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A FEARFUL PERIL IS THE SNARE OF THE TABLE.

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The snare is a device for catching prey. It needs be a secret and unsuspecting contrivance, else, its design being revealed, the prey will aovid it. "Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird." If he haste to the snare it is because he "knowesth not that it is for

his life." Many snares are spread for man. When he falls into any of them, he may conclude that "an enemy hath done this." We read of "the snare of the devil." He hath many snares and they are not all spread in ain. As the spider weaves his web where the flies must needs go, and not in some dark corner where his intended victims do not wander, so the most fatal snares of the devil are spread where men do most congregate and where they least suspect his wiles. Hence where riches glitter, where pleasures allure, and soft, siren songs are sung, there are found the frequent and fatal snares of the devil. So "they that make haste to be rich fall into temptation and a snare."

The table with its viands and beverages has proven a snare to many who make a "god of their belly" and sell out their divine birthright for a mess of pottage. "It is a snare to a man who devoureth that which is holy and after vows to make enquiry." But doest the devil make a snare of the table? The Psalmist, in one of his terrible imprecations, prays in Psalm 69:22: "Let their table become a snare before them," seeming to mean the cruciflers of Christ, for the context shows that the Psalm is Messianic, though Paul quoting this text clearly applies it to all unbelieving Israel. He says, Romans 11:9: "Let their table be made a snare and a trap and a stum bling block and recompense unto them.' If the table is a snare it is one of which it may be said it is of the man's own'spreading. He who sets the table sets the snare. If it prove a snare and a trap is he not responsible for setting it and being caught by it? Can he say: "An enemy hath done this?" With less than the caution of a silly bird he falls into it when it is spread in his sight and by his own hands. If such a necessity as the table for daily bread can become a snare and a trap, were it not well to know how this can be, so we may not fall into its meshes, and perhaps, in our non-suspicion, be destroyed? How many

'wine bibbers and riotous eaters o

flesh" and others who "fare sumptuously

every day" have gone down from their

sensualities to beg for drops of water and

feel the torment of the undying flame

will be known only when the lurid light

of hell shall reveal the impassable gulf.

Certain it is that the glutton and the drunkard cannot inherit the Kingdom The fearful peril of the table snare is in this, that it is spread by hands unsuspected and every day in our homes. How easy it is to find excuses for the pleasure of the convivial cup and for the excesses of even proper things! Appetite rather than reason decides, in many instances, the question, "What shall we eat, what shall we drink?" and how much. The French have a proverb: "Men dig their graves with their teeth." It were well if it did not need to be added -and the pit into which they sink beyond it. We are to "live soberly," and "let our moderation be known to all men." Luxury, excess, intemperancethese have always been the snare of man

and have slain the bodies and ruined the souls of uncounted multitudes. Oh, how dangerous is the table snare! The sins of its excesses were more excusable if there were not always and everywhere starving Lazaruses who are begging for the crumbs which fall from our tables. Millions there are who never know what it is not to go hungry. "I was an hungered and ye gave me no meat." Ah, what an awful reminder Will that be to the pampered sons of luxury, in the last day! The snare of the table!-Joel Swartz, D. D., in Union

THE DEVIL'S OWN DRINK.

Hon, Elijah Morse's Attack on Alcohol in the United States Congress.

Hon. Elijah Morse, in a debate in congress on the bill to regulate the sale of drugs in the District of Columbia, moved to amend the bill by adding after the words "oxalic acid" "any prescription containing over two per cent. of alcohol."

Mr. Richardson-What per cent. ? Mr. Morse-Two per cent.

Mr. Richardson-Would that not include cologne? Mr. Morse-Wait till you hear me

Mr. Chairman, chemistry ranks alcohol among the deadly poisons. This bill recites the names of poisons. Why should it not include alcohol? Alcohol is the fruitful source of pauperism, crime, insanity, disease and death. It is a matter susceptible of proof that in our country, in consequence of the use of alcohol, over 60,000 men annually go down to drunkards' graves. Five hundred ghastly suicides are annually committed in consequence of alcohol; 500 murders are annually committed; 100,000 men crowd our almshouses and swell our taxes in consequence of alcohol. I do not see, therefore, any reason why the committee should not consent to my amendment.

