Avent little Jo and I, the 'crisp Christmus weather, To see what we could spy. It was a place of wonder,

A real enchanted ground,

Where everything that heart could Might certainly be found. There were swings and rocking -horses.

And sieds for boys and girls, And games, and books and puzzles, - And dolls with flaxen curle. -Now find out what she most wishes,

(It popped into my head),

"And get it her for Christmas,"

And so I spoke and said: "If you could have but one thing Of all the things you see,-Now, tell me; little daughter, What that one thing should be?"

The little maiders answered, Scanning the treasures o'er: "If I could have but one fing, fink I'd take the store."

-Edgae L. Warren

# TWENTY YEARS AGO

From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, December 14, 1905

Christmus business is-humming overywhere. The Clark House in its new dress has been re-named by Mr. Roach, The Fat Stock Show and Winter and guarantee of the resurrection Fair are in progress this week at (Acts 13: 22, 33, 38). If there is no

contingent. Turnips are still being delivered in "Modernists" teach), then Jesus was large quantities. The price is 12c, not raised and He is not the Messiah, Contractor Barrie has already shipped and our "faith is in vain" and the over 200 cars this season. Miss Pettigrew, teacher of the first (cf. 1 Cor. 15: 13--9). What poor department of the Public School, has logicians, these "scholarly" modern-

School Orchestra at an oyster support minds, if anything is quite generally last Friday evening. mas examinations at the Public School will be held. The public are cordially invited to be present in the after- moral ruln. Jesus was Himself a sign

which was spoken again (Luke 2: The local committee: is arranging 34). Man's judgments are not God's, for a public meeting in the interests and the sect that is "everywhere spokof Local Option to be held in the Town en against" may be the sect God has Hall. Rev. J. C. Pidgeon, Presbyter- chosen. Any body of people who are ian minister, and Mr. Reany, barris- loyal to God and His word are quite ter, both of Toronto, are expected to likely to be spoken against by a Godbe the speakers. The vote will be hating world (Inc. 15: 18-21,-24).

taken on New Year's Day. . meeting of the Municipal Council on Monday evening, was the matter of signs naming the various streets in town: It was decided to take the the futherance of the Gospel (cf. fleet in 1782 saved the empire of the finest land in central Al- real farm, run by real people, and the matter up seriously next year. The Phil. 1: 12). They had brought Paul Britons from the Bourbons. necessity of a new map of the munici- to Rome at the expense of the state, Baron Rodney himself, and Lady stands on the brow of a high bank say it is the life. They seem to care also laid over for next year.

#### BAD BUSINESS

which Mr. J. B. Harrison relates in Paul they had to listen to what he a lotter to the Century on vote-buying had to say. Many were thus conin New Hampshire. A certain man, verted (Phil. 1: 13, R. V.), and as the not a poor man sold his vote for \$25 Roman soldier went everywhere they

loan and applied, offering good secur- where. Paul opened to the Jews the tain prominent persons by his need- preacher. A dissenting minister once many crops, the Hartford Current ity, to the bank, the president of Old Testament scriptures concerning lessly cutting remarks on their "re- complained to him of the dealing he tells the story of the man who, many which happened to be the local leader the death and resurrection and ascen- spectabilities." One day Mr. Samuel had received from an ecclestiastical years ago, applied to Horace Greely of the party which had bought his sion and coming again and reign of Hooper, who represented Boston in board, and concluded: vote. The loan was promptly refused, the Christ (comp. ch. 17: 2, 3; 26: 22, the National House, and who was an "For my part, I don't see the dif- Mr. Greely conducted a column in the sold us his vote the other day, he can filled in Jesus. He gave witness to by a wealthy commercial acquaintance meaning that the rule of his board "scientific agriculture." Thousands of have no accommodation at this bank," the kingdom of God—this is, to the how he managed to get along with was as strict as that of the bishops. farmers and would-be farmers sent in Did the bank president contribute reign of God on earth in the coming any of the money that bought the Messianic kingdom. All this exposi-

ruins the reputation of a party, of its improved state of society, but a definleaders, and of the contributors to ite reign in a definite person, Jesus. bribery funds, then will come the era His preaching of the kingdom was as politics, as in love and war, every- is really a kingdom of God with the thing is fair.

longer find is openly asserted that in by Isalah himself or the deuterobe bought, and are bought.

