

GOSPEL MESSAGES.

An Appropriate Topic.—The Great Need of Reform.—Churches Must Change to Work for Good—Religion That Will Make a Revolution in the Family.

Text: "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also."—Acts xvii, 6.

There is a wild, howling mob around the house of Jesus Christ. What has the man done so greatly to offend the people? He has been entertaining Paul and his comrades. The mob surround the house and cry: "Bring out those turbulent teachers! These are all blasphemers! They are actually turning the world upside down!"

The charge was true, for there is nothing that so interferes with sin there is nothing so ruinous to every form of established iniquity, there is nothing that has such tendency to turn the world upside down as our glorious Christianity. The fact is, that the world now is wrong side up, and it needs to be turned upside down in order that it may be right side up. The time when men wrote books entailing the "Apologies for Christianity," I hope that day has passed. We want more apologies for Christianity. Let the apologies be on the part of those who do not believe in our religion. We do not mean to make any apology for our religion. We do not wish to hide the fact that Christianity is revolutionary, and that its tendency is to turn the world upside down.

Our religion has often been misrepresented as a principle of envy, and malice, and fastidiousness; afraid of crossing people's prejudices; afraid of making somebody mad; with silken gloves, lifting the people up from the church into glory, as though they were Bohemian glass, so very delicate that with one touch it may be demolished forever. Men speak of religion as though it were a refined intellectuality, as though it were a spiritual chloroform, that the people were to take until the sharp cutting of life were over. The Bible, so far from this, represents the religion of Christ as robust and rawny—ranging all up to a thousand things that now seem to be settled on firm foundations. I hear some man in the house say, "I thought religion was peace." That is the final result. A man's arm is out of place. The man on the street with great effort put it back to the socket. It goes back with great pain. Then it gets well. Our world is horribly distorted and out of joint. It must come under an omnipotent power, and in order to take until the sharp cutting of life were over.

The religion of the Bible will make a revolution in the family. Those things that are wrong in the family circle will be overturned by it, while justice and harmony will take their place. The husband will be the head of the household when he is fit to be. I know a man who spends all the money he makes in drink, as well as all the money that his wife makes, and sometimes selling and squandering it for fun. Do you tell me that he is the head of that household? If the wife have more nobility, more courage, more consistency, more of all that is right, she will have the supremacy. The man on the street says that the Bible says that the wife is to be subject to the husband. I know it. But that is a husband, not a masculine caricature. There is no human or divine law that makes a woman subordinate to a man who is worthy of her. When Christianity comes into a domestic circle it will give the dominancy to that one who is the most worthy of it.

Again: Christianity will produce a revolution in commercial circles. Find me fifty merchants, and you find that they have fifty standards of what is right and wrong. You say to some one about a merchant, "Is he honest?" "Oh yes, the man is honest; he is honest; but he grinds the faces of his clerks. He is honest; but he exaggerates the value of his goods. He is honest; but he loans money on bond and mortgage with the understanding that the mortgage can lie quiet for ten years, but as soon as he gets the mortgage, he records it and begins a foreclosure suit, and the Sheriff's writ comes down, and the day after he arrives, and away goes the homestead. The creditor buys it in at half price. Honest? When he loaned the money he knew that he would get the homestead at half price. Honest? But he goes to the insurance office to get a policy on his life, and tells the doctor that he is well, when he knows that for ten years he has had but one lung. Honest? Though he sells property by the map, forgetting to tell the purchaser that the ground is all under water, but it is generous in him to do that, for he throws the water into the bargain.

The fraudulent man piles up his gains, bond above bond, until he has property above United States security, emolument above emolument, until his property has become a great pyramid; and, as he stands looking at the child's pyramid, he is destroyed; but the Lord God comes and with His little finger pushes it all over. You build a house and you put into it a rotten beam. A mechanic standing by says: "It will ruin your whole building." But you put it in. The house is completed. Soon it begins to rock. You call in the mechanic and ask: "What is the matter with this door? What is the matter with this wall? Everything seems to be giving out." Says the mechanic: "You put a rotten beam into that structure, and the whole thing has got to come down. Here is an estate that seems to be all right now. It has been building a great many years. But fifteen years ago there was a dishonest transaction in that commercial house. That one dishonest transaction keeps rattling in the whole structure, until the estate will come in wreck and ruin and the possessor's ears—no dishonest dollar in the estate demolishing all his possessions. I have seen it again and again, and so have you.

