

A LITERARY MAN AS PRACTICAL REFORMER

The International Sunday-School Lesson For October 28th is "Ezra's Return From Babylon."—Ezra 8:15-36.

By William T. Ellis

Now that it has grown so notably the fashion for literary men to enter the sphere of practical politics and reform, it is especially suggestive to study the career of a more distinguished literary man than they all, who lived half a century before the beginning of the Christian era.

A Nation in the Furnace.

"All ships look stately except the one upon which you ride," says the proverb. It is hard to perceive the importance and meaning of one's own age. Even in the tremendous days of the present, some persons are heedless of their import.

This crisis of the Jewish exiles consisted of the three deportations to Babylon, the period of sojourn there, and the three returns.

By Desert Ways.

The thought of travel in the desert appeals to every lover of the picture.

esque and the adventurous. Just as a caravan of camels on the sky line is a thing of rare beauty and staidness, but common and unpleasant when seen close at hand, so these desert journeyings are made attractive by distance.

To the spectator they were doubtless as interesting as the caravans which one may see to-day. I have watched the Persian pilgrims travel across this Mesopotamian desert; some on camel back, some of the children in panniers swung at each side of the beasts of burden; some on donkeys, the rich on horses, some on foot.

Literary, But Business-like.

It is the visionary who sways the minds of kings, and it was Ezra, the scribe, who secured the favor of Artaxerxes for the return for some seven hundred exiles to Jerusalem.

Cleaning Up the Town.

An evangelist has come to town. Why is this? Did we not have an evangelist last year? Is another revival necessary? Alas, alas, so it is.

auditing of his accounts. The model business administration of every community might most properly be that of the best religious organization.

The other side of Ezra's character came out when the questions of asking for guard arose. He had represented Jehovah as the ruler of nations, able to lift up and to cast down.

A Reform Gone Wrong.

It seems but a little time before that the main body of exiles had entered Jerusalem with mingled grief and jubilation; the sound of rejoicing over the laying of the foundations of the temple seemed still to be lingering in the air.

Is there any worse calamity in life than to lose one's "gleam"? Thousands of high-souled young men and women are thus gradually becoming blind and deaf to the ideals which had once been as life and death to them.

He was at once branded as a traitor who had sold his country to the hated enemy. As evidence to the contrary, he declared that his army had been starving and unfit to fight and that he had made a report to the French Government to that effect.

Cobourg Gained 423.

Cobourg, Oct. 25.—According to the assessor's figures, the population of the town of Cobourg shows an increase of about 400 for this year.

Sugar or Salt?

Some folks can't see why piety does not atone for lawlessness. Coatesville attempted to justify herself in the eyes of the world by pointing to her special religiousness.

Napoleon's Divorce.

Napoleon's divorce, a civil act of the empire, was pronounced before the grand council held in the Tuileries on December 15, 1809, and the next day the senate confirmed it.

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Death of Former Islander.

Stella, Oct. 24.—The people of Amherst Island felt very sad when the news came of the death of Mrs. Elwood Ballard, formerly Mrs. Fleming of this place.

Was Bazaine a Traitor?

Surrender of Metz Was Never Fully Explained.

Francois Achille Bazaine was born near Paris in 1811. Determining in youth to seek the bubble reputation in the cannon's mouth, he entered the army.

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Sir Charles Was a Dreamer

LADY in Toronto who knew Sir Charles Tupper well tells how deeply interested he was in dreams and apparitions, in all the absorbing questions of psychical research.

After completing his medical studies in Scotland Dr. Tupper and a friend made an excursion into England before returning to Canada. In passing a gipsy encampment they decided to have their fortunes told.

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EXPERIENCE, THE TEACHER

"As occasion has required, the Catholic Telegraph has endeavored to protect its readers from the demoralizing influence of indecent theatrical performances. From time to time we have published the "White List" of plays, compiled by the leaders in "The Catholic Theatre Movement."

"For this reason we feel gratified to be able to praise "Experience," the morality play. This drama is one of the best that has visited this city in years. It shows the adventures of "Youth," who leaves his boyhood home to go out into the great world and win success in the turbulent ways of life.

It is impossible to describe the play; it must be seen to be appreciated. The characters are personifications of virtues and vices, and are named accordingly. The story is really fascinating, and it is told in a way that holds the audience in rapt attention from the opening of the first episode until the close of the tenth and last. The scenery is the acme of stage setting, and the acting is of the highest order.

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NOTE TO KINGSTON THEATRE-GOERS

On Thursday, November First, the Most Wonderful Play in America, "Experience," written by George V. Hobart, will begin an engagement of three nights and matinee Saturday at the Grand Opera House. It comes here after nine months in New York, five months in Boston, seven months in Chicago, and five months in Philadelphia.

Send 17 cents in stamps to Manager, "Experience" Company, His Majesty's Theatre, Montreal (this week only), for 150-page illustrated book of the play, acting version.