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B. Y. P. U.
 Of Peace River Association
 Which Meets at Wauchula, February 7, 8 and 9, 1902.

FRIDAY, 7:30 P. M.
 Preaching by Rev. J. L. Durrance.

SATURDAY, 9:30 A. M.
 1. Devotional services conducted by Rev. H. C. Peelman.

2. Call for letters, enrollment of delegates and appointment of committees.
 3. Song by Union.

4. Welcome address by Rev. E. L. Todd.
 5. Response, Rev. W. L. Mahon.

6. Select reading, by Miss Alice Heard.
 7. Quartette, Wauchula class.

8. Preaching, Rev. J. E. McIntosh.
 DINNER.

1:30 P. M.
 1. Song by the Union.

2. Recitation by Miss Josie Carr.
 3. Relation of B. Y. P. U. to the church, by C. W. McEwen.

4. Relation of B. Y. P. U. to the Sunday school, by C. J. Carlton.
 5. How shall the B. Y. P. U. conduct its finances? Discussion opened by J. E. McIntosh.

6. Song by Union.
 EVENING SESSION, 7:30 P. M.

1. Opening services by W. L. Mahon.
 2. Select reading by Miss Lula Wiggins.

3. Solo, by Miss Alma McEwen.
 4. The Advantages the present age presents to the young, by W. E. Lelander. Remarks.

5. Recitation by Miss Katie Honey.
 6. Special song, Wauchula class.
 7. Business session.

8. Dismissal.
 SUNDAY, 9:30 A. M.

1. Devotional services, by Rev. M. Stevens.
 2. Recitation, Miss Vera Canon.

3. Trio, Wauchula class.
 4. Recitation, selected, Miss Mary Ratliff.

5. Value of union in the development of Christian character, by C. C. Chollar.
 6. Song.

7. Preaching, by Rev. W. L. Mahon.
 DINNER.

1:30 P. M.
 1. Song, by the Union.

2. Solo, "Just for Today."
 3. How can the interest in the B. Y. P. U. be maintained? by Frank Horton.

4. The duty of the B. Y. P. U. to the pastor, by Mrs. J. L. Jones. Remarks.
 7 P. M.

Preaching by Rev. J. H. Tharp.
 AN OUTRAGE ON CONSUMERS

Is the Proposed Tax on Oleomargarine. Every newspaper in Florida should use its influence to defeat the proposed tax of ten cents a pound on oleomargarine, which is a pure food product—much better and healthier than the average so-called cow butter. I have been eating oleomargarine for years, and now prefer it to cow butter, unless it be first-class. I was driven to this first because of the nasty stuff on sale labelled "dairy butter," some of which is not fit for food in any way.

The pretence for the tax on the poor man's butter is false in its premises and conclusions. The manufacture of oleomargarine in no way conflicts with the dairy interests of the land; and in no way does it conflict with dairy interests of the South, for it is a well-known fact that we import thousands of pounds of butter annually from the North, and that we do not even make an approach to making enough for home consumption. Besides, we use much oleomargarine and our people like it. The proposed tax is an outrage. The powers that be might just as legally and lawfully tax cow butter, lard, or any other food product. The people should get up petitions and send to their members in Congress protesting against any tax whatever, not only on oleomargarine, but upon any food product whatever. Oleomargarine is butter, and it should no more be taxed than other butter. If the pure food commission wants something to do it should drive from sale the abominable stuff sold as cow butter, some of which is fit for axle-grease.
 J. H. D.

HIS ENGLISH FRIEND.

A Visit That Wrecked the Nerves of an American Host.

"I've been having the time of my life, I tell you," said the suburbanite gloomily to his city friend at lunch.
 "What's the matter? Pipes burst? Furnace won't work? Dog killing the neighbor's chickens?" asked the friend sympathetically, running through the list of the suburbanite's usual grievances.
 "No worse than that," sadly answered the first speaker. "I've been having an English friend visit me. It's years since I've been across the water, so one or two of his ways were a little strange. The worst of his doings was what has broken me up so. He went to bed the first night before the rest of us, and when I came along the corridor an hour or so later there were his shoes standing outside his door and frightfully muddy too."

