

THE ADVENTURES OF PAUL



At the foot of a high mountain in one of the Eastern countries stood a small cottage in which lived an old shepherd with his two children, Paul and Helen.

After the old shepherd had died, and been laid to rest in the old village churchyard, Paul said to his sister: "Now, Helen, you shall have the cottage and all that is in it for you."

Helen had great confidence in her god, would brother, and although she bade him a tearful goodbye, she firmly believed that he would, as she said, become rich and great, and then return for her.

Paul traveled over the dusty highways and through green fields without meeting any adventures. Tired and discouraged, and not knowing which way to turn, he stopped to rest one day under a large tree that stood at the cross roads.

"Good day, my boy," said the man. "I see you have three fine sheep there. What you say to giving them to me in exchange for my dog?"

In spite of his sadness Paul could not help laughing at this strange proposal. "Why," he said, "it costs me nothing to keep my sheep, for they feed on the grass by the roadside. But how could I buy meat for the dogs, when I can scarcely get food enough for myself?"

"The dog is of a peculiar kind," said the stranger, "and will furnish you with food, instead of your providing for them; and they will bring you great fortune. If you say to the stranger, 'Bring food, you will immediately be supplied. If you say to the second one, 'Kill him' he will at once destroy your enemy. And if to the third you cry, 'Help me,' he will deliver you in time of trouble."

Paul was finally persuaded to make the exchange, and when the stranger had led away the sheep to eat, he looked at the small dog that darted away, and soon returned carrying a basket of the choicest food.

The boy now lived very comfortably and grew quite fond of his dog. One bright morning as he was traipsing cheerily along he met a carriage draped in black drawn by four noble black horses, which hung their heads and walked slowly, as if conscious of some sorrow.

THE WORLD GREW

Concise Statement of the First Principles of Evolution.

THE WIDESPREAD FEAR OF IT.

A Combination of Matter and Force Seems to Leave God Out.

IS THIS CONCLUSION JUSTIFIABLE?

[WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.]

There is charge, and charge means cause, and cause goes back to the First Cause. That is the first step in the argument for God.

There are two effects of the First Cause: one is nature; the other is man. These effects we study to learn what the First Cause is. We begin with nature. We find in nature the facts of uniformity and adjustment. What kind of cause must that be which has such facts as these for its effects?

When the dog entered the banquet hall of the palace the Princess recognized it as belonging to her rescuer, and begged her father to send for the owner. Paul soon appeared, and having told the king he showed the three teeth which he had taken from the mouth of the dragon.

The wicked coachman was then thrown into prison, and the poor shepherd, who was given his place in the royal palace. Paul did not forget his sister, but, with the permission of the King, he again visited his native village and returned, bringing Helen with him, who ever afterward, a happy home in the palace, and found in the Princess a kind and loving friend.

THE INGALLS IDEA.

Bessie Bramble Finds It Throws Much Light on Politics.

VIUPERATION IN TIMES PAST.

Party Methods in the South Compared With Those of the North.

PESSIMISTIC VIEW OF THE FUTURE

[WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.]

"Politics is a battle for supremacy. Parties are the armies. The Ten Commandments and the Golden Rule have no place in a political campaign."

This plain, open-spoken definition of politics, as announced by Senator Ingalls, does not altogether accord with that furnished by the dictionary; but it gives the practical understanding of the matter by politicians. Webster defines politics as "The science of government; that part of ethics which consists in the regulation of a nation or State for the preservation of its safety, peace and prosperity; comprehending the defense of its existence and rights against foreign control; the promotion of its general happiness, strength and resources and the protection of its citizens in their rights, with the preservation and improvement of their morals."

There are two kinds of people who say this. There are timid theologians who say it in fear, and there are enthusiastic philosophers so enthusiastically philosophic that they would say it in defiance of all risks.

By his definition of politics the picturesque Senator shows on what principles the political parties are conducted, and by what motives they are actuated in their securing supremacy by bribery, by stealing votes, by malignant libel, by atrocious lying, by forgery, by murder, by all that is vile and wicked in the means of attaining power. It is in this sense that we should understand the doctrine of politics, which Mr. Ingalls voices.

THE GARFIELD STATUE.

A Magnificent Work of Art to be Dedicated on Memorial Day.

Cleveland is making elaborate preparations for the dedication of the Garfield Memorial on Memorial Day. The statue represents Mr. Garfield just risen from his chair in the national House of Representatives and about to speak.

It stands on a paved disk, and with its base, is about ten feet in height. The statue is placed directly in the center of the great architectural pile of marble and sandstone which forms the Garfield monument and tomb.

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FOOLING THE GAMBLERS.

How an Irishman Got His Pockets Filled With Money at Monte Carlo.

The legend goes—or I suppose there is more money than that in fact—that the architect connected with the gaming tables at Monte Carlo endeavored, if anyone commits suicide within their grounds to place bank notes in the dead man's pockets so that he could cash them on his return.

Suppose that a grain of wheat in the second year of its growth, instead of better soil grows bigger than was yielded in the first harvest.

There are now two kinds of wheat, an inferior and a superior, a smaller and a larger. The inferior is planted first, and the superior is planted together and there comes a summer which is not favorable to the growth of wheat.

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PROFITS OF DRUGGISTS.

A Reporter Finds It Runs From 300 to 700 Per Cent in New York.

The New York World last week sent a reporter to various druggists to investigate the profits druggists make. He got Dr. O. J. Ward to write him two prescriptions, which he took to a wholesale drug house, where the following retail prices of the ingredients were obtained:

PRESCRIPTION NO. 1. Sulfonil is valued at \$1.35 an ounce. Sulfonil, 1/2 ounce, cost 7 3/4 cents. Sulfonil, sub carb, 3/4 dram, cost 1 cent 5 mills. Citrate prep., grs. x. cost 2 3/4 cents. Total, about 6 cents 15 mills. Ed.

PRESCRIPTION NO. 2. Tinct. opil. campil, 1 ounce, cost 2 cents 5 mills. Mist. glycyrrhine comp, 1/2 ounce, cost 1 cent 7 1/2 mills. Syr. acetia, 3/4 ounce, cost 1 cent 2 1/2 mills. Total, about 4 cents 15 mills. Ed.

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HOUSE FOR BOOMS.

How to Enhance the Value of Land for Speculative Purposes.

LARGE LOANS FOR IMPROVEMENTS.

Plans for a Suitable Building to Erect on a Vacant Addition.

THE ACCOMMODATIONS AND COST.

[WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.]

Speculative building is becoming quite a regular profession in many parts of the country. It is often undertaken by a man of means who has a tract of land to improve, and he secures his greater profits usually from the increased value of the land.

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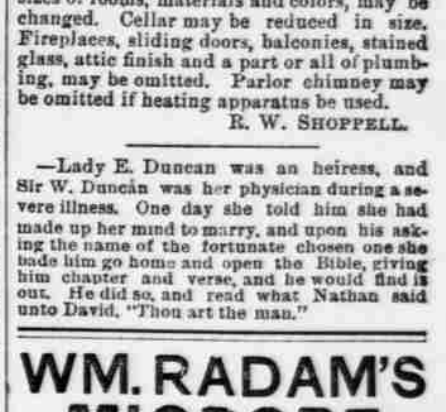
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