

Marrriages and Funeral Sermons

By Orison Sweet Marlen.

It has been long the custom for the prospective bride and bridegroom to rehearse the marriage ceremony last at the solemnization of the marriage they should commit some blunder that would make them conspicuous or ridiculous.

Would it not be a good plan for men to borrow an idea from this and personally rehearse their funeral sermons several years before the probable time of their death?

Funeral sermons, above all else, should be honest and sincere. But if the real truth were told over the coffins of some dead men, it would greatly surprise the occupants if they could hear it. If, instead of the eulogy delivered by the minister, they could hear the remarks of employees and others who had seen only that side of their character which they tried to hide from their friends, how shocked they would be! If they could only rehearse their funerals as they did their marriages what a fine change it would give them to make a lot of corrections in their lives, so that at the close of the funeral eulogy would ring true.

If every man were to know years before he died what people would say of him at his funeral, how quickly he would go to work to change his life and remedy his defects. How many of the cruel, slurring, damning things which are said about him after he is gone would be changed to praise. How changed our histories and biographies would be if those who have passed on could only have known in time just what people thought of them, how they regarded them, what they would say of them when the book of their lives was closed and the last line written.

What would not multitudes of those who have passed on have given to have had the chance to hear an honest, truthful funeral sermon years before the end came! To have known in middle life the estimation in which they were generally held instead of passing out without ever having known would have completely changed the keynote of their lives. Many men would have given a large part if not all of their wealth, to have had the opportunity of seeing themselves as others saw them in time to correct their failings and weaknesses.

I have always thought that I would like to know what the employees and those who have been associated with me in life, my friends, acquaintances and neighbors, would say at my funeral. Would it be fine and helpful, inspiring and comforting, or would it be hard and condemnatory, a revelation to me of faults and weaknesses that I had never thought of in such a light? I don't know, neither do you know, my friend, what people will say of you after you are gone. Wouldn't it be a good thing then for you and for me, for all of us who have reached middle life, to begin right away occasionally to rehearse our funeral sermons?

If we were to be perfectly frank with ourselves, our vanity and self-esteem might get some severe jolts. It would certainly give us a chance to correct before it is too late many mistakes and blunders, much thoughtlessness and selfishness, and perhaps to make a revision of many cold-blooded policies which have furthered only our own interests and not at all those of the man at the other end of the bargain.

No matter what a man's funeral oration may say, it is what the people say about him that counts. Revise their judgment now by rehearsing your funeral sermon.

Hens of Manitoba.

Hens of Manitoba last year contributed more to the wealth of Canada than the Canadian Government originally paid for the three prairie provinces.

Sir Joseph Flavelle, former chairman of the Grand Trunk Railway Board, made this statement in a recent address and backed it with official figures.

"When in 1869," said Sir Joseph, "the Government of Canada agreed to pay the Hudson Bay Company 200,000 pounds sterling for the pioneer fur company's rights in the lands now embraced in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Parliament was disturbed because the price was thought to be excessive.

"A recent report issued by the Department of Agriculture of Manitoba shows that the products of the hens of the province last year were marketed for a sum exceeding \$2,000,000. This in one year the hens of one province brought the farmers one-third more money than the purchase price of a tract of land which is now among the richest sections in the Dominion."

A Happy Day.

A heart full of thankfulness.
A thoughtful care,
A soul of simple hopefulness,
An early morning prayer.

A smile to greet the morning with;
A kind word as the key
To open the door and greet the day,
Whatever it brings to thee.

A patient trust in Providence,
To sweeten all the way,
All these combined with thoughtfulness,
Will make a happy day.

The total number of men recruited in Great Britain and Ireland during the war was 4,970,902.

TIRED-OUT WOMEN

What They Need to Restore Health and Vitality.

The woman who feels tired out, who aches all over when she rises in the morning, who feels depressed most of her time, needs just the help that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills can give her—new rich blood and stronger nerves.

