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## PLEASANT FIELDS OF HOLY WRIT

Save for my daily range  
Among the pleasant fields of Holy Writ,  
I might despair.  
—Tennyson

### International Sunday - School Lesson.

Second Quarter, Lesson III, April 20.  
Acts X, 34-41.

#### PETER AND CORNELIUS.

When that centurion of the proud Cornelian gens received his latest Cornelian assignment, he may have commiserated the ill-luck that cast his lot among the offensive and turbulent Jews. How little could he discern in it the leading of Providence! Military service among the Jewish hills was God's way for him into the kingdom. His faith in Roman mythology, already shaken, grasps most gratefully Hebrew monotheism, and is still further prepared to receive the doctrine of the cross.

The humility and moral earnestness of this imperial captain is put to the severest test imaginable. He is asked to send for a Galilean peasant amid the disgusting sights and evil odors of a tanner's house, and such an uncanny source obtain instruction concerning his supreme interests. That was a worse ordeal than a Methodist "mourners' bench." The seeker shows his downright sincerity by not cavilling or delaying. Scarcely is the angel gone before his trusty servants are on their way to Joppa.

The Galilean stood in an imperative need of preparation for his share in the transaction as the Romans. Racial and religious prejudices to be overcome. Peter proved as humble and morally earnest as Cornelius, and was soon on his way to Caesarea, alert for the faintest hint of the Divine will.

Cornelius was not plying his investigations in either Hebrewism or Christianity clandestinely or selfishly. When he had obtained a sure footing upon some new height, he was not content until he had drawn as many of his friends and kinsmen as possible up to his own altitude. He has a house full of them now. They are sitting in subdued expectancy, waiting the rising of the Sun of righteousness upon their hearts. Cornelius describes their state of mind when he says: "Now, therefore, are we all here present before God to hear all things that are commanded thee of God," "a beautiful description of entire preparedness to receive the expected Divine teaching." Some one says it is "a sentence worthy of being written over every pulpit in Christendom." Would it describe or condemn the average congregation of to-day?

Peter, in his exordium, confesses his late perception of what was Justice's very self that God who is Justice's true self can not be swayed by the mere accidents of birth and environment, but only in response to personal qualities of heart will bestow his favor. He rehearses the facts of gospel history, with which his auditors must probably be somewhat acquainted. It is likely we have here but the faintest outline of a sermon that may have consumed considerable time in its delivery. As Peter, at length, reached the very core of the gospel, the forgiveness of sins through the ineffable Name, their hearts, all tender and trustful, receive at once both gift and Giver. Instantly there is a sound which Peter could not fail to recognize. The radiant Shekinah is there.

It separates into tongues, one of which rests upon each Gentile. "The Pentecost of the Gentiles" is come.

The old proverb, "What God does, is well done," never had a better exemplification than in the manner Providence took to rid the Church of its prejudice, break down "the middle wall of partition," and prepare for the unrestricted admission of the Gentile.

Paul was no favorite of the Jewish-Christian faction. They suspected, disliked him. Had he been forward at this time in this matter, rupture and schism would have been inevitable. Paul afterward conserved, by his appeal to the council at Jerusalem and the invincible logic of his epistles, the fruits of a Providential intervention. Philip, the evangelist, was a resident of Caesarea, a neighbor of Cornelius; but he lacked the prestige of the apostolate. Peter, on the other hand—the true "apostle of the circumcision," most authoritative, above suspicion of any possibility of betraying Judaism—to Peter the all significant "vision came." "He was God's best man for the hour." Again, the conspicuous candidate for full and immediate admission into the Christian church without submission to the Hebrew rite was admirably chosen—a man at once openhearted and openhanded; "of good report among all the nation of the Jews;" so much of a Jew and so much of a Gentile as to form a connecting link, between both people.

The place where this transcendent scene was to be enacted was as fittingly chosen as the human instrument and subject: Caesarea, the superb foreign city on Hebrew soil, the political, the very citadel of Gentileism. The time, too, was as apt. The ten years of comparatively fruitless toil among the Gentiles must have begun to convince the Church that the world would never accept the gospel plus Judaism, circumcision, and all. The cruel murder of Stephen had helped to prove the spirit of Judaism and Christianity irreconcilable. The conversion of the Ethiopian and all Samaria flashed upon the Jewish-Christian consciousness the truth that God was no respecter of persons, and that Jew and Gentile were fellow-heirs, share and share alike, to the inheritance of grace.