You have an old photograph of the signs on your street. Why have those signs nearly all changed within the last twenty years? Does the passing away of a generation count for it? Oh, no. Does the fact that there are hundreds of honest men who go down every year account for it? Oh, no. This is the secret. The old God has been walking through the commercial streets of our great cities; and he has been adjusting things according to the principles of eternal rectitude.

The time will come when, through the revolutionary power of the Gospel, a falsehood, instead of being called exaggeration, equivocation, or evasion, will be branded a lie. And stealings, that now sometimes go under the name of "pensions," commissions, and bonuses, will be put into the catalogue of State-prison offenses. Society will be turned inside out and upside down, and the policy of God's truth, until business dishonesty shall come to an end, and all double-dealing; and God will overturn, and overturn; and commercial men in all cities will throw up their hands, crying out: "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither."

The religion of Jesus Christ will produce a revolution in our churches. The non-committal, do-nothing policy of the Church of God will give way to a spirit of bravest conquest. Piety in this day seems to me to be saited down just so to keep. It seems as if the church were chiefly content to take care of itself; and if we hear of want, and squalor, and heathenism outside we say: "What a pity!" and we put our hands in our pockets, and we feel around for a two-cent piece, and with a great flourish we put it upon the plate and are amazed that the world is not converted in six weeks. Suppose there were a great war and there were three hundred thou-

sand soldiers, but all of those three hundred thousand soldiers, excepting ten men, were in their tents, or scouring their muskets, or cooking rations. You would say: "Of course, defeat must come in that case." It is worse than that in the church. Millions of the professed soldiers of Jesus Christ are cooking rations, or asleep in their tents, while only one man here and there goes out to do battle for the Lord.

I saw in some paper an account of a church in Boston in which, it is said, there were a great many plain people. The next week the trustees of that church came out in their paper, and said it was so at all; "they were elegant people and highly-conditioned people that went there." Then I laughed outright; and when I laugh, I laugh very loudly. "Those people," I said, "are a waste of the sickly sentimentality of the churches."

Revolution! The pride of the church must come down. The exclusiveness of the church must come down. The financial boasting of the church must come down. If monetary success were the chief idea in the church, then I say that the present mode of conducting finances is the best. If it is to save money, why not let the church own the land, and let the church own the buildings, and let the church own the money, and let the church own the people, and let the church own the world? Then I cry, "Revolution! The pride of the church must come down. The exclusiveness of the church must come down. The financial boasting of the church must come down."

Where and when will that Revolution begin? Here, and now. In your heart and mine. Sin must go down, our pride must go down, our worldliness must go down, then the present mode of doing things is the best. It is the saving of souls from sin and death, and bringing the mighty population of our cities to the knowledge of God, then I cry, "Revolution! The pride of the church must come down. The exclusiveness of the church must come down. The financial boasting of the church must come down."

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Archbas, the magistrate of Thebes, was sitting with many mighty men, drinking wine. A messenger came in, bringing a letter informing him of a conspiracy to end his life, and warning him to flee. Archbas took the letter, but, instead of opening it, he put it into his pocket, and said to the messenger, "I will open it tomorrow." The next day he read it. Before he opened the letter, the Government was captured. When he read the letter it was too late. To-day I put into the hands of every man and woman, who hears or reads these words, a message of life. It says: "To-day, if you will hear His voice, harden not your heart." Do not put away the message, and say: "This business-to-morrow." This night thy soul may be required of thee!

A Bullet Its Own Doctor. In spite of the terrible increase in the destructiveness of modern warfare, the tendency of the times is to make a conflict as humane as possible. For this reason the use of copper-covered bullets has been favored, and a Philadelphia physician has a plan that he claims will wonderfully mitigate the suffering of a man whose body has been perforated by the modern small-caliber bullet. It is well established that all wounds of the body are healed by the action of the body's own cells. These bullets are so great that unless they chance to strike a bone they will pass entirely through a man's body without his knowing it. The physician's idea is to attach to all small and antiseptic cotton or gauze the rear of the bullet. This would be covered by the shell of the cartridge, and could not interfere with loading or firing. As the bullet passes through a person the cotton will sterilize the wound and prevent consequent suppuration. It may be possible to so nicely adjust the adhesion of the wad to the bullet that as the missile passes out it will have the wad to plug the hole and stop bleeding. Ultimately this system might do away with the necessity of a large medical corps, as each bullet would carry medical treatment for the unfortunate. It wounded. —Philadelphia Record.

