

For The Quiet Hour

A SWISS BOY, ASKED BY A TOURIST WHERE KANDERSTEG was, replied, "I do not know, sir, where Kandersteg is, but there is the road to it." If we know where the road is to the place we want to go, half of our problem is solved for us for there remains only that we should set our foot in it and walk in it to our destination. To take this first step seems so clearly the proper thing that it should seem there would be no hesitation in doing so. And yet there are many who decline to accept what they think is a too easy solution of life's perplexities. They insist upon knowing about the rest of the way, what they must do when faced with conflicting duties and perils and allurements. That is to say, they want to know the end from the beginning, just as though that was not the prerogative of Omniscience.

The fact is, that to be able to take the first step in the right direction is, in itself, so wonderful, that it practically assures that there will be enabling grace for each step, as far as the journey lies. The old lady had the right view when she said: "It's rather a strain on me to keep thinking and thinking what I should do if such and such a thing happened; and I don't doubt had I rather wait and see what really does come; and I don't doubt that I shall be helped then if I don't dig myself, and get too anxious beforehand."—Presbyterian Banner.

AN ESTIMATE OF THE SITUATION IN CONSTANTINOPLE is given in the following letter:

"You ask about the situation here and the outlook for missionary work. It is difficult for us living in the midst of things here to get a clear conception of what is going on. The standing fact is the success of the Turks in getting rid of the Christian population of Anatolia by deportation, expulsion and massacre. Ever since 1915, a definite policy of extermination has been followed, and the remnants such as they were, are being forced to leave the country for some unknown destination. Then on the other hand the Nationalist movement has succeeded in driving out the Greeks, has had the effect of making the Turks think very highly of themselves and of their power. Just at present their temper is arrogant and really hostile towards all foreigners and non-Muslims. These two facts make the present outlook from the human point of view very dark but we do not think that the end has come yet. It is too early to judge of the results which are going to emerge finally from the present chaos."

A JEWISH RABBI, IN A RECENT JOURNAL ASKS, "WHAT is wrong with Americans to-day?" and answers: "Crazy for money, dislike of work, lust of self-indulgence, desire to live by one's wit rather than by one's brawn, disregard of moral and legal restraints, profanation of the Sabbath, desertion of home, violation of the marriage vow, indecency in dress, speech and hearing, scoffing at things sacred are infecting to-day every stratum of society and every city into which large masses of the lawless and godless have gravitated." While these evils, however, are prevalent not in America only but in our own and other Christian lands, there is a great deal of that which is pure and lovely and of good report in the lives of thousands whose lives are devoted to the highest things.

THE "CONGREGATIONALIST," BOSTON, IN REFERRING TO the present unrest in India, mentions as reassuring considerations that Mohammed Ali, a staunch Mohammedan, wrote from prison that he was spending half of his time in studying the Bible; that Mr. Iyengar told a Y.M.C.A. secretary that he was studying the Bible to find what message Jesus Christ has for the present situation in India. There is hope for a nation that is seeking to know the mind of Christ and to follow his teaching.

THOSE WHO SUSPECT EVERYBODY CREATE A WORLD for themselves in which there is no honesty, no truth, no kindly fellowship. They can never get the best work out of those who work for them; they can never give their best. There comes into their faces a look which shows too plainly that life has no fragrance for them, that the only things growing about their paths are thistles and docks. Their world is cold and gloomy, while the friendly, trustful folk, have warmth and cheerfulness about them wherever they go. The suspicious ones would be surprised if they were told it was their own fault that they had such an unpleasant world to dwell in, but it would be no more than plain truth.

IN THE SOLOMONS, IN SPITE OF THE USUALLY SETTLED weather of the trade winds, we are subject at times to what are known as "black squalls." Out of a calm, peaceful sea and sky, black menacing clouds quickly form, and burst with very little warning in lightning and terrific thunder-claps, and fierce blinding squalls of rain and wind. It is all very terrifying while it lasts. But in an amazingly short time it has all passed into the west, and the sun and gentle trade wind resume their usual sway.

How continually we have seen such a storm enacted in the spiritual realm down here! This is one of the places "where Satan's seat is." But it is witnessing many sons being brought unto glory and darkness giving place to light in villages and whole districts. And I think we can very truly and literally say: "The devil is come,.....having great wrath."—Dr. Northcote Deck.

