Christmas coming! . -Plue tree, holly. Mintletee and laughter Jolly! Christmas coming Air 4-tingle, Hnapping logs in coay ingle!

Christman coming! tianta puffing, Turkey--sage and onlon stuffing!

Christmas cuming! Joy exuding. Mince ple, pumpkin and plum pudding Christman coming! Love Its heaven.

Give thanks

TWENTY YEARS AGO

rom the Issue of the Free Press o Thursday, December 22, 1904 The bublic and High Schools close to-morrow evening for the Christmas

A sumber of young ladles in town who beve literary inclination, are or-"gunizing a Blukospears club. The trustees at \ Hannockburn are advertising for a second-class professional male teacher at the salary of St. Alban's Handay Behool gave the

first of the Christmastide entertainments on last Thursday evening. The programme consisted of solos and choruses, and a drants "French Spoke Here." The parts being taken by Miss Ida Laird, Gertrude Bratham, Florence Chapman and Alice Flynn and Messrs. J. B. Lake, J. Woods and J. Saunders. Mr. C. A. Goodeve saus Christ. a solo and Mr. J. B. Lake played a cornet solo. The chief event of the vening was a cantata "Banta Claus" Visit," in which the little tots hunting for Santa Claus to the leaders in the principal parts, every one did well. Owing to the interruption to business eccasioned by building operations and moving our plant twice, the Pass ample judges every man whose life Pass has found it impossible to issue does not come up to the standard of a calender this year. Numerous requests for the Fass Pass calendar for 1905 have already been received.

Rev. A. E. Smith, Mr. H. P. Moore Miss Jessie Nicklin, Miss Speight and Mesers. William and Lawrence Williams took part in the Sabbath School entertainment in Everton last evening. .The annual meeting of the Methodist Sunday school were held on Monday evening. The officers elected were: Bupt, Th. P. Moore: Assoc.-Supta, J. S. Coleman and A. E. Nicklin, Grading secrecy, since their works were evil. Supts. Mrs. Frances and Mrs. Stephenson, Home Department Supt. Miss Phemie Ling. Secretary, - W. H. Speight, Treasurer, Lloyd Smith. The other officers and teachers remain the same as the present year. "

TAYLOR-At Acton, on Monday, Deember 19, 1904, to Mr. and Mrs. Sunderland Taylor, a son.

GIRLS WHO DO NOT KISS Jap Lover Does Not Salute His Be

There are some girls, says the Washion. He regards kissing as a queer cessive Passover feasts. The purpose foreign custom; It has no meaning for of the Gospel was not to supplement him. In China the kiss is considered the narrative of the three other acdiagraceful. But although the kiss is unknown.

parts of the world, nearly every nation upon the character and work of Jesus has some form of salutation which as the God-man. It does, however, corresponds with the European kiss, incidentally add much to the record of The Malays and the Eskimos greet the life of Jesus on earth which was each other by rubbing noses. Among omitted by Matthew, Mark and Luke. the Burmese, the form of greeting cheek and draw a long breath. It is true that the kiss is also used sion employed and understood alike

as a means of salutation where there by educated Jews and Greeks. Among is no affection, or even respect. Child- | the Jews "the Word of the Lord" was ren, for instance, are taught that they the current designation by which Jewmust kiss people for whom they may ish teachers denoted the manifested two women who hate each other will readers that God had spoken or mani- you, but He can't hurt me." kiss for the same reason. These uses fested himself in a way which people

breast-on invocation to the Supreme of God's personality. And his life on ing. Being that her child may be cured. stition regarding the kiss. At one character of God. time many a gambler might have been tory and to enhance his safety. Until lately we kissed the Book when we took the oath "to speak the truth,

the whole truth, and nothing but the take her child in her arms and kies the bruise to "make it well."

