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### Boost—Don't Knock

#### Looking Backward

Mud Roads  
Plank Sidewalks  
Oil Street Lamps  
No Sewers

#### Now—

Good Pavement  
Cement Walks  
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#### SCHEDULE OF MAIL TRAINS.

Effective Nov. 2, 1913.

Postoffice Open from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

##### Arrival.

| East Bound. |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| No. 4       | 6:02 a. m., No Despatch.   |
| No. 124     | 9:07 a. m., Local.         |
| No. 42      | 9:58 a. m., Through.       |
| No. 22      | 1:24 p. m., Through.       |
| No. 132     | 2:00 p. m., Local.         |
| No. 14      | 5:45 p. m., Local.         |
| No. 142     | 5:45 p. m., Local.         |
| No. 146     | 7:45 p. m., As at Present. |

##### Without the L.

No. 109 8:35 a. m., Local Receipt.  
No. 19 8:49 a. m., Through Des.  
No. 11 11:40 a. m., Through Des.  
No. 117 12:26 p. m., Local Receipt.  
No. 132 4:59 p. m., Local Receipt.  
No. 41 5:10 p. m., Through Des.

"On eating the sixth oyster Rogo-  
vov's teeth came in contact with an  
other hard substance which he took  
from his mouth and examined critical-  
ly. Believing that he had found a  
gem he took the object to a jeweler,  
who pronounced it a pear-shaped pear  
of perfect contour, and placed the  
value at \$5,000."—Cornell Sun.  
It was a lot for a pear, even at this  
time of the year, but perhaps the un-  
usual shape made it valuable.—Punch.

##### Name in Trunk.

It is a good plan when traveling to  
have one's name and address printed  
or written on the inside cover of a  
trunk, says Good Housekeeping. Then  
in case of loss of check, or any mis-  
take, it can be identified by the owner  
to the satisfaction of the railway offi-  
cials by simply opening the trunk.

##### Chickens at \$10 Apiece.

The La Fleche fowls of France, says  
a writer in the Country Gentleman,  
are in demand in very wealthy house-  
holds and in high-class cafes. Fine  
specimens sometimes bring ten dol-  
lars, and a very general price is five  
dollars each. Probably no other coun-  
try has a market for chickens at such  
prices; the French gourmet must have  
what he wants regardless of cost.

##### On a Business Visit.

Mrs. R. was in the habit of giving  
little Robert an orange whenever he  
went home from her house. Another  
little boy named Edward found this  
out, and one day when he happened  
to be over there, he said, "When is it  
that you give Robert an orange, when  
he comes or when he goes?" Mrs. R.  
told him she gave it to him when he  
goes, so Edward said, "Guess I'll go  
now."

##### Explaining Moss.

"Now, Thomas," said the teacher to  
a small pupil in the primary class,  
"can you tell me what moss is?"  
"Yes, ma'am," replied the little fel-  
low; "it's something that a rolling  
stone does not gather."

##### Modern Society Novel.

Somebody has discovered that on 12  
pages of a modern society novel the  
characters indulge in strong drink.  
This, however, gives the bibulous bar-  
ons and the highball hero ample  
time to turn over a new leaf.—Cleve-  
land Plain Dealer.

## TO BE A TIME OF JOY FOR HIM

This Little Story Shows Just What  
a Lot of Good Things the  
Bachelor Misses at Merry  
Christmas Time

"My wife has been questioning me  
for the past three weeks about what  
I would like for Christmas."  
"Well, I suppose you told her?"  
"Yes. The first thing I thought of  
was an umbrella. I really need an  
umbrella, because it is quite a dis-  
tance from my house to the train,  
and I have to walk it. A nice umbrel-  
la would come in handy on rainy  
days. Then there are some books I  
would like very much. I gave her a  
list of them as nearly as I could at the  
start, and have been adding to it day  
by day as I happened to think of  
something else in that line. I men-  
tioned cuff-buttons and studs for full-  
dress occasions, and I gave her to un-  
derstand that if she didn't feel like  
troubling herself over the matter I  
would be glad to take the money she  
had set aside for me and buy myself  
some cigars. Last night I had occa-  
sion to look into a closet we don't use  
much, and there I found my present,  
all ready to be placed before me on  
Christmas morning."  
"Of course, then, she hadn't adopt-  
ed your suggestion as to the cigars."  
"No. I'm going to be made glad  
with a beautifully worked sofa pillow."

