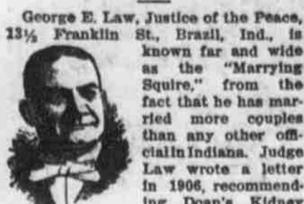


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Freddie's Impression.

This little boy attending Sunday school for the first time was greatly impressed by the teacher and the larger boys of the class.

Argument That Won.

Susie had been promised a pair of new slippers for Sunday. Anxious to have them at once she had tried in every way to persuade her mother to buy them for her and let her wear them to a children's party that was to be given on Wednesday.

Added a Saving Clause.

A good old deacon in Connecticut was very pious and very fond of clams. When once upon a time he attended a Rhode Island clam-bake he overtaxed his capacity and was sorely distressed.

Was a Lucky Day for England.

Admiral Nelson was the recipient of favoritism in the matter of his appointment to the British naval service. Nelson's father could not have afforded to send his son to Osborne.

NEW IDEA Helped Wis. Couple.

It doesn't pay to stick too closely to old notions of things. New ideas often lead to better health, success and happiness.

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Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

Philip and the Ethiopian

Special School Lesson for March 7, 1909

Specialty Arranged for This Paper

LESSON TEXT.—Acts. 8:26-38. Memory verses 28-31.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of me.—John 5:39.

TIME.—Summer of A. D. 26 or 27. Soon after the last lesson.

PLACE.—Where the road from Samaria to Gaza crosses or joins the road from Jerusalem to Gaza; in the uncultivated region southwest of Jerusalem, toward the old Philistine country.

Comment and Suggestive Thought.

Vs. 27, 28. "A man of Ethiopia." A general term for the lands south of Egypt. But from the name of Queen Candace it was probably Meroe, a country which lay on the right bank of the Nile from its junction with the Atbara, as far as Khartoum, and thence to the east of the blue Nile to the Abyssinian mountains.

Vs. 29, 30. "Was returning." Guided by Providence at exactly the right time, "Read" (was reading). "Esaiahs." Greek form of Isaiah. He was reading aloud as was the custom, so that Philip was able to hear it. It was a pleasant and profitable custom on long journeys.

Reading Aloud. "The great Jewish teachers insisted, in many instances, upon their scholars reading aloud." "I speak to the experience, probably, of many, when I say that utterance aloud is often a very powerful aid to mental retentiveness," says Joseph Parker. It is more than this, reading aloud helps us to understand the meaning of the Word. For in order to read well we must understand every shade of the meaning, or we will misinterpret God's Word.

Those who wish to know the truth take great pains and spare no expense to obtain it. Young people often say that it is hard to become interested in reading the Scriptures. But if anyone reads them in order to find out what to do, and what to believe, he will, of necessity, find a deep interest in the study, as one finds a map interesting when he is planning a journey, or a chart when he is crossing the ocean.

God is no respecter of persons. Twice Africans are brought to our notice—here, and when Simon the Cyrenian helped Jesus to bear his cross.

"As for the nationality of the Ethiopian," says Farrar, "it must be borne in mind that even Moses himself had once married an Ethiopian wife."

We can meet God and learn his will in the desert places of life, as Moses saw the burning bush, and Elijah heard the voice of God in the lonely places of Horeb, and Paul spent three years in the deserts of Arabia.

It is good to use every spare opportunity in studying and meditating on the Word of God. What we do with our spare moments often determines our characters even more than our daily labors do.

The books we choose and are familiar with, like our chosen friends, mold our characters and guide our destiny.

V. 29. "Then the Spirit said." The Spirit speaks not only to our feelings, but to our judgment and conscience. Whoever is perfectly willing to obey the voice of the Spirit will be guided aright. Prejudices, unwillingness to obey, past training or failure of training, in so far as we allow them to exert an influence, will lead us astray; as iron near the compass on a ship will deflect the guiding magnetic needle. "Join thyself to this chariot."

An excellent illustration is found in "Pilgrim's Progress," where Christian is wandering around in doubt, and meeting Evangelist is directed to the right way.