"I looked at them in astonishment. Then I remembered the English custom of having the boy come up for the boots. We keep only two servants, you know, both women, and of course in the country you have to rub them the right way or they'll leave. I knew perfectly well that if I told either of those free and independent Irish women to clean the Englishman's shoes they'd be left servantless, and that would have been the death of my wife."

"I lifted the shoes gingerly by two fingers and carried them to my room. When I thought the servants must be asleep I crept down stairs and got to work with a brush. At every sound I would nearly jump out of my own boots and drop his. I fancied every moment that the girls would see my candle and give the alarm of burglars and that my friend would be taken ill and get up and find me brushing his shoes. Oh, I had a pretty time of it! He stayed a week, that Englishman, and what with loss of sleep and overstrained nerves I'm a wreck."

"Well, why on earth didn't you have the moral courage to—"
 "Moral courage! I'd like to see the man who'd have the moral courage to tell an English gentleman with a monocle that the ways of even well bred people in this country differ from those he's been accustomed to! My friend, you do not know the breed!" And he drowned his sorrows and braced his nerves with a second cup of unmarinated coffee.—New York Tribune.

The Best Telephoned City.
 What is the best telephoned city in the world? San Francisco seems to be the answer. In that city, with a population of 342,782, there are 21,324 telephones, or sixty-two per thousand.

In Europe, Copenhagen is probably the best telephoned city, with 15,311 telephones to its 312,850 of population, equal to forty-nine per thousand. In Copenhagen, too, the best conditions for the public exist, although the rates are relatively as high as those in American cities. London compares very unfavorably with these figures. At the beginning of this year there were 41,111 telephones to a population of more than 5,600,000, or a proportion of seven to every thousand people. New York, with a population of 2,350,000, had 54,647 instruments, or twenty-six to a thousand.

Husbands' Motto a Bible Verse.
 The Husbands' Protection society of London has as its motto the Bible verse found in what is known as the Wife Beater's Bible, published in 1540, copies of which may be found in many museums and libraries. This verse is as follows:
 "He dwelleth with his wife according to his knowledge and taketh her as a necessary helper and not as a bond servant or a bond slave. And if she be not obedient and helpful to him he endeavoureth to beate the fear of God into her head: that thereby she may be compelled to learne her dutie and to do it."—London News.

When the Rod Was Not Spared.
 The change of thought and conditions of mankind is no better illustrated than by the history of the rod. In an article on the morals of the child by Dr. Grace Peckham Murray there is mention made of a Subanian schoolmaster who during his fifty-one years of superintendence of a large school had given 911,500 canings, 121,000 floggings, 309,000 cuttings, 150,000 tips with the ruler, 10,200 boxes on the ear and 22,700 tucks by the heart.—Delineator.

No Joking Matter.
 "Joakemith, it appears, is married and has gone to housekeeping."
 "Not at all. What made you think so?"
 "He's been writing so many jokes about servant girls lately he must have had some experience with them."
 "Nonsense! If he'd had such experience, he wouldn't joke about it."

Warded Off.
 Mr. Phoxy—Did you send the Borems a card for our musicale?
 Mrs. Phoxy—Yes. How could I get out of it?
 Mr. Phoxy—I'll tell Borems that Jenks is coming. Borems owes him money.

"He, what is a philosopher?"
 "A philosopher, Jimmy, is a man who thinks he has got through being a fool."—Motherhood.

Warm hearted persons are not the ones who complain that this is a cold, cold world.—National Magazine.

Young folks grow most when they are in love. It increases their sight wonderfully.

Thousands Sent to Jail.
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FOOLING THE EXPERTS.

Experience of a Man Who Bought a Diamond Brooch.

"I am convinced that few people know anything about diamonds, no matter how much they may pose as experts," said a young business man the other day. "A recent experience of mine has forced me to this conclusion. I bought for my wife a brooch containing a cluster of diamonds and took occasion to show it to several of my friends at the club. They examined it very closely, looked wise and then started to show me where my judgment had been set at fault. Every man in the crowd seemed to be a diamond expert. By the time they had got through I really felt as though I had been lunked and was considerably depressed."