The number of disorders caused by this blood is amazing, and most women are careless about this condition of their blood. Their nerves are quickly affected, and they become irritable; they worry over trifles, and do not obtain refreshing sleep. There may be stomach troubles and headaches. This is the condition that calls for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, the blood-making and nerve-restoring tonic. The value of this medicine is proved by the statement of Mrs. John Conroy, Fall River, Ont., who says:—"Two years ago, after the birth of one of my children, I became so run-down that I had to wear the baby and could not do my housework. I lost appetite, took no interest in anything, and was in a pitiable condition. I tried different doctors, but they did not help me very much. I was in this condition all summer until a neighbor advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. After taking two boxes I felt somewhat better and got a further supply. I found my appetite improving; I could do my housework, and living again seemed worth while. I continued taking the pills for some months, and was then enjoying the best of health. I cannot too strongly recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to anyone run down and in need of a tonic as they built me up, and there is no sign of anaemia about me to-day."

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Boosting for Happiness and Efficiency

By O. S. Marden

If you have anything to say about people or institutions, why not dip your pen in the ink of sympathy, of charity, instead of that of denunciation of contempt? Why hammer, blast, condemn, denounce others' motives, others' acts? Why look for the bad in everything instead of the good? Why is it that so many pessimistic iconoclasts are to-day expressing themselves this way in print—in books, magazines and newspapers? Some of these writers are even making fun of radio, condemning, criticising and lampooning it.

Now this is cheap business. These carping critics mistake stupidity and captiousness for cleverness and wit. The truth is, radio is one of the most wonderful developments of electricity, and it is going to revolutionize home life, especially in the country. Think what its use will mean to women in remote country districts who are practically slaves to their homes, who rarely leave them, and who have no opportunities such as city people have for change, recreation, amusement and instruction. Radio will open to them some of the priceless advantages enjoyed by the most favored city dwellers.

Outside the cost of the receiving apparatus, which may be purchased for twenty or twenty-five dollars, or which a bright boy can rig up for ten or twelve, every home, no matter how far removed from the great centres of civilization and culture, can have its own permanent bureau of entertainment. At the expense of only one or two cents an hour, the entire family can enjoy, evening after evening, the

Wind and Stars.

The wind is hanging the stars to-night. The high wind, the north wind, She holds them in her hands to light And runs among the trees.

Among the treetops, high and high, The white frost sifts across the sky. She hangs the north star there. The scudding clouds run on before— She hangs a star above my door And one star in the pine. Beneath her feet the whirling snow, I peep without and see her go, Then shiver and draw back.

I pile my fire and shiver still— I hear her laughing past the hill— How cold it is to-night!

—Abigail Crosson.

The Misleading Placard.

A restaurant-keeper who apparently had a weakness for the "highfalutin" placed in his shop window a placard inscribed thus:

MOLLUSCOUS BIVALVES

In every style.

A couple of young men, manifestly from "up country," were observed standing in front of the window, engaged in spelling out the sign. "What's them, Harry?" one asked the other. "I dunno," said Harry. "Let's go up the street a bit and see if we can find an oyster saloon. I feel like eatin' some eysters," said the other.

Mistake Somewhere.

Bobbie—"Why are your whiskers so thin on the right side of your face, Mr. Jones?"

Jones—"Oh, it must be because I always sleep on my right side. That rubs the hair away."

Bobbie—"But papa doesn't sleep standing on his head!"

The world's annual yield of raw wool is reckoned at about 3,000,000,000 lbs., of which about forty per cent is produced in countries of the British Empire.

Minard's Liniment for Neuralgia.

Find Plants Grow Better by Moonlight.

That plants grow more quickly by moonlight than by sunlight is now being demonstrated at the Hartley Botanical Laboratories of Liverpool University, says a London despatch. The research followed the remark dropped by a gardener named Hayes Swanley of the Horticultural College to Miss Elizabeth Semens of Liverpool University that cucumbers grew two or three inches more in the moonlight than by daylight, and the seeds germinated better under the moon.