## At Christmas Time

By S. E. KISER



Along the road to Bethlehem  
These weary wise men slowly fared,  
And wondering shepherds gazed at them  
And bowed the heads which they had  
bared—

Three wise men who had journeyed far  
Rode slowly o'er the hills that night,  
Sill following their guiding star  
Whose constant beams were broad and  
bright.

At Christmas time they heard a voice  
That sweetly sounded far on high,  
"Rejoice, ye sons of men, rejoice!"  
The words rang clearly from the sky.  
The trembling wise men paused to hear  
The song that angels sang to them,  
And ceased to doubt and turned from  
fear,  
That Christmas night in Bethlehem.



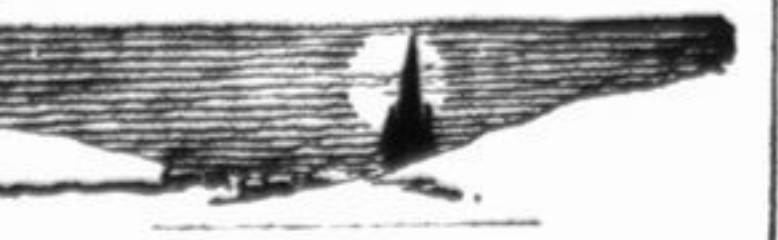
We hurry through the busy days  
And in the market-places contend;  
We strive to win in shameful ways,  
Forsaking brother, wronging friend;  
We loiter greed and cling to pride,  
We have no time for being kind,  
We rudely push the lame aside,  
And give no guidance to the blind.

We sadly struggle after gain,  
Forgetting all the Master taught;  
We worship riches, and disdain  
To heed the message that He brought—  
Yet, even so, at Christmas, love  
Assails our hearts and chastens them  
And brings us glad remembrance of  
That holy night in Bethlehem.



We cease a little while to hate,  
We turn a little while from sin;  
We greet the stranger at the gate,  
And reach forth to him we lead him in,  
And, happily remembering  
The babe that in the manger lay,  
We still acknowledge Him our King,  
As they did, that first Christmas day.

Three shadowy wise men slowly fared  
Along the shadowy highway still,  
And shadowy shepherds watch them  
And see the star blaze o'er the hill,  
And men, wherever men may dwell,  
Still bear the message borne to them;  
That God still reigns and all is well,  
The star shines on o'er Bethlehem.



Child's Reasoning.  
"Mamma, Santa Claus isn't married,  
is he?"  
"I don't know. Why do you think  
he isn't, dear?"  
"Cause if he was Mrs. Santa  
wouldn't let him stay out that way at  
night."

No Room for Any More.  
"Goin' to hang up your stockings'  
Christmas, Mickey?"  
"Naw."  
"Better. You might git it filled."  
"It's filled now."  
"What with?"  
"Holes."

His Gift.  
He gave the girl a pair of slates,  
And now his heart is full of hate;  
He merely stands around and waits;  
And inwardly rebels at Fate,  
While one more favored far than he  
Is or may ever hope to be  
Kneels where she stands, so fair, so  
sweet,  
And fastens them upon her feet.

Joy Ahead for Him.  
Don't forget that the clothes you  
are not going to wear any more may  
look mighty good to somebody.

## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By E. O. SELLERS, Director of Evening  
Department, The Moody Bible Institute,  
Chicago.)

### LESSON FOR DECEMBER 28

#### A DAY OF DECISION. (Review.)

READING LESSON—Joshua 24; Heb.  
11:23-31.  
GOLDEN TEXT—"For God so loved the  
world, that he gave his only begotten  
son, that whosoever believeth on him  
should not perish but have everlasting  
life."—John 3:16.

The lessons for this past quarter,  
omitting the temperance lesson, cover  
one of the most interesting periods in  
the history of Israel. In them there is  
presented five of Israel's  
greatest characters, Moses, Aaron,  
Miriam, Joshua and Caleb: one of the  
strangest characters in all history—  
Baalim; and the typical troubler of  
the nation, Achan. We have pre-  
sented the strength and weakness,  
victory and defeat, of four, Moses,  
Aaron, Miriam, and Joshua.

