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WHEN IGNORANCE WAS BLISS Methusalah ate what he found on his

And never, an people do now, Did he note the amount of the caloric He ato it because it was chow. He wasn't disturbed, as at dinner he

To think it was lacking in granular fat Or a couple of vitamines shy. He carefully chewed overy-species of

Untroubled by worries or fears Lest his health might be hurt by some fancy dessert, And he lived over nine hundred

HOW THE TRADE WAS MADE

"John," sald Mirandy, "I am ashamed of your old suit. You ought to get 'a new one before spring, so many of our folks may como to soe us at that season."

"But, Mirandy," cried John, "I can not spare the money for a pult, of clothes just now; the interest on the loan is almost due, and there is the note I gave when we bought that Inachinery." "I wonder if you could trade a hog

with Sam Brown, the tailor; he has a big family and could surely use a hog," said Mirandy. "You are nuro one born manager, cried John. "I will see what can be dono .- I am going to town and wil

talk with O. B. Middleman; he knows about such thinge." Sam Brown sat with logs crosped; stitching at a now pair of pants. He was thinking of the winter and of all the little Browns that had to be feel. "I wish I could got a hog for the winter; if some farmer would trade one for a suit of clothes. I could make a fair profit on the clothes, and not have

to hand out the cash. I will talk with O. B. Middisman, he seems to know more about such things than I do." O. B. Middleman was sitting in his wife was reading the latest magu-"Had a nice day's business to-day,"

"What was the nature of the business to-day?" asked his wife. "Oh, Farmer John dropped in the office and wanted to know if I thought he could trade a nice how for a new suit of clothes. 'You might get a suit of clother for two nice hoge, I said 'Get your hogs and I will see what can "I stopped in to see Sam Brown

the tailor, and asked it he could un a nice how this Winter. "'Just what I have been thinking of Brown and Do you think I could trade a suit of clothes for one with

.. "You would need two sults of olothes for a nice hog. Sam.' I said. 'Hoge are high fust now. Bring the other morning-while the sun was shinsuite to the office and I will see what ning, and quite naturally it set my I can do. I know a lot of farmers.' nice new suit. Sam has a nice fat hog and we, by my up-to-date -methods which for quite a number of years has have a nice fat hog, and I have a new been a double tenoment. Last full suit of clothes. A nice piece of busi- Mr. William Kelly purchased the pro-

COME TO CHURCH

In campaigns to increase atten dance at religious services most the posters and advertisements used have borne the request or suggestion of "Go to Church." In this the best way of presenting the invitation? "Come" in a botter word then "Go." . "Go" in the word of command. "Come" is the word of invitation. It is far more difficult to get a man to do a thing if we tell him to do it in the command "go" than if we invite him to do it in the word "come." Noah did not say to his sons or to his wife, nor his sons to their wives, "Go into the Ark." God did not tell Noah himself to go in. He uald "come," thus showing that God Himself was there.

The word "come" implies the personal presence of the one who invites and suggests not only the invitation, but a welcome on the part of the one who in-

Those who are regular attendants at the house of God need no added invitation to worship in this way, for the habit is fixed and the blooming received in church attendance is recognized. It is imperatively the duty of the Church, however, to extend this

of accompaniment, association, friendly

will find a much more natural response now situated, and the two on Main Church surroundings seem strange to the old furniture building, and the those who are unaccustomed to being homes of Nelson Lambert, George in a congregation assembled for wor- Dills and Chief, McPherson. ship. - They do not know whom they This fine old property was a part of are to meet; the Church seems cold the front of one of the farms of the have the manner of strangers. To "go" this old town nearly one hundred years means that you brave this yourself; ago, These four lots were given the word "come" evidences that some Miss Electa Adams—always known and one is waiting for you; that there is a referred to in the early days as Aunt spirit of welcome and good-will. Electa-by her father Eliphatet "Come thou with us and we will do Adams. The house was built about thee good" is more than a scriptural eighty years ago. Aunt Electa was a text .- Dr. Timothy Stone.