#### ONE LAST FOND WORD It happened last summer in

"All aboard!" shouted the conduc-

The young couple who had been standing a little apart started. "It'll sure be lonesome here without you!" he observed. "And I'll miss you, too," she told him. "This has been the best vacation I over had, and all because I met might have been together!" he wailed. rest are rejected. Those who believe him to come over to her house the "But just think of all the days wo

ing the persons who looked on with mild amusement. "You'll write?" she called from the platform. "Every day," he promised, as the train began to move. And ther he suddenly dashed after "Wait a minutel" he yelled des-

He kissed her goodbye, quite ignor-

claimed, on the verge of tears.

### UNDESIRABLE ACQUAINTANCÉ

cairingly. "What did you say your

There is a current report that a certain very scrupulous lady refused to be rescued from drowning because she had not made the acquaintance of her would-be preserver in the conventional manner; and her property seems only one step in advance of that illustrated by the following anecdote from Life: A lady went to get a check cashed

at a bank where she was entirely un-"It will be impossible for me to give you the money, madam," said the teller, politoly, "unless you can indentify

yourself in some way." "But I am Miss C-," said the lady, "Cortainly; but it will be necesgary for some one whom we know to give you an introduction to us." Bhe' drew back and regarded him

"But, sir," she said, in what has been called "a tone of spurn," "I do not wish to know you!"

### SENTENCE SERMONS"

No day 'is long enough: For the man who is a procrastina-

For the cynic to toll all about the What would you say if I were to come things that are wrong with the world, out on a troop night with a face like funds that they can pay, but the close contribute to the long list of motor intestines, and nothing in the shape To spend any of it hunting for that?"

#### THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

PAUL IN MELITA AND ROME:-Acts 28: 16-24, 30,31. Golden Text-I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is, Aho power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. Romans 1: 16. Time-A. D. 61-63.

Place-Rome. The Lesson Explained 1. Paul Caris the Leading Jews t

Paul is at Rome at just, and is there to preach the Gospel as he had longed to do (Ro. 1: 14-16). Paul loved his people no matter how bitterly they hated him. He got them together as soon as he could that he might preach Jesus to them. He seeks to concilate Jesus to them. He seeks to concillate them. He has no charge to bring up bound with a chain, but it is a great privilege and honor to be bound with a chain in a good cause. It was through Jewish malice that Paul was now in chaine, but strangely enough it was because of loyalty to the great hope of the Jewish nation that he had incurred Jewish enmity. "The hope of Larnel" was tworold: the hope of a resurrection (Acts 23: 6; 24: 15; 26: 6,8), and the hope of a Messiah in whom they and all the nations of the earth should be blessed (Acts 3: 22-24; Luke 1: 69,70,72; Ro. 15: 8; Gal. 3: 14, 16-18). In Paul's preaching the two hopes were blended, because the Messiah he preached was a Messiah risen from the dead, the first fruits Guelph. Acton, is sending a large resurrection of the body, but only an 'immortality of the soul" (as the whole Christian system is a fraud tion in a school near her home at thou thinkest:" that was certainly a hogs. hopeful sign. The last part of the Mr. John S. Coleman and family on- answer of the Jews had an ominous tertained the Methodist Sunday sound. To many weak and superficial Tspoken against, that proves it is-all Friday afternoon the Christ- wrong. In Paul's day Christianity was everywhere spoken against, yet it was to conquer the world and save it from

pality was also referred to and was they had given Paul a great audience Rodney, have gone through the throce overlooking the Saskatchewan, pro- for no other. They are going to make of leading Jews, but further than this of life as hired help on an Alberta viding one of the most beautiful views good farmers. they had given Paul an audience of farm, and are now putting others one could wish to see. Roman soldiers. These soldiers would never have come to a service conduct-That is a very instructive incident ed by a Jew, but as they had to guard became most efficient missionaries in Not long after he needed a business Gaul, Germany, Britain and else-"No," said the bank president, "he 23), showing how all this was ful-

