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GREEN HILL.

Sunday School Convention.

The Sunday School Convention at Green Hill Tuesday, November 27, 1900, was opened promptly at 10 o'clock a. m. with a praise service, followed by devotional exercises by the chairman, Rev. Seifert.

Miss Speer not being present, the address of welcome and response were omitted.

The first topic, "Some of the Defects in our Sunday School Work, and the Remedy," opened by Rev. Dr. West, was listened to with marked attention. He finds the greatest defect is the absence of the Bible in the class. The teacher should dispense with all helps in the class. Mr. C. B. Hockensmith finds the irregular attendance of teachers and officers the greatest. A general discussion followed, bringing out suggestions that will benefit all who were present.

"The Best Means of Securing Prompt and Regular Attendance at Sunday School," was opened by Rev. Seifert. His best point was, "regular attendance of teachers and officers." In the general discussion, a number of good suggestions were offered, "Postponing Children's Day services to a later date," "Parents responsible," &c. About this time, Rev. H. G. Clare, of St. Thomas, appeared, and gave the Sunday school workers good advice.

On motion of Mr. J. S. Harris, the chairman appointed a committee on Permanent Organization, of territory embraced in Licking Creek and Belfast townships.

If in the absence of the Address of Welcome at the morning session any of the visitors had any misgiving in regard to their being welcome, they were set at rest after partaking of the dinner prepared for them at the different homes, and the welcome extended by Miss Speer at the afternoon session.

In the absence of Prof. Peck, M. R. Shaffner, Esq., responded in one of his earnest, happy, inspiring speeches.

The first topic, "The best means of stimulating and obtaining home help and co-operation in Sunday school work," was opened by Rev. Clare, followed by Hon. S. P. Wishart, Obed T. Mellott and others. It was suggested that this could be accomplished by personal interviews and getting them interested in this work.

"Home Department Work," was opened by Rev. Dr. Hinkle. He knows it to be the means of much good and sees no objections to conducting this department successfully in rural districts. By request he gave an outline of the organization and work of this department. The convention adopted his suggestions, and a Home Department will be organized.

At the evening session, after devotional exercises by Rev. Dr. West, the topic, "What constitutes a live Sunday school?" was opened by Rev. Seifert, and occupied the full time allotted to it by all Sunday school workers present. Our veteran Sunday school workers, Prof. and Mrs. B. W. Peck were present at this session.

The remaining, and last, number of the program, "The Relation of Congregation and Sunday School," was discussed at length by Rev. Hinkle. His address encouraged the Sunday school workers to a more consecrated service.

The attention throughout the entire session was of the highest

order, and all were as one mind and one aim to better the Sunday school cause. The report of the committee on Permanent Organization was adopted as follows: President, Miss Anna Speer; V. P., C. B. Hockensmith; Sec., R. R. Sipes; Treas., Miss Ora Dixon. These persons are empowered to select the time and place for holding the next convention.

In addition to the workers noted in this report as taking an active interest, were Mrs. Clara and Mrs. Seifert, and all of our home workers. The convention was enlivened by good singing that added much to the interest of the sessions.

After adopting the following resolutions the convention adjourned.

1. Resolved, That we as Committee on Resolutions, extend thanks to all Pastors and Sunday school workers, who have so kindly assisted in making this convention a success, and given to all a great spiritual uplift.

2. Resolved, That we extend many thanks to the organist, and to all who assisted in the music—which we all have so much enjoyed.

3. Resolved, That we thank all parents and friends of Sunday schools, who have kindly attended this Convention and so much encouraged the Sunday school work in this district.

STELLA DECKER,
Secretary.

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Good Reason.

Two Irishmen, driving through the country, noticed that many of the barns had weather-vanes in the shape of huge roosters.

"Pat," said one man to the other, "can you tell me why they always have a rooster and never a hen on the top av thim barns?"

"Shure," replied Mike, "an' it must be because av the difficulty they'd have in collectin' the eggs."

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It's better to lay by money for a rainy day than to borrow an umbrella.

A philosopher—A man who never attempts to argue with a woman.

MRS. OLIPHANT'S LAST VERSES.

