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"THE MAN WITH THE HOE."

BY EDWIN MARKHAM.

[One of the most notable literary productions of the year is the poem we print below. It has provoked wider and more prolonged discussion than any other American poem written during the present generation. The idea expressed in its forty-nine lines has set the whole nation to thinking, and it has found assailants and defenders by the thousand. Its author, Edward K. Markham, was Principal of a school in California. He was born in Oregon about fifty years ago where he spent his early years helping his widowed mother on a cattle ranche. The poem which has so suddenly lifted him to fame was suggested by the remarkable picture of the same title, of the French artist Millet. The poem first appeared in the San Francisco Examiner of Jan. 8, 1899.

God made man in His own image, in the image of God made He him.—Genesis.

Bowed by the weight of centuries he leans
Upon his hoe and gazes on the ground.
The emptiness of ages in his face,
And on his back the burden of the world.
Who made him dead to rapture and despair,
A thing that grieves not and that never hopes,
Stolid and stunned, a brother to the ox?
Who loosened and let down this brutal jaw?
Whose was the hand that slanted back this brow?
Whose breath blew out the light within his brain?
Is this the thing the Lord God made and gave
To have dominion over sea and land;
To trace the stars and search the heavens for power;
To feel the passion of Eternity?
Is this the Dream He dreamed who shaped the suns
And pillared the blue firmament with light?
Down all the stretch of Hell to its last gulf
There is no shape more terrible than this—
More tongued with censure of the world's blind greed—
More filled with signs and portents for the soul—
More fraught with menace to the universe.
What gulfs between him and the seraphim!
Slave of the wheel of labor, what to him
Are Plato and the swing of Pleiades?
What the long reaches of the peaks of song,
The rift of dawn, the reddening of the rose?
Through this dread shape the suffering ages look;
Time's tragedy is in that aching stoop;
Through this dread shape humanity betrayed,
Plundered, profaned and disinherited,
Cries protest to the Judges of the World,
A protest that is also prophesy.
O masters, lords, and rulers in all lands,
Is this the handiwork you give to God,
This monstrous thing distorted and soul-quenched?
How will you ever straighten up this shape;
Touch it again with immortality;
Give back the upward looking and the light;
Rebuild in it the music and the dream;
Make right the immemorial infamies,
Forgive those wrongs, immedicable woes?
O masters, lords, and rulers in all lands,
How will the Future reckon with this Man?
How answer his brute question in that hour
When whirlwinds of rebellion shake the world?
How will it be with kingdoms and with kings—
With those who shaped him to the thing he is—
When this dumb Terror shall reply to God,
After the silence of the centuries?

No trait of character is more valuable to a woman than the possession of a sweet temper. Home can never be happy without it. It is like the flowers that spring up in our pathway, reviving and cheering us.

The curiosity of others enables some men to make a good living.

"Do?" remarked the patron in surprise. "Then bring me an axe." Philadelphia Record.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Synopsis of the Proceedings of the Thirty-third Annual Session.

LECTURE COURSE.

McClary the Funny Man. Good Houses. Fine Weather.

The teachers of Fulton county should not find any fault with the weather man; for a more favorble streak of weather for a week's outing is rarely ever seen in December.

With the exception of the disappointment Monday night, the lecture course was highly satisfactory. It was a great injustice to Dr. Horne, who does not pose as a lecturer, to be thrown into a breach like that.

From the notes taken by the secretary, we give a very unsatisfactory outline of the work.

If the proceedings of the institute are worth publishing, they should be reported by a stenographer and handed to the printer in proper shape. We would not be understood as desiring to cast a single reflection on the secretary of the institute. He is a trained and successful teacher, and does not make any pretension to being a newspaper reporter.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

The thirty-third annual session of the Fulton county teachers' institute was called to order at 1:30 o'clock p. m., Monday, December 11, by Superintendent Chesnut. N. E. M. Hoover conducted devotional exercises. The organization was effected by electing L. H. Wible vice president and W. G. Wink secretary. Dr. Barton, of Shippensburg, was introduced and gave a good general talk. This was followed by singing of the national air, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," Miss Lenore Wishart at the organ.

