The Acton Free Bress

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 1919

THE TWO BALLOTS Along in the winter, when cold was the weather. Two ballots were cust together: Two ballots were cast in together. They meatled up close, like a brother to brother You couldn't tell one of the votes fro the other: You couldn't tell one from the other Both votes were quite equally proliquor votes. And sanctioned the licensing plan. One was cast in by a July old Brower And one by a Christian Nan.

The Christian man-no one could Kopt busy all summer denouncing brawer: All summer denouncing the brownr. Hut his feryour cooled off with the change of the weather. And late in the winter they voted gether: In the winter they voted together. The Christian man had always been

For flyhting the drink-except for fighting the drink, except when . He piled up his prayers with holy per-But he knocked them

day of election: liut knocked them all down at The foxy old Brower was cheerful and he, "I admitto that Christian fel I admice the Christian fellow. lio's true to his Church-to his party | the ground.

He talks for the Lord, but he for the Brewer:

he's truer

"BUCKAROO" By Albert W. Tolman

TE atoel akeleton of the thirtystory "akyacraper" was two thirds up. On the twentieth floor stood a big derrick, worked by a donkey engine one story be low and used to hoist the long, heavy girders into place. The limestone walls were finished up to the sixteenth story. with his tongs.

"Say, Jim," he said to Liewellyn, the subforeman, or "straw boss," "what do you make of Dan's new buckgroof" Dan Thompson was "gun man"; he ran the riveting machine that was clanging away on a column at the front of the building. His "buckaroo," Milfard Kent, was the man who held up the rivets to be driven in. He had joined the crew that morning. Sargent skillfully tossed the heated rivet fifty feet to Tom Kennedy, the "sticker boy," who stood with Thompson and Kent on the stage that swung three feet below the floor. Kennedy caught it in his bucket, picked it out with his tongs and thrust it into the hole. The buckaroo held his dolly bar firm against the bead of it, and Thompson drove the other end up with

Liewellyn watched the new man "Smarter than a steel tran," he adfollow'll have his feet planted so solid street below rose to his cars. that he can't be shaken off. Brown's run into some pretty hard luck this year. With his boy in the hospital, find out."

He walked over to the swing staging. "Hired for long?" he asked Kent Kent had sombre black eyes and a strong jaw. He looked at the boss for a moment and then shook his head. Another rivet clinked into Kennedy's bucket and again the "gun" clattered. Llewellyn scowled at the buckardo. When silence came, he spoke again.

A second time Kent shook his head. Whirling angrily on his beel the foreman walked back to the forge. "Won't talk!" he growled to Bargent. "Guess hes' ashamed to. Looks to me like a clear case of trying to steal a sick man's job. Brown's too good a fellow to be crowded out like this, and 'I won't see it done, if I can help it. his jaw.

over the open floor that the newcomer out of me. Sure cure, but don't know was trying to steal Brown's job. Soon as I'd recommend it to everyone." life began to grow decidedly interest-

ing for the buckaroo. Thompson, the gun man, who had was pretty grumpy this morning; but not found a word of fault with the I'm almost as deaf as a haddock from buckaroo before, now kept up a con-tinual growl. Sargent, standing by his and that, together with the kind of forge, could easily drop a rivet into pain I've suffered the tast twelve hours a man's hat seventy-five feet away, doesn't make a man any too sociable. He had not made a single wild pitch Guesa I won't forget this job in a that morning, but now the buckeroo hurry, even if it's only a short one.

fly straight toward him. Kent dodged the missis gloomily: if noticed anything out of the way. no criticism on the waster of rivets.

nguin to steal a sick men's job.

A big box girder, known technically as a 24-80, made up of two parallel beams, twenty-four inches deep suit nfty fort long, held together by plates ready to be holated to the twentleth bolted over their tops and bottoms, was story. This immense girder, of course, weighed tome. It had been painted with red lead the day before and was rather slippery. The workmen passed very close to Chleving. There are some a strong chain directly round its any planks to keep the links from an hour. To be fifteen minutes late slipping. It was not always safe to to an engagement with such a man is hoist "ifon to iron," but in this case equivalent to picking his poskots of no wood was at hand and there was two hundred and fifty dollars. And need of haste. Two half hitches with while it is true that comparatively a small rope or "tag line" were taken few men are justified in putting such about a yard from the left end of the an estimate on their time, a very girder.

