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gave up the thought of ever being a well man again. To-day I am a well man in every sense of the word, and all through the use of Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, of which I am proud to speak and stand ready to give a helping word to suffering humanity. My health is my greatest blessing, and words fail to express the gratitude I feel for Dr. Greene and his wonderful remedy."

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People have more confidence in Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy than in any other medicine, because it is the prescription of a regular physician and therefore perfectly adapted to cure. Dr. Greene, 101 Fifth Avenue, New York City, can also be consulted free in regard to any case, personally or by writing to him.

Recent experiments carried on by the government in the Salt river valley region of Arizona induce the

American-Raised Egyptian Cotton. belief that Egyptian cotton can be successfully cultivated in the southwestern part of the United States, and perhaps in other sections where the agricultural and climatic conditions are similar.

Early last spring, says the Atlanta Constitution, an acre of ground near Phoenix, Ariz., was planted in Egyptian cotton with results which have been in the highest degree satisfactory to those immediately concerned in the experiment. In fact, samples forwarded to the secretary of agriculture have been pronounced the finest ever seen in the department at Washington, surpassing even the average specimens produced in the valley of the Nile. This announcement is fraught with very great industrial and commercial significance. On account of the length of the staple, in addition to other marked advantages, Egyptian cotton has always commanded the best price in the market, and this financial consideration has been the cause of repeated efforts to cultivate Egyptian cotton in the United States, but until the Salt river valley experiments were made last year it seemed that the cause was hopeless. If Egyptian cotton can be successfully cultivated in the southwest, it will operate as an additional agency in the building up of this undeveloped section of the country, and at the same time add materially to the prestige which we have lately acquired in the world's market.

John Higgins, brakeman, has a long head and some very uncommonly good sense. He had both legs cut off in an accident near Emporia, Kan., last September. Instead of suing for damages in some enormous sum he asked to be taught telegraphy at the expense of the railway company and employment for life. This very reasonable demand was acceded to, and in addition the young man was provided with artificial legs. The arrangement effected was worth many times the amount of damages he might have secured at considerable trouble and expense. Any money compensation would probably not have lasted long, and in addition he would have been without means of securing employment.

A Philadelphia philosopher thus explains the general preference for a wall table in a restaurant: "Primitive man ate in peril. The cave bear, the saber tooth tiger, even some warrior of his own kind, was apt at any moment to leap upon him and to devour his food, and perhaps himself. Therefore he took his meals with his back against a cliff, or in the corner of two adjoining cliffs, if possible, and with the open country before him. That, you see, was the safest way for him to eat. He could not then be surprised. And we still have in us that memory of the primitive man, and we still unconsciously, when we sit down to our repasts, choose places that give us a wall for our protection."

Early in the year, "Precancerous Stage of Cancer," a recent medical journal cites the following conditions which predispose to the disease: Flaccidity of the lip, abrasion of the tongue, from a rough or broken tooth, biting the tongue, cutting a wart while shaving, wound of the skin from the tooth of a comb, chronic eczema. The constant pressure and irritation from a pipe or cigar is supposed to be a causative factor in the cases of the lip of men, a condition which is very rare in women.

It was in Chicago, of course, that for the first time in the history of mankind a fire at a ball was put out

by champagne. It was in the early morning hours of December 29, and it took a dozen or more bottles to do it. Our red brother calls all pale-face tipples "firewater," but to use champagne literally that way, just like Chicago river water, is hopelessly plutocratic and Chicagoese.

There are between 1,500,000 and 2,000,000 brands of cigars sold in this country, and your average smoker thinks that every brand means a different kind of tobacco. As a matter of fact, 150 is an outside estimate of the different kinds of tobacco that can be procured from all sources, and even experts can't tell some of these apart.—Washington Star.

The latest in Chicago is the "progressive" dinner. You eat the first course with Smith, the second with Jones, the third with Brown, etc. By the time you get to Greene, the tooth-picks and the finger-bowls are all that is required. It is sometimes an advantage to come last.

Recent analyses by pharmaceutical associations prove that some of the ground flaxseed in the market is adulterated with petroleum to the extent of at least one-half by weight.

The optimist sees only the sunny side of the road of life; the pessimist sees only the shady side; the animal that looks straight ahead eats dust and sees nothing.

An advertisement in a city newspaper recently asked for information regarding a certain depositor in a savings bank. The depositor saw the advertisement, answered it, and learned that 39 years before he had placed \$250 in the bank; then he had gone to Europe and forgotten the deposit. The sum had increased to more than \$2,000, and came to him at a time when the money was greatly needed. Recent statistics concerning the savings banks of the world show that the United States leads all other countries, having over \$2,300,000,000 so invested, with an average of over \$400 to each depositor. Such figures make cheerful reading for depositors.

A young girl who spent part of the winter in Washington some years ago was telling about the array of forks at the big state dinners. Now, she knew the uses of some, but the others puzzled her greatly. So she said: "Whenever I made a mistake I moistened the fork with my lips, wiped it on the sly on my napkin and put it back in its place. And after that I watched a guest opposite, who was well posted, and followed her in every movement. Then I was safe."

Mrs. Sarah Higley, of Meir, Ind., was rescued from drowning about a year ago by Marion Rutherford and William Miller—who happened to be on hand—on the offer of Mr. Higley of \$1,000 to any one who would save his wife's life. Then Mr. Higley refused to pay and assigned his farm to Mrs. Higley. The court has decided that Higley must pay, and the farm has been sold for the purpose.

