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I am well acquainted with a man, known to thousands in Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster, who for nearly a year was practically a cripple from rheumatism. He was so troubled with the disease that he found it difficult to even turn over in bed. His heart appeared so weak that he could hardly get up stairs. Last June, he received a sample of "Fruit-a-tives." He used them and dates his recovery from that time. To-day there is no other man in Vancouver enjoying better health. He has building a house this fall and shingled a good part of the roof in a driving rain storm without suffering any bad effects.

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THE S. S. LESSON

INTERNATIONAL LESSON,
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Lesson X.—Peter's Denial, Matt. 26. 31-35, 69-75. Golden Text, I. Cor. 10. 12.

Verse 31. Then—It was, according to Matthew's account, and Mark's also, just after the dramatic scene in the upper room, and the minds of the disciples must have been filled with the amazing declaration of the Master that one of them should betray him. Now comes the even more definite statement that on this very night they all were to be offended (that is, made to stumble) because of him. This was simply in accord, Jesus explained, with the ancient words of Zechariah (13. 7) to the effect that the sheep would no longer hold together in the flock when God should smite the shepherd, but they would be scattered. It was not said as a rebuke to their cowardice, but because now at the end, more than ever before, they seemed to him like sheep without a shepherd, and he pitied them. So, lest despair should overtake them at the dread announcement, he proceeds to reassure them with the hopeful promise of the next verse.

32. I will go before you—At the close of the passover they would naturally turn back to their homes in Galilee. Besides, events to follow were to make Jerusalem an insecure place for them to remain. So they were to be scattered, but, when they had returned to the old haunts, they would find that Jesus had gotten there ahead of them.

33. But Peter—In his headstrong, self-reliant way answering for the rest, and vigorously protesting that, for himself, he will never be offended. He takes no account whatever of the promised resurrection and meeting in Galilee. His impetuosity leads him to contradict his Master, to assume a superiority to all his comrades, and to claim for himself an invincible self-sufficiency.

34. Jesus, introducing his assertion with the strong Verily I say unto thee, is equally emphatic. He reiterates that on that very night Peter will be one of those to be offended in him. This is enforced with the addition, before the cock crow, which is an expression for the approach of dawn of day. All the Gospels agree that there are to be three denials, although there is some confusion as to just the form in which Jesus made this declaration to Peter.

35. Even—Matthew's way of saying what Mark expresses with the words "exceeding vehemently" (14. 31). There can be no question about the courage of the man who drew his sword in his Master's defence in the garden, and afterward dared to proceed to the palace of the man whose servant he had smitten. He was the kind to follow Jesus to the death. In fact, all the disciples entered the same protest.

69. Peter was sitting without in the court—Compare John 18. This was at the high priest's house, within which the trial of Jesus before the Jewish authorities was taking place. The court was beneath (Mark 14, 66) the audience chamber into which Peter would be unable to gain admission.

A maid—Elsewhere we learn she was the portress. How she identi-

fied Peter as one of the companions of the Galilean we cannot tell. The accounts agree only in the larger fact of his repeated denials, and are full of differences in the matter of detail. As John was actually present, his version of what took place should be studied carefully.

72. Denied with an oath—Perhaps he felt that, having been tricked into one falsehood, he must now hedge himself in with another and more emphatic repudiation of any connection with Jesus.

73. They that stood by—A group of servants and officers, who were warming themselves at a fire. Peter's part in the skirmish in the garden seems to have been the thing which led to his detection now (John 18. 26).

74. To curse and to swear—Was it a revival of "the habit of his old fisher days, dormant these three years"?

75. He went out—It had happened, as Luke tells us, that at this moment Jesus was being led from the judgment chamber of the high priest out into the court, and he heard the imprecations and last denial of Peter. So it was the look which Jesus gave him, as well as the simultaneous crowing of the cock, that made the disciple hurry away weeping bitterly. It is this sincere repentance on the part of Peter by which we must measure his guilt. It proves to us that his love for the Master had not really changed. His blunders were the result of what appear to be worthy enough motives. He may have wished merely to keep near Jesus, and denied the right of anyone connected with the enemies of his Master to know his identity. He lied first to avoid being thrown out, and then a second time to cover up a falsehood which, if discovered, would surely lead to his ejection, and still a third time simply to keep up his dogged determination to see the affair through to the end. Of course, there is no defending his conduct. But it was not the conduct of a craven and faithless disciple.

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CHEMISTS AID POLICE

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Criminals in France and England Were Brought to Justice.

Medical detectives, as the analysts employed by Scotland Yard are called, invariably carry through their duties with skill, certainty and absence of prejudice. They have mastered the action and character of every poison under the sun, and this fact, being well known, has decreased poisoning to a considerable extent during recent years.

Practically the poisoners can hide nothing from the modern analyst, for that gentleman is not only familiar with all poisons, but can recognize their presence almost as easily as he can recognize the dome of St. Paul's Cathedral. By the aid of his test tube, his microscope and his spectroscope, he is able to lay bare the poisoners' secret and track him down. If any great criminal was suspected of poisoning his wife the analysts, upon examining the remains, would be able to prove what poison was used and in what quantity.

MARVELOUS TESTS.

Delicate to a marvelous degree are the tests employed by analysts in the case of poisons. If a man were to be poisoned with arsenic tomorrow and were buried without being examined internally, an analyst could a quarter of a century later gather from the remains of the body a considerable amount of the poison which killed him and in the same state as that in which it was administered.