V. 35. "Then Philip . . . began at the same Scripture." Which was fulfilled in Jesus, and has been fulfilled in no other. "And preached," announced the glad tidings of Jesus. Philip showed the strange and marvelous correspondence between the many descriptions of the Messiah in the prophets and the then well-known life of Jesus of Nazareth.

The Progress of a Soul into the Kingdom. Compare with Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" as far as the Palace Beautiful, whence he was sent forth clothed in Christian armor.

1. He was deeply in earnest, and went on a long, dangerous, and costly journey to find the true religion.

2. He did this against many influences that held him back.

3. He went to the religious people and meetings where he thought he could learn about the true God and his service.

4. He read the Bible carefully to learn the way.

5. He was not discouraged because he did not find the light.

6. He accepted the help of one who knew the truth from experience.

7. As soon as he saw that Jesus was the true Saviour, he accepted him.

8. As soon as he felt he was a true disciple he desired to confess Christ by baptism, in the presence of his whole retinue. Confession strengthens the character and confirms the choice. Like Cortes, on landing on the Mexican shores, it burns the ships behind him. No better, no simpler, no more beautiful or expressive way of confessing Christ has ever been found, or even imagined, than that of baptism.

WESTERN CANADA'S SPLENDID CROP YIELD FOR 1908.

AMERICANS PROFITED LARGELY AND SEND BACK SATISFACTORY REPORTS.

The census branch of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, Canada, has completed its returns of the showing of Western Canada's grain yield for 1908, and the reports make very interesting reading.

In the three provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, which comprise what may be known as Central Canada, there was a total wheat yield of about 107,000,000 bushels, worth to the farmer about \$85,000,000; in addition to this the oat, barley and flax crops were worth another \$35,000,000.

Letters have been received from many of the settlers from the United States. From these, that of Rev. Oscar L. King has been selected. He lives in the vicinity of Edmonton, Alberta, and what he says will be of interest to those who contemplate moving to Central Canada.

Every line of the letter is interesting. Those who wish for the particulars as to how to secure homesteads and pre-emptions should write any Canadian Government agent. Mr. King says:

"Mr. M. V. McInnes, Detroit, Michigan: I am well satisfied with Alberta. This country offers excellent opportunities for anyone to make a good home for himself and family if he is willing to put up with a few hard knocks for the first two or three years. But it is worth a few hard knocks to get a 160-acre farm of rich, productive land with no mortgage on it. This province is well fitted for grains, stock raising and dairying. We have found the climate generally healthful, more healthful than Michigan, and although the thermometer sometimes drops to 40 degrees below zero in winter, yet we do not seem to feel that temperature any more than we did 5 or 10 degrees below zero in Michigan. We like the winters.

"The Government takes great interest in the education of the people and quickly aids the settlers in establishing schools where they are called for. The schools, though graded differently than those in the States, are efficient and advancing. Our great drawback has been the limited and inadequate railway facilities, but new roads are being rapidly built and many more are projected through various parts of the province. The new policy of the Alberta government to construct a great many branch lines throughout the province will greatly help all parts of the country. If those new settlers who have to go back a considerable distance from existing railroads and towns to find free homesteads will but locate along the line of a projected railroad they will in two or three years be near both town and railroad. When I first came to this country three and a half years ago the homestead I took was 75 miles from a railroad town; now there is a railroad 25 miles north, another 25 miles south, and a third is being built through my neighborhood.

"I think the prairie country or country that is partly prairie offers much better opportunities than the hilly portions."

In a Safe Place. "We have a man in this prison who never tried to escape," declared the head keeper.

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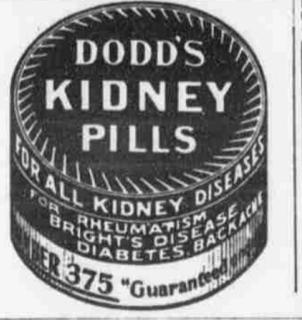
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