Alcohol is a poisonous, dangerous drink. It is the devil's own drink. Of all the engines the devil ever invented to destroy the body and souls of men and the peace of families, alcohol beats them all. I believe not a few of the appalling suicides which have recently taken place under the very shadow of this capitol are directly traceable to the poison known as alcohol in some one of its various forms. Surely, Mr. Chairman, alcohol is a poison, a deadly poison, a brain poison that turns man into a beast and a brute, a criminal, a murderer and a suicide. It should be labeled "Poison!" and its sale interdicted. It should certainly be included in this bill with these other

poisons. A Citizen's Right. A man named Bradbury, who had previously been arrested and fined \$5 for spitting on the floor of a San Francisco street car, was arrested a second time a few days ago for the same offense, and was sentenced to imprisonment twenty-four hours. He protested against the "outrage," holding with a New York civil justice that it is the inalienable right of a freeborn American citizen to expectorate whenever and wherever he

Sarah Skinner, 33 Alexander St., Toronto, says: "I have taken one box of Miller's Compound Iron Pills and have For rheumatism try Arnot's Arnica AnoTHE BUMBLEBER.

The Big Queen Searches For a Home In

the Early Spring. A. Hyatt Verrill writes a paper on "Some Common Bees and How They Laye," for St. Nicholas. Mr. Verrill says: In early spring, when the meadows first take on a tinge of green and the apple trees put forth their rosy buds, we may often see a single large bumblebee flying low and swiftly back and forth across the lawns or pastures.

These great bees are the queens, who have just awakened from their long winter's sleep, and are now seeking some favored spot wherein to commence housekeeping and found a colony, for these insects, like their cousin, the honeybee, live in colonies consisting of three classes, or castes-drones, or males, queens, or females, and workers. When our big ageen has at last discovered a satisfactory building site, usually a deserted mouse hole, she cleans it of all rubbish and litter and places within a ball of pollen, in which she lays her eggs. The young grubs hatch out possessed with enormous appetites and, feeding on the pollen, eat into it in all directions. At last, when fully grown and their craving for food is satisfied, they spin cocoons of silk in the remains of the pollen and change to pupe. While her family is thus sleeping quietly within their silken cells the old queen is constantly at work building up and strengthening the cocoons with wax.

Finally, their sleep being over, the pupa cases burst, and the young bees come forth in all their glory of black and golden

livery and gauzy wings. The first brood consists entirely of workers, who immediately fall to and relieve their tired mother queen of all work and duties with the exception of laying eggs. They fly hither and thither, always busy and industrious, now plunging into the center of a gorgeous hollyhock or a sunny dandelion, or buzzing about among the modest daisles, or diving head first into some sweet scented, aristocratic lily or rose, always emerging from their quest for honey covered with the golden dust of pollen. The honey and the pollen thus gathered are stored away and the eggs laid in the waxen cells from which the workers issued, and the next brood, composed of drones and young queens, feed upon this store of nectar.

ANTIQUITY OF THE ROSE.

Over One Thousand Species of the Wild Flower Known to Botanists.

The antiquity of the rose is so great that all account of its origin has been lost. It is not mentioned in the Biblical writings earlier than the reign of Solomon, but the allusion to it then made is such as to indicate that the flower had already long been known, for the essence of roses was extensively used in Jerusalem and Judæa during the reign of the luxurious and much married king. In Egypt the rose is depicted on a number of very early monuments, believed to date from 3000 to 3500 B. C., and in the tomb of an Egyptian princess, disinterred a year ago in southern Egypt, several hormetically scaled yials were found which when opened contained genuine attar of roses, so that the modern claims for the discovery of this delicious