AT LAST

Mrs. Silias Bennet was a philosopher. On a certain dismal occasion some of the neighboring women were condoling with her. With commendable cheerfulness, she replied: I've raised four girls and three boys.

and red-headed like their Gran on Bennett, an' yet they ain't. 'An' I've worried consid'ble amalipox greakin' out in my big family. So for 'tain't." "Last summer, durin' July and Aug ust and maybe part of September. was real melancholic, fearin' I'd go an appendix; but I guess I ain't." "An' through it all, it never one occurred to me that I'd be the one to fall through them rotten old meetin'

SILVER LININGS

places, but I be."

house steps an' break my leg in two

All's fair in love-even a plain girl One of the best of good habits in good humor. The easiest way of making a shadow is to stand in your own sunlight. A clock helps us to remember hours, but'a cheerful friend helps us to for-When a man meets trouble halfway be has a poor companion for the rest of the journey. . Over worry kills more people than

IT LOOKS LIKE BENSE

one than for the other.

overwork, because more go in for the

To admit no detail that to perfection. To imitate the virtues and mistakes of our competitors. To listen to a man who have a hew/idea. To put the honor above its dividends. To expect the help to reflect spirit of the management. To treat the public us though i

Time has Tested it .- Dr. Thomas' Edectric Oil has been on the market ideas are diluted in proportion to the

### THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

THE WORLDS NEED OF CHRIST -John 1. 14-18; 3, 16-21. . Golden Text-For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoseever pelieveth on him

should not perish, but have eternal life.-John 3, 16. The Text Explained Verse 14.- Became flesh -That is, cal and complete man.

Verse 15.-Before mo-Indicating both priority and superiority. Verse 16 .- Grace for grace-Grace upon grace, that is, grace in increasing Verse 17 .-- The law -- The earlier and

less complete revelation of God. Was

given through Moses; . . came through Josus Christ-There is an intended contrast between the expressions "was given" and "came." The law given through Moses was not his own, but God's; the grace which came through Jesus Christ was his own. Verse '18,-The only begotten Bon-Four of the weightlest ancient manuscripts read "God only begotten." At the Nicene Council, however, which antedates the earliest extant manuscripts, and where the doctrine of the Trinity was fully discussed, the rendering "the only begotten Hon" was accepted, no reference apparently being made to the other. The Revised Version therefore retains the earlier cendering, placing the optional reading.

"God only begotten," in the margin.

communion with the Father. He hath declared him-For a perfect revelation of God man must over turn to Jesus John 1 16-21 Vorse 16 .- This sixteenth verse is containing as it does the sum and substance of the glad tidings which Christ came to bring to men. Verse 17 .- Not . r . to judge the world-Nevertheless, his life and exthat example. The life of Jesus thus becomes a touchstone to character. Hence the argument of the pext verse. Verse 18 .- Is judged already-Those

who disbelieve and whose the is out of harmony with the example and teaching of Jesus have no need to be sentenced; their unbelief is in itself their condemnation. The next yerse, in turn explains how this is. Verse 19 .- Loved the darkness Dosired its protection and opportunity of Verse 20 .- Doeth-Or. bractiseth.

Verse 21.—Doeth the truth-That strength had spread all over his native and a word may mar it." which is morally right and which therefore may be made manifest. Lesson Themes

but also in the order of composition and appearance, having been written by John probably near the close of returning to his home, victorious after the first century A. D. It is pre- a series of amateur "events" at a eminently a Gospel of life, light and neighboring fair, and almost unsanely love, and, in contrast with the synop- intoxicated with conceit because of his is gained." tie Gospels, it deals principally with success. On his way, in passing a ington Post, who are never kissed, events in our Lord's ministry which church, he was attracted by the sing-The Japanese lover, for instance, does transpired in and about Jerusalem, and ling and stopped into what proved to not salute his betrothed in our fash. the occasion of his attendance at suc- he a religious gathering for prayer. counts of our Lord's life, but rather the maturer reflections of a devoted or at any rate neglected, in many apostle now well advanced in years when compared with it.

John's Doctrine of the Logos.-The which denotes affection is to apply the Greek term "Logos," here translated man sprang to his face red, leak at midstream." "Word," was a philosophical expres-

have a strong antipathy, simply be- Jehovah, so when John wrote of Christ you with ease. The power you talk cause it is the proper thing to do, and as the Word it meant to most Jewish about can't do that. God may hurt as uprooting it," are a degradation of one of the most could understand. A man's word is celted and presumptitues boast. There by night." beautiful modes of expression in the the expression of his thought, his will was so much of audacity in the vaunt, his character; in a sense it is himself and its blasphemy was so astonding. In Iceland they do not understand and cannot be separated from himself. that the minister, as well as the tight boots, but no one need be testimonials. the kiss as a mode of salutation, but When a man pledges his word he audience, was disconcerted. The young troubled with them long when so it is regarded as something belonging pledges his honor, his character. All man then stalked out of the room, simple a remedy as Holloway's Corn