(Dictated on June 21, 1897.)
On the edge of the world I lie, I lie,
Happy and dying and dazed and poor,
Looking up from the vast great floor
Of the infinite world that rises above
To God and to faith and to love, love,
What words have I to that world to speak,
Old and weary and dazed and weak,
From the very low to the very high?
Only this, and this is all:
From the frost green soil to the wide blue sky,
From greatness to weakness, life to death,
One God have we on whom to call,
One great bond from which none can fall,
Love below, which is life and breath,
And Love above, which sustaineth all.

QUEER WEDDING PRESENTS.

Gifts That Were Not Appreciated by Those Who Received Them.

Even at a marriage feast, as it seems, there will sometimes be the envious or the jealous or the malicious.

A well known author received from a rival man of letters a scrapbook containing a collection of all the adverse criticisms his works had ever received, while a popular artist was presented with a set of elementary works upon self instruction in drawing and painting.

Not long since a gentleman who is a passionate devotee of hunting received as a bridal gift from an anonymous donor a complete set of false limbs, a set of artificial teeth and a couple of glass eyes—the whole of which must have cost a considerable sum—accompanied by a note, the writer of which trusted that, by reason of the recipient's many follies while following the hounds, some or all of these substitutes would ultimately prove of use.

An elderly, crusty tradesman, on espousing a spinster of mature age, was presented by a London undertaker with two coffins for himself and wife, "which, unlike most of the other offerings you will receive, are sure to be of service." The bridegroom resented this singular if useful gift, and took all the efforts of mutual friends to prevent a breach of the peace.

Equally vexatious was the gift received from his neighbors by an infirm octogenarian who wedded a pleasure loving woman more than 50 years his junior. It was a large brass cage, "intended"—so ran the subscribers' note—"to restrain the wayward flights of a giddy young wife who has married a decrepit old fool for his money."

The husband of a lady whose great beauty hardly atoned for her sharp tongue found among his wedding presents a soid's bride or branks, a gift from his wife's sisters, with the hope that, "if Kate makes your life as unbearable as she has made ours, you will not hesitate to put the accompanying offering to its original use."—London Answers.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Text For the Week Beginning Dec. 9, "How to Listen"—Text Math. xiii, 1-23.

Some seeds fell by the wayside, some on stony places, some among thorns, some into good ground.

This parable is a literary gem, exquisitely beautiful in its simplicity and faithful picturing of the natural scene, wonderfully discriminating in its moral application.

Wayside hearers. Hearing the word, but understanding it not and having all its possible good snatched so quickly away. What a loss of effort! What irreparable loss of harvest! It is well that we do not know how many there are in this company. It might paralyze effort if we realized what proportion of all hearers of sermons and religious appeals are to be classed as understanding not. Some people appear to be almost destitute of spiritual appetite. The matters of religion are strange and foreign to their thoughts and outside their world. They understand neither the language nor the experiences. How, then, can they have much impression made? Soon the whole affair passes from mind.

Stony ground hearers. Easy to move to tears and of quick sympathies. They are glad to hear the story of salvation, are resolved to be Christ's followers, are ready to speak and pray and exhort. What joyousness, what rapid growth! Often there is great gladness because of the promise of quick and abundant harvest from so little labor. But it all passes as quickly as it sprang up. No root. No depth of soil. Lost seed. Lost time. Lost souls.

How shall we hear?
We are too quick to give the application of this lesson to every one but self. How do I and how ought I to hear? That is the point of it all so far as I am concerned.

Have you ever considered how much of seed in your own case has fallen on beaten footpaths and been devoured by the adversary at once? You listened to a sermon or address, testimony or exhortation, and went away unimpressed, perhaps in bitterness of soul because it "hit" you, or the personality and manner of the speaker or some peculiarity of the thought cut athwart your prejudices. Beware how you allow too much wayside margin in your heart field, too many footpaths of hard ground in your garden patch of spiritual life. Better break up some of the fallow ground. Plow up and mellow the soil beaten hard by worldly customs.

There is more in this parable than is usually seen. Get the truth in it as it applies to yourself. Too often it is read and the facts accepted as if there was no remedy for any of the defects pointed out. That wayside and stony and thorny ground must ever remain such and be a curse to self and loss to the owner.