perfume are vain. Rose water, or the essence of roses, is mentioned by Homer in the "Iliad." Homer and Solomon were nearly contemporaneous. Both the Greeks and Hebrews probably borrowed the idea of its manufacture from the Egyptians, and these, for aught anybody can tell, may have had it from the Indians or from the Chinese, for the latter claim for each of their discoveries and inventions a most marvelous, not to say incredible, antiquity. The rose is one of those flowers which by the people of every land are taken for granted as so well known as to need no description, and hardly mention, for it is a singular fact that every continent on the globe, with the solitary exception of Australia, produces wild roses. Even the frozen regions of the north, where the summer lasts but two or three months and is at best a season which may be described as very late in the fall, produce their wild roses, and travelers through Greenland, Kamchatka and northern Siberia found in the proper season an abundance of blossoms, while the crews of whaling vessels which call at Spitzbergen come off shore with bouquets of the native Spitzbergen rose. All wild moses are not of the same kind, for there are over 1,000 species of the wild rose known to botanists, and the varieties are innumerable.-St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

An Unfortunate Mistake.

A laughable but rather embarrassing case of mistaken identity occurred the other day in a large department store. A gentleman who is a little too fond of joking entered the store for the purpose of meeting his wife at a certain counter. Sure enough, there stood a lady dressed, to his eye, at least, just like the woman be was after.

Her back was turned and no one was near her, so he quietly approached, took her by the arm and said in a voice of simulated severity, "Well, here you are, spending my money as usual, eh?"

The face turned quickly toward him was not his wife's. It was that of an acrid, angry, keen eyed woman of about 50 years, who attracted the attention of everybody in that part of the store by saying in a loud, shrill voice: "No, I ain't spending your money nor no

other man's money, and I'll"-"I beg your pardon, madam," cried the confused gentleman. "I supposed you

were my wife, and"-"Well, I just ain't your wife nor no other man's wife, thank fortune, to be jawed at every time I buy a yard of ribbon! I pity your wife if you go about shaking her like you did me. If I was her, I'd"-

The chagrined joker waited to hear no more, but made his way out of the store, amid the titters and sly chuckles of those who had witnessed his confusion .- Ex-

He Knew From Experience. Mrs. Comeback was bemoaning the loss of a beautiful little silk purse, which had recently been presented to her by a friend. "I tell you, Algernon," she wailed piteously, "it was the dearest little thing I ever saw. A perfect beauty-a regular little jewel-in short, it was a poem in itself, and, although it contained only a few

"Never mind, my dear," said Mr. Comeback in a reassuring tone; "if it was a poem and was accompanied by stamps, it will doubtless be returned in due time."-Up to Date.

It is asserted by Lyell, the geologist

that at a period comparatively recent all

that portion of the United States south of the Black Hills was under from 500 to 900 feet of water.

A man, being told that a raven would live 200 years, bought one to try. Shot Dead In Church.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 6.—Rufus Smith, deacon in a Baptist church at Forest Home, Butler county, was assassinated in church last night. He was arising from prayer when a shot-gun was heard, and he fell over dead. It was thought that the murderer is a neighbor with whom Smith recently had a dispute over a fence between their farms.

LITTLE FRED.

A Belleville Boy has an Experience-Mrs E. George, Belleville, Ont., Tells the Story of the Rescue of Her Son Fred SPICE OF THE ARTICLES IN THE From the Clutches of Kidney Disease. Says Mrs. George, "My son Fred, now thirteen years of age, has been troubled with his kidneys for some time. Pains in the back were frequent and severe, and he also had urinary difficulties. He was very much broken up inhealth, and despite the use of a large amount of doctors'

medicine he was unable to obtain relief. I have started to give him Doan's Kidnev Pills, and can say that it is truly wonderful how much he has been helped by their use. He is now rosy and vigorous, and seems to be getting better all the

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THE NEWS OF THE DISTRICT.

VICINITY NEWSPAPERS.

The News Put Into Condensed Shape-The Episodes That Create Talk in the Conntry and Hereabouts-A Column of Interesting Items.

A rifle association has been formed in Merrickville Scotchmen have organized

a golf club. Smith's Falls people want a new name for their town.

A regatta will be held at Rockport on Friday next. Iroquois is clamoring for more police protection.