"All ready!" came the cry. The signalman, standing on the front successful men is so valuable that for of the twentieth floor not far from the you keep them waiting fifteen minutes derrick, pressed an electric button on utes or half an hour means an apprean adjoining column and gave the ciable financial loss. engineer one bell. The chain grated taut -- Blowly the girder rose -- -- is worth other things, even to young that he ought to enlist and went to Up went the girder, held parallel people on a small salary. Time is the recruiting station. He was asked with the front of the building by the precious. It means the change for the his occupation. man with the tag line. It passed story self-development which will inarrese after story, until it was opposite the their earning capacity. It means re- the guy-nor's money, don't you know," nfteenth; then its left and swung

alightly in. From the sill of a window that take from your friend the time which opened on the sixteenth floor, Liewellyn he could put to such good use is to ing near came to his assistance with ledned out to push the beam away, so treat him so unfairly that you hardly a brilliant suggestion. that it would not scratch the soft lime- | deserve to retain his friendship. If storie. But he leaned too soon and your own time is worth nothing to sir," he said. too far. Just as his hands were about you, pay other people the compliment to touch the steel it swerved away. For an instant the straw boss totter- able. ed on the sill, writhing, twicting, striving with all the strength and agility of his trained muscles to regain his balance. But all is wain! His body whenyod outward, and with a cry of borror he plunged into speed.

There was only one chance for him.

As he pitched forward he flung his "All three; Oi'm goin' fee a left arm over the moving girder and in the payy."

ther flange of the top plate. His cheek struck against the hot, painted side of the beam, His-fingers were alloping, slipping. He awang his right arm up, and in a moment had hold with both hands. He raised his body until the edge of the girder pressed against his armpling There he bung, gripping the flange, with his back to the building and his hools swinging one hundred and sixty feet above the

city street. His shout of alarm was echood by his mates. The signalman on the top floor, looking down and seeing his predicamout, fintantly gave the engineer a bell to stop holsting. The girder hung in mid-air, and the end to which Llewellyn was desperately clinging swung now several feet from the "skyscraper."

The steelworker was in fearful-peril His smeared fingertips were too slippery to retain a firm hold. And now, to add to the danger of his predicament, the left end of the beam, overweighted by his hundred and fifty pounds, began to tilt downward. In a very short time the beam would tilt to such an angle that his fingers would be unable to keep their held on the slippery flange. A grinding gound drew his eyes to

the chain round the middle of the girder. The straining links moved jorkily. It was only a slight shift; but Llewellyn's practiced eye saw at once what would presently happen. paint was so "green" that it acted as a lubricant between the chain and the beam; the links above the top plate were aliding back. When the girder had tilted to a sufficien; angle, it would allp through the chain and drop to

Close to Liewellyn's right arm lay the two half hitches of the tag line. For a second he entertained the wild idea of trying to slide down it to safety, but he quickly dismissed the thought. Long before he could hope to reach the ground, even if the half hitches did not pull out, his weight on the swaying rope would tilt the beam things? We also are men of like pasdown upon his head. There was no

Down, down, down, steedily, remoreelessly, mank the left end of the great red stick of steel, and as steadily the right and rose. Llowellyn's brain seemed paralyzed. His body had hung at right angles with the girder; now every second the angle lessened Already his fingers were slipping; a gave you from heaven rains and fruit-

He glanced over his shoulder along the front of the building. . Fifty feet away, opposite the rising right end of the beam, the riveting crew stood motioniess on their swing staging The men had already been at work Thompson and Kennedy were staring two hours on a hot morning in August, at him, white-faced; but Kent's eyes Chris Sargent, "heater boy" of the were fastened or the rising girder end, riveting crew on the seventeenth floor, which was now almost level with the plucked a red-hot rivet from the forge stage. Suddenly he dropped his dolly himself for a tremendous effort. "Hold hard!" he cried to Llewellyn. Then, with both arms extended, he

leaded straight out into the air toward | whole creation .- Mark 16, 15h. Instantly the straw boss understood if the equilibrium of the girder could be restored, he had a chance. Kent was risking his own life, in the hope that his weight, if added to the other end of the steel, would bring it back to horizontal before Llewellyn fell. The buckaroo had timed his leap just right. The foreman, looking up the slanting red surface, saw his rescuer's arms dart over the top plate