Israel's History.  
The first of the scripture passages  
presented for the day's reading lesson  
contains the farewell discourse of  
Joshua. In it he surveys Israel's history  
from the days of Terah to the  
moment they possessed Canaan, em-  
phasizing that in it all God was di-  
recting and operating. He then ap-  
peals to them to serve Jehovah and  
to put away all other Gods. The al-  
ternative is, that with such evidence  
before their eyes, if it seemed evil to  
serve Jehovah, they had choice be-  
tween the gods their fathers aban-  
doned beyond the river and those they  
had found in the land. As for him-  
self his choice was made, "as for me  
and my house, we will serve the  
Lord." After repeated declarations of  
fidelity on their part Joshua, entered  
into a covenant with them that they  
were to serve Jehovah. The passage  
taken from Hebrews ought to begin  
at verse thirty.

Moses leads out of Egypt (a type  
of sin), through the wilderness ex-  
periences, but could not lead them  
into the land; Joshua took up the  
work where Moses left off and led  
them into the promised possession;  
but he was not able to lead them into  
that perfect rest which only comes  
from a perfect conformity to the will  
of God. The message of the Book  
of Hebrews is that of the son who  
fulfills all that these great leaders of  
the past failed to do. He leads from  
bondage into possession and on to the  
final rest which remains for the peo-  
ple of God.

Recapitulation.  
Omitting the temperance lesson  
(Nov 9) six of those lessons deal  
with Moses as the leader, and in five  
we have Joshua as the leader of Is-  
rael.

I. Under Moses' Leadership.  
Lesson I. Moses' Cry for Help,  
Num. 11:10-15, 24, 25. (1) Complaint  
and controversy, vv. 10-15; (2) Com-  
fort and Counsel, vv. 16-18, 24, 25.

Lesson II. Jealousy and Envy Pun-  
ished, Num. ch. 12. (1) The Accu-  
sation, vv. 1, 2; (2) The Arrest, vv.  
4, 5; (3) The Arraignment, vv. 6-8;  
(4) The Judgment, vv. 9-10; (5) The  
Intercession, vv. 11-12.

Lesson III. The Report of the Spies,  
Num. 13:1-3, 25-33. (1) The Spies,  
vv. 1-3; (2) The Majority Report, vv.  
25-29; (3) The Minority Report, vv.  
30-32; (4) The Sequel, ch. 14.

Lesson IV. The Sin of Moses and  
Aaron, Num. 20:1-13. (1) The Peo-  
ple's Petition, vv. 1-5; (2) God's Plan,  
vv. 6-8; (3) Moses' Mistake, vv. 9-13.  
(a) Deception. (b) Pride. (c) Self-  
glory. (d) Disobedience.

Lesson V. Balak and Balaam, Num.  
22:1-6, 24:10-19. (1) The Call to  
Curse, 22:1-6; (2) The Wayside Chal-  
lenge, 22:22-35; (3) The Changeless  
Message, ch. 24.

Lesson VI. Temperance Lesson.  
Lesson VII. The Death of Moses,  
Deut. 34:1-12. (1) The Old Leader,  
vv. 1-8; (2) The New Leader, v. 9;  
(3) A Great Character, vv. 10-12.

II. Under Joshua's Leadership.  
Lesson VIII. Joshua the New  
Leader, Josh. 1:1-9. (1) The Call;  
(2) The Charge; (3) The Counsel;  
(4) The Companionship.

Lesson IX. Crossing the Jordan,  
Josh. 3:7-17. (1) The Leader, vv. 7,  
8; (2) Those Led, vv. 9-13; (3) The  
Dry Ground, vv. 14-17.

Lesson X. The Fall of Jericho,  
Josh. 6:8-11, 14-20. (1) God's Orders,  
vv. 1-5; (2) Joshua's Instructions, vv.  
6-8; (3) The Obedient People, vv. 9-16.

Lesson XI. The Sin of Achan, Josh.  
7:6-15. (1) Joshua's Error, vv. 6-9;  
(2) The Cause of Defeat, vv. 10-12;  
(3) The Victory of Defeat, vv. 13-15.

Lesson XII. The Division of the  
Land, Josh. 14:1-14. (1) Those Left  
Behind, vv. 1-5; (2) Caleb's Claim,  
vv. 6-12; (3) The Promise Fulfilled,  
vv. 13-15.

The golden text is peculiarly signifi-  
cant in its fitness as we close the  
studies for this year. The final word,  
the fruit and flower of this new na-  
tion, is epitomized in this the sim-  
plest, yet the most sublime language  
of the New Testament. What Moses  
and Joshua did in type and what they  
each left not being able to accom-  
plish, God in the person of his great-  
est gift to man can and does fulfill  
in abundant measure. The widest  
stretch of human imagination cannot  
measure the breadth of his love. The  
deepest depths cannot fathom the aw-  
ful woe of unbelief.