IT WOULD BE A LITTLE

The mistress of the house "interview- both lived and died there. "We call all our servants by their

last names." she announced. "What is "You had better call me Thomas ma'am," replied the applicant. "No; we insist that you shall be later Mr. Smith passed away there. called by your last name. Otherwise Miss Carrie, who had been in business you won't do at all."

think the family would like to use it." said his prospective employer, some-

"It's Darling, ma'am."

MORE OR LESS TRUE Anything that is almost

aga the better they crack. Occasionally women try to refo man by roasting him. As mon grow older, they are talle ibas and say more. Some men are born cranks and others live in boarding houses. It's a wonder the kangaroo isn't extinct, since he's nearly always on his last legs. One brand of sensickness is the re-

PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

My Past- May It teach me Windom; may it be renewed by Memory; may Ing. When the second story was bet be covered by Morey. My Present-May it be enriched by Thoughtfulness; may it be strengthened by Obedience; may it be made use-

My Future-May it become real by Faith; may it be brightened by Hope; may it be ennobled by Love.



My Pilot

Full three score years and ten, But my Pilot has never deserted mo Though oft-times I have wayward For no matter how perllous the pas

through. calm and still With never a billow to surge 'Gainst my frail little craft and toes Of the vengeful storm-cloud's urge

But when seas were more placid, ah hon I was prone To forget that I ndeded a pilot. There were times when my bark was swirled and tossed

On the crest of the waves like But my Pflot, e'er ready, would come And with child-like faith I would give And He'd guide messafe out of

Though I still have the port to make! But my faith is strong, and He'il guide And show me which channel to take To reach the Haven of salvaged ships And receive my reward from His own_dear_lips... -Georgiana Miller

thoughts back half-a century or more. "The result is, my dear, John has a The Building I mean is the one on Main. Street, opposite Knox Avenue perty and is converting a part of the first floor into a store for the grocery business he conducted in the old Fyr

and McNabb building, on the corner of

A good many of those who read this store building, and for years was utilized for the purpose originally intended Some of the older folks remember quite well that Mr. Henry Smith put up the building over fifty yeard ago. When it was completed he had it stocked with the first real well-assorted lines of furniture available to the choice of the people of Acton and vicinity. In fact, Acton never had a real furniture store until Mr. Smith became a Methodist preacher-made chairs and tables and bedsteads in the shop owned and occupied by Ronald the need here in the general furniture

line, and built his store, and for years pagedid a thriving business there! When this building was erected Mr Smith and his wife and two daughters, "go." There is the natural inclination lived in the house which is now Dr. Coxe's home. This fine old property then had comprised four lots. The two If we can offer to accompany those on Willow Street and Bower Avenue who do not usually attend church we where James Symon's residence is

and formal, the church members may Adams family—the people who founded maiden lady of uncertain age, but was still susceptible to the friendship and smiles of the sterner sex. When Captain Ebbage came to town—the father of the late Thomas Ebbage-o widower, he became acquainted with A rather good-looking young chauf- Aunt Electa, and the upshot was a four applied for a position with a courtship, and then a wedding, and sumption of tea in 1524 over 1923 has newly rich family that aspired to he the olderly bride and groom settled amounted to 39 million pounds. An

I think Mr. Smith bought the property from the Adams family. The Smiths lived there for many years Mrs. Smith, who was a sister of Mrs. Benjamin Nicklin, died there, the first break in the family. A few years in Toronto for a long time, took ill and 'Oh, I'm willing, ma'am, but I don't died at her home there rather suddenly, I think about ten years ago, "What is your last name, then?" Miss Mary is still with us and has kindest regards for the old town and

rows there. It was there the Doctor founded his extensive motor car-agency which has developed into the big garage business down the street. Jokes are like nuts-the drier they Thirty or thirty-five years ago Thomas Ebbage bought a lot belong-

ing to this property, facing on Bower Avenue, which seemed quite fitting considering his father's relationship to it. He built the double house there, and for years rented it as tenements The corner lot, beside the furniture store, was bought by the late James a number of years by Dr. J. M. Bell, surgery there. This was the birth-