Probably arsenic has been more frequently used by murderers as a death-dealer than any other poison, and arsenic is a very peculiar poison. It is a well-known fact that many men and women take arsenic in small doses as a medicine, while the inhabitants of Syria are said to eat it as freely as we eat salt. To a person who has never touched, eaten or smelt arsenic a medium-sized dose would have a fatal effect. No matter how it got into the system it would be deadly, for arsenic kills whether it is swallowed, rubbed into a wound, or breathed as a vapor. Chapman, who was hanged for poisoning his mistress, used arsenic, and the drug was also used in the memorable Maybrick case.

Mme. Lafarge poisoned her husband, an ironmaster, by means of arsenic. While M. Lafarge was in Paris on a visit his wife pretended to send him a parcel, in which was her portrait,

FIVE SMALL CAKES

made by his mother, and a letter. This parcel was sealed in the presence of witnesses. When the parcel reached Lafarge it contained only one large cake. He ate this, and nine days later he died. Mme. Lafarge was arrested and charged with murder by poisoning. At the trial it was alleged that she had made the large cake with arsenic as one of the ingredients, and substituted it for the five small ones. She was found guilty after a trial exceeding a fortnight, and condemned to imprisonment for life.

To micro-photography the discovery of many a crime is due. The spectroscope is infallible in revealing the presence of the minutest trace of blood, but it is unable to distinguish between human and animal blood. The microscope can, however, the corpuscles of different mammalia can only be distinguished by their size and shape, and it can be seen that without the microscope it would be impossible to draw a distinction between the

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blood of a man and the blood of an animal.

The corpuscles of both men and animals are all circular with the exception of those of the llama, alpaca, camel and their kind, which are oval.

Some time ago a man suspected of murder was found to own an axe covered with blood. An analyst examined the blood, and found that it was that of a goat, the corpuscles measuring 41 tenths of a micron. On this evidence he was

FOUND NOT GUILTY.

Cloth stained with red thought to be blood is touched with ammonia. If the stain is caused by fruit juice, it turns blue or green; if by Condy's fluid it becomes blue; and if by cochineal it becomes crimson. But if it be blood, human or animal, the color under the influence of the ammonia does not change in the least.

M. Rogler, who was found burned to death in a cottage in France some years ago, was said to have been murdered. An analyst took a few drops of blood from the dead man's lungs and examined them by means of the spectroscope. He discovered that their condition was normal, which proved that death must have occurred before the cottage was set on fire.

A man was found in Cornwall with his head battered in, evidently with some blunt instrument. The detectives who took up the case found a hammer some distance from the corpse. Upon it were a couple of grey hairs, and a medical man declared that they came from some one's eyebrows. On comparing the hairs with those of the deceased's eyebrows they corresponded. The two hairs on the hammer brought the murderer to justice.

GIRL FIRE FIGHTER.

An interesting and unusual incident took place at the Hurstpierpoint (England) Volunteer Fire Brigade's annual competition, held on the recreation ground recently—the presentation of a silver vase by the brigade to Miss D. Laurence-Smith, in recognition of the valuable assistance she gave the fire brigade with whom she worked twelve hours continuously at a recent farm fire at Blackstone. Capt. Pearsey, in command at the brigade, asked Mrs. Borrer, who distributed the prizes after the competition, to make the presentation on behalf of himself and his men. Miss Laurence-Smith acknowledged the gift in a few words, and hearty cheers were given.—Lady's Pictorial.

MISTLETOE A MENACE.

Few people who know mistletoe only as a desirable feature of Christmas decorations understand that the plant is a parasite dangerous to the life of trees in the regions in which it grows. It is only a question of time, after mistletoe once begins to grow upon a tree, before the tree itself will be killed. The parasite saps the life of the infected branches. Fortunately it is of slow growth, taking years to develop to large proportions, but when neglected, it invariably ruins all trees it reaches. The only method of extermination is the cutting down of diseased trees.

PRINCESS WANTS PLAYMATES

Queen's Daughter Would Like School Companions.

There has existed for some time past some difference of opinion between members of the royal family, says M. A. P., as to the upbringing of the Princess Mary.

The difficulty in connection with the training and education of the Princess lies in the fact that Her Royal Highness is an only girl, and of necessity it has been rather a problem to find her suitable companions of her own age and sex.

Princess Alexandra and Maud of Fife, cousins, who have been frequent visitors at Marlborough House in the past, are both several years the senior of Princess Mary, while the little daughters of Mrs. Derek Keppel, who is one of Queen Mary's most intimate friends, are rather too young to make suitable playmates for Her Royal Highness.

Miss Louvina Knollys, daughter of Lord Knollys, and a great favorite with Queen Mary, and indeed with all the royal family, is also several years older than Princess Mary, though the two are very great friends.

Queen Alexandra rather favored the idea of sending her granddaughter to school; but Queen Mary has always been reluctant to do so, partly on account of the great difficulty of finding a suitable establishment for the Princess, but also because Her Majesty thinks a girl is better brought up in her own home than anywhere else, a view in which King George entirely coincides.

But the Princess's own wishes are also to be considered. Her Royal Highness has of late been urging her mother to send her to some school and it is possible that her wish may be granted before very long. The Princess is immensely fond of her home, but the desire of playmates of her own age is a very natural one and it is impossible for her to have them except at school.

WEAK, SICKLY BABIES

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