## Church Notes

### FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST.

Sunday service, 11 a. m.; Wednes-  
day, 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 10 a. m.  
The reading room is open to the pub-  
lic on Tuesdays and Fridays from 2 to  
4 p. m. The Bible and Christian  
Science literature may be read or pur-  
chased of the one in charge. Visitors  
are welcome.

### FIRST EVANGELICAL CHURCH.

Leo Schmitt, pastor. Sunday serv-  
ices: Sunday School at 10 a. m. Ser-  
mon at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Junior  
Y. P. A., 2:45, and Senior Y. P. A. at  
4:45 p. m. Mid-week meetings: Wed-  
nesday at 8 p. m. and Thursday at  
7:45 p. m. Choir rehearsal at 8:45.  
Morning and evening worship with  
preaching by the pastor.  
The public is most cordially invited  
to all services.

### ST. ANDREWS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Mr. Wilbur Dean Elliott,  
Sunday—Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.;  
morning prayer and sermon 11 a. m.;  
Holy Eucharist, second Sunday in  
each month.

Week Days—Altar Guild first Tues-  
day in each month; Woman's Auxil-  
iary second Tuesday in each month;  
Woman's Guild first and third Wed-  
nesday; choir practice, Fridays, 8 p. m.

### METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

James Freeman Jenness, minister.  
Sunday services: Class meeting at 10  
a. m. Public worship at 11:30 and 7:30.  
Sunday school at 12 m. Epworth  
League at 6:30 p. m. Mid-week meet-  
ing, Wednesday, at 8 p. m. Women's  
Missionary societies, first Thursday  
afternoon of each month. Ladies' Aid  
Society, second Thursday afternoon of  
each month. Choir rehearsal, Friday  
at 7:45 p. m.  
All are cordially invited to these  
services.

### EAST GROVE U. B. CHAPEL.

Sunday school at 10:30 a. m.,  
preaching by the pastor at 11:30 a. m.  
Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m.  
November 5, 6 and 7 Superintendent  
V. W. Overton will preach here at  
7:30 each evening.  
C. A. LITCHFIELD,  
Pastor.

### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Worship, with preaching by the  
pastor, at 10:30 and 7:30. Bible  
school at 12 C. E. at 6:30; topic,  
"Working for the World"; leader, Miss  
Harriet Strong.  
Prayer meeting subject for Wednes-  
day evening, "The Shortness of Time."  
Annual business meeting and ban-  
quet Tuesday evening, Dec. 30.  
Holy Communion Sunday morning,  
Jan. 4.

### EVANG. ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GROVE ST.

Sunday school every Sunday, 9:15  
a. m.  
German service every Sunday, 10:30  
a. m.  
English service every Sunday, 7:30  
p. m.  
Confirmation school every Monday  
and Wednesday, 2:30 to 4:45 p. m.,  
and every Saturday 9 to 10:15 a. m.  
Teacher training and preparatory,  
every Wednesday, 7:15 to 9 p. m.  
Ladies' Aid, every second Thursday  
of each month at 2 p. m.  
Young People's Society, every sec-  
ond Thursday of each month at 8 p. m.  
Brotherhood, every first Monday of  
each month, 8 p. m.  
Trustees' meeting, every second  
Monday of each month at 8 p. m.  
Gustav Pahl, Pastor.

### But This Wasn't Mamma.

A little boy, visiting his grandmoth-  
er, asked for a favor which was re-  
fused. Tears and loud wailing fol-  
lowed, but in vain. By and by the  
little fellow looked up with petulance.  
"I think it's about time you changed  
your mind, grandma!" he exclaimed.  
"It never takes mamma so long to  
do it when I cry like this."

### Diversified Agriculture.


The value of Hungary's agricultural  
returns does not depend upon sev-  
eral large crops or on the products  
of certain specified branches of agri-  
culture, but rather on the great diver-  
sity of its products, for there is prob-  
ably no country in Europe in which  
so many branches of agriculture are  
carried on.

### Makes the Boss Gray-Haired.

Of the many kinds of exasperating  
people perhaps there is none worse  
than the subordinate who when told  
exactly how to do a certain thing,  
replies in so satisfied a manner that  
one cannot but suppose he under-  
stands perfectly; then goes ahead and  
does the thing in some fool way of  
his own.

### Not Grasping.

"Show me de income," said Uncle  
Eben, "an' I'll be satisfied to keep de  
change after sayin' de tax."



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