

## Democratic Watchman

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### Memories of Her Benefactress Awakened by a Copy of the "Watchman."

Recently we received the letter published below. It explains itself and we publish it with the hope that it might reveal something more of the author than we know—something of her early life in Bellefonte that might prove interesting to readers of today who knew nothing of the Bellefonte of yesterday:

Unity, Pa., Sept. 19, 1925.

A copy of your paper was put in my hands the other day and it has recalled many happy memories of my early life spent in your town. One of the blessings for which I thank God, is that in early days, just before the Civil war, a resident of Bellefonte took to her home and to her heart a little girl, a child without a mother—homeless and alone. And what a home she gave that child. She loved her, taught and trained her.

As I look back over the years I can see how that dear old Quaker mother made it her life work to train up the child in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. How I bless the memory of that dear, childless woman who took me and laid the ground work for my happy life. Oh, that more childless women would take in the homeless ones and make of them workers in God's garden.

The enclosed verses have her in mind when I speak of meeting the friends I loved in early youth.

#### GOING HOME.

I'm going Home; life's sun long since  
Has reached its zenith power,  
And shall I soon lie down and rest  
Beneath God's fragrant flowers.

I'm going Home; to meet the friends  
I loved in early youth.  
Dear friends that taught me how to live  
For God and Heaven and Truth.

I'm going Home; life's day declines,  
Love's labors soon will be  
A memory only left to those  
Who walked this earth with me.

A memory that all hearts may know  
God's love so freely given,  
Has led through life's vicissitudes,  
And brought us home to Heaven.

I'm going Home; for God has said,  
Believe, trust and obey,  
And where I fall I trust His love  
To lead to Heaven's bright day.

I'm going Home; and as I pass  
A-down life's busy mart,  
I find would plant seeds of God's love,  
In every human heart!

—Mrs. S. J. BROWNE.

### Pennsylvania Potatoes Should be in Good Demand.

Many Pennsylvania consumers will use potatoes grown in the Keystone State for the first time this winter because of the small crop grown and being harvested in the surplus production States which ordinarily supply large quantities to Pennsylvania markets, according to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

While the production of the entire country is expected to be at least 15 per cent. below the average for recent years, the Pennsylvania crop will almost equal the average of recent years. The crop is reported to be of good quality, in practically all sections of the State. Consumers can protect themselves against inferior stock if they will buy only graded potatoes which have been sprayed during the entire season.

Nearby farms furnish the potato supply of most of the smaller cities and towns of the State, and these consuming centers should have their usual supply available. The large cities, however, depend upon car lot receipts to a considerable degree, and these markets will be the ones chiefly affected by the change of production conditions. About 40 per cent. of all of the late potatoes come from Pennsylvania loading points, in addition to the large quantities that are trucked in from nearby farms. Over 5,000 cars are usually received from New York, Michigan and Maine, but the crop in these States is expected to be 28 per cent. less than last year and 15 per cent. less than the average. In the past this deficit has usually been made up from Wisconsin and Minnesota, but there is a correspondingly small crop in these States as well.

#### Don't Talk—Telegraph.

A traveling man went into a railway restaurant and gazed discontentedly at the profusion of pies and cakes on the counter. "Haven't you got anything solid to eat?" he asked. "Shall I give you some beans?" asked the proprietor, with his most persuasive smile. The traveler assented and, making short work of them, asked: "How much?" "Twenty-five cents," was the bland response.

"What!" cried the drummer; "25 cents for a spoonful of cold beans?" The proprietor continued firm in his price, the man paid it and departed. But late that afternoon a telegram was handed in to the restaurant keeper for which he paid 25 cents.

It ran thus: "Don't you think your price a little high on beans?"—American Mutual Magazine.

#### China's Trade in Bones.

For many years, the economical Chinese have put animal bone to good use for various ornamental and practical articles and for fertilizer, but the traffic in this commodity in recent times has greatly increased so that now they are said to be importing large quantities. During the first six months of 1923 Shanghai alone imported nearly 1,500 tons of cow bone valued at more than \$238,000, principally for the tile-game makers. In 1922, China exported more than \$1,000,000 worth of bone.

### Peruvians Kept Count by Knots in String

Among the ancient Peruvians there was a system of expressing thoughts without pronouncing them or writing them in language. This consisted in a method of intertwining strings and tying various knots. It was called a quipu, and was composed of one thick head or top string, to which, at certain distances, thinner ones were fastened. The top string was much thicker than the pendent strings, which were fastened to it by a single loop; the knots were made in the pendent strings and were single or manifold. The length of the strings varied. The transverse or top string often measured several yards, and sometimes only a foot. The branches of pendent strings were seldom more than two feet long, and in general they were much shorter.