Could his weight overcome the momentum of those tons of metal and force them back? Seconds of suspense went by-long terrible seconds to Llewellyn. Down sank the beam, still down, almost to the point where he could hold no mitted. "Mighty unlucky that Brown longer. He pressed his fingers into hurt his hand last Saturday! I'm the paint. To his right the chain links afraid by the time it gets well this ground and slipped; noises from the From the upper end of the girder Kent's face looked down at him, an-

xious but calm. Suddenly a smile he's simply got to have this job back curved his lips. The beam had stopped again. I'll go over and see what I can rising; it even began to sink slowly. A shout of triumph burst from Thompson and Kennedy. The bucksroo had Even before it had resumed a hori-

zontal porition Kent glanced up at the "Lower away!" he cried. The engine started and the fall began to run through the sheaves. Down went the girder steadled by the tag "I asked you if you were hired for line, until the men's toes touched the

Liewellyn stepped up to the buckaroo and stretched out a calloused "You've sayed my life."

Kent grasped the hand. "Forget it," he replied. Buddenly a puzzled look overspread his face, and he passed his hand over

Unless I'm mistaken, that fellow will "That's funnyl" he exclaimed. soon find these diggings too hot to hold been awake since midnight with the toothache, and now it's all gone. Not The news passed quickly and quietly a twinge left! Must have frightened it He continued apologetically: "You fellows must have thought

seemed suddenly to have become a I'm hore for just's few days, holding magnet. The red-hot rivets began to the place open for Brown till he gets well. He's my brother-in-law." Liewellyn stared a few seconds at the buckaroo without speaking. Kent's he gave no sign. The straw boss made words had cleared up a number of things; sieo, they had made the fore-It was well that Kent should be taught man heartly ashamed of the way he a lesson. Before they got through with and the others had treated the stranghim he would know better than to try er. But he was glad that there was atili time to make if up to Kent.

"Come on, old man!" said he, clapping him on the shoulder and turning toward the elevator. "Le's got back to the sixteenth."-Companion.

financial leaders who consider their simple mathematical calculation will action, while fully effective, is mild. convince you that the time of most

But though time is worth money, it creation. It means time for reading, was the reply. for the acquirement of culture. To of assuming that theirs is more valu-

BOME RISK,

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 1919

BY JERSIO L. HURLBUT CHRISTIAN MISSIONS -Acts 1. 1

13, 1 to 14, 28. Additional Material for Teachers. 26, 12-20; Rom. 1, 13-16; Rev. 14, 6, 7. Common Scripture Passage 8. Itut yo shall receive power, when

tapper has an important work to do, the Hely Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Hamaria, and unto the uttermost part of 8. And at Lystra there sat a certain from his mother's womb, who never

9. The same heard Paul speaking seeing that he had faith to be made 10. Hajd with a loud voice, Stand up and walked. 11. And when the multitude saw

had walked.

what Paul had done they lifted up their on the Santa Fe road. It was his duty voice, saying in the speech of Lycacola, to see that the wheels of the long 12. And they called liarnabas, Juniter; and Paul, Mercury, because he was the chief speaker. 13. And the priest of Jupiter whose temple was before the city, brought

would have done sacrifice with the lever, is able to stop a train travelling 14. But when the spostles, Barnabas restraining power is compressed air and Paul, heard of it, they rent their George Westinghouse, the inventor of garments, and sprang forth among the the air brake. Is one of the greatest multitude, crying out

15. And saying, Sirs, why do ye these ever known. tidings, that he should turn from these vain things unto a living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and all that in them is: 16. Who in the generations gone by

suffered all the nations to walk in their 17. And yet he left not himself without witness, in that he did good and little more and he would lose his hold ful seasons, filling your hearts withfood and gladness.

