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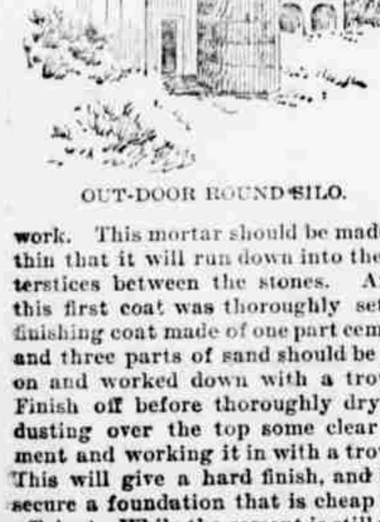
A silo constructed in the manner shown in cut is doing good service on the bluffs above Cayuga lake, in Tompkins county, N. Y. We visited this silo during the extremely cold weather of the winter of 1898-1899, after the thermometer had been 20 degrees below zero. The silage was frozen to a depth of 12 to 14 inches around the outside. Each day, when throwing out the feed, the frozen silage around the edge was mixed with the warm silage from the center, and at feeding time it was all in good condition. The silage was not all fed out until June, and that which had been frozen around the outer edge was as good in every way as the rest. With the stave silo no sills are necessary. The foundation may be constructed as follows:

An excavation should be made to a depth of three or four inches, or to the bottom of the loose surface soil, and with a diameter at least two feet greater than the proposed diameter of the silo, and drainage should be provided if the conditions seem to warrant. Fill in with stones, large ones being placed at the bottom and smaller ones being worked in and pounded down toward the top. Gravel, if well pounded down, may serve as filling between the stones. It is important that the pounding be thoroughly done, otherwise settling will take place later on and the cement finish be made to crack.

The finishing should be done with cement. First a thin mortar made of one part of Portland or Rosendale cement and four parts of good sharp sand should be poured over the entire stone



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work. This mortar should be made so thin that it will run down into the interstices between the stones. After this first coat was thoroughly set a finishing coat made of one part cement and three parts of sand should be put on and worked down with a trowel. Finish off before thoroughly dry by dusting over the top some clear cement and working it in with a trowel. This will give a hard finish, and will secure a foundation that is cheap and efficient. While the cement is still soft it is frequently convenient to strike the circle which will mark the line upon which the staves are to be set. A spike driven in the center will serve as a pivot. Attach to this a bit of string or twine, the length of which shall be one-half that of the proposed diameter of the silo and to the free end of the string fasten some pointed instrument with which to mark the circle. Now strike a circle the radius of which shall be equal to the length of the string, and there is marked out the circle upon which the staves are to be set.

Somewhat full directions for the construction of the round stave silo are given in Cornell University Bulletin No. 167. This will be sent on request to the director of the experiment station at Ithaca, N. Y.—L. A. Clinton, in Rural New Yorker.

WASHING THE UDDERS.

It Is the First Step Toward Securing an Absolutely Uncontaminated Milk Supply.

To secure the milk without contamination is a problem which is practically solved by washing the cows' udders before milking them. If clean, pure, sweet dairy products are desired one of the first and most essential considerations in the process is to get the milk without contamination.

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If cleanliness is practical while milking, the udders of the cows washed beforehand, it is very probable that it will be observed in the subsequent handling of the milk. It is right always to begin at the beginning, and to wash the udders is the first step toward securing uncontaminated milk. This is done with milk-warm water, and the udders are dried with absorption towels or cloths. The milk drawn first should be rejected as it contains bacteria which have developed in the milk at the orifice of the teat since the last milking. This is "extra work," but it pays.—Farmers' Voice.

In Good Hands.

Consumptive (at health resort)—So you make a specialty of caring for invalids.

Landlady—Yes, indeed. I let out furnished rooms, my husband is a doctor, and I have a brother here in the undertaking business.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

A Cold Day.

Mrs. De Silke—I wish to give a memorial of some kind to the church, in memory of a relative. What would you suggest?

Struggling Pastor—A—er—an appropriately decorated — er — new church furnace, madam, and a—a few tons of coal.—N. Y. Weekly.

The Guilty Partner.

Tom—Here's a paper offering a $25 prize for the best answer to the question: "Why have I failed in business?" That's dead easy.

Dick—Well, why did you fail?

Tom—Because I had a partner.—Town Topics.

Rebuttal Testimony.

The Guest—Isn't your little boy rather nervous, Mrs. Bimm?

Mrs. Bimm—No; I think not.

Little Boy—Yes, I am, ma; when people who come here stay too long it makes me wriggle around and kick my chair.—Chicago Record.