IF I DESIRED TO PUT MYSELF INTO THE MOST LIKELY place for the Lord to meet with me, I should desire the reading of the Scriptures: for I might pause over every verse, and say, "Such a verse was blessed to many souls; then why not to me? I am at least at the Pool of Bethesda, I am walking amongst its porches, and who can tell but that the angel will stir the pool of the Word while I lie helplessly by the side of it, waiting for the blessing?"—C. H. Spurgeon.

THEREFORE, BRETHREN, WE ARE DEBTORS" IS THE inscription on the war memorial recently unveiled in Regent Square Presbyterian Church, London.

REV. DANIEL WILSHIRE OF NASSAU, BAHAMAS, WRITES that owing to the low price of sisal the congregations of the Bahamas Baptist Union are nearly starving, while Nassau is mad with whiskey money.

AN EXCHANGE GIVES THE NUMBER OF FOREIGN MISSIONARIES of the Protestant Churches of the world in 1915 as 24,039. Of these, 7,041 were ordained men, 3,279 were laymen, and 13,719 were women. The number of ordained Protestant native ministers, 7,430; of other native Christian helpers, 101,669; and of adherents, 5,145,236.

IS THERE DANGER THAT MEN MAY SEEK TO "USE" THE church to-day as did the Jews, for material gain or advantage? The central function of the church is to relate men to God. May it be purged of whatever interferes with this!

THE THREE EVILS OF TO-DAY ARE SELFISHNESS, SUSPICION and superstition. These must give way to brotherhood, trust and knowledge.—Bishop of Liverpool.

"LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY"

You say you are busy this morning,
In the maelstrom of family cares,
And the husband must rush to the office,
So there isn't a moment for prayers;
Then children are sent to the school-room,
And the grind of the day thus begins,
With no word from God's Book to remember,
Nor the echo of strengthening hymns,
What wonder the burdens are heavy,
And the hours seem irksomely long;
What wonder that rash words are spoken,
And that life seems discordant and wrong.
Pause for a little each morning,
And again at the close of the day,
To talk with the Master who loves you—
Remember, He taught us to pray.
—Christian Workers' Magazine.

A BOY'S PRAYER

Give me clean hands, clean words and clean thoughts;
Help me to stand for the hard fight against the easy wrong;
Save me from habits that harm;
Teach me to work as hard and play as fair in thy sight alone
as if all the world saw;
Forgive me when I am unkind; and help me to forgive those who
are unkind to me;
Keep me ready to help others at some cost to myself;
Send me chances to do a little good every day, and so grow more
like thee.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

From The Chronicle File of April 16, 1903.

Mr. Catton sold his new house last week to Mr. W. J. McFadden. He also disposed of three good building lots on Bruce street, two to Mr. Geo. Sparling and one to Mr. J. W. Crawford.

During the past week Dr. Wolfe sold two building lots, one to Councillor J. H. Brown and the other to Mr. John Legate.

We welcome Mr. J. S. McIlraith and family as citizens. Mr. McIlraith is a shoe dealer and we hope he may be able to boot people right along.

Last week we referred to the purchase of the Knapp House by Mr. Allan McDougall, and this week we have to announce that Mr. Hahn has sold the Middaugh House to Mr. Cyrus Stockton of St. Thomas. Both houses pass to the new proprietors on the 4th of May.

On Monday evening a very interesting meeting of the congregation was held in the Methodist Church, when the mortgage was burned and the church freed from all indebtedness. Mr. H. H. Miller, a former secretary of the Trustee Board, acted as chairman and in a timely and tactful speech congratulated the congregation on the progress made, as evidenced by the beautiful and improved interior of the building, and the lifting of the balance of the debt which had been held by mortgage for over nineteen years. The program was opened by the "Silver-haired Quartette," consisting of W. K. Reid, Thomas H. Reid, James Carson and Charter Smith, who sang "When I Can Read My Title Clear." The young men's quartette, Messrs. Yiirs, Wright, Vickers and McCrae won well-merited applause by rendering "Why Stand Ye Idle?" Mrs. Whitechurch sang "The Fairies" with much sweetness and expression. Jessie Caton recited, "Aunt Nellie, You's Bein' Bad," and Maud Irwin delivered with excellent style and expression, "Since We Got the Mortgage Paid." Miss Bertha Sparling sang with much sweetness, "Shall I Meet My Mama There"; Miss Maud Irwin whose elocutionary gifts are well-known, came before the public in a new role, singing, "While A Great City Sleeps," reflecting much credit on her teacher, Miss King, and clearly evidencing her talent in this (for her) new sphere. The Ladies' Quartette, consisting of Misses King, Lauder, Limin and Mrs. Hopkins, sang the 23rd Psalm. The pastor read a list of the names of the subscribers, after which "We'll Have to Mortgage the Farm" was heartily sung. Mr. Sparling then produced the mortgage and to Mr. Robert Al-joe, Sr., was given the honor of touching the lighted match. While the document was burning all joined in the doxology and a most impressive meeting was brought to a close.