Providence takes the irrepressible and perplexing problem of the status of the Jew and Gentile toward Judaism and Christianity. He gives an unmistakable formula for its solution in every instance. As Cornelius and his companions, circumcised Gentiles, had received a Pentecostal effusion precisely like that which the Jewish disciples had received, the distinction of Jew and Gentile was evidently abolished. Henceforth it was undoubtedly the divine will that the Gentile should become a Christian without first becoming a Jew. So a partition more impenetrable than China's famed wall melted away.

WANTS TO HELP OTHERS. "I had stomach trouble all my life," says Edw. Mehler, proprietor of the Union Bottling Works, Erie, Pa., "and tried all kinds of remedies, went to several doctors and spent considerable money trying to get a moment's peace. Finally I read of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and have been taking it to my great satisfaction. I never found its equal for stomach trouble and gladly recommend it in hope that I may help other sufferers." Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cures all stomach troubles. You don't have to diet. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat. H. L. Jones.

### Southeast Missouri News.

Morehouse is to have a \$1,200 Methodist church.

Ste. Genevieve is to have a new bank building which is to cost \$1,836.

N. C. Chasteen was again nominated representative of Stoddard county at the primary held there April 5.

W. S. Randall has been appointed postmaster at Poplar Bluff and ex-Postmaster Lederer has moved to St. Louis.

The democratic convention held in Wayne county April 7, gave Judge Fox 29 votes and Judge Fort 7 for supreme judge.

Senator G. T. Lee received a car-load of seed corn from the St. Louis Merchants exchange for distribution among drought sufferers.—Current Local.

Last week we stated the Marble Hill Times had purchased the Press. We should have said the Press had bought the Times. The two offices will be consolidated.

The title to over one hundred thousand acres of land in Stoddard county has been declared void by a recent decision of the supreme court. The land was school property and should not have been transferred.

The directors of the Carter County bank declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent on the amount of capital stock paid in, which is a very good showing for a young bank just starting in business.—Current Local.

Prof. A. D. Simpson was re-elected last week as superintendent of the Charleston public schools at a salary of \$90 per month. Prof. H. D. Elam, colored, was also retained for next year. He receives \$109 a month. Out of this amount he employs two assistants.

A fine private car for the use of Vice President E. F. Blomeyer of the St. Louis, Memphis & Southeastern railroad was received yesterday. It is a parlor, dining room and sleeping car combined. This car is named "Poplar Bluff." Newman Erb is having a car built for his own private use that will be as fine as any car in the country. Mr. Erb will call his car the "Cape Girardeau."—Cape Democrat.

Hon. Moses Whybark was here Monday night on his way home at Marble Hill, from Pemiscot county. He stopped over to hear the Taylor lecture, and was well repaid for the stop. Mr. Whybark is one of the best lawyers in the state, and he is the most prominent republican candidate for nomination for judge of the supreme court. He made the first republican speech ever delivered in Kennett, in 1858.—Dunklin Democrat.

Agent Jenkins who had charge of the office at Puxico, on the St. L., M. & S. E., committed suicide in the depot at that place Sunday afternoon by taking poison. Jenkins was from Kansas City and had been in charge of the office but three days before he committed his rash deed. He is reported to have been about 45 years of age and addicted to hard drinking. No cause was assigned as the reason of his self-destruction.—Dexter Messenger.

Southeast Missouri is the coming section of this country, says the DeSoto Press. Even the most enthusiastic of her citizens have not realized until lately the possibilities that exist in this part of the state. All over this section new railroads are opening up territory and bringing the people in closer touch with commercial centers. Eastern capital is being invested here. Land values are advancing and everywhere the keynote of progress is dominant. Missouri is as yet in the infancy of her development so far as her natural resources are concerned. Within a few years she will rival any of the states in wealth and the eyes of the world will be centered upon her.

