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BIBLE REVISION.
The translation of the Twenty-third Psalm by the scholars of the University of Chicago is no improvement over the King James version, declares the Watertown Times, which adds that this deathless passage, one of the most familiar in the whole Bible, has been robbed of a great deal of its matchless beauty. It has been changed from a prose poem to very ordinary prose.

In the Chicago version the passage "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death," becomes "Though I walk through the darkest ravine." Instead of "He leadeth me beside the still waters," it becomes "refreshing waters." The King James version of our forebears is good enough. No passage of the Scripture is more widely quoted than this. It forms a part of the burial service of Christian and Jewish churches. It is almost the first verse of the Bible that every child in Sunday school memorizes, and it is tucked away in the memory through all life. It is a source of comfort to all.

Throughout generations men have learned the use of the English language through poring over the King James version. Lincoln's and Lamer's simple though eloquent prose reflected their study of the Bible. There is no call for a modernization of the work. Attempts to bring about a new translation will make a parody on the great prose poem of all languages. If the learned must polish the classics, let them try their skill on something else, but leave the King James version alone.

WHAT WILL IT MEAN TO YOU?
What will the New Year mean to you?

Why, precisely what you make it. More than ever before, perhaps, the year on which we are about to enter hangs upon initiative, endeavor and shrewdness.

The time is past when men may play fast and loose with their business or their work.

The day for reckless expenditure and loose dealing is past. The time when the competition for labor was such that "anything went" is over.

Next year there will be business in fair proportions for all, but there will be closer margins, keener competition and net profits only for those who economize all along the line; there will be dividends for those who save and disaster for those who waste.

There will be work at good wages for the conscientious workman, and hard times and idleness for those who are careless or lazy.

We are getting back to the place where profits will be made by those who can combine small profits on individual sales with volume; there will be work for those who can and do produce more for their pay.

Nor need we trouble ourselves about this. It is a natural condition and brings out the best there is in men and in the end leaves the country more soundly prosperous than when so-called "good times" make men careless, reckless, and lazy and wasteful.

The result will be cheaper goods for the masses and good profits and steady work for those who know how to take advantage of the circumstances of the moment.

The New Year, therefore, will be just what we make it.

BELETTING WAR.
It is a strange paradox that Prussia—ten years ago the seat of militarism—should be the first country to fight war by making war less attractive in public school textbooks. The announcement that Prussia would no longer glorify war and warriors in its school books came in the same week that a prize-winning peace plan advanced war-purged textbooks as a means to world peace.

Dr. David Starr Jordan, chancellor emeritus of Leland Stanford, Jr., University, the winner of the \$25,000 prize offered by Raphael Hermon through the World Federation of Educational Associations for the best scheme for promoting international peace, proposed that children should be taught that the greatest achievements of nations are in science and art and intellectual development. It is his idea that too much space has been given to the glorification of wars, with the result that children acquire the notion that fighting is the natural way in which to express patriotism and that a country's most notable events occur on the battlefield.

Dr. Jordan advocated the appointment of a commission to study the history textbooks of civilized countries to see if the achievements of peace could not be given as much attention as those of war, and the appointment of another commission to study the teaching of patriotism, with a view to inculcating in the children the thought that love of country can be expressed otherwise than on the battlefield.

Now Germany seems to be making an effort to do that very thing; for in the new texts, a Berlin dispatch states, the stories of wars are overshadowed by accounts of developments in economics and sociology, and the doings of kings are subordinated to narratives concerning

the progress made by the people. As the country in which militarism reached its highest development and in which war was extolled more than in any other, it is fitting that Germany should lead the movement away from this. It encourages the belief that she has learned the lesson that war is a bad business—a lesson that all must learn if civilization is to survive.

ON BEING YOURSELF.
The difficulty of being yourself will be admitted by anyone who has ever apologized for his own words or deeds by saying, "I was not myself when that happened." Perhaps this poor substitute for your better self is the creature of worry, or illness, or some intemperance of body or spirit. But even the best of us experience the difficulty of being always at his best.

To be at your best physically is a difficult achievement. The great singer must train his voice hour after hour before his audience can listen to it in comfort. We often remark: How naturally he sings! Yet behind that simple naturalness are years of grinding practice. How much more difficult, then, it is to be ourselves in that realm of intangible thing called personality. There seems to be a certain depravity into which we naturally gravitate. We set out nobly to be at our best, and fall far short of that shining goal. We do the thing we should not have done, and leave undone the thing that we should have done.

Yet out of this never-ending conflict of the spirit comes personality, power and influence. It makes us what we are. Being one's self is not easy. But beyond its accomplishments lie the rewards of life. The great bard was right when he said: "To thine own self be true, and it must follow, as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man."

KINGSTON IN 1855
Sidelights From Our Files—
A Backward Look.