"Next day I got to thinking the matter all over and came to the conclusion that my friends had been talking of something they knew nothing about. At any rate, I determined to make a test. I went to one of those imitation diamond stores and for 50 cents bought a brooch, which I placed in the box that had formerly contained the real one."

"Again I went to the club and announced to my critical friends that I had taken their collective advice and by paying an extra \$50 had exchanged the brooch in which they had picked so many flaws. They all agreed that the fifty cent bauble which I showed them was a great improvement over the other, and when I told them of the trick I had played on them they wouldn't believe me. To a man they contended that they couldn't be fooled on diamonds."

"Now I feel better satisfied with my purchase."—Philadelphia Record.

Wycliffe's Bible.
 The first complete translation of the Bible into the English tongue was effected by John Wycliffe about 1380. This was the Lollard's Bible, and a large number of manuscript copies must have been written and circulated, for 170 copies are still in existence. There were also many transcripts of certain books as well as of the whole Bible. Wycliffe could not go to the original texts, so he translated from the Vulgate, or accepted Latin version. It was not a perfect performance, but the reformer was prevented by death from revising it, as he doubtless intended to do.

The revision, therefore, was undertaken by John Purvey and completed in 1388. It is curious that the whole of Wycliffe's Bible was not printed as one book until 1850, when it was published under the editorial care of the Rev. Josiah Forshall and Sir Frederic Madden.

There's a Cure for Every Ailment.
 There's a cure for every ailment in Washington who believes that the art of healing is a "gift" not to be acquired. A friend who knew his point of view recently attempted to draw him out.
 "You say you're a natural doctor, Uncle Enos. Now, what would you recommend in a case of ague?"
 Uncle Enos leaned on his broom in silence for a moment lost in thought, but when he spoke it was with the calm assurance of an oracle.

"De best medicine for de ague would be an efflorescent powder to puff out de skin an' hit it off de bones. When de skin is drawn tight over de bones an' de ague begins to shrink it, de bones jes' natchally painful an' acheful, sah. But de efflorescent powder fitz an' fizes inside an' puff out de skin an' obblivate de difficulty in a shot time, sah."

Women and Seasickness.
 Men are less subject to seasickness than women, according to an old sea captain, but when attacked by it make more fun. They take immediately to their berths, where they grumble and groan until they are well enough to go on deck again.
 A woman fights the unpleasant malady until she can fight no longer. Then she becomes maudlin and pathetic. She retires to her room and invariably asks three questions—first, whether people die of seasickness; then, how many miles we are from shore, and when we shall get over. The doctor is always talked over. When the patient gets so ill that she lies on her side and cries by the hour.—London Doctor.

She Was Fat.
 The small boy had been warned by his nurse as to the awful result of biting his nails.
 "If you bite your nails," she said, "you will swell out like an air balloon and burst."
 The small boy believed, took heed and didn't bite his nails any more. The small boy went to a children's party, where he stood and gazed at the hostess for some minutes in silence. Then he spoke.
 "You bite your nails," he said.

Making It Easier to Bear.
 "Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkin, "do the baby's cries annoy you?"
 "Terribly."
 "Well, I'll tell you what to do: Make believe baby is at a game of baseball and has just seen a home run."—Exchange.

Absolutely Original.
 "Ah," said the great singer, "I have hit on a plan which will indeed bring me distinction."
 "What is it?" asked a friend.
 "I shall make a firewell tour, and— I shall not go back."—Answers.

He Kept His Leg.
 Twelve years ago J. W. Sullivan, of Hartford, Conn., scratched his leg with a rusty wire. Inflammation and blood poisoning set in. For two years he suffered intensely. Then the best doctors urged amputation.
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THE HABIT OF GIVING.

Governor E. D. Morgan's First Taste of Real Happiness.

To the present generation the name of Governor E. D. Morgan of New York is scarcely more than a dim echo from the pages of history, but there are men still living who remember him as one of the group of great war governors whose firmness and courage served their country so magnificently in her darkest hour. It was one who so remembered him who told this incident:

Governor Morgan was a very rich man, but until he was seventy years old he never had given away any of his wealth. Then one day he sent for his old friend, Dr. Adams, the president of Union Theological seminary, and told him that he wished to give a large sum of money to the college. The doctor, almost incredulous at first, was soon convinced of the sincerity of the offer, and a time was set at which he was to go and get the bonds.