### The Hired Man.

As I am a hired man and read the Special Farmers' Institute I want to have the space in the "Aftermath" to take exception to my friend Mr. G. S. Kemp, of Stanberry, Mo. He says in his part of the world the farmers have the fashion to denounce trust and combines, but if he knows no more of trust and combines than he does of the difference between a buggy and a carriage he certainly does not know much. He says the hired man, with a few exceptions, is a failure, mostly unfortunates and a class of run-away-from-home boys who are entitled to very little respect from any one. He certainly casts a slur on ninety-nine out of every hundred of the hired men of our country, for as a rule they are respectable men. The man that owns the farm and house in which I am writing is the owner of 200 acres of land, started sixteen years ago as a hired man and to-day is worth \$10,000. Another man owns 320 acres of as good land as can be found in central Iowa, herds of cattle can be seen in his fields, and two carloads of cattle and hogs in his feed yard, everything he has being free from debt, with a large share in a state bank in central Iowa. This man worked as a hired man twenty-five years ago, and to-day is worth \$40,000. I do not call such men failures. I could name scores of others. When you speak of run-away-from-home boys, my mind goes back to history. Benjamin Franklin, the philosopher and statesman, was such a boy. His renown was spread over the whole civilized world and honors were heaped upon him; he was a run-away-from-home boy but he stood before kings. Mr. Kemp says he has had hired men go to sleep in the field; maybe he didn't give them time to sleep at the house, but by his article I got the idea that he begrudged them their presence at the table. He speaks of the hired man pulling in at 3 o'clock in the morning, but failed to state which he pulled in, a carriage or a catfish. He speaks of scouring the country for another man; maybe the country needs cleaning. He speaks of the green Irish or German not knowing much. Now who ever heard of a green Irishman or German? I do not believe this man could get a noble Irishman or a stalwart German to work for him at any price, for I believe they know too much to work for such a man. I believe "Agricola" would just as soon eat at the table with a hired man as with a king.—Live Stock Indicator.

### Who Edits the Progress?

Prof. G. S. Summers went to Charleston Monday on business. Miss Alice Vinyard taught his room during his absence.—Jackson Herald.

Who taught the pupils?—Progress. If the Progress editor will answer these questions he will know who taught the pupils and will probably know the figure of speech used.

The court adjourned. What did the members of the court do? The legislature made an appropriation. What did the men who composed the legislature do?

The Cape is republican. What are the people who compose the Cape?

The city council met. What did the people that compose the council do?

Joan A. Mott, of New Madrid county, has been circuit clerk for more than thirty years, and is a candidate for re-election. "Uncle John" is a stayer, and if he lived in this county his reputation as such would undoubtedly gain him the support of one newspaper, which is vainly searching for a candidate with staying qualities, who will dispel a "hoo-doo." But the "hoo-doo" might get even him.—Kennett Mail.

Cape Girardeau county is not the only one that keeps good men in office for a number of years.

### Obituary.

William R., son of John M. Smith, died at his home April 7, aged 18 years, 9 months and 2 days.

It is said that death loves a shining mark, a saying which has proven true in this instance, for "Billy" was a young man of fine, scholarly attainments and had an ambitious desire to succeed. He never did things by halves, but considered anything holy doing at all was worth doing well. Honest, upright, truthful, and with a moral character beyond reproach, he was respected by all who knew him. He was a graduate of the Oak Ridge high school and had attended the normal part of two years, where he won a gold medal in a declamatory contest.

Above all he loved his home and his life was bound to it by the strongest ties of affection. A dutiful son and loving brother, who will be sadly missed, has gone where pain and sorrow cease to trouble.

The family have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement. The remains were laid to rest in the Camp Ground grave yard, after a funeral service conducted by Rev. Latham. A FRIEND.

A hod-carrier was arrested in Omaha the other day for carrying off some kindling wood from the building on which he was working. He was put in the hurry up wagon and carried to the police station and there sentenced for the heinous crime. Senator Clark stole 11,000 acres of government timber land in Montana and they sent him to the United States senate.—Kicker.