Obeying the Scriptures.

Evelyn (who has just been robbed of a kiss)—Mr. Kurate, how dare you?

Hansom Kurate (meekly)—I beg your pardon, but I was only obeying the Scriptural injunction: "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."—Judge.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson in the International Series for April 22, 1900—The Centuion's Servant Healed.

[Prepared by H. C. Lenington.]

THE LESSON TEXT.
(Luke 7:1-10.)

1. Now when he had ended all His sayings in the audience of the people, he entered into Capernaum.
2. And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear unto Him, was sick, and ready to die.
3. And when he heard of Jesus, he sent unto Him the elders of the Jews, beseeching Him that He would come and heal his servant.
4. And when they came to Jesus, they besought Him instantly, saying: That he was worthy for whom He should do this;
5. For he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue.
6. Then Jesus went with them. And when He was now not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to Him, saying unto Him: Lord, trouble not Thyself; for I am not worthy that Thou shouldest enter under my roof;
7. Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto Thee; but say in a word, and my servant shal be healed.
8. For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto one: Go, and he goeth; and to another: Come, and he cometh; and to my servant: Do this, and he doeth it.
9. When Jesus heard these things, He marveled at him, and turned him about, and said unto the people that followed Him: I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.
10. And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the servant whole that had been sick.

GOLDEN TEXT. — Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him.—Psa. 103:13.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The healing of the centurion's servant was one of the many miracles which Jesus performed immediately after the sermon on the mount. It has been noted that the three chapters which Matthew gives to the sermon are followed by two chapters of miracles. The event of the lesson took place at Capernaum, which we remember is the city where Jesus made His home after the rejection at Nazareth. Study not only the lesson text but its parallel in Matthew 8:5-13, and the teaching may be presented under four heads:

(1) Character of the Centurion.
(2) Emphasis Jesus Lays on Faith.
(3) Promise to the Gentiles.
(4) Healing of the Servant.

Character of the Centurion.—The centurion is an interesting object for a character study. What Luke and Matthew say of him occupies few verses, but is decidedly to the point. From what we are told of the man we can picture him as one of quiet and unassuming dignity. We are told that "he was worthy." And the fact that he could get the elders of the Jews to go for him to Jesus shows that he commanded the honor and respect of others. He was a man in authority, being as a centurion in command of about a hundred men; but he was also under authority, and knew how to obey. In spite of the good opinion of others and the position he held in the Roman army, he counted himself not worthy that Jesus should enter under his roof. He was a kindly man, for we are told his servant was "dear unto him," and beside the elders referred to him as one who "loveth our nation." We know he was a religious man, for he had founded a synagogue. Chief of all his good qualities was that of faith, and Jesus especially commended it.

Emphasis Jesus Lays on Faith.—It is in just such a man that we would look for faith, faith in God and faith in men. Faith is the foundation upon which all strong character is built. Jesus had performed many wonderful miracles in Capernaum, and when the centurion heard of Him he sent for the help He alone could give. The servant was near to death. Jesus had helped others, and he believed that He could help him. Jesus came, and when He was near the house the centurion came out. He had not meant that Jesus should go to the trouble of coming to him. He reasoned that as he could send one of his soldiers to do a certain thing, so Jesus, in command not only of material things, but of things spiritual, could have but spoken, and his servant would be healed. Marvelous faith! No wonder Jesus exclaimed: "I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."

We may note that Jesus certainly knew as much about this centurion as we can know from the story we have. Perhaps He knew more, living in the same town where this officer had his headquarters. He knew the man had the good qualities that we have mentioned, but He pointed out not his evident humility, not the kindness of heart he exhibited, not his benevolence, but his faith. Faith is the chief of all the qualities of the heart save that of love, and faith and love go together. "Now abideth faith, hope, love."

Promise to the Gentiles.—Matthew (8:11, 12) records what Luke omits, the remark of Jesus which may be construed into a promise to the Gentile world. He says: "Many shall come from the east and west (outside of the chosen people), and shall sit down with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, in the kingdom of Heaven.

Healing of the Servant.—"And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou has believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour."—Matthew 8:13.

Religious Thought.

Like the needles to the north pole the Bible points to Heaven.—R. B. Nichol.

Some glances of real beauty may be seen in their faces who dwell in true meekness. There is a harmony in the sound of that voice to which Divine love gives utterance.—John Woolman.

The one thing needful is to look up, to revere something above us, to desire something better, to hunger for a higher good. He who loves the highest, truest and best is, in his heart and soul, a lover of God.—J. Freeman Clarke.

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