At the appointed hour the doctor appeared, and bonds to the value of more than \$200,000 were put into his hands. The governor stood and watched until the doctor's carriage was out of sight. Afterward he spoke of it to another friend.

"I am an old man," he said. "I have had a successful life and done about all that I had planned to do, and I supposed that I had been happy. But I know now that until I stood and watched Dr. Adams drive away with those bonds I never had known what happiness was. I cannot regret too deeply that early in life I did not form the habit of giving."—Youth's Companion.

The Will of Noah and Jacob.
 The origin of testaments is lost in obscurity, but doubtless they followed soon after the first institution of private property. Eusebius says that Noah made a will soon after the flood where he disposed of the whole world. He was certainly possessed of a considerable landed estate, but Eusebius' story of the testament in writing and witnessed under his seal needs confirmation.

In the forty-eighth chapter of Genesis, however, we do find mention of a will, wherein Jacob bequeathed to his sons Joseph twice as much as to his other children. This was not a testament in writing, but a verbal or nuncupative testament, declared by the testator "in extremis" before witnesses and depending upon oral testimony.

Such nuncupative testaments were at one time recognized in English law, but in the eighteenth century, Blackstone says, they had fallen into disuse and were hardly ever heard of.

Weighing Machines.
 Weighing machines and scales of some kind were in use 1800 B. C., for it is said that Abraham at that time "weighed out" 400 shekels of silver, current money, with the merchant to Ephron, the Hittite, as payment for a piece of land, including the cave and all the standing timber "in the field and in the fence." This is said to be the earliest transfer of land of which any record survives and that the payment was made in the presence of witnesses.

The original form of the weighing scale was probably a bar suspended from the middle, with a board or shell suspended from each end, one to contain the weight, the other to contain the matter to be weighed. The steelyard was probably so called from the material of which it was made and from its former length. It is also known as the Roman balance and is of great antiquity.

Cursing Siberian Natives.
 When compelled to travel all night, the Siberian native always makes a practice of stopping just before sunrise and allowing their dogs to go to sleep. They argue that if the dog goes to sleep while it is yet dark and wakes up in an hour and finds the sun shining he will suppose that he has had a full night's rest and will travel all day without thinking of being tired. One or even two hours' sleep at any other time is perfectly useless, as the dogs will be uncontrollable from that time forward until they are permitted to take what they think a full allowance of sleep.

Folletemen in the Blood.
 A writer in Knowledge thus denounces certain wandering cells found in the healthy human body which destroy harmful microbes introduced into the system. "The tonsils, for example, are crowded with these guardian cells." The scene under the microscope when protective cells are introduced into a lively culture of typhoid bacilli is described as very striking, irresistibly bringing before the imagination "the fierce struggle which goes on when disease germs invade the body."

Neither Better Than the Other.
 "This dollar" began the cashier of the restaurant as he scrutinized the coin.
 "Is had, eh?" interrupted the poor looking patron.
 "Well, it doesn't look very good."
 "That so? Just bite it, and it'll be anything like the dinner I had 'til taste even worse than it looks."—Catholic Standard and Times.

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 Presbyterian—Rev. C. H. Ferran, pastor. Services second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday afternoon at 9:30.
 Methodist—Rev. H. W. Joiner, pastor. Services at 7 p. m. every Sunday and at 11 a. m. on the first and third Sundays at the Punta Gorda church; Sunday-school every Sunday 10 a. m.; prayer meeting Wednesday evening of each week. Epworth League meets every Sunday 3:30 p. m. Charlotte Harbor Methodist church—Services at 7 p. m. on second and fourth Sundays and at 7 p. m. on Saturdays previous.
 Punta Gorda Baptist Church—Rev. J. E. McIntosh, pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Tuesday night.
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Masonic—Punta Gorda Lodge No. 115, F. & A. M. Meets on Friday before second Saturday of each month in Masonic hall, J. M. Samuel, W. M. R. L. Earnest, Sec.
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