The first topic for discussion was "Discipline," opened by A. M. Hixon, who would have, first, a regular arrangement at all times, second, respect for the pupils, third, frequent talks. He was followed by Miss Decker and B. C. Lamberson. Mr. L thinks discipline can best be obtained by system for all things. The subject was further discussed by G. I. Covalt, B. F. Henry and G. B. Mellott.

Prof. Gresh took up the next period and gave instruction in music, and Dr. Barton followed with a talk along the line of opportunity. He was followed by Prof. Sweeny, of Delaware county, Pa., who occupied a short period in addressing the teachers Adjourned to meet at 8:30 a. m.

Monday evening Dr. Horne, of Allentown, lectured on "A trip through the South" in place of Mr. Ogden who failed to come.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION.

Opened by several pieces of music and devotional exercises by Dr. Horne. The topic, "Citizenship and our schools,' was opened by E. B. Cline, followed by Harry Truax and G. B. Mellott, both of whom gave good, practical talks.

After singing, Dr. Horne took up the subject of illustrative teaching and was very interesting in his treatment of the subject. The subject of music next occupied attention, Prof. Gresh as instructor.

After intermission, the first of the teachers' card topics, "First steps in school life," was taken up. B. F. Henry opened the subject and Miss Elsie Greathead and D. C. Hart further discussed it. Dr. Barton occupied the next period with a talk on the subject of recitation. He had placed an elaborate analysis on the board before he began. He was interesting and practical and many of the teachers copied into their note books the outline.

The second card topic, "Do you emphasize importance of spelling?" was called by the superintendent. Opened by C. C. Rotz and discussed. G. I. Covalt, E. B. Cline, Miss Mattie Palmer, James Kirk and others. This subject called forth animated talks and was so interesting that the noon hour arrived and its further consideration was deferred till after the noon recess.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opened with spirited singing. The question of teaching spelling, discussion of which was choked off at the noon hour, was resumed and proceeded in a lively manner and to the profit of teachers.

Prof. Gresh favored the institute with a suitable song suitably sung and Dr. Barton occupied the next period. His subject was "Attention." He had a complete analysis on the board and was at his best in presenting this subject. He was in earnest and passed along rapidly, emphasizing the more important points and spiced the whole with incident and story illustrative of the points he was pressing home.

The topic, "The formation of the character of pupils and the teacher's part and power in its formation," was ably, impressively and instructively discussed by Prof. H. E. Gress, of the borough High school.

After recess Dr. Horne continued his talk on illustrations in the school room. He gave a number of simple chemical experiments adapted to interest and instruct, that teachers can easily use.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

Dr. Horne conducted devotional exercises. Roll call showed 76 teachers present, 8 absent. The subject of the teacher's part and power in the formation of the pupil's character was continued from Tuesday afternoon and discussed by Miss M. C. Palmer, R. R. Sipes, B. C. Lamberson, N. E. M. Hoover and others. After music Dr. Horne took up the "Art of questioning." He gave, in the course of his talk, a definition of electricity as follows, "an invisible, imponderabe agent pervading all substances, and its particles are self repellant," and said a definition less descriptive would be imperfect; that there is no such thing as the quality of attraction in electricity, that it is always self repellant, and that though this teaching is contrary to the older theories it was the latest and commonly accepted theory.

After recess the third card topic, "Primary arithmetic, how and how much?" was then discussed by the teachers in a very interesting and able manner.

After music, ex-Superintendent Cessna, of Bedford, was introduced and gave a good general talk. Adjourned for noon recess.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Singing. Intermediate Arithmetic was discussed by A. C. Peck, Miss Ella Mellott, E. E. Kell and others. The topic was well discussed. Dr. Eckels of Shippensburg, gave an excellent talk on "Interest." Intermission; after which Prof. Gresh spent twenty five minutes singing several well selected songs. Ex-Superintendent, John Cessna made an excellent talk on School management.