The Land of the Lazy. "In a late sojourn in Honduras," said Mr. L. B. R., "I came to the conclusion that it was a paradise for lazy men. Everything grows luxuriantly with but little labor on the part of the natives, and many crops do not need replanting more than once in six or ten years. The country offers the inducements to enterprising men, but it is hard on a white man used to civilized ways to go down there and dwell among an ignorant lot of natives who are 100 years behind the times. A man would have no congenial society, and might as well be in exile. The natives usually live in bamboo houses, though in the towns the dwellings are of adobe. Children go naked for the first year or two years of their life, and the attire of the adults is rather scant. The Government is liberal with concessions in order to encourage development of the country's resources, but there is no general rule governing the granting of privileges, all it depends on how good a bargain may be driven. The climate is very salubrious, and laziness is about the only prevailing disease.—Washington Post.

EX-CONVICT CANNOT CURE. Doctors Who Commit Crime Prohibited From Practicing. The United States Supreme Court affirmed the constitutionality of the act of the New York Legislature of 1935 prohibiting persons who have been convicted for an offense connected with the practice of medicine in the State. The question arose in the case of Walker vs. the State of New York. Walker had served ten years in the State Penitentiary for an offense committed in 1913 and, after his release set up as a physician, and at the time the law in question was enacted was practicing that profession. The Court held that it was within the police power of the State to enact such a law.

GOMEZ'S WIFE AN AMERICAN. She is a Daughter of Henry Martin, of Nall's Creek, East Tennessee. The wife of Maximo Gomez, commander-in-chief of the insurgent forces in Cuba, is an American woman. Her name before marriage to the great old soldier was Miss Pink Martin, and she was a daughter of Henry Martin, of Nall's Creek, East Tennessee. She married a Georgian man, and after he died she went to Havana, and there met Gomez, whom she married shortly afterward.

CUBA'S FUTURE. It Will Be Under the Stars and Stripes Until Peace Is Restored. President McKinley has authorized assurances to be given that everybody's rights will be respected, and that, when the people of Cuba establish their government, it will be under the supervision of the military authorities of the United States, and all qualified electors, whether combatants or non-combatants, will be given an opportunity to participate in the formation of the constitution. The island of Cuba will be under the Stars and Stripes until peace is restored, and some guarantee can be given that no outrages will occur.

THE SEABOARD SCHOOL LESSON.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR MAY 15.

Lesson, Text: "Watchfulness," Matthew xxiv, 42-51.—Golden Text: Matthew xxiv, 42.—Commentary on the Lesson of the Day by the Rev. D. M. Starns.

"Watch, therefore, for you know not the day of the Lord doth come, as a thief in the night." This is the title of this lesson, and it is the theme of the whole chapter and the next one, "The Second Coming of Our Lord," there is no event which will so stir up the world as the coming of our Lord. We are so used to it that we do not even realize it. We are so used to it that we do not even realize it. We are so used to it that we do not even realize it. We are so used to it that we do not even realize it.

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KEYSTONE STATE NEWS CONDENSED.

FATAL EXPLOSION.

Mother's Fulle Attempt to Rescue Her Child From Death.

The 3-year-old daughter of Mrs. Steph D. Corbin, of Altoona, was burned to death the other morning in a fire which destroyed the carpenter shop and stable of Contractor John Plummer. It is supposed the children were playing with matches. The loss on the building and contents was \$5,000. A small son of Edward Shaffer, of Allegheny township was fatally burned a few days ago, having set fire to his clothing while playing with matches. His mother, who was present, endeavored to extinguish the flames.