Murray Hill hotel on the river closed last Saturday. A. L. Murray, Westport, hasrefused \$500 for a three legged calf. Trenton mechanics' institute has been

orced to close its doors. Simcoe county will build a house of in dustry at a cost of \$50,000. J. H. Totten, Renfrew, was fined \$12.95

for selling tobacco to a minor. Port Hope curlers are talking of building a new curling and skating rink.

late buckwheat around Eganville. was destroyed by fire on Wednesday. The provincial government has granted \$1,187 to aid the poor schools of North

Tramps who fall into the hands of the authorities at Smith's Falls are required to break stone.

of taxation for that village at twenty-one and-a-half mills. The contract for building the new town

hall in Hastings has been awarded to

Messrs. Doxsee Bros. for \$4,088. The marriage of Miss Maria E. McLaren, of Drummond, to J. S. Howe, of Fitzroy, took place on Wednesday evening. An attempt was made on Tuesday

night to rob the Mattawa post office, but the postmaster's dog wounded and chased the burglars. The post office at Thurso was entered by | that Leo XIII will see the twentieth cen burglars on Thursday night. The safe was

blown open and about a hundred dollars

worth of stamps stolen. Deer are very numerous in the vicinity of Bancroft and farmers threaten to shoot them if the game warden does not keep Turkish embassy in London, has been ap-

them out of their crops. The deadlock in the Napanee school succeed A. E. Lang as teacher of modern | tinent.

languages in the collegiate institute. The building committee of the Methodist church, Renfrew, has awarded the contract to complete the mason work to J. A. Jamieson. Thomas Henderson threw up the job owing to a disagreement with the architect.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Refused a Practice Ground.

KINGSTON, Sept., 7.—(To the Editor) Evidently the promoters of sport Queen's university desire to monopolize the city's interest in football matters, as they have taken particular trouble and have put themselves to unnecessary bother in order to deprive the Granites of a portion of the campus on which to practice. In the first place the Granites desired the use of the lower campus, but that was refused on the ground that the lacrosse club was using it. The footballists then modestly requested the use of that portion of ground east of the lower campus and adjoining the bowling green, whereon the mild-mannered students play association football, but the management of the Granites was informed that the use of the spot could not be granted, as there was a probability of the bowling green being injured. As a last report the little fellows moved up to the new campus, where they practiced last fall, and in reply to request for the use of this plot, the athletic association of the college, an organization for the promulgation and advancement of sport, replied that the grass would be in jured and the campus could not be used. To make sure that the Granites would not use the ground, a man was sent out about six o'clock in the evening on the day on

which their request was refused, and with a hose thoroughly soaked the campus from Could a more selfish spirit be shown This dog-in-the-manger attitude will no assist Queen's, and will serve to create resentment. Evidently the members of the athletic committee of to-day are not famil iar with the fact that the campus in question was built with money subscribed by citizens of Kingston, and that the students' portion was a very small mite. Perhaps at a not far distant date the aid of citizens Will find designs in our stock that they will again be desired, but the selfishness displayed towards the Granites, who are sons of benefactors of Queen's, will not serve as a happy reminder for further contributions. There are other teams in this country that can play football just a trifle better than Queen's-A FRIEND OF AMA

The Fall Fairs. Foronto......Aug. 30-Sept. 1 St. John's, Que..... Ottawa.....Sept. 17-25 Everything in the Hardware Majtawa......Sept. 29-30 Picton Sept. 29-30 WoodbridgeOct. 19-30 East Eastings Ser t. 23-24

> An Oklahoma Duel, PERRY, Oklahoma, Sept. 6. Smith Kellum, a wealthy Oklahoma stockman, and Samuel Morris, owner of a sheep ranch, fought a duel with pistols yesterday. Kellum was hit in the heart and he

> died on the spot. Morris was shot through

the breast and may die. The men

quarrelled over pasture lands.

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WERE MUCH PLEASED.

Grand Trunk Rallway Magnates Enjoy Themselves at Gananoque, GANANOQUE, Sept. 4 .- Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson, general manager Hays and party arrived here in their private cars yesterday morning and were guesteat the Inn. During the day the steamer New Island Wanderer was chartered and the party made a tour

> accommodation provided at the Inn. Maggie W., the horse that took first in the last day's race here was disposed of that same evening to Brockville parties. The price paid was said to be \$1,200.

A very pleasant event took place to day,

of the islands, stopping at head of Sir

John's Island for a couple of hours fishing.