Evening lecture good.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises by Dr. Horne. Advanced Arithmetic was discussed by H. B. Hill, Geo. Harris, Miss Maggie Daniels, G. B. Mellott, Harry Henry and others. After intermission and music, Prof. Charlie Barton was introduced and gave a good talk on "school system." Dr. Eckels occupied the next period. The subject of "School Libraries" was then discussed by C. C. Rotz, G. B. Mellott, and Henry Bard.

H. E. Gress, B. E. Lamberson. B. F. Henry, S. W. Cline, Gilbert Mellott, Mrs. Annis Litton and Miss Ella Mellott were appointed a committee on resolutions.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

A meeting of school directors was held in the Public School Building at which Hon. S. L. Buckley was elected president and Leonard Heidt, secretary, also, J. P. Waltz, Geo. W. Hockinsmith, Dr. R. B. Campbell, A. U. Nace, and Geo. W. Humbert were elected delegates to the State School-directors' Convention.—The directors now went over to the Court House and the institute was turned into their hands. Hon. S. L. Buckley and A. U. Nace discussed the subject, "The Compulsory Attendance Law, and the Duty of Directors under their Oath to Enforce it."

"Should not Directors Supervise Schools More Closely?" was discussed by Dyson Fraker, S. L. Buckley and others, Ex-Superintendent Cessna gave a general talk on Education and Best Methods of Instruction. Dr. Eckels spoke after intermission on the Qualification of Teachers. Seventy-eight teachers out of the eighty-four answered to their names.

Evening lecture all right—big house.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Primary Physiology was thoroughly discussed by Walter Stein, Frank Remsburg, and others. Box opened and queries answered. Dr. Horne gave a talk on "Common Sense."

Prof. Barton talked on "Punishment." Gresh instructed the institute in some more music. Dr. Eckels gave a general talk, and then there was more music by Prof. Gresh, "so there was."

Prof. B. C. Lamberson read the resolutions and the institute adopted them. The institute adopted them. The institute then indulged itself in a general talk on Public School Libraries. But the clock was now holding up both hands admonishing the Superintendent that the thirty-third annual session of the teachers' institute had passed into history. Taking the hint a few hurried farewell talks were made and the institute was declared adjourned.

PHILIP D. ARMOUR.

"Uncle Phil" Armour is sixty-seven years old, and the latest estimate of his wealth is $67,000,000—one million for every year of his eventful life.

He has not injured his health in his long fight for wealth and power, for he is to-day the first man of all the 20,000 in the Armour concerns to be at work every morning, and there is no detail in the stupendous $100,000,000 a year business that he has not at his finger ends.

He speculates in wheat with all the zest of a youngster, and never complains when he loses. He simply turns around and tries again, and then the "other fellow" has to howl.

Mr. Armour was born on a farm in Stockbridge, N. Y., and early evinced a taste for business. He wanted to go out in the world for himself when he was fourteen, but his father had need of him, and he was twenty when his brothers had grown up enough to take his place and set him free.

This was in 1852, and he naturally set out for California. His slender means were exhausted when he reached there, but he put his muscles to work again, and soon had dug out and cleaned up $1,000. Then he let his brains get to work, and by judicious speculation in mining property and stocks had within four years $15,000.

He saw the enormous possibilities in a commission business, started from the Middle Westand went to Milwaukee in 1856, and established himself in that line. He dealt in everything, from shovels to breadstuffs, and when he decided to make his headquarters in Chicago, in 1864, he was worth close to $1,000,000.

Since then the growth of Armour & Co. is a matter of public history, and the plant in Chicago is one of the sights of America. But, with all the vast amount of work necessary to superintend such an institution, Mr. Armour has always found time for speculation. It is believed that for the last eight years his wheat operations alone have netted him $2,000,000 per year.