tion and testimony centered on Jesus. meet him very often. He appears to ference between the two. A board is received illuminating answers. Oc-When the willingness to buy votes It was no abstract reign or God in an Washington. You can't go anywhere on!" of purity in politics so often laughed far as possible different from what in gentleman? You don't say that he is cultar religion views. at by shallow thinkers who enjoy the these days is heralded as a "preach- a man one would ask, now, to dine at spirit of the game, and hold that in ing of the kingdom of God" which your table or mine?" King left out, and evolutionized man dry humor which was peculiarly his A famous political leader, who once exalted to God's place. Paul proved own, "I don't think it would become had command of his party in a na- his points, both from the law of you to invite him to your house, but when the servant appeared, he said tional campaign, used to say, "In Moses and from the prophets, "from society in Washington is mixed up of quietly to him: business, commit everything to writ- morning till evening." If Paul had elements such as we never find in "John, show this gentleman to the cating habits," replied Mr. Greely, "I been like many modern so-called Boston. There are, you know, a lot door, and keep your eye on him until suppose that guano is as good as any When the business of the country is "Bible teachers" he would have spent of ambassadors from the various he is beyond the reach of every bit of the fertilizers to put on their poconducted on the same principles and the day discussing whether or no the countries of Europe, dukes, earls, of wearing apparel in the hall." with the same ideas of morality as is law was really Mosiac, and whether barons, knights and others persons One Sunday several persons entered gravy." the private business, we shall no the portions of Isaiah expounded were with titlees prefixed to their names his chapel, to avoid the falling rain many of the provinces from ten to Isaiah or some other Isaiah. If he had guest, but I would not, of course, ad- making their religion a coupe," said thirty-five per cent. of the votes may been fool enough to waste his time in vise you to invite him to dinner. In Mr. Hill, "but I do not think those are tically all pains arising from inflamthat way, instead of its being written Washington we can be less discrim- la." "some of them believed," it would have been written "none of them believed" when he got through ... The method Paul employed, going through that the victim of this satire re- congregation, he said:

leverywhere, the Master Himself followed. This was the kind of preaching that people are willing to listen to "from morning till evening." Even apostolic preaching will not convert

closed, because they themselves had closed them. The awful result was, they should be neither converted nor healed, but overlastingly lost (comp. 2 Thess. 1: 7-9). Though they refused the salvation, it was none the less

two years of uninterrupted service in Rome and here the story closes. Daily Readings For Next Week Monday-Paul in Melita, Acts -28: Tuesday-Paul in Rome. Acts 28:

"of God." If they would not have it

Wednesday-Paul Preaches Rome. Acts 28: 17-23, Thursday-Paul Wins Converts Christ. Acts 28: 24-31. Friday-Paul Writes to the Romans. Saturday-Love the Fulfilling of the Law. Romans 13: 8-14. Sunday-Self-Dedication Not Self-

## A SCOUT-IS COURTEOUS

Conceit, Romans 12: 1-8,

The Scoutmaster of a certain troop turn-out of his Scouts. Walking round, he stopped before one of the more recently enrolled Scouts. After looking him up and down for a minute or two he said to him:

"Jones, your face is very dirty.

### "IT'S A GREAT LIFE," SAY TITLED ENGLISH FARMERS



John Stanley,

ranch house at Cottosmore Farm.

tions, where every chore on the farm and others. is handled at some time or other by Everybody works on the Rodney cattle, under the supervision of the men born under some of the most farm. Lord and Lady Rodney them- instructor who is there to show them famous titles in Britain. wan district. Cottesmore farm is berta they hired out through the gov- supplies, from its herd of 40 grade 2. Paul Preaching the Kingdom of owned and operated by one George ernment employment bureau and took shorthorns, all the milk and cream Among other items taken up at the God and Persuading Men Concerning Bridges Harley Guest, who happens a real job on a real farm. Later they necessary for the big university hosto be the eighth Baron Rodney, de- bought Cottesmore farm, the original pital at Edmonton, where there are How all the schemes of the enemies scendant of the famous Admiral Rod- holding of which belonged to Judge several hundred acres in crop, and a of Paul and Christ had turned out to ney, whose victory over the French Fiset, of Quebec. They farm 1,000 bunch of fine hogs to nurse. It is a

Upper Lett-Lett to right, Lord through their places on their rich and Visit the Rodney farm any day dur-Montague, Lord Rodney and son John, fertile farm overlooking the broad ing the farming season and you will Lady Rodney, Farm Instructor; and Saskatchewan River. Believing that find the eighth Baron Rodney here, in this day and generation agricultural there and everywhere, doing any one Lower Left-Lord Montague, son of life in Westorn Canada is a proper of the tasks that come to the way of a resigned her position to take a situa- ists are. "We desire to hear what the Duke of Manchester, feeding the pursuit for these of noble blood they man who superintends operations on are leading these young aristocrats a 1,000 acre farm. You will find Lady Upper Right-Lord Rodney and his along the right path by putting them Rodney in the kitchen doing her cookthrough every known job on a well- ing, or out at the dairy barn where

selves superintend the farm operations the right way to'do things.

WITTY

"Do you hold the ten command-

The minister rang the bell, and

cheerful, the home people know it.

Asthma Can Be Cured.-Its suf-

THE VALUE OF TIME

"Certainly not," was the reply.

charity."