Mrs. Bell, and Maxwell is a grown Coming back to the old store building-planned, Acton Lodge of Oddfellows was instituted and the newlyelected officers and nowly-initiatedmembers chose this place for their first home of Acton Lodge I. O. O. F ..

boing recognized as a "brother of the three links," I have no opportunity of definitely knowing how many of the old members are still on the roll, but I see Bros. A. E. Nicklin and William Williams dodging up the stairs to the present lodge room on Willow Street once in a while, and have been to'd that they both "rode the gent" in the old hall over Smith's furniture store away back in 1878. Lot's nec, that's nearly fifty years ago, lan't it. They my that both these venerable brothrem have filled the high office of Noble

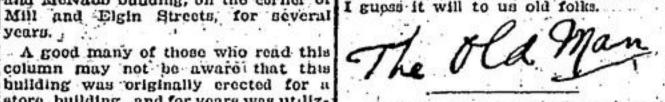
Grand. I should think they would soon qualify for the veteran's medal. Well, about thirty years or more ago, he Oddfollow's flitted from this hall to Matthews' hall, over the old Post Office. They later moved to Hill's Hall. When the Post Office store was moved to make a site for the new Govornment Building, to its present location on Willow Street, the brethren of the I. O. O. F. took quarters again in the old premises, and moved all their paraphenalia there, goat and all. Some time after Mr. Smith went out of the furniture business, owing to age and infirmity, the then newly-organized Salvation. Army loased the building. It was known as the Salvation A:my Barracks, and for a number of years the lively meetings of the Army were hold there. These were the days when Thomas Brunt, Duncan McDonald and Hugh Ryder were active members and regular attendants at the Bervices and much interested in the work of the

. When the Army was in the days of prosperity here, John Agnety, the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Agnew of the Dominion Hotel, was a regular attendant. To the amazement of the community he fell in lave with the lady Captain of the Army. The He was always at hand to guide mo admiration and affection were mutual, and one day they were married in the old Barracks, before a full house. have sailed when the waters were During the ceremony a fusilade of silver coins was directed at the happy 14 bride and groom from these in attendance. This was the method the soldiers took to provide the bride's portion. Well, Acton Salvation Army lost a good Captain and John Agnew won a good wife. Over thirty years they have lived happily together, and if you are ever visiting Winnipeg, call 25 Chinese foods (pl.). some day and see them, and if you're from Actor, you'll be given a cordial 29 In the last month (ab.).

The Salvation Army finally left these quarters, and moved to their new Barmacks at the corner of Mill Street and Park Avenue, where Jim Ramshaw's blackfimith's shop is now. When the Army discontinued their operations in bon bon a control boll by Barracks: One night-the building west up in smoke. But the old Smith furniture stere is known to this day as the Barracks. After the Salvation Army left Smith Buffding, George Soper opened

a grocery and provision storo there. and for a number of years did a thriv- troit lately a lady, speaking on the inlike to be down among the other bust- from an eye-witness; ness-felle on Mill Street. He built his for some time, it was converted into

what it was first intended for, and the the dirty, ragged condition she was natural to see a store there again, and with some and water.



mar, but his teacher was determined that the lesson should be learnt. Que such words as did and done; seen and fled away to make herself suitable Johnny set about his task in a busi- or

for what they wanted. Mr. Smith saw to return, Johnny took up his pencil "Dear teacher, I have wrote 'I have natied up. You-all please let it alone." gone home' one hundred times, and