The strings were often of different colors, each having its own particular signification. The color for soldiers was red; for gold, yellow; for silver, white; for corn, green.

The quipu was especially employed for numerical and statistical tables, each single knot representing ten; each double knot stood for 100; each triple knot for 1,000, etc.; two single knots standing together made 20; and two double knots, 200.

In this manner the ancient Peruvians kept the accounts of their army. On one string were numbered the soldiers armed with slings; on another the spearmen; on a third, those who carried clubs.

This method of calculation is still practiced by the shepherds of Puna.

### Asserts That Poverty Is Punished as Crime

It is a common cant phrase among the comfortable classes that poverty is not a crime. Like most cant phrases, it is a lie. Poverty is a crime, or the world would not punish it so severely. Any man who has been poor—I do not mean "hard up" or short of money, but actually poor, and born among the poor, as I was—has something of the resentment felt by a man who has been in prison. For he has suffered as much as any man who commits a serious crime against society. But with the difference that he does not know what offense he has committed. I received the first punishment early in life, and it was some time before I could discover that my offense was poverty and humble birth. There is no relief for that suffering. So long as boys born among the poor dare to have brains and fine feelings and a desire to escape from mean streets, so long they shall be made to pay the price of their daring.—Thomas Burke, in Hearst's International-Cosmopolitan.

#### Application for Patent

A first government fee of \$20 has to be paid on the filing of an application for a United States patent as a part of the application, and if the application is allowed a final government fee of \$20 has to be paid in order to secure the grant of a patent. No further fees are required, and the patent runs its term of 17 years without anything more being required of the patentees. In most foreign countries, however, in addition to the government fees which by law have to be paid with the application, and in order to secure the grant of the patent, renewal fees or annuities have to be paid regularly, and the laws require the invention that is covered by the patent to be actually worked, as by being manufactured, sold, etc., in the country of the patent.

#### Insect Cannibals

In the struggle for existence many creatures are driven to live at immense heights.

The climbers of Everest saw a herd of wild sheep sitting on a glacier surrounded by pinnacles of ice. They found bees, moths, and butterflies at 21,000 feet, and the last traces of permanent animal existence far above the Himalayan snow-line and 4,000 feet above the last vegetable growth. These were small spiders.

They live in islands of broken rock surrounded by snow and ice. There were no signs of vegetation or living creatures near them, and for food they ate one another.

Wingless grasshoppers were found living at a height of 18,000 feet.

#### Courtesy

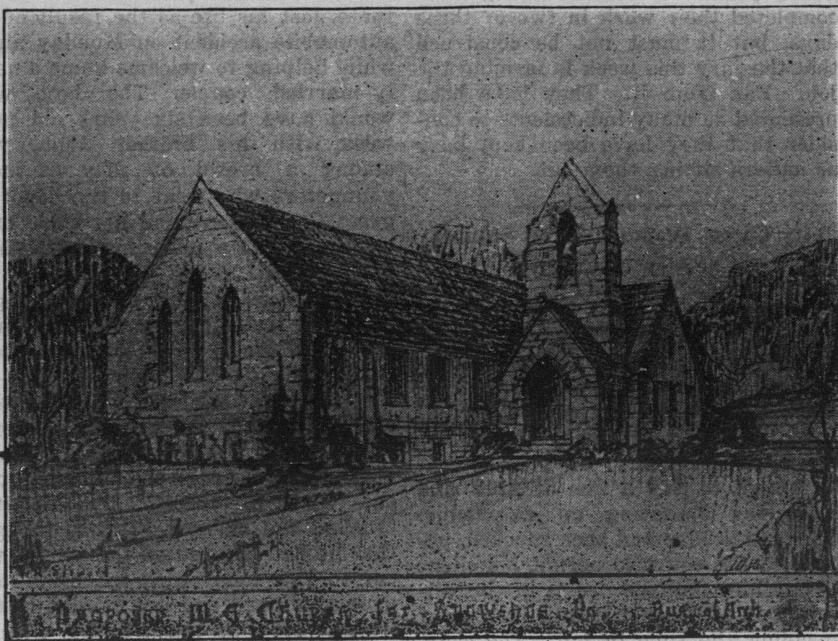
Courtesy is the one medium of exchange that is always accepted at par by the people of every country on the globe. Courtesy radiates a spirit of good feeling and suggests that we are not working entirely for the material returns of work, but for the friendly human associations as well. Life is not too short, and we are never too busy to be courteous.