Take another view of it. Why not dig up those stones, root out those thorns? If the ledges lie near the surface, blast out and fill in with good soil. Thorough cultivation alone pays. If you are getting thirtyfold, why not a hundred? Use as much skill in your religious life as the most thrifty market gardener does in his. Till the soil and mix intelligence with devotion.

"Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit."

A Service of Songs.
This can be made one of the most pleasant and profitable of meetings and can be varied almost endlessly.

There should not be too much singing, but more thinking. Read in unison or responsively the One Hundred and Forty-seventh Psalm. Have some orchestral instruments to re-enforce the organ in leading the singing.

Have some one prepare and read a five minute sketch of the music of the early Christian church. Then sing as a specimen of that early hymnology.

The day of resurrection, earth tell it all abroad,
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God,
Written by John of Damascus and found in all modern church hymnals.

As a specimen of the songs of the middle ages sing "Jerusalem the Golden," composed in Latin by Bernard of Cluny.

Have short sketches of Isaac Watts and Charles Wesley and sing one hymn of each, such as "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and "I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath."

If the musicians are competent, let them render the gloria from Mozart's "Twelfth Mass," one of the grandest compositions in the whole range of sacred music.

The men who find easy situations are those who have mastered difficult ones. Men who have left hard places, with the work undone, in order to find easier ones do not succeed. The workman who acknowledges himself beaten in a task he has chosen is not sought for to repeat the experiment. Those who have shown wisdom in selecting their work and then have accomplished it against all obstacles are always in demand.—Congregationalist.

He Sees and Keeps.
Do you ever think, when the skies are blue
And the clouds in the west are an amber hue
And a shaded red and a shimmering white,
That the great All Father takes delight
In seeing His children rest awhile?

Has the day been weary, the task been long?
Lay your aside and let a song
Rise to your lips as you gaze at the sky,
For the glories of heaven seem floating by
And the great All Father smiles the scenes.

For some life seems but idle play,
While others are burdened with care alway
But idle seeming oft hides a pain,
As the sun oft shines in summer rain,
And the great All Father sees it all.

And the beauty of sun and cloud and sky
That glides the west at night draws right
But shows the love that will safely hold
Each trusting heart of this earthly fold.
Till the great All Father leads us home.
—Antha M. Mumell.

To acknowledge our faults when blamed is modesty; to tell them to an intimate friend is confidence; to proclaim them publicly is pride.

Men sometimes make money, but money never makes men.

A fortune awaits the inventor of a boat that will float on a sea of trouble.

J. K. JOHNSTON.

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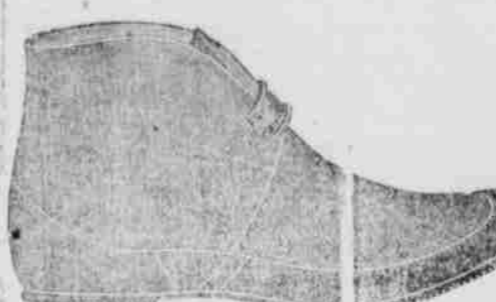
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At the Necktie Counter.

"Black neckties, if you please," Drummond, the salesman, stared across the counter at the speaker, as if his thoughts were in Egypt.

"What is it?" he said, at last.

"Black neckties. Silk," Drummond threw a box down. The customer opened it. "These are red—and not silk," he said quickly.

"Nobody wears black silk now," Drummond said, yawning and looking indifferently at the plain old man before him. Then he took up the box and threw it back into its place.

"Have you none of the kind I want?" asked the old man.

"No; that kind of goods went out years ago. We don't keep 'em," said the salesman, insolently.

"There are plenty of black silk ties," said Sanders, the man at the next counter, in an undertone.

"I know; but what's the good of bothering with an old back number like that? Methodist preacher I'll bet 5 to 1. But I was telling you about my cousins, the Harts. The three brothers all left the village and came up to town. One is now a railroad boss, one a banker and the third a sugar man—all of them millionaires."

"A lucky family. How was it?"

"They all had capital to start with. The man with capital wins out every time."

"Perhaps you have neckties—black silk?" the old man said to Sanders. He had been lingering near the counter.

"I think there are some, sir," said Sanders taking down some boxes. He opened one after another, but there were no ties of the kind the old man wanted.

Drummond, with a half-amused stare at the persistent customer, turned away to gossip and giggle with a salesgirl. Sanders anxiously took down box after box.