The following persons were granted last week: James McCormick, Enslow, Allegheny, \$8; John Lehner, Upton, Franklin, \$8; Chas. C. Van Gieson, President, Venango, \$2 to \$5; Sylvester Bennett, Houtzdale, Clearfield, \$8 to \$17; Robert B. Clark, Fay, Lawrence, \$16 to \$24; John McCracken, Cokeville, Westmoreland, \$14 to \$24; Robert Summersville, Allegheny, \$2 to \$5; Wm. T. Smith, Willet, Indiana, \$2 to \$8; William Howell, Gallitzin, \$16 to \$17; Henry J. Helmback, Reedsville, Mifflin, \$72; Charlotte Wombacher, Allegheny, \$8; Amanda M. E. Eider, Dall, Franklin, \$8; Mary E. Eider, Tracy, Erie, \$8; John J. Escher, Soldiers' home, Erie, \$8; Bezalel Cameron, Franklin, \$10; Jacob Schultz, Loshley, Clinton, \$10; John H. Shields, Scranton, Clearfield, \$8; Abram T. Harz, Waynesboro, \$8; Michael Coakley, Pleasantville, Venango, \$3; Michael Clark, Braddock, \$6; Joseph Preston, Haver, Allegheny, \$10; Alonzo Randolph, \$10; John T. Frazier, Mahon, Beaver, \$8; James Archer, Hydeaton, Crawford, \$8 to \$12; Albert Wilhelm, Sweden Valley, Potter, \$4 to \$8; William J. Welch (dead), Franklin, \$10; Frank H. Washington, \$6 to \$8; Slias F. Templeton, Deekers, Erie, \$8; Indiana, \$6 to \$8; David Huber, Johnstown, \$6 to \$8; Eliza J. Hess, Uniontown, \$8; Elizabeth A. McCooch, Kittanning, \$8; Annie C. Zellers, Rosecrans, \$8; Jacob J. Adler, M. S. Clelland, Fayette, \$8; George W. V. Schell, James Creek, Huntington, \$8; Arthur McLain, Soldiers' home, Erie, \$8; Hezekiah Bard, Altoona, \$8; Willoughby, \$8; Fred, Beaver, \$8; John McRoberts, Pittsburg, \$8; James Johnson, Soldiers' home, Erie, \$8; John C. Hoover, Altoona, \$10 to \$30; Edward C. Egerton, California, \$17 to \$50; Ellen Durbin, Gallitzin, \$8; Suttan C. Fisher, Lewistown, \$2.

The Third brigade was inspected 2,268 men and 195 officers volunteering, and 259 men and 5 officers refusing. The number was divided as follows: Twenty-four companies, 664 men and one officer; Fourth, 25 men; Ninth, 54 men and three officers; Thirteenth, 75 men and one officer; Battery A, 10 men and 1 officer; Governor's Troop, 12 men. Summarizing the results of the entire inspection, 7,758 men and 570 officers have volunteered out of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, and 776 men and 14 officers have refused.

The Halsted mine of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Coal and Iron Company was the scene of an accident the other evening which killed John Moughan, Stephen Jenkins and John Titus. The men were engaged in re-drawing the lining of the shaft, which had been damaged by the cave-in last week. Heavy timbers were being lowered, the rope attached to them slipped off, and the timbers struck the platform upon which the three workmen were standing. The workmen, having been caught by the falling timbers, fell to the bottom of the shaft, a distance of 200 feet. The bodies were horribly mangled.

Harry Davis, aged 8 years, was accidentally shot by his brother at Brookfield the other day while they were playing soldier. Harry was acting the part of a Spanish soldier, and his brother was acting the part of an American soldier. Harry was asked to surrender and he refused. His brother then pointed a revolver at him, and he was discharged, the bullet entering his arm.

Secretary of the Commonwealth Martineau, by Gov. Hastings, has issued commissions to the surgeons in the Pennsylvania national guard, who have been examined the past two days by the army board at Camp Hastings. Some 150 will examine the troops for muster into the United States service.

When the whistles sounded Tuesday morning it was the signal for active work on the new canal to begin. Sub-Contractor F. M. Harris of Philadelphia started work on the excavations. For the present 250 to 300 men will be employed. Most of the old iron was cast away Saturday to allow an entrance to the trunks.

Charges of extravagance have been lodged by Detective John Toole, before the Schuylkill County Commissioners, against Prison Warden C. W. Brower. Suit for \$50,000 damages has been brought at Bellefonte against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company by Mrs. Joseph Fox, whose husband was killed by a train.

Work on the inspection of 13-inch navy projectiles at the Carpenter steel works, at Reading, and a shipment of 150 of them was made last week to Washington. The weight of the shipment was nearly 75 tons. Work is progressing rapidly on 5, 6, 8 and 10-inch navy shells.

Benjamin Smith had a literal hair's breadth escape with his life recently at Marshfield. He was walking along a country road a mile east of town, when a man leaped from behind a fence and shot at him. The bullet passed so close to his head as to cut off a tuft of hair, which was found inside his hat.

Eward Gantion, a miner near Dunbar, is fatally injured at his home. A few nights ago he came to town and ridiculed this government and hoped Spain would whip. While going home some persons struck him on the head with a brick, cutting a deep gash and rendering him unconscious.

AGRICULTURAL TOPICS.

Farm Farrow.

High thinking goes well with high farming. Farm the land red hot. The truck farmer sells mostly high-flavored water and air. Cattle will pattern after an ill-tempered owner.