Courtesy is the outward expression of an inward consideration for others. It is always an effective lubricant that smooths business and social relationships, eliminating friction.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

#### Saved by Coffin

Clinging to a coffin for 15 hours on a storm-swept rock off the New Zealand coast was the experience of five Maoris. They were taking the body of a relative to Nelson for burial, when the launch was wrecked on a submerged rock. The Maoris spent 15 hours on the rock in bitterly cold weather, doggedly clinging to the coffin all the time. They were in the last stages of exhaustion when rescued.

### Methodists of Snow Shoe to Build Handsome New Church Edifice



Above we present a picture of the proposed new Methodist church to replace the edifice in that town that was destroyed by fire on December 21st, 1924.

Besides being especially ornate it has been planned so splendidly that it will be a model in comfort, convenience and charm for the congregation and others who join them in their worship and social activities.

It was designed by the bureau of architecture of the Methodist church and reflects the experience of those who have specialized in church planning so perfectly that everything to be desired is had, yet kept within the resources of a small congregation.

The building is to be of red brick, with provision for the social and recreational as well as the mental and spiritual needs of the people. The auditorium will seat 154 persons, with the Sunday school room at its rear, seating 100, capable of being thrown into it by the mere shifting of rolling partitions. In the basement will be located the assembly room for socials, suppers and other church recreational activities.

It is estimated that the building will cost \$14,000.00 part of which is already in hand through the \$4000.00 insurance on the old structure, \$1000.00 pledged by the Ladies Aid and \$500.00 by the Sunday school.

Rev. Charles F. Berkheimer is the pastor in charge and he is so full of enthusiasm over the new building project that surely it will be so infectious that the Methodists and their good friends in Snow Shoe and vicinity will catch enough of it to provide all the money, and more, that may be necessary to complete the building.

Already they have had one very generous gift. The James and Nicholson Construction Co., now engaged in building the state road out there, sent their equipment and made the excavation for the basement. It meant several hundred dollars to the company and a saving of possibly a thousand to the church.

#### Those Who Use Left Hands.

As a result of comparative intelligence tests with right-handed and left-handed individuals in a group of 1019 children, Dr. Kate Corday, psychologist, of Los Angeles, Cal., recently announced she could find no confirmation of the tradition that left-handed persons are of inferior mentality. The tradition that left-handed boys are more intelligent than girls.

#### MEDICAL.

### Is Your Health Slowly Slipping Away?

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Is failing health making you uneasy and unhappy? Are you tired, weak and dispirited? Suffer daily backache and stabbing, rheumatic twinges? Then look to your kidneys! The kidneys are the blood-filters. Once they weaken, the whole system is upset. You have dizzy spells, headaches and urinary irregularities. You feel all worn-out. Use Doan's Pills—a stimulant diuretic to the kidneys. Thousands recommend Doan's. Here is Bellefonte proof:

Mrs. Ernest Benner, 34 Bishop St., says: "Sometimes the ache across my kidneys became intense. My kidneys didn't act right, for at times they acted too frequently and again not often enough. Dizzy spells came on, too, and I actually reeled. My energy left and I felt so tired and worn-out, I could hardly do anything. I used Doan's Pills and they rid me of all symptoms of kidney trouble and I felt much better."

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### SCIENCE SAYS Tuberculosis Must Go

Some Months Ago we Distributed a Pamphlet entitled "The Cow the Mother of Prosperity." It contained information of great value to those engaged in the business of producing milk.

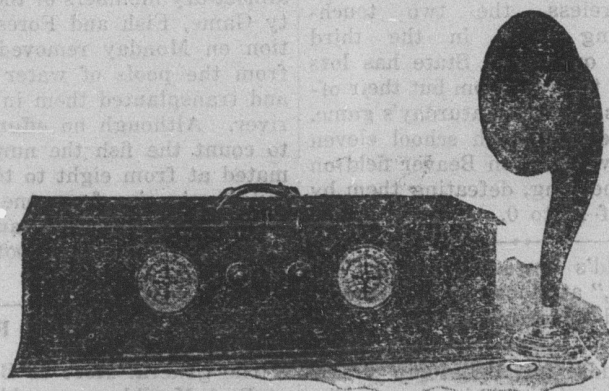
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