## Half-Sick

"I first used Ayer's Sarsaparilla in the fall of 1848. Since then I have taken it every spring as a blood-purifying and nerve-strengthening medicine."  
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There is a little article that everybody uses, and yet I never see advertised. I look over the daily and weekly press in vain to find where it can be purchased. On this they are as silent as the tomb. In vain I look at the signs on the street, or in the shop window for it. Its price never raises, and yet it pays handsomely all who deal in it. And strange to say there is usually but one place in a town that keeps it. There is always a supply of it—never too much nor too little. It is never taxed, no matter how many thousand dollars' worth are it stock. There has never been any corner or speculation in it, and its price at wholesale or retail is always just the same. It has never made a millionaire nor a pauper. That little thing is a postage stamp.—Ex.

It might be interesting reading to the taxpayers if some administration organ would explain why so many "clerks" are employed during the sessions of our legislature. These "clerks" do little else than play poker and draw their pay. In 1901 the senate employed 132 persons at a cost exceeding \$30,000. There are but 34 senators, hence the ratio is about four servants to each senator. In the house a like condition existed. Since the taxpayers must foot the bills it may be well for them to inquire into the cause of this worse than useless extravagance.—Scott County Kicker (Dem.).

Let us elect a republican house this fall and see if they will not do better on this clerk hire.

Here is a straight tip from a newspaper called Brains: "There is only one way to advertise, and that is to hammer your name, your location, your business, so constantly, so persistently, so thoroughly into the people's heads that if they walked in their sleep they will constantly turn toward your store. The newspaper is your friend in spite of your criticism. It helps to build up the community which supports you. When the day comes that the newspapers are dead, the people are near the edge of the grave with nobody to write the epitaph."

THE BEST PRESCRIPTION FOR Malaria, chills and fever is a bottle of Groce's Tasteless chills tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay. Price 50c.

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Look Ahead.

The supreme court of Missouri has decided that a locomotive engineer on duty must look ahead. He must not turn aside to rebuke offenders.

The case was that of an engineer who ran over a little girl because he withdrew his eyes from the rails ahead and gave some young men standing beside the track a well-merited rebuke for standing on the track and compelling him to use the "emergency." They had their fun out of him, but at the moment when he reproved them the child stopped on the track and the wheels passed over her.

Look ahead. The supreme court of Missouri declared a high moral law in this decision.

Duty is an exacting master. It requires the whole mind. There must be no turning aside, halting or inattention.

Once know your object in life you should drive straight toward it.

Do not let anything distract your attention; be direct, your mind.

When on duty look ahead.—Ex. Foley's Kidney Cure makes kidneys and bladder right. Don't delay taking. All druggists.

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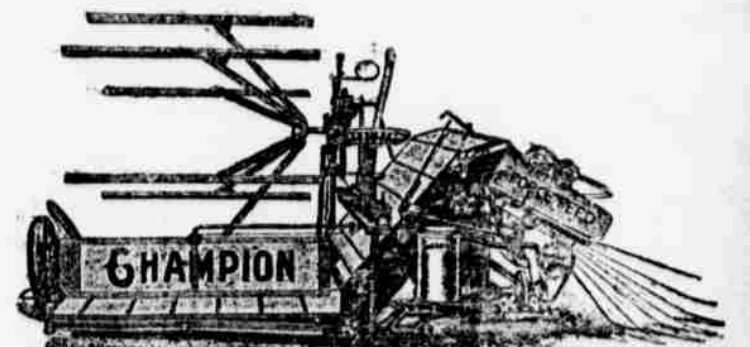


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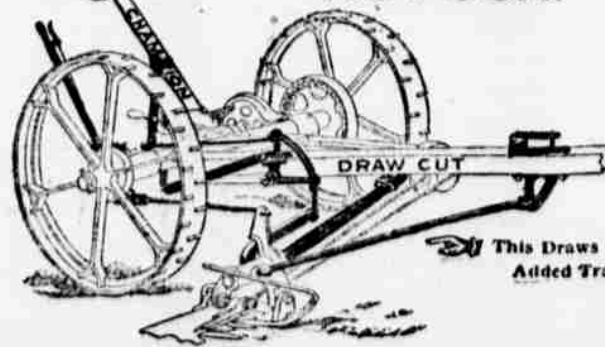


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