Miss Semens began experimenting and in the last six weeks has made considerable progress by artificial light. She finds that the polarized light of the moon gives a spurt to seed germination and that polarized artificial light has a similar effect. Miss Semens says that moonlight can be polarized only during certain phases of the moon. She finds that when seeds are exposed in tanks of water to the direct action of the moon germination is greatly quickened. When there is no moonlight she exposes starch grains to polarized artificial light and finds that they break down, producing little masses of dextrin and sugar crystals. She says the outer skin of the leaf acts as its own polarizing apparatus and it is believed that we may be on the eve of learning what occurs within the leaf itself.

KEEP LITTLE ONES WELL IN WINTER

Winter is a dangerous season for the little ones. The days are so changeable—one bright, the next cold and stormy, that the mother is afraid to take the children out for the fresh air and exercise they need so much. In consequence they are often cooped up in overheated, badly ventilated rooms and are soon seized with colds or grippe. What is needed to keep the little ones well is Baby's Own Tablets. They will regulate the stomach and bowels and drive out colds, and by their use the baby will be able to get over the winter season in perfect safety. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

The Peace Pipe.

Calumet, the name given to the peace pipe of the American Indians by the French Canadians, occupied among the nations a position of symbolic significance and deepest reverence. The calumet was only entrusted to the care of the highest official of a tribe and was used in connection with the superstitious rites and ceremonies of the race on great and solemn occasions, such as making of peace treaties and sometimes declarations of war. The peace pipe or medicine pipe was between two and three inches long, and the fact of peculiar significance is that it was the stem which was the object of veneration among the aborigines. The stem was of reed artistically decorated with women's hair or eagle's quills. The pipe bowl of the Western Indians was of red catlinite, which was a fine grained, pliable stone of deep red color found in the Coteau des Prairies, west of Big Stone Lake, in South Dakota. In the East and Southeast the bowl was of white stone pierced with several holes so that several stems could be used at the same time. The calumet quillies were not only neutral ground to all warring tribes, but there were many sacred traditions connected with these quillies.



RUSSELL VAN HORN

Home Brew. "Some people seem to find matrimony very stimulating." Second Bachelor—"Something brewing all the time, I suppose."

Laying a Trap. A British rat, home on leave and celebrating the occasion, had got himself into a dilemma. He had hired a taxi, only to discover when approaching his destination that he was penniless. He had dined and wine, not wisely, but too well. But the British navy is a training-school of resourcefulness. He caught up the speaking tube, shouted "Stop!" and jumped out. "I just want to pop into this tobacconist's and get some matches," he explained to the driver. "I've dropped a pound note somewhere in the cab and can't find it in the dark." He entered the tobacconist's and as he did so the cab and its driver vanished into the night, as he had anticipated.

In Great Britain the sovereign has not exercised his right of vetoing, or stopping, a law since 1707.

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VETERAN TELLS HOW HE ESCAPED

Declares Tanlac Freed Him From Stomach Trouble, Swelling and Weakness Left by Pneumonia.

George L. Lewis, Boullie St., London, Ont., well-known carpenter and veteran of the South African and World wars, has added his name to the long list of Ontario people praising Tanlac for the benefits they have derived from taking the medicine.

"Last winter," said Mr. Lewis, "I was down with pneumonia, and after that I couldn't get my strength back and was unable to work. I had no appetite, and if I did dare to eat it only caused me more suffering with my stomach. I had neuritis in my legs, and my feet would swell up till I thought they would burst. My kidneys were out of order, and it was impossible for me to get a good night's sleep.

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Halo's Origin.

The halo had its origin nearly two thousand years ago. To guard against the possibility of rain staining the marble faces of their gods, the Greeks used to protect them with a large metal plate placed over the top of the head. These were mistaken by painters in later years for emblems of divinity. Accordingly, our Christian saints are pictured with the ring which we call a halo.

MONEY ORDERS.

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The Tripping Tongue.

Hostess—"Pardon me, won't you, if I continue sewing while you are here? I shall then feel that I am not wasting my time."

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