solemnly kiss the little one on the the Word came among men he reveal- was impossible to continut the meetearth may be regarded as the most We are not altogether without super- convincing proof of the existence and given out, however, a wild cry was The Greatest Offt Ever Made.—The riedly left the church to ascertain the professed with the religious people as that you, disgust luck, and the warrior, before starting Logos John places in his third chapter form of the young man shorn of its (3. 16) in a much simpler and vital arrogance and pride, and laid it upon form. It is the giving of a gift-the

> mankind. Philosophy is thus transtween life and death. A long liness lated into life. This gift of God was followed, and he was unable to rethe uncompelled, free, natural promptturn to active life for a year. It was ing of his heart. Our acceptance must found upon investigation, that a tile likewise be voluntary and free. Love on a building near the church, loosencalls for love-this is the only compulsion, but there is no stronger vital ed by the storm, had been hurled b the wind upon the young man's head as if guided by an unerring hand .. Were the whole realm of nature mine

For Study and Discussion Who was John? Why is he called the "beloved disciple"? Was he originally of a mild and gentle spirit? What occasioned the change in his disposition? Where and when did John dle? What was the purpose John's Clospet? About what time did t appear? How does it differ from the other Cospels? What can you say of its spiritual quality? In what sense was Christ the Word? How does God reveal himself to men now?

Dally Readings for Next Week Monday, December 22-Matt. 10: 10-Tuesday, Docember 23-John 6: Wednesday, December 24-Matt. 16: Thursday, December 35-Luke 3: 8

That were a present far too small;

Demands my soul, my life, my all,

Love so amazing, so divine,

Baturday December 27-John 11:

Bome of you are talking too much without knowing it. A man who went to see a neighbor on a matter of business, stayed so long that his wife became worried. When he returned, she said, her eyes on the clock. "You must have had a pleasant

Her husband answered irritably, bers of the same family can tell the Pleasant nothing! It was two hours two apart. Bounded very entertainbefore I got a chance to say what I ing romances are founded on th Yet very likely this talkative man tween two people, and there are whole would have been autonished if he had history cases where nature seems to known how long his caller had been have duplicated her work, but those trying to get a word in edgewise.

A few people who talk very much You are unique among your fellows. are worth listening to, but as a rule, the only one of your kind, upwards of fifty years, and in that volume of words. If some of you who the value of personality. To try to time it has proven a blessing to thous- talk nigch could have your conver- make yourself on the pattern of some ands. It is in high favor throughout sation taken down in short hand for a one class to be at cross purposes with Canada and its excellence has carried day or two, it would do you a great your Creator. Imitation will not get its farme beyond the seas. If it were service. Much so-called talk is merely you anywhere. Your one chance is to double the price it would be a cheap chatter without shough ideas to give make the most of your own person-

## HUNTING WITH GUNS AS ACCESSORIES



By the time he has gathered all his equipment and impediments around him the average man preparing to enter the woods with the idea of game In the bosom of-In constant intimate hunting begins to wonder, first of all how he is going to carry it all, and able number of those entering Can- closing season's most interesting shots. then how much of it he really needs, adian woods during the last few years The doe. was got within range after Eventually he sets off with the bare have been known to carry guns rather three days hunt out of Ste. Jovite. necessities of the trip, minus most of than cameras as accessories. A great Que. She was not the largest animal the paraphenalia he intended to take, deal more skill and bush lore in re- seen, but she made the best shot. The but one thing he will not leave behind quired to enable one to secure a shot moose, which is seen leisurely sharpindispensable. Without it he knows end, without entailing any slaughter, other faced the camera in the waters that he will be unable, probably, to produces quite as much thrill. This of the Tobique, Nova Scotia. The support his claims as to big moose will be readily acknowledged by the buck cleaving the Lake of the Woods shot or feroclous game encountered. | true sportsman.