"I am afraid I am giving you a great deal of trouble," said the old man kindly.

"That's what I'm here for," said the salesman, pleasantly. "I am sure I shall find them."

a necktie of the right width chosen, wrapped and handed to the troublesome customer with a smile.

The next morning Sanders received a printed slip, notifying him of his promotion in the store. Drummond also received a slip, but it informed him that after the end of the next week his services would no longer be required by Colton & Co. Underneath the printed form were written the words, "Civility and efficiency are capital as well as money. You will fail because you have neither."

"Who was the old bore?" demanded Drummond, in a fury.

"It was John Colton, the silent partner of the firm," said one of the men.—Youth's Companion.

Just Saved His Life.

It was a thrilling escape that Charles Davis of Bowerston, O., lately had from a frightful death. For two years a severe lung trouble constantly grew worse until it seemed he must die of Consumption. Then he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and lately wrote: "It gave instant relief and effected a permanent cure." Such wonderful cures have for 25 years, proven its power to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free at W. S. Dickson's Drug Store.

The Meyersdale Commercial published the following item.

"Now it is said quinine injected into a cancer tumor will cure it; that this is the proper remedy. If this is true it is one of the two greatest discoveries of recent years. The other one is that tar, properly prepared is a specific for consumption for all bronchial troubles. Two ladies of town are now under this treatment and are improving rapidly."

Now is the time when croup and lung troubles prove rapidly fatal. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results is One Minute Cough Cure. It is very pleasant to take and can be relied upon to quickly cure coughs, colds and all lung diseases. It will prevent consumption. The box was found at last and sold at Trout's Drug Store.

Good Manners at Home

Practical jokes are rarely indulged in by persons of nice perceptions, and teasing passes the bounds of good taste when it ceases to be a matter of pure fun on all sides. Inquisitiveness is always bad form. "Whom is your letter from?" "What makes your eyes so red?" are interferences with one's rightful privacy. A closed door should be respected and give assurance of seclusion.

One who is so disloyal as to repeat to any outsider, however intimate, anything to the discredit of the family deserves to forfeit all family rights and privileges.

There are no terms strong enough to condemn the vanity of parents who will allow a daughter's charms, prospects and advantages to be advertised in the public prints.

Society requires that whatever their private relations, husband and wife face the world as a unit harmonious and with interests identical.

One thing good form imperatively demands—that by no mischance, no loss of self-control, shall family discords be revealed to strangers, children or servants.

An uncontrolled voice is always unmanly and undignified.

A readiness to give up in little things is the most tactful appeal possible for a return of courtesy at other times when the matter may be of importance to us.

Personalities that are made to do duty as family jokes are never funny to strangers.—Mrs. Burton Kingsland in the December Ladies' Home Journal.

Five Hundred Million by the year 2000.

There will probably be from 350,000,000 to 500,000,000 people in America and its possession by the lapse of another century.

Nicaragua will ask for admission to our Union after the completion of the great canal. Mexico will be next. Europe seeking more territory to the south of us, will cause many South and Central American republics to be voted into the Union by their own people.—December Ladies' Home Journal.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

PRESBYTERIAN—Rev. W. A. Wood, D., Pastor.
Sabbath school, 9:35.
Preaching service—each alternate Sunday morning counting from 12th, at 10:30, and every Sunday evening at 7:30.
Junior Christian Endeavor at 2:00.
Christian Endeavor at 6:00.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:00.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL—Rev. B. Ash, Pastor.
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.
Preaching every other Sunday morning, counting from August 12th, 10:30 and every Sunday evening 7:00.
Epworth League at 6:00 p. m.
Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:00.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN—Rev. J. Grove, Pastor.
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.
Preaching every Sunday morning 10:30, and every other Sunday evening counting from August 12th, at the alternate Sabbath evenings used by the Young People's Christian Union at 7:00 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:00.

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN—Rev. J. Wolf, Pastor.
Sunday school 9:15 a. m.
Christian Endeavor at 6:15 p. m. Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7:00.
Preaching morning and evening every other Sunday, dating from October 9, 1900.

REFORMED—Rev. C. M. Smith, Pastor.
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.
Christian Endeavor at 6:00 p. m.
Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7:00.

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