

Russia's one great event was the coronation of the czar. She has been at peace with her neighbors but has continued to murder her own children.

It is said that when the coffin of the great Napoleon was opened long after his death at St. Helena, his toe nails had grown clear through his boots and his hair stuck through the chinks of the coffin.

A GENTLEMAN informs the Johnstown Tribune that his little son recovered from a very serious attack of membranous croup through a remedy proposed by an old farmer after he had been given up to die within three hours.

"Many people are at present puzzled over the 'Soudan,' of which they hear so much in the recent reports from Egypt," says a writer in the London News.

Senator Sabin and the Cow-Boy. "Then there was that fellow that dodged Senator Sabin when he was last in the city," said a reporter who occasionally does a little detective work.

IT WERE THE DOG.—A citizen of Harlem, upon rising the other morning, heard a noise in one of his trees.

He came out to the tree, loaded the gun, and then began to sneak around to get a view of the hawk.

He saw a large black object on one of the limbs. He took aim and blazed away. What was his surprise to see a very dilapidated young man come rolling to the ground.

"Hello!" shouted the affrighted gentleman, "what's this?"

He recognized in the fallen man one of his daughter's lovers. The young man had his left coat-tail blown off and his pants looked as if he had been sitting on a buzz saw.

"What were you doing up there?" asked pater-familias. The young man, who was not hurt, excused himself again, and said: "You know I am dreadfully afraid of dogs, and last night when I called I saw two large dogs guarding the front door.

The young man is now wondering whether to sue for breach of promise or for the loss of his pants.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSONS.

January 13—Lesson 2.—Hearing and Doing.—James 1: 22.

GOLDEN TEXT.—He ys doers of the word, and not hearers only.—James 1: 22.

The author of the Epistle of James could not have been the son of Zebedee and brother of John, for that James was put to death before it was written (Acts 12: 2).

The design of the epistle was to console the Jewish Christians, to whom it was addressed, under the many trials they were called to bear, and to guard them against certain errors into which they were liable to fall.

Beginning, in the first chapter, with exhortations of joyful patience, prayer for wisdom, lowliness of mind, and firm endurance under temptation, the author specially warns those addressed against allowing the thought that God is in any way responsible for their sin.

There is a very general disposition among men to charge their sin directly or indirectly on God. This is not only an error, but a perilous one. Hence the Apostle not only utters a caution against it but goes on to insist that so far from being responsible for our sin, God is the author of good, of every good which comes to men.

1. The crowning goodness of God as seen in what he does for us by means of the truth.—There is no kind of benefit, and no imaginable boon, which is not from him.

2. The manner in which the word of truth should be received.—So good a gift should be gratefully welcomed. A gospel which can be the means of so crowning a benefit should have eager, patient, unresisting attention.

The Jews were intemperate in their zeal against unwelcome truths, quick to reply, easily angered. Nor was the tendency confined to them. But pride, conceit, impatience, passion unfit the mind to see the truth, and the heart to feel its power.

All sin, as impatience and malice, pollutes the soul and overflows in outer conduct which is opposed to God and his grace.

3. The use to be made of the truth when heard and understood.—After all, mere hearing, however swift, attentive, and dispassionate, however unprejudiced and glad, is all that is necessary.

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will depends upon our own action. It is not enough to hear the word. It saves by bringing us into relations with God and his Son, our Saviour, by producing in us new principles, by making us new creatures. It must be obeyed.

A point here to be noticed is the force of the word "doers." It implies continuance, habit, daily conduct. "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of God."

The word is here compared to a mirror. As a man beholds his face in a mirror, so he may perceive his moral character and need in God's word.

The gospel is a law of liberty in that it invites to a free, glad, loving service, and because it delivers from the bondage of sin and fear and death.

4. Some important tests of the new nature this truth is supposed to have wrought in us.—The very opening sentence of these verses is a warning against self-deceit, and this is now again repeated.

1. Mistakes in religion may be fatal, therefore "do not err"; be sober, watchful, studious and prayerful against errors.

2. What tenderness there is in the Apostle's address! "My beloved brethren." There is great power in loving words.

3. By whatever means or hands good things come to us, they are God's gifts, attesting his goodness. Should we not trust, love and obey him?

4. It is of God's gracious will that any of us are made new creatures; and his own truth is the instrument of the change; the praise is all his.

5. God saves none apart from their own activity: it is for us to hear, heed and obey his word, if we would be subjects of his grace.

6. Can we bear the tests of new nature presented in these verses? or are we only seemingly religious? Guarded speech, Christlike love, personal purity in thought as well as act—are these ours?

Missionaries in China Attacked.

The following has been received from a correspondent in Hong Kong "Great excitement prevailed in Canton yesterday on the arrival of the American Presbyterian missionaries, Mr. Henry and Mr. White, with a native Christian preacher from Shekloong, about sixty miles east of Canton.

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COMMISSIONERS' SALE OF UNSEATED LANDS.

In pursuance of an Act of Assembly passed on the 29th day of March, A. D. 1821, the Commissioners of Centre County will sell at public sale at the Court House in Belleville, Pa., on Tuesday, the 25th day of January, A. D. 1881, the following described tracts of land, purchased by the County at Treasurer's sale, and which have remained unseated for the space of five years and upwards.

Table listing land parcels with columns for No., Acreage, Name, and Location. Includes names like Warrantee James, John M. Hall, James Hartman, etc.

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Precious Hope—Peruna. One morning while he (her husband) was holding her up in order that she could breathe more easily, after having struggled with a bad spell of coughing, he made the remark that he did not believe she would ever get well, when she, in her weakness, said: "Yes, I will if you will bring Dr. HARTMAN'S The doctor was brought. He prescribed a teaspoonful of Peruna every hour.

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