Lower Right-Lady Rodney and her run farm. They have with them this she takes an active part in the operayear, which is the second year they tions of the dairy end of the busihave operated this school in farming, ness, or out in the garden where she Scions of British nobility are learn- Montague, son of Lady Farquhar, the works herself. You will find the young ing farming under the most ideal Duke de Nemours, descendant of the Lord Montague feeding the hogs, or conditions in Alberta, and by ideal very Bourbons whom Rodney's il- stocking grain, and young Furquhar conditions is meant, practical condi- lustrious ancestor helped to defeat, and Stanley and the others driving teams or pitching sheaves or herding

They are doing this on Cottesmore and actively participate in them. They It is a case of everyone to his task Farm, 25 miles east of the city of Ed- know how. They have been through and sticking on it at the Rodney farm. monton, in the rich Fort Saskatche- the mill. When they first came to Al- It must be that way on a farm which berta, and their farm homestead scions of British nobility like it. They

#### ALTOGETHER DIFFERENT

There was a time when Charles "that fellow Summer."

without seeing him." "You don't say he is considered a him, and setting forth some very pe-"No," replied Mr. Hooper, with the Christians?" asked Mr. Hill. Summers seems to lie their favorite "Many persons are to be blamed for

inating."

### UNPLEASANTLY FUNNY

Here is a story of an adventure not want the walls of separation beanybody. But under true preaching of which befell a young amateur ventril- tween the different orders of Christthe word of God in the power of the oquist and magician. He is very lans to be destroyed. I only want Holy Spirit, some will believe. The clever and audacious, and naturally his them lowered, that we may shake preaching of the gospel has always company is much sought after by the hands a little easier over them." caused division: those who are or- people of his own set. One day he dained to eternal life believe, and the received a note from a friend, begging lost, (Mark 16: 15, 16). But the un- have a party, and it would be a great Graves! Worm Exterminator. bellef of some does not make the favor if he would come over and enwas not at all shaken in his own faith, next afternoon, therefore, he bought because so many, including scholarly a mask of a huge donkey's head, the ones, had not believed. No, rather he big jaw tof which was so arranged hush and a sound of startled exclama- into colipse as soon as wo cross our Pomological Society of Quebeca tions sent a chill to his bone. Some- own thresholds, is a poor makeshift. thing was wrong. He pulled off the If you are really amiable, kindly, mask and scrambled to his feet. others would (verse 28). The rejedtion of the goavel by the Jews meant salvation for us (Ro. 11: 11). Paul had had taken leave of his senses. A tit- known for that which you are.

Horrors of horrors! He was sur- You may trick and cheat the outside rounded by entire strangers, who world by clever camouflage, but in ter ran round the room, and a pretty young woman, evidently the mistress of the house, stepped forward to rehad mistaken the house, which was endure. After its many years of re- the middle of the crowd. one of a block of houses all alike, The lief of the most stubborn cases no servant who had let him in had taken sufferer can doubt the perfect effec- 1872?" he howled. it for granted that he was an invited tiveness of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's, Anguest, and there he was! He made a hasty exit with a sound peace of mind return with its use and of suppressed laughter in his cars, and nights of sound sleep come back for though he went to the house where he good. Ask your druggist; he can supwas expected, he had no heart to put ply you.

The Oil for the Athlete, The Labbing down, the athlete will find Dr. Thomas' Edectric Oil an excellent motorist do with the six minutes he 1872?" article. It renders, the muscles and saves? Is his time so valuable that "I don't know," he replied, "and sinews pliable, takes the soreness out every minute counts. Ask his wife, or don't care. I had a terrible toothache, of them and strengthens them for the his employer or some friend. Any one and I couldn't butt my way through strains that may be put upon them. of them will hugh at the question. That crowd, and the only thing to do It stands pre-eminent for this pur- He may lie in bed a few minutes later was to get thrown out." pose, and athletes who for years, have in the morning. He may dwadle over been using it, can testify to its value his breakfast or his dressing. He may

on again the donkey mask.

### TEAM WORK IN THE TOWN

#### MORE WITTY THAN HELPFUL

Many anecdotes are told illustrat- In alluding to the general discus-Summers was voted a vulgar fanatic ing the wit and eccentricity of Row- sion now being waged what kind of in Boston because he had offended cer- land Hill, the celebrated London fertilizer to use, for the production of for advice on the matter. At the time intimate friend of Summer, was asked ference between a board and a bench," Tribune devoted to what he termed "Pardon me, friend," said Mr. Hill, their questions to him, asking for light "Oh, very well," was the reply. "I "I will show you an essential dif- on doubtful points, and usually they be invited to every party given in a bench that has no legs to stand cassionally, however, Mr. Greeley's

sense of humor or his bent toward A man was one day calling upon sarcasm got the better of him. About the time when guano and artificial fertilizers were attracting the attention of farmers, a man in Con-- ments to be the rule of life for all necticut wrote to the editor as fol-Mr. Greeley, would you recommend putting guano on potatoes?"