Mrs. Hays and family had been at the Inn

a week previous. The party expressed

themselves well pleased with the excellent

the contracting parties being Miss Mildred Davie, daughter of Capt. J. H. Devie, and Dr. Sharpe, of Lyn. The bride was becomingly dressed and looked charming in a pearl satin dress, and was supported by Miss Stover, of St. Thomas. Ernest Cummings, of Lyn, acted as best man. This wedding had the distinction of being the first marriage service since the enlargement of the Methodist church. The church was appropriately decorated for the occasion. The ceremony was conduct-Frost has done considerable damage to ed by Rev. Mr. Perley, of Lyn, stepfather of the groom. He was efficiently assisted The house of Robert Norris, Clarksville, by Rev. Dr. Jackson, pastor of the church. The wedding breakfast was given at the Inn. The happy couple left on the steamer Valeria for Clayton, from whence they took boat for Montreal and eastern cities to spend their honeymoon. The bride received many tokens of esteem in the way of presents from her large circle of friends. The council of Madoc has fixed the rate | They have the well wishes of everyone.

"Gaff" Shields and Kelsey, the two boys sent for trial for stealing liquors, were acquitted in Brockville to day. They returned home to-night. The Inn is doing better now than in August. They intend to remain open until October 1st.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

The Spice of The Morning l'apers and th Latest Despatches. The pope's attending physician declare

About three hundred Turks have been arrested for supposed connection with the committee of the young Turk party.

Rifaat Bey, recently councillor of the

pointed Turkish minister at Washington. Many of the firms affected by the Engboard was broken on Monday night by the lish engineering strike are getting ready appointment of Miss Maggie O'Brien to to move their establishments to the con-The failure of the potato, hav-and corn

> crop in most of the districts in Ireland has resulted in the gloomiest outlook for the A Cuban filibustering expedition has landed at Mariel, twenty-five miles from

Havana, with munitions and stores, also

reaching the Cuban quarters. At Barcelona the chief and assistant chief of police, who directed the investigation into the Barcelona bomb outrages, were shot at and wounded seriously by a supposed anarchist, who was subsequently

The friends of the Anglo-French entente welcome the announcement that the Prince of Wales has accepted the chairmanship of the British commission for the Paris exhibition. The prince is a great favorite in Paris. British court circles are enjoying a

sixteen page booklet written by a minor royal personage, in which amusing facts connected with the inner life of royal circles are set out in unvarnished manner. Concerning emperor William of Germany it is told that 6,600 people are languishing in state prisons on charges of lese majeste.

A TRENTON FATALITY.

Edward Smith, an Employee at Matthews' Barrel Factory, Instantly Killed. TRENTON, Sept. 7 .- About nine o'clock Saturday evening an accident happened in the stove mill of the Matthews Canning Co., of this place, by which one man was killed and another severely injured. The fatality occurred on account of the great pressure of steam employed. The machinery went to pieces, heavy fragments striking the operator, Edward Smith, directly across the eyes and severing the upper portion of his head from the body. Øliver Amlow received a broken arm, a few bruises and a severe shaking up. The head of the deceased young man was smashed all to pieces. The building and machinery are badly damaged. Strange to eay Amlow was standing nearer to the machinery than Smith and was only hurled back against the wall, while the piece of iron flew directly across the deceased and killed him

instantly.

COWS INFECT A COLLEGE. Several Persons Get Tuberculosis And Tw

Are Expected To Die, TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 7 .- The board of regents of the state agricultural college at Manhattan have discovered that the cattle, sheep, and hogs kept on the college farm were infected with tuberculosis. The attendents employed at the stables are seriously ill, and the man who had direct charge of the cattle is not expected to live, .Sept. 7-9 having been suffering with the direase for several months. Mrs. C. C. Georgeon, wife of one of the professors, also has been Winchester Sept. 14-15 ill for weeks, and became infected by using milk from the diseased cows. Paul Wilcox, an assistant, is suffering from tuberculosis, and his life is despaired of. He contracted the disease while handling the cattle. The disease was discovered by Prof. A. B. Cottrell, newly elected pro-

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