THE COST OF DISCOVERING

A student of history who has made s searching inquiry into the subject of bus in actual cash to discover Am- way to ask. Sit here at the desk and Columbus himself was paid about \$320. He went from the room and returnthe ships, were paid \$130 cach, and a Please, Mr. Smith, may I go to the common seaman got \$29 for the voy- ball game this afternoon? age. The rest of the money was spent "Sure," said Billy; "here is 50 cents in outfitting the three ships and was for a ticket."-The . Continent (Chiprovided, so says the investigator, by cago). nobleman called Luis Stantangel, and not Queen Isabella. The nobleman's interest in advancing the money was, of course, prompted by his deplro to

ANY DAY

The estimated increase in the considered of great social importance, down in Aunt Electa's house, and they increase in production of only 17 mil- one evening to the local gogsip, "that lion pounds during the same period you all treut that gentleman with has resulted in ten prices advancing in primary markets from ten to fourprimary cost, so a general increase to

IF YOU ARE EASILY BORED it is for you to be bored. The people exercise his imagination on the sub- If so approved and sanctified, to plan who do not think at all are desporate ject of domestic tragedy. A young Through shades of silent rest, to end Dr. Coxe secured the homestead if they are left to their own resources shortly after coming to Acton. He for five minutes. It is very funny to and his have had their joys and sor- see young folks acting as if being so easily bored was a proof of superiorbrains are not working. Everything in this world is intereating. If we bring intelligence to hear coat to find in one of the pockets upon it. If you frequently find yourself an old love-letter from a former awest-

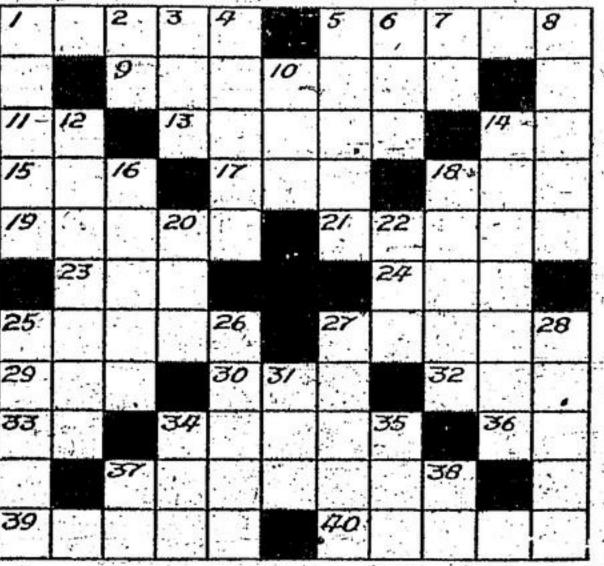
STIRRING UP THE VILLAGE

speed up your brain.

'you if some one should apply it to you. The "Welf, sir," said the old man, should stay here till next week, you'd see the whole countryside ette-"Why, what is going to happen next quaintances are too considerate to

No. 204. 'A few of the brethren init- upkeep at \$1.50 a day of Mr. Wilbert name, quitter leaves much to be delated in this first hall of the order in Haight. The amount has now reached sired, but the point that should inter-Acton are still members and still at- the sum of \$600, and it is hard to say est you most is the question whether -John H. Vincent, tend the meetings of the Lodge. Not how much longer it may last.

The Free Press' Cross Word Puzzle



KEY TO CROSS WORD PUZZLE

1 Terrify.

3 To recede.

6 A number.

2 Adverb of degree

4 To err, or get lost.

20 Before (poetic) .--

22 · Exists.

Horizontal Beasts of Burden. To shed plumage Gains possession. In the manner in which: like. A moat preservative. 'Fish eggs. 17. The first boat. 18 To put in place; adjust. 19 Currency,

21 A chemical term (pl.). 23 A pine product. 24 A small quadruped. 27 Apportions. Kind of fish.

lovely flower, she suddenly turned and

returned with her hands and face per-

fectly clean, and pushed her way up to

"It would seem, continued Miss Cof-

down the sign they had put up on her

"'cre ain't been a bill collectal:

neah dis house sence dat sign was

BASE BALL ETIQUITTE

The office boy rushed into the bom's

head and shouted, "Hey, boss! I want

to get off to go to the hall game."