With a view to prevent people of means taking advantage of the free dispensaries, meant only for the poor of the country, the physicians and druggists of Philadelphia will petition the next legislature to enact a law requiring that a register, to be open for inspection, shall be kept, giving the names of all persons obtaining medicines.

Although the state of Kansas offered a reward of \$5,000 to anyone who will suggest a successful plan for the extermination of the prairie dog pest, and employed agents in every county to carry out the plan of extinction, this little animal continues to thrive and increase.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson in the International Series for March 3, 1908—The Stoning of Stephen.

THE LESSON TEXT. (Acts 7:54; 8:3.)

54. When they heard these things they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth.

55. But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into Heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God.

56. And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.

57. Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord.

58. And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul.

59. And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord, Jesus, receive my spirit.

60. And he kneeled down and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

1. And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.

2. And devout men carried Stephen to his burial, and made great lamentations over him.

OLDEN TEXT.—Pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you.—Matt. 5:44.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Martyrdom.—A martyr, literally, is a witness, and, by historic force, a witness who seals his testimony by his blood. That there should be martyrs for the Gospel was inevitable. Truth and error cannot come into contact without a conflict. The secret of persecution is hatred of the truth. Stephen revealed it when he said to his malignant hearers: "Ye do always resist the Holy Ghost" (v. 51). We have in our lesson, then, the contrast between one filled with the Holy Spirit and those who were resisting Him.

Stephen's Defense.—The right to be heard in one's own defense before the Sanhedrin was complete and carefully guarded. Even in the case of Jesus it was freely accorded. Jewish ideas, as expressed in the laws for the procedure of the Sanhedrin in criminal cases, were almost, if not quite, as strong in favor of giving the accused every opportunity as are our own in America. In his plea, Stephen reviewed the history of the patriarchs and the early years of Israel, with the purpose of showing that the system of worship in the temple might be changed. The Jews believed in God's revelation to Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, Moses and Joshua, none of whom ever had a temple. As God's worship had changed from altar to tabernacle, and from tabernacle to temple, so it might change again from temple to spiritual worship. Verses 48-50 point out the fact that God's superiority to the temple was declared in Scripture (Is. 66:1, 2). These words, however, seemed to the Jews sacrilegious, as throwing contempt on the temple, and Stephen lost the sympathy and interest of his hearers when he uttered them.

Stoning of Stephen.—Such words could only make the feeling of the Jews more intense, and their hatred showed itself by gesture. The hatred was still further set aglow by Stephen's bold announcement of his vision of Jesus in glory. That vision, comforting as it was to the martyr, was to the Sanhedrin only greater and more atrocious blasphemy. The situation was too tense for the dignity of the Sanhedrin. Stopping their ears lest they hear still worse utterances, they themselves rushed upon Stephen, not waiting for the guards to remove him, and hustled him out to the place of execution. Here the procedure became more orderly. It was the law (Deut. 17:7), that when anyone was stoned to death for false worship, the witnesses against him should cast the first stones. The witnesses in this case prepared to act by removing their outer garments, which they laid at the feet of Saul, who thus appears first in the history of which he soon becomes the central figure. Evidently he did not take any personal part in the stoning, a fact which is one of the strongest indications that he had attained to the dignity of membership in the Sanhedrin. His enthusiastic zeal would have led him to enjoy hurling stones at the supposed blasphemer had his position permitted such action. Stephen's first prayer (v. 59) proves how he kept the faith; his second (v. 60) shows how Christlike his spirit was. This latter is exactly in the spirit of Jesus' own words (Luke 23:34), while so utterly different in form as to be evidently no quotation, but a natural outburst of genuine feeling.

Burial of Stephen.—Why the apostles could remain in Jerusalem while others were driven away does not appear. Perhaps they stayed from a sense of duty and were especially protected. Even so, they must have remained as much as possible out of sight. The phrase "devout men" is used only of Jews. The fact as to Stephen's burial proves that the movement against him had not been unanimously supported by those who had not accepted Jesus as the Christ.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION.

When a disciple of Christ faithfully witnesses for Him, he may expect to arouse opposition and hatred.

The faithful Christian may look for the sweetest visions to be given him in his worst trials.

The true Christian will show that he is such by praying for his enemies.

To the true Christian death is but a sleep, from which there is a glorious awakening.

The heart that sings, wings itself to heaven.—Ezra's Horn.

GETTING ON NICELY.



"Say, Amy, what you learning at school?"

"How to make paper dolls. What you learning?"

"How to knock spots out of Willie Jones."

A Common-sense View.

"But they have no ancestors," she protested.

"Now, there's where you're wrong," he replied. "If they had no ancestors they wouldn't exist!"—Chicago Post.

Ambiguous.

Bella—But why did you refuse him if you loved him?

Dora—Well, you see, he said he couldn't live without me, and it aroused my curiosity!—Puck.

Her Chilly Answer.

"Are you thinking of me?" asked the bore, as he noted her thoughtful mood.

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"Oh, Jack!" she cried, falling into his arms, "don't let that bother you. I can, by having it worked over a few times, make my wedding outfit last three or four years at least."—Chicago Record-Herald.

The Sting.

"I'd sue him for half a million, senator," said the sympathizer. "By George, he intimates in that magazine article that you're a moral monster, without a grain of honesty or decency in your composition!"

"I don't care for that," replied the aged political leader, "but, blank him, he calls me 'beast!' He says I'm losing my grip!"—Chicago Tribune.

Miss Cecelia Murphay is said to be extremely handy with her brush at the academy!—Harlem Life.

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Beekman Streete—No; dentist.—N. Y. Times.

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