18. And with these sayings scarce

restrained they the multitudes from doing sacrifice unto them. 10. But there came Jews thither from Antioch and Iconium; and having persuaded the multitudes, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city. supposing that he was dead. 20. But as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and entered The bar and stiffened, as if he were bracing city; and on the morrow he went forth with Barnabas to Derbe.

> Golden Text-Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to the Departmental Topics and References Primary Topio-Helping Everybody to Know Jesus. Acts 1, 8; 14, 8-10.

Memory Verse,-Go ye therefore, and Junior Topio-The Whole World's Need of Jesus. Acts 1, 8; 14, 8-20. Memory Verse.-Acts 1, 8. Intermediate and Senior Topio-Taking the Gospel to the Whole World. Young People and Adult Toploand saw his fingers grip the flango Alma, Methods and Results of Chris-

tian Missions. Acts 1, 8; 14, 8-20;

Thess. 2, 13, 14a; 2 Thess. 1, 3, 4. Blackboard CHRIST COMMANDS OUR WORK GRATITUDE DEMANDS WORK FOR MISSIONS THE WORLD NEEDS OUI FOR MISSIONS.

GOD BLESSES OUR Leason Thoughts When William Carey, the first Eng lish missionary, began to preach about foreign missions, one said to him, "If you believe in missions, why don't you go yourself?" He answered, "I will go if you will hold the rope." That tells the whole story. Every one of us should either go himself or help send some missionary to the heathen lands. Let us consider four motives that call to us for an interest in this work. 1. Christ commands it. When the commanding general gives his orders.

it is the soldiers' duty to obey and go forward. Our Commander, Jesus Christ, said, "Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations." These are our marching orders; it is for us to obey them. 2. Gratitude demands it. There were long cetnuries when our ancestors. In Great Britain and on the continent of Europe, were savages, offering sacri-

nces-often human sacrifices to hide-

them the good news of salvation; let us in our turn send the gospel to those lands that are without it. 3. The world needs it. More than half of the world's population are still without the knowledge of Christ. though nearly twenty centuries have passed since his command was spoken. While missions in Africa are in darkness; while India bows down before Wall and Vishnu, and not one woman

in a thousand can read; while Buddha and Brahma rule in Asia, there is work to be done in bringing the world to Christ. 4. God blesses it. It took Judson in Burms, and Morison in China, and Carey in India to win one convert from heathenlam. Now, in all those lands, they are pressing into the kingdom by tens of thousands every month. While the iron is hot and the hearts of men are willing is the hour for us

to strike for God. Readings for Next Week Monday-Hocial Responsibility. Luke 10, 25-27. Tuesday-Duty . toward Matt. 18, 21-35. -Wetinesday-Doors James 2, 19-27. Thursday-Faith and Works, James

. 14-26. -Friday-Saved to Borve Sunday-The Judgment, Matt. 15,

will drive worms from the system without injury to the child, because its

"Why-er-well, just scink through

The officer seemed in doubt how to classify him when a corporal stand-"Put him down as a bras

Your Bresided Eyelids.

Every one who has taken a long

railway journey has noticed that at the end of a division, a man goes up and down the length of the train tapping the wheels with a heavy hammer. Hy the sound which the wheels give back, under the blow, he knows if any have cracked under the strain of travel. If a defective wheel is found, it is at once taken out and replaced by a new and perfect one before the train goes on its way. The breaking of the cracked wheel, under Matt. 28, 18-20; Luke 24, 45-48; Acts some extra pressure or sudden lurch of the car would mean the wreck of the whole train. In a way, the wheel-

but it is neither very well paid no. greatly sought after. This was the work, however, that Walter V. Turner was doing about twenty-five years ago. He was s young Englishman who had come to man, impotent in his feet, a cripple this country in the early nineties and gone into the sheep-raising business in Wyoming. Like many another shoop-raiser of that time, he "went who, fastening his eyes upon him, and broke" in the panic of 1333, and was obliged to wander over the country looking for something to do. He had no false pride, and was willing to turn upright on thy feet. And he leaped his hand to any honest work that came along. By and by, down at La Junta, Colorado, he got work as wheel-tapper