As a matter of fact quite a notice- | Reproduced above are some the -his camera. It may got in his way with a camera than with a rifle, the oning its tooth, was caught in the sometimes, but as a rule he finds it chase is even more exciting and the Kipawa district of Ontario, while the shows what may be obtained in the way of "action" photographs.

### A YOUNG MAN'S BOAST

This is pre-eminently the day of trained muscle. The young athlete in as well. this incident we are about to reinte. Leadership: was the champion of the town in which he lived. He could run faster, lors." jump farther, and lift a heavier wight Power of words: than any other man for miles around, Indeed, the fame of his unusual county. He was of good family-the Uselessness of worry: son of a physician-a fine-looking fel-

The Purpose of John's Gospel,-The huge muscles, were often shown to Cospel according to John is the fourth admiring groups. This fostered his and last not only in order of arrange- egotism and led to such indulgence in ment in the New Testament canon, athletic sports as had drawn him into of youth is vain." doubtful associations. It was in the autumn, and he was

> The clergyman in charge of 'the meeting was speaking about spiritual strength, and the weakness or insufficiency of human power or the ordinary powers of nature for human help.

A storm had arisen, and the wind almost drowned the speaker's words. People looked uncomfortable. In a full in the tempest the preacher stopand his eyes blazing with indignation. Times-This is what he is reported to have

He spread his great arms before the for." people. "I could raise a benchful of Conduct: A shocked slience followed the con-

to the supernatural. If a child is ill that constitutes his personality is com- erect and arrogant. The effect of his Remover is available. you will sometimes see its mother mitted in his pledge. So when Christ Implous intrusion was such that it Before the last hymn could be

> gift of Jesus, God's only begotten Son, a gastly wound upon his head, and he to express the Father's love for all For days the athlote lingered be-

onded team cruelly beating his horses and lovely,-Exchange. because they did not go at once up a steep hill. Bhe took note of the name on the wagon and the man, and the place where the team belonged. found the man and usked him to be kind enough to listen to her; then she better treatment of his horses. "Hefore leaving him, she handed him a little package containing a few carrata, and said: "When you came to another hard hill try this remedy. Jump down from your wagon, speak kindly to your horses and give them a carrot aplece." A few days later she got the following note: "Madam, you are all right. enclose a dollar bill to buy carrots with for some other people. I tried t on my team and it did the work The boy who would "ruther be right like a miruole. I will stop and count twenty before I ever strike a horse ugain to hurt him."-From "Our Fourfooted Friends."

#### Did you ever think that while you never write your name twice alike, I

is always distinctly your signature?

Nobody size can write it just as you do. Experts recognize a forged signature without difficulty. In the billions that, make up this teeming world, there are none who look just alike. Twins sometimes nome very near it, but generally memtheme of the striking resomblance becases are so rure as hardly to count.

Not all the proverbe of the Chinese athletic achievements, and it is the are worth repeating, but here are movement for the social and moral fashion among young men to worship some that are worth thinking about betterment of the community. Noth-

low, tall and well-proportioned. His heavens."

Vain scheming: not worth one scheme of God."

will not come." Contentment:

loth that warms." "When the flight is not high. fall will not be heavy." nels, but it all returns to the sea." Forethought:

when on a precipice, and to mend a cross though the ministry of the "An inch of time is an inch of gold. Your prejudices and go to church.-"A foot of road is not precious, but Moose Jaw Times.

another inch of time is to be struggled

. THINGS TO FORGET If you would increase your happi-

get the temptations. Forget the faultfinding and give little thought to the cause which provokes it! . Forget the peculiarities of friends and remember only the good points which make you fond of them.

histories you may have heard by secident, which, if repeated, would against him in any job he may have. seem a thousand times worse than they the disagreeables of life; they will come, but they will grow larger when swearer in the office or in the workyou remember them, and constant thought of these acts of meanness makes you more familiar with them. Obliterate everything disagreeable from yesterday; start out with a cloth heart to-day, so that you may write upon a clean sheet for sweet memory's when she saw a man with an over- sake only those things which are nure

THE BOY WE LIKE

next morning, early, she was at the The boy who never makes fun of The boy who never makes fun of a made upon it, and that their opercompanion for something he could ation is ultogether health-giving.

The boy who says "No" when usked to do a wrong. The boy who is always courteous to women and girls. than be a premier."



