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REASON FOR GRIEF.

"Why do ye look so sorrowful, Dennis?"

"I just hear-rd wan man call another a liar, and the man that was called a liar said the other man would have to apologize, or there would be a fight."

"And why should that make you f "The other man apologized!" look so sad?"

THE OLD MASTERS.

Machine Oil, Harness Oil, Paintings Without Signatures Are Judged by Their Technic.

It appears that many of the works of the old masters are not signed. Experts rarely rely on signatures alone in determining the authenticity of an old work, but trust rather to their knowledge of the painter's technic, says the Philadelphia Record.

False signatures can be easily detected. Spirits of wine or turpentine will usually remove a name of later date than the painting. In the course of time signatures often become very difficult to find. Painted originally in a shade slightly lighter than the ground, perhaps, they sink in, darken, and merge into the ground color or they are almost rubbed away by successive cleanings. Recognizable one day in a specially favorable light, they may not be visible again for weeks.

Experts speak of "will-o'-the-wisp" signatures, and many collectors have encountered accidental strokes and cracks that tantalizingly suggest a signature, though it can never be made definite. On the other hand, there have been remarkable cases of such marks, after careful study, resolving themselves into a famous name.

Sometimes the painter's name is most conspicuous as, for example, in Raphael's "Sposalizio" at Milan. Proud of having surpassed his master, the youthful genius wrote on a frieze in the very center of the canvas, "Raphael Urbinas."

Reynolds hardly ever signed his work. But upon the completion of the portrait of Mrs. Siddons as the Tragic Muse, he wrote his name large on the gold embroidery of her dress. He was unable, he said, "to resist the temptation of sending my name to posterity on the hem of your garment"

CANCER IN THE FAMILY.

There Is No Proof That the Dreaded Disease Is Hereditary.

Perhaps nothing causes more needless worry than the fact that one or more persons in a given family have died from cancer. This is commonly taken as a proof that the disease is hereditary. This does not at all follow. There is probably no greater chance of inheriting cancer than there is of being killed by lightning or of breaking one's neck falling downstairs. Perhaps there are people who worry even about those contingencies, but the statisticians have shown that such fatal accidents are extremely

People who are concerned because their relatives have succumbed to cancer fail to consider how widespread the disease is. A malady that causes one death out of every eight among women and one out of every fourteen among men over forty is fairly common. On this basis it does not take much arithmetic to figure out how likely it is that cancer will occur many times in some families.

The eminent statisticians, King and Newsholme, have pointed out that it does not prove heredity to show that in one family five deaths occurred from cancer. By the very frequency of the disease and the laws of chance such cases would be expected even if no one had ever suggested the idea of heredity.

In some species of animals it is believed a certain susceptibility to tumors may be inherited. But so far as human beings are concerned the foremost authorities believe that heredity in cancer may be regarded as a negligible factor.-Journal of the American Medical Association.

The Almanac Church.

One of the oddest churches in England is St. Botolph's at Boston. It has aptly been called the Almanac church. In the tower are 365 steps, corresponding to the days in the year. The church has twelve pillars. fifty-two windows and seven doors, representing the months, weeks and days in the week. In the west porch are twenty-four steps ascending to the library, representing the hours of the day. Again, on each side of the choir are sixty steps leading to the roof, denoting on the one side the minutes of the hour and on the other the seconds of the minute.-Boston Post.

The Office Seeker.

A man with a deep and steadfast longing for office will run excitedly around begging everybody he sees to sign his nomination petitions and then. when he finally gets enough signatures. will put on a clean shirt and announce that if the call of duty comes he will not disregard the summons .- Ohio State Journal.

Paying Him Back.

Girl Shopper-Why did you make that poor salesman pull down all that stuff and then not buy anything? Sevond Ditto-Why, the mean fellow was in a car yesterday and never offered me his seat, though I looked right at him; so I just decided I would get

Wanted Particulars.

"I am looking out for a porch climber. Can you direct me where to

go?" "Well, sir, until you particularize I don't know whether you want me to direct you to a florist or to a policeman."

Flies and Germs.

The number of germs on a single fly may range from 550 to 6,000,000. Scientific tests have shown that the average for 414 flies was about 1,250,000

Violence in the voice is often only the death rattle of reason in the throat. -Boyer.

THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Lesson VIII. - Fourth Quarter. For Nov. 21, 1915.

Text of the Lesson, Jonah iii, 1-10. Memory Verse, 10-Golden Text, Matt. xxviii, 19, 20-Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

Any one who questions the truth or the reality of this story of Jonah casts discredit on the Lord Jesus Christ, for He called Jonah a prophet and said that his three days and nights in the belly of the fish were typical of His own three days and nights between His death and resurrection. He also spoke of the repentance of the people of Nineveh under the preaching of Jonah and of a future judgment (Matt. xii, 39-41; Luke xi, 32). To question the words of the Lord Jesus is to question God the Father, for He said that the Father always told Him what to say (John xii, 47-50). Jesus Christ said, "I am The Truth," and God is called "the God of Truth" (John xiv, 6; Isa. lxv, 16). Therefore let our hearts cry, "Let God be true, but every man a liar;" "For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth" (Rom. iii, 4; II Cor. xiii, 8). When Jonah is mentioned people al-

ways think of the fish, whereas the fish is mentioned but four times in the book, while God or Lord is mentioned forty times. We are not as right with God as we might be until we give the same relative importance to people and things that He does; therefore let us not magnify the fish, but the Lord. This is called a foreign missionary lesson, and it is certainly a good one on that topic, as we shall see. Two of the great foundation truths of the Bible are "God is love" and "The Lord is not willing that any should perish" (I John iv. 8, 16; II Pet. iii, 9). In this lesson we see a great city of at least 600,000 people (120,000 children) and much cattle, and there was great wickedness in the city (Jonah i, 2; iv, 11), but God would rather save than destroy them, and He sent Jonah to call upon them to repent

that He might spare them. That is always God's attitude to the world lying in the wicked one. He commandeth all men everywhere to repent, for He will have all men to be saved and to come unto the knowledge