AN EARLY SETTLER

was treated with great respect by the

others. When this individual passed

on-the other-side of the street he was

"I observe," remarked "the visitor

"Early settlers?" - paked the other

comptly on the first-of every month.

THE FEMININE VIEW

A story told in the New York Trib-

"I can't imagine anything more

find the letter first, and then she would

you young people would feel resentful

deperyo It. The fact that your ac-

call you a quitter will not help you

particularly, proylded you are one.

not mend the coat."

"But he pays all his, hills

saluted on every side and most men

took off their hats to him.

marked deference.

down," asked one of the officers.

-People's Home Journal.

mired it with intense satisfaction.

7 A pronoun. 8 A locomotive does 10 Atmosphere. 12 As if covered with smut by smoke 14 Furniture (pl.). 16 To legislate, 18 A roofing material:

5 Stoat-like unimals (pl.)

Vertical

25 A game with cards. 26 A coroul intermediate wheat and barley.

35 A pen, for animals. 37 A degree (ab.). 38 Elder (ab.).

THE STORY-TELLER'S ASSIST

ing business there. But George began fluence of beautiful objects upon the tain the accumulated wisdom of the performance of awful or superstitious to feel that he would like a store character and conduct of young pupils, race, and the man who makes it may rites, but on the manly, reasonable building of his own, and that he'd told a pretty story received by her be only putting together the labor of service of a holy life. It opens to you, "Into a school made up chiefly of in telling a story one voice is befter paradise when you die, but an open store there and has felt quite at home children from the slums, the together than several. Most persons have had, door into eternal life now while you carried one day a beautiful calla lily, at one time or another the nort of ex-live-that eternal life of loving fellow-Mr. Thomas Easton bought the pro- Of course, the children gathered about perience which this dialogue embedies: | ship with God which we have in Jesus "We were down town last Monday," Christ, His Son,-J. Oswold Dykes.

began the husband, "and-"Pardon me, dear, it was Tuesday, "Yes, er, yes, last Tuesday we were down on High Street. "It was Cameron Street, dear." "Thank you, darling, yes. I thought dreadfully solled, but her face and s was cold and put on my overcoat-" "But it wasn't very cold, Henry, at

"As this little one drew near the be." "It was pretty cold, anyhow. Weran-away down the stairs and out of had just passed Moran & Piper's the building. In a few minutes she store." "It isn't Moran & Piper's any more; you know. It's Morand and Company

the flower, where she stood and ad- now.' "They didn't fail, Piper sold out. But go on with your story, dear, I know Mr. Barney wants to diear it." its atmosphere," and the little thing things that Margaret had bought-". "Why, Henry, I didn't buy many for such companionality. Did not this things. You know we had just paid have an elevating, refining effect on the rent, and I didn't have my Monday the child? Let us gather all the beauty shopping allowance at all. That's why waited until Tuesday."

Henry was silent for a few seconds. expectation, then says:

As there are no objections. Honry regains the courage of the declarative

a, not a very big bag for such a big "To be sure, he is a large man, my dear. You are quite right. How are to-morrow. I must run along now." your story," said Margaret, when Bar

GOLDEN THOUGHTS

They Never Arrived some of the griefs you have cured ondured

Happiness does not proceed hance, nor is it got by supplication but is inevitable wherever the Master is .- Edward Carpenter.

