

RETRIBUTION.

By Helen M. Cade.

A man set out for a good day's sport With his fish-hook, trap and gun, Prepared to enjoy all the pain he'd cause, 'Till the day's long course was run. So he killed, and plundered, and maimed, and shot, 'Till the sun sank low in the west, And then, when his thirst for blood was done, He started for home—and rest. But a brother torturer, just before, Had traveled the same dark road, And had set a trap for a helpless thing, To add to his own black load. And into the trap the brute-man fell And down came the cold steel jaw, Into his flesh it claved and bit, For mercy is not its law. And for company through those hours of pain He had all the things that he slew, And they stared at him with a mocking eye, For their pain at least was through. And time for reflection had this great sport, As he writhed, and groaned, and raved, And lay for days, as the creatures do 'That are caught, and by man enslaved. For retribution's a slow old law— But sometimes it works out even— And catches the man with the vicious heart, Be he layman, priest, or heathen.

TRUE STORIES OF IMMORTAL HYMNS.

By Octavia Hudson.

The Missionary Hymn. "From Greenland's Icy Mountains." Words by Bishop Reginald Heber. Music by Lowell Mason. From Greenland's icy mountains, From India's coral strand, Where Afric's sunny fountains Roll down their golden sand, From many an ancient river, From many a palmy plain, They call us to deliver Their land from error's chain. What though the spicy breezes Blow soft o'er Ceylon's isle; Though every prospect pleases, And only man is vile? In vain with lavish kindness The gifts of God are strown; The heathen in his blindness Bows down to wood and stone. This greatest of all missionary hymns was written by Reginald Heber in 1819, on the day before he was to deliver a missionary sermon in the church of his father-in-law, at whose home he was visiting. You will remember that the use of hymns in the church services had been introduced only a short time before Heber began to write; so this important service found the people without an appropriate missionary hymn. Mr. Heber and his father-in-law and other church men were talking over the coming service when one of the men remarked that they should certainly have a missionary hymn for so impressive a service as they hoped to make this a missionary appeal. Turning to Mr. Heber his father-in-law asked him why he could not write the much needed hymn. Mr. Heber immediately retired from the room. In less than an hour he returned with three verses of the hymn of our story. His hearers were delighted with the hymn and at once begged him to sing it. How beautifully Mr. Heber describes the heathen countries; yet he points out to us that even though God has bestowed with loving kindness these wonderful gifts of nature throughout the land in every corner of the globe, all is vain if man bows down to wood and stone instead of worshipping the true and living God. The third verse is a wonderful appeal to the christian to help send "the lamp of light" to each "remotest nation" until each benighted man, woman and child has learned to speak with reverence of the "Messiah's name."

Shall we whose souls are lighted With wisdom from on high, Shall we to men benighted The lamp of life deny? Salvation! O Salvation! The joyful sound proclaim, Till each remotest nation Has learned Messiah's name. After the men had sung the hymn many times to an old melody known to all, Mr. Heber said the song needed another verse to complete the appeal. He seemed inspired with the subject and desired to send the gospel to every remote nation when he wrote the last glorious proclamation of triumph that has in reality been sung in every remote corner of the globe: Waft, waft, ye winds, his story, And you, ye waters, roll, Till, like a sea of glory, It spreads from pole to pole; Till o'er our ransomed nature The Lamb for sinners slain, Redeemer, King, Creator, In bliss returns to reign. Twice Reginald Heber refused the honor of accepting the appointment of Bishop of Calcutta, because of the love for his own home and church; but when finally the call of duty which he never forsook, prevailed, he was the means of spreading the story of the gospel throughout "Ceylon's isle," and along the "coral strand;" for it was Bishop Heber who ordained the first native minister of India—they called him Christian David. It was arduous labor and the trying climate of the beautiful Ceylon isle that finally, after three short years, caused the death of the beloved Bishop, whose beautiful daily life endeared him to every one. Lowell Mason, who has given us so many of our beautiful hymn tunes, wrote the melody for "From Greenland's Icy Mountains." It came about this way: A young lady in Savannah, Georgia, happened to read the poem one day. She was immediately impressed with the beauty of the words and wanted a melody for the song that was equally befitting in detail. She knew a young bank clerk who was particularly interested in music and had written some tunes for songs; he was also a singing teacher in Savan-

nah; so she took the song to him. In less than an hour he returned the complete song. The young man was Lowell Mason.—The Christian Advocate.