Mr. and Mrs. George Furneaux left Wednesday for Cleveland, where they intend to remain.

FIRE AT CHESLEY DOES

DAMAGE OF \$14,000

One of the hottest and most spectacular fires ever seen in Chesley completely destroyed the plant of the Chesley Excelsior Company and the building occupied by them and owned by the Krug Bros. Company. The loss is placed at \$14,000 with no insurance, either on the building or plant. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

Fortunately, the wind was blowing up the river or other buildings in the vicinity might have been lost. The fire department put up a stiff fight and managed to save nearby buildings and a quantity of lumber in the yards.

The Excelsior Company commenced the manufacture of their packing product about six months ago on a small scale and had just prepared for more extensive operations.

Where did housewives keep the accumulation of trash before closets were invented?

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ENGLISH PAPERS PRAISE FILM; HERE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

"The Game of Life" Hailed as First British Super-Picture.

"The Game of Life," the big English super-picture, which appears at the Veterans' Star Theatre, to-morrow and Saturday nights, has evidently made a hit with the English picture fans as well as those in this country. We give below a few of the editorial opinions expressed:

London News of the World: At last we have an English super-picture, "The Game of Life," which opened at a west end cinema theatre last night, is on the whole probably greater than any of the big American productions that have met with so much success in this country.

Birmingham Gazette: The story deals with three girls all born on the same day as Queen Victoria and destined for very different stations in life. Of course the English critic is liable to be prejudiced on account of this cinema being laid in England in the days of Queen Victoria and of Dickens and Thackeray. Nevertheless, we maintain that the English Derby of 1850, the coronation of Victoria and the Charge of the Light Brigade in this picture excel anything we have ever seen in American productions.

Liverpool Echo: From the scene of Stephenson's first steam engine that tore through England at eight miles an hour on Coronation Day, 1825, to the Queen's jubilee procession fifty years later, we are carried away by the wonders of Victorian England that we actually live with the characters in the story.

London Pall Mall and Globe: Red-blooded melodrama is mixed with history of the Victorian era in a cinema which we feel like calling the greatest picture ever made.

London Daily Express: Sebastopol, Inkerman and Balaklava and Florence Nightingale at Scutari are staged so vividly that the spectator actually lives in the romance of the Crimea.

Nottingham Guardian: The coronation of Queen Victoria on the streets of London eighty-five years ago is staged so masterfully that the Queen, the guards, the flunkey and every lord and chimney-sweep in the crowds live before one's eyes.

Brighton Standard: The thing most striking to our eyes was the master touch of Dickens or Thackeray which is felt when the characters make their way to see the Queen's jubilee procession from the same spot from which, fifty years earlier, they had viewed the coronation. Every London cobbler under their feet sends a pang of reminiscence to the spectator's heart.

Manchester Empire News: For historic and dramatic interest, Sebastopol, Inkerman and the Charge of the Six Hundred at Balaklava surpass all battle scenes we have ever seen in cinemas.

London Sunday Sports Telegram: The English Derby and the cock fight in the sporting days of the fifties give the present-day sportsman the thrill of his life. Every bookie and jockey is a treat to the eye. And a remarkable innovation in this cinema is that one jockey's cap is hand-colored red so that the spectators can follow the course of the horse that Travers is backing.

Ikeston Pioneer: But of all the masterful strokes in motion pictures, there is one intimate scene of the Charge of the Light Brigade, which is, in our opinion, the most wonderful touch ever staged on the screen—a remarkable piece of acting which grips the spectator's heart by the roots.

FALL WHEAT OUTLOOK IS GENERALLY GOOD

According to a dispatch from Toronto, fall wheat, generally speaking, is in good condition, although some slight injury has been done by ice in low lying land, according to the reports of representatives of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

Farmers are asking for more help now than at any time during the last three years and suitable men are scarce.

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