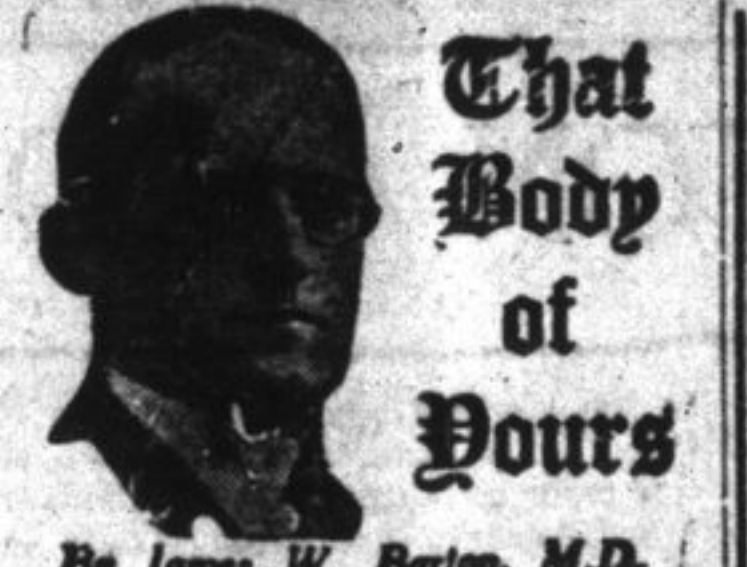
Burial At Sea.
March 15.—On Monday afternoon about five o'clock, a city carter was seen to carry on the ice in the harbor above the bridge a dying horse with its legs tied, which he coolly deposited and drove away. Shortly afterwards the poor horse was frozen to death. Next day, about noon, the same carter and two other men went to the same spot, and while the two men sawed a hole in the ice, the carter dragged the dead horse to it and put it in. Thus in the balmy month of May, after the dead animal has been floating for weeks in the harbor, sweetening the waters for the ladies' tea, it will be thrown on some shore near the city, there to breed a pestilence. And the things we tell of were done and are daily done, in a city possessing a mayor, a police magistrate, fourteen aldermen, a high bailiff, a chief constable and a posse of police.

Canada's Story
Day by Day
By J. B. Owen Davies

DECEMBER 27.
On this night in December of 1837, watchers below the Falls at Niagara saw an amazing spectacle, a ship wrapped from end to end in flames, go plunging over the edge into the whirlpool below. It was the "Caroline," an American ship which had been used to carry supplies from the United States side to Navy Island, where William Lyon McKenzie had established himself with a company of rebels after his flight from York. From Navy Island McKenzie was offering grants of Canadian land to all who would join his ranks. To put a stop to his arrogance a young naval officer was authorized to carry out a project which was both heroic and startling. The young man organized a party of marines and volunteers for the proposed raid. They travelled in rowboats to Fort Schlosser, under whose guns the "Caroline" lay, seeking protection while carrying out her lawless gun-running. Without the loss of a single man, the Canadians boarded the ship. As they were unable to take the vessel across to the Canadian side because of currents, they hustled the crew ashore, under the astonished noses of the American gunners, set the ship ablaze and cut her adrift, directing her toward the Falls. There was an indignant demand for an apology from American sources, and the apology was immediately made by the British government. However, Col. McNabb, who was in charge of the British forces in Canada, and who authorized the raid, was reprimanded—and knighted.

To Promote Friendship.
Tokio, Dec. 27.—Baron K. Okuma, multi-millionaire who created a sensation in Tokio recently when he announced that he will spend more than \$500,000 celebrating his eighty-eighth birthday, announces that he will spend the rest of his lifetime in an endeavor to promote friendship between Japan and China.

At New York hundreds of Christmas entertainments, estimated variously from 500 to 1,000 were staged for the children of the poor.



By James W. Barton, M.D.

That Body of Yours
Food For The Teeth Themselves.

It is a fortunate thing for the rising generation that dentists and physicians are not taking so much for granted, but are now seeking to learn the cause of various ailments. You will remember that as youngsters we were taught that the first teeth, the milk set, were not important, that they decay and drop out early, so that the permanent set could take their places.

Accordingly teeth were pulled out, or were allowed to decay, with no thought of treatment, except to put in some oil of cloves, or other remedy to allay the pain.

A step forward was made when our dental friends pointed out that if teeth were allowed to decay or drop out, then the entire shape of the mouth, and the youngster's personal appearance, might be marred for life, owing to the irregular manner in which the permanent teeth came through into sockets that were not large enough for them.

Accordingly, the past few years, the teeth of school children are watched closely, fillings put in to preserve the teeth, and thus the shape of the mouth. Also because infection can get into the system from the first teeth, just as readily as from the permanent set.