PREPARATION MADE FOR PASSION PLAY.

Since the decision was made to give the delayed Passion Play in 1922, Oberammergau has taken on new life. Carpenters, painters and masons, many of them wearing long hair and beards which mark them as participants in previous dramatizations of the Passion of Jesus Christ, are restoring the open-air theatre and villas which had no attention during the war period. Busy housewives are preparing their homes for the reception of visitors who will fill the little village next summer. Scene-painters are rebuilding and restoring the representations of parts of the Holy Land, where Jesus lived and died and rose again from the tomb. Needlewomen are fashioning robes for the apostles and scores of other biblical figures who participate in the play. Although the cast will not be elected by the directors of the play until October, young women who have distinguished themselves in other religious plays given by the Oberammergau folk are fashioning simple robes suitable for the role of Mary, in the hope that they will be chosen to enact the part of Jesus' mother, the highest honor that can come to an Oberammergau woman.

The great auditorium which shelters spectators of the Passion Play is a wooden structure supported by steel trusses. It has seats for 4000 persons, arranged much after the plan of a modern opera house. When the play is offered one end of the auditorium is removed entirely, and the stage stands at some distance from the end of the building in such a position that the mountains furnish a background for the setting. The audience is entirely sheltered in case of rain and the main part of the stage has a glass roof. Even among the children of Oberammergau the reverence for the Passion Play is very marked and in imitation of their elders, they are constantly acting in the hope of being chosen for important roles in the production given every ten years. As good character is insisted upon as the basic requirement for participation in the play, the danger of being debauched from a part in the historical spectacle is held constantly over the village children and is a far better corrective influence than the bettegeys invented for most children.—Ex.

Wireless Phone Over Atlantic. "I expect eventually to bridge the Atlantic with wireless telephony. When New York talks to London it will be in this manner, and not telephony through a cable, the cost of laying which would be prohibitive." This statement was made by Senator Marconi in discussion of Colonel Carty's demonstration of cable and wireless telephony between Havana and Catalina, off California. Mr. Marconi was not much impressed with the practical value of Colonel Carty's achievements, inasmuch as the cost of maintaining land and submarine wires over areas stretching for thousands of miles is a prohibitive factor. At the same time, he admitted, that long-distance wireless telephony had not advanced to a practical commercial stage. "We have had wireless talks between London and Rome, London and Geneva and other points," he added, "and we have even got a few words across the Atlantic; but we can not work in a practical way across long sea distances. There are certain disturbances of the waves in space the cause of which has not yet been determined. Asked about the facilities for eavesdropping in wireless telephony, Marconi said: "It is not so easy to pick up messages, and if it were there are not many instances in which they would be useful. Americans in London, for instance wanting to speak to their wives or sweethearts at home, would not care about any one 'tapping' their messages so long as they could hear the voice of people dear to them. Wireless telephony is not more likely to be tapped than wireless telegraphy.

Visitor—How long are you in for, my poor man? Prisoner—I don't know sir. Visitor—How can that be? You must have been sentenced for a definite period of time. Prisoner—No, sir. Mine is a life sentence.

MEDICAL.

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THE FIRST LOAD OF ANTHRACITE.

Ten years before the Colonists started their long fight for independence, anthracite coal was discovered near Philadelphia by James Tilghman, of that city. He sent a small piece of the mineral to Thomas and William Penn, of London, saying that he believed the bed of coal might become valuable some day.

In 1800, an enterprising pioneer by the name of William Morris, brought a load of the stuff into Philadelphia, making the journey of 100 miles from the mine. People called it "rock" coal, and said it wouldn't burn. About this time a salesman got on the job, or rather three salesmen, named Miner, Ciest and Robinson. In August, 1813, they started an "ark" laden with coal, from Mauch Chunk to Philadelphia.

On their arrival in the Quaker city, they went to the first printer they could find and ordered handbills printed in both English and German. These handbills told about the quality of hard coal, and said it was being used with success by blacksmiths.