WHY GO TO CHURCH! The church stands behind every ing more effectually rebukes the forces of wickedness in a city or nation's "A good general has no poor sold- life. The church is charged with the recovery of wreckage of society so often created by other institutions of "A kind words keeps warm for three a city. No wonder she seeks to prewinters. A word may make a state vent the things which tend to ruin lives. In this great work she should have the sympathy rather than the "The biggest hand cannot hide the abuse of people in authority. Any persons or organizations which make "Men do not live a hundred years: It harder for the church to reach yet harbor the griefs for a thousand." people and do its work are menacing

"The grief, of age over the neglect | the very foundations of a city's social and moral well-being. One should go to church for the "The myriad schemes of men are family's sake. A father has no right to drive his children to church while he spends the day in sleep or sport. "Where no money is spent, no grace A father ought to lead the way to the "House of God." If he doesn't he is

"If the pennies do not go, the pounds not dealing fairly with the family or the community. Church-going may be a habit, but it "It is honest fare that feeds and is a good habit, and people are better and a community is the better for its recognition of God and worship. We need revealed to us the deep things "Water may run a thousand chan- of the soul, which are so revealed by the church. Other things we have "Each blade of grass has its own tried and found to fail. When the human heart yearns for a deeper life, for faith, for satisfaction in prayer, for "The mun who takes no thought for forgiveness, for moral power, for some the distance has serrow near at hand." I true grasp of God and hope in death, "It is too late to reign up your horse it is the message of Christ and the church that leads the way to the

For Catarrh -- It is one of the chief recommendations of Dr. Thomas' Ec-"Cutting down a weed is not as good lectric Oil that it can be cured internally with as much success as it can "Do no wrong by day and you will outwardly. Sufferers from catarrh will fear no demon knocking at your door and that the Oil-when used according to directions will give prompt relief. Many sufferers from this allment have Corns are caused by the pressure of found relief in the Oll and have sent

"peace and understanding." Lay aside

#### PROFANITY The trouble with profanity, mays the

Editor of the Vernon News, is not so much that it is plain wicked, as that it is just plain dirty. ness and prolong your life, forget your . It is not so much that you shock being course and vulgar. The young man who wants to succood wants to take advantage of

Forget all the personal quarrels or everything that may help him on. the right sort of girls he must keep shop, nor on the train, nor in the hotel. The only place swearing fits is the Swearing means you don't know how to talk. Your vocabulary is limited. It is a sign of ignorance, Swearing

means weakness. You will notice that forceful men, whose words carry weight, use, simple shows your impotence. It is the petty refuge of the helpless.

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worms can be got in Miller's Worm Powders. They render the stomach names, no matter what anybody heal the surfaces that have become inflamed by the attacks of the parasites The boy who never lies. Even white and serve to restore the strength of lies leave black spots upon the the child that has been undermined by the draughts that the worms have

## TO BE KEPT APARY

Buarks and gasoling. Caps and dynamits. Electric wires and metal objects. Children and matches. Electric bulbs and comba

Careless people and camp fires. Cas jots and lace curtains. Coal oil lamps and shaky tables. Forest slash and cigarette stube. Brush piles and careloss smokers. Cellulold combs and hot hair curiers. Lighted matches and forest under-

A HUNDRED VEARS AGO hundred years ago to-day a wild

man with powder in his gun wehi forth to hunt a deer; now the times have changed somewhat-are on a different plan, Dear, with powder on her nose, goes forth to hunt a man.

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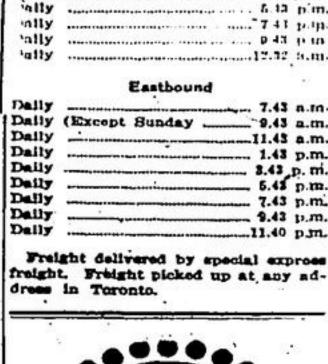
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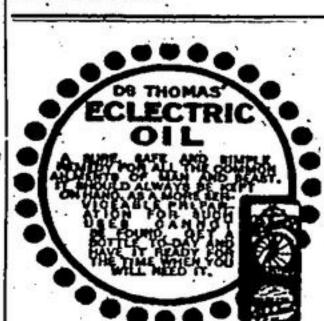
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