only \$3,150, one-third cash, balance 1 and 2 years. This is a fine investment, and I would be glad to arrange with several citizens to secure the proposition as a speculation.

94. 40 acres, some pine, oak, hickory and cypress, about 14 miles northeast of Colfax, will be sold for \$225 cash, or \$250 on time, \$100 cash, balance 1 and 2 years.

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