On the street corners in the city, the three salesmen set up stoves and demonstrated to the crowds that the coal would burn. They sold their entire cargo and obtained orders for three or four more.

One hundred and one years after this business venture, the Geographical Survey reports that Pennsylvania produced 88,995,061 tons of anthracite coal.

Some authorities say that the coal beds in Pennsylvania will continue to yield another century at the present rate of production. After that the world can turn its attention to the supply in China, which after careful study is estimated at 63,000,000,000 tons.—Ex.

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FORTUNES MADE WITHOUT EFFORT Profits of Stockholders in Mail-Order Houses Stagger the Imagination. CUSTOMERS SUPPLY CAPITAL One Man Makes More Than \$250,000 on \$25,000 Investment in Nine Years—Hundreds Like Him. (Copyright.) There is one way to make money by dealing with the mail-order houses but it isn't by buying goods from them. The man who thinks he is making money by buying his goods from mail-order houses has only to read of the amazing profits made by some of these big corporations to realize that all the money is being made by the man on the other end of the deal. The stockholder in a big mail-order concern toils not and neither does he spin, but he piles up his money so fast that it makes the ordinary man's head swim to read about it. Here is the experience of the stockholder in one of the large mail-order concerns, as told by a reliable financial journal. It gives a glimpse into the inside workings of the mail-order business that should be of interest to those who have made such things possible. How the Game Works. In 1908 this man bought 600 shares of stock in the mail-order corporation in question when the stock was selling around \$40 a share, the 600 shares costing him a little less than \$25,000. In 1911 the company declared a stock dividend of 33 1-3 per cent. In other words the company after paying cash dividends regularly, had accumulated a surplus profit of one-third of the amount of capital invested in the business; but instead of distributing this profit among the stockholders the company kept the money in the business and issued stock for that amount to the stockholders. By this action 200 more shares of stock were issued to the man who had originally bought 600, increasing his holdings to 800 shares, without his having put any more money into the business. Another stock dividend of 50 per cent was declared in 1915 and this added 400 shares more to his holdings, giving him 1,200 shares in all. A third stock dividend of 25 per cent was paid early in 1917, bringing this man's stock holdings up to 1,500 shares, still without his having paid in any more

money. On this 1,500 shares of stock, cash dividends of \$8 a share are now being paid. This investor therefore is now receiving \$12,000 a year from his original investment of about \$25,000, and as the stock is now worth around \$160 a share, the present market value of his stock is \$240,000, giving him a profit of \$215,000, in addition to cash dividends which he received during nine years, amounting to many more thousands of dollars. Only One of Hundreds. This is the story of just one small stockholder in one mail-order concern. A profit of more than \$215,000 made by one small stockholder in nine years on an investment of less than \$25,000! It reads like fiction but it is financial history. There are hundreds of other stockholders in this and other mail-order corporations, some of whom have made millions while this man made thousands. Add the profits of all these stockholders together and the result is a sum that staggers the imagination. Small wonder that the men who own the stock of the big mail-order houses can live in palaces, ride in the highest-priced automobiles, own palatial private yachts and buy \$100,000 paintings. But who has furnished the money to pay for the palaces and the automobiles and the yachts and the \$100,000 paintings? The people in the country and the small towns who have kept an endless stream of money flowing into the coffers of the mail-order houses have made all this possible. Their millions of dollars have gone to the big cities to build up these great concerns. Their millions of dollars have provided the automobiles and yachts and other luxuries for the stockholders in these corporations. Present From Mail-Order Buyers. These men who have piled up such big fortunes in the mail-order business have not even had to pay for much of the stock from which they are now drawing princely dividends. The people in the country and the small towns, generous souls, have bought it for them. This is shown in the case of the stockholder just mentioned, who originally invested. The generous mail-order buyers have made him a present of \$215,000 worth of stock and he has not had to turn his hand over to get it. He has never even had to so much as write a letter to get it. The generous mail-order buyers have handed it to him on a golden platter. There's money in the mail-order business without a doubt, but it's on the side of the man who does the selling and not the one who does the buying. If you must do business with the mail-order house, buy some of its stock and let the fellow in the next town buy your automobiles and private yachts while he struggles with the hard times that come from draining his town of the cash that goes to keep you in luxury.

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