"For men who drink rum, chew tobacco, and have other vile and naustatoes. Personally, I prefer good, ham Always Ready and Reliable .- Prac-

Boston we are naturally cautious; in much better who make it an umbrel- mation can be removed with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. Simply rub it Again, when he had received many on the sore spot and it is quickly ab-And the best part of the joke was anonymous letters from some of his sorbed by the skin. Its healing powers is conveyed to the inflamed tissue, the Scripture and showing Jesus mained quite unaware that he had "If you wish me to read your an- which is quickly soothed. This fine onymous letters, you must enclose a old manner of cuts, scratches, bruises and five-pound note in them for some sprains. Keep a bottle handy al-On another occasion, he said, "I do ways.

### CANADA'S FRUIT\_INDUSTRY

Canada's fruit industry is worth production. This year, on the whole, the yield has been generally satis-A safe and sure medicine for a child factory. Small fruits have done well are saved; those who believe not are next evening. The children were to troubled with worms is Mother in every province except British Columbia, where the unusually low temfaithfulness of God of no effect. Paul tertain them. On his way up-town the IN THE BOSOM OF YOUR FAMILY berries and raspberries. Prices have also been helpful to the grower, with One of our humorists in a recent strawberries running from 8c. to 14c. article declared himself a good-natur- per quart compared with 4 to 8 cents was confirmed in his belief of the that the pulling of a string caused it ed man, except in the bosom of his in 1924. Apples, however, owing to faith; for was not this a fulfillment to utter a life-like and horrible bray. own family. A great many of us are their exportability and their possibilof a prophecy? But note how plainly That evening, an hour or so after good-natured except in the relations ity of storage are our main crop and Paul spoke to those rejectors of the time appointed, he went to the that mean most to us. Many a girl is of them in the total there has been truth of God, and we ought to use house, threw off his overcoat in the popular in school who is a wet blanket a yield rather above the average, due equal plainness of speech. Paul told hall, and rhin upstairs, putting on his at home. Many a young man is wery to the abundance in Ontarlo, where them that what lay at the roots of mask as he went. Through the eye- friendly and obliging with his busi- an increase of half a million barrels their unbelief was; gross hearts, dull holes he could see dimly that a good ness associates who eats his break- for the year is reported. In Nova ears, closed eyes. Their eyes were crowd of people were assembled in fast as if he were a deaf mute, and Scotia, unfortunately, there appears to the room at the head of the stairway. assumes an injuried attitude if he is be a decrease of half the quantity. With a terrible "he-haw," he threw asked to do some trifling errand. Such in brief is the testimony, given himself on his hands and knees, and The good nature that shines like by the Dominion Fruit Commissioner, burst into the room. An unexpected the sun away from home, and goes Mr. G. E. McIntosh, before the

## . A HANDY QUESTION

Joseph Chamberlain was delivering naturally looked upon him as if he the bosom of your family you are a political speech in Birmingham, England. The hall was so packed that not another human being could have crowded in. The enthusiasm was tremendous: but suddenly, says the New ceive the intruder's explanations. He fering is as needless as it is terrible to York Herald, a scowling man arose in

"What did Mr. Gladstone say I

thma Remedy. Comfort of body and the crowd. Three sturdy men hurled the interrupter a few yards, and others helped him to the street. As he was picking himself up and brushing off the dust, he grinned pleasantly at a man who had followed

him from the hall, and who asked, What does the average reckless . What did Mr. Gladstone say in

have a little extra gossip when he arrives at his work, But of one thing fective that no trace of worms can you may be wire. He never does any- be found. The pests pass away in the thing of the slightest value with the stools without being perceptible. They It ain't the guns nor armament, nor six minutes. All he does with it is to make an entire and clean sweep of the co-operation that makes them win the accidents that rolls up every year, of a worm can find lodgement there

#### ACCORDING TO CONSCIENCE

One of the witnesses at a royal commission appointed to inquire intora case of alleged bribery in an election, stated that he had received \$25 to vote Conservative, and in cress-examination it was elicited that he had also received \$25 to vote Liber-

Mr. Justice Matthew, in amazement epeated: "You say, you received \$25 to vote

Conservative?" "Yes, my lord."

"And you also received \$25 to vote iberal?" "Yes, my ford," "And for whom did you vote at the | price, 25c. inish?" asked the astonished judge. throwing himself back in the chair. And the witness with injured dignity in every line of his face, answer-

"I voted, my lord, according to my

ed with great carnestness:

onscience!"

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