However, still another advance has been made by an investigator, a woman this time, who shows that the foods that the youngsters eat, have a great deal to do with the hardness of the teeth and their enamel covering.

By experimenting on puppies, she found that diet including cod liver oil, milk, and yolk of egg, seemed to form the bone and dentine better than other forms of foods.

Accordingly, experiments were made on groups of children of the same age, weight, and general health, one group getting the above diet, the second group getting other food and these same substances in smaller amounts, and the third group getting the ordinary fare of the institution.

The differences in the general health were scarcely noticeable, whereas the condition of the teeth after an experiment of eight months was markedly different, those children who had the special diet mentioned above showing much better teeth.

So our old fashioned cod liver oil, milk and eggs, again come in for commendation.

ODD FACTS ABOUT YOURSELF

By YALE S. NATHANSON, B. Sc., M.A.
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How To Overcome Fear.
When you give your son a jack knife, it means one of two things, or both; he will learn to use the knife with safety or else cut himself.

Playing with fire teaches you how to handle it with care or else you pay the penalty for your carelessness by pain. It is difficult to say, unless the case is thoroughly analyzed, whether you should face the thing you fear or keep away from it entirely in order to overcome your dread.

A little girl about twelve years of age had a horror of locomotives. She used to frequent the railroad station and one day danced in front of the engine getting more excited and terrified as it approached her, yet she was so fascinated by it, that she was unable to leave until released by others. This effort to overcome her fear made her much worse.

On the other hand, a man who acquitted himself very creditably during the war tells the story that he was a great coward as a child. When he was about fourteen years old his brother said to him, "You cannot be more than killed, so why be afraid?" He kept repeating this to himself until he got a feeling of security and from then on changed completely.

Knowledge of things usually dispels fear and it is important that we do not carry with us a bundle of dreaded feelings. The human mind is an intricate and peculiar mechanism. Everything which enters our consciousness leaves its imprint in such a manner that it can never be erased. Thus our only salvation is to cling to some thought which will counteract the effect of the objectionable thought.

The eruption of a volcano is now a matter of scientific understanding and can be predicted. A solar eclipse, when the sky becomes black because the sun is hidden by the moon which passes between it and the earth, has not only been explained, but astronomers can tell us years in advance when this is going to happen. This knowledge is a great dispeller of fear.

If you plan and hope to live a happy normal life, capable of feeling the finer emotions of love and happiness, it is necessary that you rid yourself of the terrible monster, fear, which grips your mind and body and makes your heart beat faster, your lungs breathe more violently and actually takes the

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In the field of industry, "assistant to the president" usually means saddy.

Fable: Once there was a man who noticed that his wife had on a new hat.

At this season you can't tell whether that feeling is appendicitis or sinuce pie.

An old-timer is one who can remember when girls considered croquet exercise.

Almost anything is possible in an era wherein the dictionary becomes a best seller.

If you envy a man's righteousness, the only chance is to become a critic and scorn him.

A war isn't over until the coroner gets through with those who can't return to normal.

How in the world does a weak tree know that there isn't a wind-break within a mile?

There's probably no way to find out, but we can't help wondering if Adam ever got laid.

"There are too many killings among gangsters," says a writer. It sounds impossible.

Another excellent labor-saving device for polishing floors is an infant that can crawl.

Many a man watches his step so closely that he cannot keep an eye on the main chance.

It is not against the law to think your neighbors are awful, but it is an awful waste of time.

Most people who have their feelings hurt go about with them sticking out in quest of an affront.

"Petticoat coming back," says an optimistic pessimist. If it does, about two feet of it will show.

Of course the country is more prosperous. We have twice as much money and it buys half as much.

If there is any real virtue in hair tonic, a lot of good Kingstonsians should be fur lined by this time.

The more we see of some people the greater our regret that birth control wasn't universal forty years ago.

The meek shall inherit the earth. But there won't be much fun in a world peopled exclusively by hen-pecked husbands.

Here and there you read of plans for more happiness in the world, yet we only use a small part of what's already here.

The problem of the son and daughter who go out every evening isn't much more distressing than the same kind of furnace.

If godliness goes with cleanliness, why do some persons take a bath on Saturday night and then stay away from church on Sunday?

BIBLE THOUGHT
WHOSOEVER WILL COME AFTER ME, LET HIM DENY HIMSELF, AND TAKE UP HIS CROSS, AND FOLLOW ME. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.—Mark 8:34, 35.

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Noted Poultry Breeder Dead.
London, Ont., Dec. 27.—William MacNeil, one of the foremost breeders of poultry in North America, was found dead in his bed last night. He was born in County Down, Ireland, seventy-six years ago, and had lived in London for sixty years. He was a past president of the International Poultry Association of America.

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