The only real worry he has ever had came last year in the army beef scandal. That brought him nearer to illness than he ever was in his life, but he holds himself vindicated now, through the fact that the English army in the Transvaal is using his beef and fighting well on it.

Mr. Armour is both religious and philanthropic, and is broad-minded in both. The Armour Institute is the best-known of his benefactions, but the tales told of his minor charities are legion.

The Philadelphia & Reading Railway is experimenting with a device for ridding smoking cars of smoke. The idea is in the shape of a fan. There are three of them and they are similar to electric fans. They have two blades and are worked by an air wheel which is stationed on the roof of the car. The faster the car moves the greater the speed of the fan, and a continuous circulation is kept up which forces the smoke out through the ventilators or rear windows of the car. These fans are now being experimented with on some of the through cars between Philadelphia and Pottsville, and results have been very satisfactory.

TWENTIETH CONVENTION.

Sunday School Workers of Wells Valley Spend Thanksgiving at New Grenada.

PRACTICAL DISCUSSIONS.

Next Convention to be Held at Wells Tannery, Thanksgiving, 1900.

The twentieth annual convention of the Wells Valley S. S. Association met at Bethel church, New Grenada, Pa., November 30, 1899. J. G. Cunningham, the president of the association, called the convention to order at 9.30 a. m. After devotional services by Rev. R. P. Roberts, the president delivered an address of welcome. The response was made by Miss Alice Wishart, of Wells Tannery. The secretary of the convention not being present, E. A. Horton was elected secretary. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The Thanksgiving sermon was then delivered by Rev. S. A. Davenport, of Robertsdale, from Psalms 147:20. At the conclusion of this most excellent sermon the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. H. S. Bickel, minister in charge at Bethel church, and the convention adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON.

The afternoon session opened at 2.00 p. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Bickel. The president appointed A. G. Anderson, Dr. R. B. Campbell, and E. A. Horton a committee on nominations and location for the next convention.

The first question for discussion being, "How does a model S. S. pupil use the S. S. Lesson Helps?" was opened by Mrs. E. A. Horton, and further discussed by Revs. Davenport, Roberts, and Bickel; also, by J. G. Cunningham and James Lockard. The next question taken up was, "The Home Department—Work of the S. S." This question was discussed by Thomas Ramsey, followed by James Lockard, Miss Alice Wishart, Eli Shore, Esq., Revs. Roberts and Bickel, and J. R. Foster. After this discussion a collection was taken up which amounted to $1.26 after which the convention adjourned to meet at 6.30 p. m.

EVENING.

The evening session opened at 6.30 p. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. R. P. Roberts. After this the committee on nominations reported the following:

James W. Barnett, of Wells Tannery, President; Abram G. Anderson, of Enid, Vice President; Henry M. Truax, of Enid, Secretary, and George W. Sipes, of Wells Tannery, Treasurer. The Mission Sabbath school room at Wells Tannery was chosen as the next place of meeting and the time fixed was Thanksgiving day 1900. After this report was read and accepted, Mrs. J. C. Brinley, of Waterfall Mills, read a paper on, "General Sabbath School Work." A collection was taken up at this session amounting to $1.00 The reports of Sabbath schools being next in order E. A. Horton reported for Wells Tannery Mission; James Lockard for Wells Valley M. E.; Thomas Ramsey for United Brethren, and William Alloway for Bethel, Pine Grove M. E. was not reported.

A general discussion then followed on a number of subjects and participated in by a number of persons. As the time for adjournment was near at hand the discussions were closed. On motion of Mrs. M. M. Baumgardner, a rising vote of thanks was tendered the choir for their music, and also to the people of New Grenada in general for their hospitality. A few closing remarks were then made by William Alloway and J. G. Cunningham and the convention was adjourned to meet at Wells Tannery on next Thanksgiving day.

The exercises were all entertaining and instructive. The New Grenada choir furnished the music. We all felt well repaid for the way in which we spent Thanksgiving day 1899.

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