

"Easy Reading" Page.



THE UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD.

For ages, men with ideals have studied and labored to bring to pass that condition of affairs in which selfishness and cruelty should be eliminated from the code of society, and the more excellent way of charity and world fellowship be enthroned to rule the destinies of the race.

The prophets and sages of history have all stood on this Pisgah, and with more or less optimism have heralded, hailed, beckoned; but all have found a grave on Nebo's slopes on this side of Jordan.

The heave and surge of the red tide of universal brotherhood has buckled the rocks and threatened the wharves of modern ethics, the dove of peace from the ark of love is fluttering above the waste of waters, waters burdened with uncounted tons of battle-ships bristling with defiance. Some day the dove will flit home with an olive leaf in her mouth, betokening the advent of international peace.

Some of us have been very impatient at the delay, but most of us have learned that the accomplishment of great reforms filter slowly through the gray clay of the human brain. Time is long and man is immortal, so there is no need of haste. Sometimes we fret and chafe at the slow progress of civilization, wishing for the consummation of human perfection in our own day, but bless you, it matters but little to us, for we will be there and know all about it when the Master of destinies leads man into his inheritance. The artisan of the universe keeps chiseling away. Principalities, thrones, dynasties,

governments, and creeds crumble beneath the tooth of time. Every human device and structure will ultimately succumb to the flat level of the Supreme purpose. The wheat that shall abide after the flail and fan of the omnipotent thresher will be the love we have shown toward one another during life's little day.

But this is not what we intended to discuss---at least it is not localized as we intended.

This week we are taking up a new work in the publication of the Laporte News Item. This brings us in touch with the people of Sullivan county. We have, during the past fifteen years been having business dealings and social intercourse with a large number of Sullivan county people, and take pleasure in saying that we have found them friendly, honorable and just.

What we wish to do in the first place, is to forget that there is a county line, forget every particle of clanishness and regard our fellows on both sides of the line as brothers. How far this feeling of brotherhood will be allowed to run depends upon the breadth of the individual mind. A man or woman who can gather the whole world---white, red, yellow, brown and black in the arms of affectionate brotherhood, is fulfilling the Divine conception when He created the human heart.

We have our various creeds, political preferences and social classes, our pride of race and country, these are but incidents along the way, and have no more place in the jewel casket of eternity than the snorting and shrieking of the locomotive that hauls our car to its destination has upon our finished journey.

There are a few things worth while in this life. One of them is the publication of a newspaper that labors untiringly for the welfare of its clientele and for the uplifting of humanity everywhere.

It is our purpose in entering upon this new field of work, to give our readers as much more than their money's worth as lies in our bones to do. We are not in business for our health, neither are we in it altogether for profit. It takes a little money to keep a newspaper alive, that must be forthcoming or the sheriff will write a little article for publication; but the principal reason we are in the publishing business is to be useful to our fellow man.

The sacred sage said: "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." When love rules, all the baser elements are overthrown. An old philosopher made the quaint assertion that the only things worth while in the world are "love, and bread and butter." That's a remarkably simple creed, but when you come to simmer it down to elemental essence it is not far from the truth.

Life is a pretty short proposition, even when the span is extended to the uttermost limit; and when we think seriously of it in that light, we blush with shame to think we could contemplate for a minute the unworthy action of driving a sharp bargain, or taking by fraud, (commonly called shrewd business tact) anything from our brother man.

The day will dawn at last, the watchmen upon the towers of time have heralded the dawn many times, but each time the glowing east has been lighted by a glaring comet of human illusion. The year of jubilee is not yet, but it will surely come. The joyous day when "Righteousness shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea." Then shall come the general acknowledgement of the universal brotherhood and kinship of the whole race of mankind. We who have a little light can help much toward hastening the glad day.

We expect to carry this "Easy Reading" page in the News Item regularly. The topics will vary from time to time. We have conducted a department of this kind in the New Albany Mirror for the past ten years, and it has been cordially received by the readers of that paper. Don't judge by this effort, wait awhile.

CHARTER
No.
TREASURY
Office of Comptroller
Washington, D.
WHEREAS by law presented to the undersigned made to appear that
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LAPORTE,
in the Borough of Laporte, in the County of Sullivan and State of Pennsylvania, has complied with all the provisions of the Statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking;
NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIS J. FOWLER, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LAPORTE, in the Borough of Laporte, in the County of Sullivan and State of Pennsylvania, is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in Section, Fifty one hundred and sixty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF witness my hand and seal of office this Second day of September, 1909.
WILLIS J. FOWLER,
Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency.

SHERIFF'S SALE.
By virtue of sundry writs of Levavi Facias Sur Tax Lien, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Sullivan County, Pennsylvania, to me directed and delivered, the following lots or parcels of land will be exposed to public sale at the Court House, in the Borough of Laporte, Sullivan County, Pennsylvania, on
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1909,
at 10 o'clock a. m., viz:
Lot No. 1. All that certain lot of land situate in the Borough of Eagles Mere, Sullivan County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:
Seventy five (75) feet front on Pennsylvania Avenue and at right angles to a line parallel to Eagles Mere Lake, and a distance of 100 feet from the margin thereof, being Lot No. 5, Section No. 8, of Mason's allotments of Eagles Mere, Pennsylvania. Sold as the property of the estate of Charles Griffith, deceased, owner or reputed owner.
Lot No. 2. All that certain piece or parcel of land, situate in the Township of Shrewsbury, County of Sullivan, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Bounded by lands of Bodine & Opp, containing 50 acres.
Sold as the property of Lincoln Edkin, owner or reputed owner.
These several lots of land being seized, taken into execution and to be sold at the suit of Sullivan County, for unpaid county taxes assessed against the same.
JUDSON BROWN, Sheriff.
A. WALSH, Attorney.
Sheriff's office, Laporte, Pa., Oct. 11, 1909.

Notice of Transfer.
Notice is hereby given that a Petition for the Transfer of a Retail Hotel or Tavern License heretofore granted to John C. Schaad, in the village of Mildred, County of Sullivan, State of Pennsylvania on premises known as "Schaad's Hotel," to Adam Morey, has this day been filed in my office, and the same will be presented to the Court of Quarter Sessions of Sullivan County, on Thursday, November 4, 1909, at eleven o'clock a. m.
ALBERT F. HEISS, Clerk.
Clerk's Office, Laporte Pa., Oct. 25, 1909.

Stockholders Meeting.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of Lake Mookoma Company, for the election of directors and the transaction of other business, will be held at the office of F. W. Meylert, Esq., at Laporte Pa., on Thursday, November 16, 1909, at ten o'clock A. M.
Attest: C. J. Pennock; President,
Edwin S. Phillips; Secretary.

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