4). But how can they know unless God to go and tell Nineveh that, while the Lord does not wish them to perish, unless they repent judgment will come in forty days (i, 1, 2; iii, 4). At first Jonah is unwilling to go and seeks to flee from the call. Then follows the record of the voyage to Tarshish begun seemingly so favorably, but suddenly interrupted, for God sent two detectives to arrest His man and bring him back. A great wind to stop him and a great fish to bring him ashore (i, 4, 17). Arrested on the high seas and brought back, it reads like an up to date story, for our God is always up to date and away ahead. Look at | material and about one hour's time. the wireless and rapid transit as seen in the story of Daniel and Gabriel

(Dan. ix, 3, 20, 21). tuose who profess to be the Lord's people toward the command of our Golden Text and of Mark xvi, 15; about 25 per cent., the higher per-Luke xxiv, 47; John xx, 21, 23; Acts i, 8, could there be a more vivid picture than that of Jonah on this ship before the captain woke him up? The only man on the ship who knew the true God fast asleep, while the heathen sailors earnestly cried unto their gods. Those who have the Bible and in it the knowledge of the living and true God and of salvation by Jesus Christ for all who will receive Him are as indifferent to the welfare of the millions of so called heathen who are earnestly calling upon their gods as was able. Jonah when fast asleep on that ship. They need to hear the cry of that shipmaster: "What meanest thou, O sleeper? Arise, call upon thy God, if so be that God will think upon us that

we perish not" (i, 6). If we had anointed ears we might hear the heathens say, "Arise and tell us of thy God and of His great salvation." And we would surely hear God saying, "Whom shall I send and who will go for us?" (Isa. vi, S.) If God was seeking in this age to win the world to Himself both He and we might well be discouraged, but He is not discouraged, and He cannot fail (Isa. xlii, 4). This book of Jonah shows us his plan. Jonah was an Israelite. After his resurrection from the dead, in a figure. he went to Nineveh and preached the preaching that the Lord bade him. and a whole city repented (chapter iii). I do not know of another instance on record of a whole city turning to God. Now see the foreshadowing of His plan. when they shall see the Lord Jesus, the risen Christ, their glorious and glorified Messiah, coming in His glory. mascus, they will receive Him and

Israel has long been rebellious, but as Saul saw Him on the way to Dawith the zeal of Paul will speedily make Him known to all the world, and whole nations will turn to Him and be saved (Isa. xxv. 9; xxvii. 6; xxxv, 10; lii, 9, 10; lx. 1-3; Rom. xi, 12, 15). Notice in this book how God used a wind, a fish, a worm and even such a strange man as Jonah and, being first of all sure that you are redeemed by the precious blood of Jesus Christ, say to Him with all your heart, "Here am I; use me." Oh, use me, Lord, use even me, just as thou wilt,

and when and where, until Thy bless-

glory share.

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DYNAMITING STUMPS.

The Successful Experience of a Farmer.

On my farm I blew out an oak stump fourteen inches in diameter with big roots extending about three feet into the ground, writes a contributor to an agricultural paper. With one pound of dynamite the force of the explosion lifted the stump bodily and turned it over, leaving the roots not more than a foot from the original position.

My next experience was with a green wild cherry log thirty inches in diameter and ten feet long with several hard knots in it. This I split into pieces easily handled with two pounds of dynamite by the mud capping process, as follows: I removed a quarter pound of dynamite from the



GETTING READY TO BLOW UP A STUMP.

paper, placed the loose dynamite on a of the truth (Acts xvii, 30; I Tim. ii, 3. flat part of the log just where I should strike with an ax were I gosome one tells? So Jonah is called of | ing to split it in that way. I then placed the blasting cap, with fuse attached, into the loose dynamite, covered the whole with about eight inches of sand and over this placed a cherry log about twelve inches in diameter and two feet long. I lighted the fuse and continued in this way till the log was all split up. The log used for a weight was sawed off square on the end and rested firmly on top of the sand.

At no time did the weight go over eight feet in the air or two feet away from the log. I used two pounds of dynamite, twelve feet of fuse, and eight caps at a cost of 45 cents for

I am having good success blasting out pear tree stumps fifteen inches or more in diameter, tough and hard, with big rocts deep in the ground. As to the present day attitude of Some of the stumps were within 30 feet of a building, but no damage was done. Powder for farm use is centage throwing the stumps too far and being more dangerous to handle. Working alone I am doing as much in a day as four men could do grubbing, and in addition I am subsoiling the land.

SOME HORSE SENSE. *****

A small amount of linseed meal

added to the horse ration is invalu-Train the colt before he is six

months old and you can control his disposition when he is older. It weakens the horses to keep them

shut up in a close stable during the hot nights. Turn them out. Horses that are clipped dry off fast at night, which is to be preferred to

standing in a heavy wet coat of hair. It is not the quantity of food taken into the stomach, but the amount absorbed in it, which benefits the sys-

Raise the type of colt that sells best in your community. Select the sire and dam that will bring this type of colt.

Newly broken colts should not be worked too hard. They are apt to overstrain themselves and be injured for life.

Do not let the little colt follow the dam while she is at work. If the dam becomes heated the milk is injurious to the colt.

A balky herse is made so by a cranky or cruel driver and can rarely be cured. So be very careful in breaking the colts.

if the skin of the horse is kept clean he will sweat more freely, which is necessary to keep him in good condition.

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