Who's to Blame. Over failure a man may laugh, reserve a dignified attence, or worry himself to bits; do what he will, he cannot get away from the idea that

Life, I fepeat, is energy of love Divine or human; exercised in pain

In strife and tribulation; and ordain

The Condition Without a conflict thou canst no:

An Uncompromising Attitude "Fortunately, that could not hap- should not recked the chance of life and death, but simply ask himself in regard to any action, "Is it right or is it wrong? the act of a gold man or

> Bobbed heads may be washed

It's easy to wash and dry the bobbed heads-A free lather of Baby's Own Soap in a basin of hot water is a simple and inexpensive shampoo and the lingerhair is very appealing. Baby's Own Soap is sold in individual carions 10c. - Every-

"Best for you and Baby too"

"JUST MY LUCK"

of his voice that he considers his luck people had formed a circle. that these mental prophecies of mis- to sign you up." fortune tend to realize themselves. If a young fellow expects to lose his "GO lob within six months, it is impossible for him to conduct himself as he would if he 'was profoundly certain a girl gets the idea that she is destin- his follows:

ed to an early death, her nerves will join forces with her enemies, and almost any attack of illness may prove Do not say, "Just my luck," or "that's always, the way," when things go wrong. Do not feel that way about of the florist was Mr. Heaven. it. Look for the best. Make your expectations magnets to draw blessings. not misfortunes.

EQUALLY GUILTLESS

A story is told of an English bishop who was reproving one of the clergy for his interest in hunting. . "It is unfortunate," he sald, gravely, "that your name should appear in connection with the sport, most unfortunate." The clergyman , had known the bishop for many years, so he ventured to-murm-ur-a-query-av-to-whether-thebishop considered hunting worse than attending balls.

"I know to what you refer," said the bishop, with a slight accession of color. "But I wish you to understand that although my name did appear as that of a guest at Lady Brockmorton's ball. I was never in the same room with the dancers." "And that," said the clergymen, quickly. "is exactly my position." am never in the same field with the

A GOSPEL TO LIVE BY

Take the Gospel, not as a mystle

oass for eternity, but as a rational word to live by. Take it to your heart. with gladness, for it brings good tidingu. It tells you that God in heaven has had pity on you. It proclaims His way of pardon. It holds Jesus His Son crucifled for ain. It assures you of mercy in His name. It bids you trust you a reverent, penitent, and affecON ALL BUSINESS

The "just my luck" young people A man slipped on a bahana-peel and have little idea how largely they are executed a very funny fall, not being responsible for the missed chances of hurt, as it turned out, but having his which they complain. For when you dignity somewhat ruffled. When he hear a pergon exclaim, "Just my luck," recovered a moment later a friend was your generally can tell from the tone holding his but, and a number of

very bad indeed. It is surprising how "What do these idlers want," h The "Just my luck" young people are "They are not idlers," explained his never taken by surprise when matters friend soothingly. "Here's a docto go wrong. Their attitude shows that | who wants, to look you over, a lawyer this is the result they had expected ready to bring suit for you, and all along. It is a matter of observation producer of comic films who would like

TO HEAVEN FOR YOUR

We noticed this ad in a daily paper of being made a partner some day. If the other day and reflected solemnly Most of us have to die before w get any flowers, anyway. 'It wouldn't be very polito to tell us to go anywhere else for them. Until we read a little farther down in the ad and found that the name



Sometime! Why not this time?

TEA"is good tea"

The ORANGE PEKOE is extra good. Try it



Did You Ever Stop to Think?

THAT home business institutions that are helping to pay for the maintenance and improvements of the town are entitled to the trade of the people of the home town.

THAT outside business concerns do nothing towards the improvement of the home town.

THAT buying away from home when you can get better service and as good values at home, should be universally discouraged. Every dollar and every activity should be united to make the business of the home town better. Now is the time for us to get busy and make local business better.

THAT everyone of us should take an active and positive stand on all things that go to make local business better.

THAT we all should take a mental inventory and find out how we stand in ability and honesty of purpose and willingness to make Acton better and bigger.

THAT no man is a success who only enriches himself. The man is a success who enriches the community.

THAT there is only one town in the world in which to live and prosper and that is the town in which you live.

THAT a good way to boost the home town is to buy from the local business concerns who advertise in local papers.

THAT local advertisers are the people who usually lead in the things that keep a town proving forward in the march of progress.