The gods are come down to us in the transcontinental trains were in cohdition for the next run. . One day he picked up a piece of a broken ajr brake and became deeply interested in the way it was made The air brake is really one of the most marvellous things about railroading. oxen and garlands unto the gates, and With it, one man, by simply pulling s with the speed of a hurricane. The geniuses in this line the world has

> It was a Westinghouse brake which to the boss of the Bante Fe shops and told him he thought be could make an improvement upon it. He was told to go ahead. Later it was found that Turner had really made a decided advance over the old model. A patent was taken out by the company and Turner's pay was raised, though he was still tapping wheels. He kept on studying air brakes, however, and made one improvement after another After awhile Turner was invited to become - member of the Air Brake Association. He went to a convention

in Pittsburg and read a paper on his work. George Westinghouse was the first man to congratulate him, and invited him to join the great Westinghouse organization. After a long parley the railroad agreed to release him, if he would promise to return when his services were needed. Turner made many other valuable inventions. One of them, the "K triple

valve" is said to be worth twentyeight million dollars. Yet some people claim that ideas are cheap! Walter V. Turner was little known outside technical circles, but in these circles he was well known and highly benered. His life is so remarkable in its quiet make disciples of all the nations. Matt. | way and shows so vividly what is possible for the man who works and thinks, that it is worth more than a passing notice.—Dan Warrington.

OUR GIFTS

Gifts from the hand are silver and gold, but the beart gives that which neither silver nor gold can buy. To be full of goodness, full of cheerfulness, full of sympathy, full of helpful hope causes one to carry with him blessings of which he is himself as unconscious as a lamp is of its own shining. Such one moves on human life as stars move on dark seas to bewildered mariners, as the sun wheels bringing all the lessons with him from the south

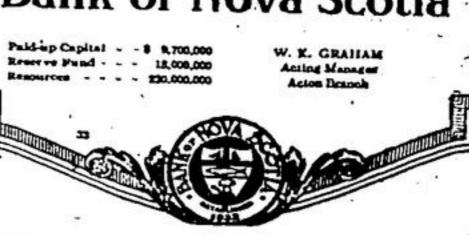
WHAT ONE WHEEL-TAPPER DID

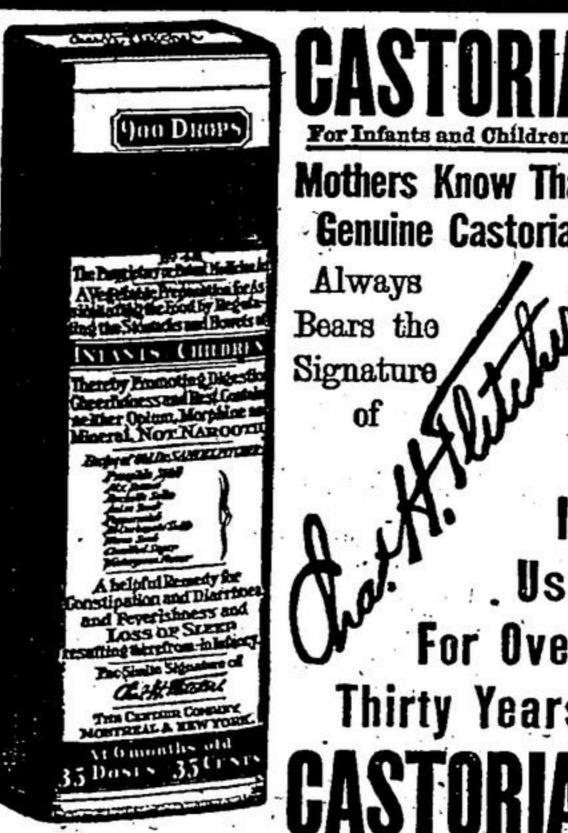
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AS GOOD AS THE AVERAGE

Do not be willing to be an average man or woman. No one succeeds in sulto living up to his ideal, but the algher our ideal, the better our chance to make something of ourselves. A youth who declares himself "as good as the average," and is satisfied with that, is not one of those who raise the average for life as a whole.

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