A tripod of good farming: Good stock, good care, good marketing. Fall plowing fattens the profits. Never allow two men, two cows or two acres, to do the work of one.—New England Homestead.

Growing Brussels Sprouts. Brussels sprouts require the same treatment as cabbage. The soil must be rich and contain considerable moisture. If the small sprouts do not grow rapidly they will be tough. Sow seed in a hothed and transplant, or scatter seed in hills and thin. Give the plants plenty of room. Have the rows thirty inches apart and the plants two feet apart. Ordinary culture will suffice. Sprouts half an inch in diameter are thought to be more palatable than larger ones. The top leaves are sometimes used as greens.

Truck Farming and Dairying. In addition to our Jersey dairy requirements, we shall raise this year quite a quantity of hay for sale and more sweet corn than usual. We shall also grow a few acres of potatoes, one of popcorn, one of onions, one of carrots, one of squashes, two of melons, one of cucumbers, one of strawberries, one of raspberries, besides quite a quantity of beans, peas, tomatoes and the like. We find it cheaper on an average to buy corn and oats in this part of the country than to raise them.—B. F. Wyman, of Illinois, in Orange Juice Farmer.

Sweet Corn as a Money Crop. Sweet corn as a money crop is a pretty sure thing if one is situated where the ears can be marketed when in the roasting stage. What grain is not sold in this way makes good feed. The fodder is worth all it costs to raise the crop, leaving the receipts for corn as net profit. The stalks are cut up at the bottom as soon as the ears become too old for market and are carefully cured in the shock, or put into the silo whole or cut ears and all. Either feed is preferred for milk or butter production to the best hay. The best variety of sweet corn is still a moot question.—American Agriculturist.

Clean the Damp Hives. Cleaning out damp bee hives and opening them up as much as possible to the warm sun to dry out is very important. But this must be done only during the warmest part of the day, and also when the bees are out flying freely. Never work with bees at any time during cool weather, when they are not flying. Combs are often found very mouldy and damp from moisture accumulating in the hives, and this we can do nothing with but let them remain so, and when the bees get strong they will clean them thoroughly, and no damage is the result. They will also remove all dead bees that may be sticking in the combs, which he could not do without damaging the same.

Jottings in My Garden. Take good care of the garden tools. Good ones do better work and in much less time than poor ones. Now is a good time to haul manure and scatter around the raspberries which are to fruit next year.

One grower of fruit plants says the Gregg blackcap raspberry must give way to "new blood." It may but it hasn't yet. Where our apple, plum and pear sections were buried in dry leaves they are fresh and keeping in the finest shape.

The Champion, although an early grape, is just about worthless as far as quality is concerned. The Clyde strawberry, I have no doubt, from its behavior on my grounds, has come to stay.

It is surprising what a large quantity of berries can be raised on a small plot of ground when highly manured and heavily mulched with old straw or marsh hay. I have known some small patches of blackberries to yield five times as many berries when treated in this manner as the same amount of ground not so managed.—Charles C. Nash, of Michigan.

Planting Parsnip Seed. The parsnip seed, even when fresh, is so hard and woody that it is very difficult to start it in early spring without first putting it in pretty hot water and keeping it there until it was near to germinating. We never had much faith in soaking seed to give it an earlier start, but we always made exception of parsnip seed, which, if planted wholly dry in early spring, takes so long to grow that weeds will get too big a start before they can be weeded out. Salsify or oyster plant must also be soaked before planting, and for the same reason. In fact, all the seeds planted in very early spring ought to be nearly at the sprouting point before they are planted. Weeds grow at lower temperatures than will any garden vegetable. But in planting seeds that have been swelled by soaking, extra care should be taken to compact the soil all about them, so that when the first rootlet puts out it may touch damp soil, and not reach out into a vacant space filled with air. If the weather and soil are warm, it is better to plant the seed dry, and then have it swell as it absorbs moisture from the soil. This compacts the soil around the seed far better than it can be done by hand.—Boston Cultivator.

Oil in Fishing Boats. The fishermen of Iceland now regularly carry oil in their boats to smooth the waves, which enables them to continue at work in weather that before they would not have dared to face.

SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS.

Astronomers tell us that in our solar systems there are at least 17,000,000 comets of all sizes.

There is enough salt in the sea to cover 7,000,000 square miles of land with a layer one mile in thickness.

In Germany peroxide of hydrogen is said to be mixed with various drinks, in order to give them the mellow flavor of age. The hydra fusca, a sort of polypus, may be turned inside out like a glove, and will continue to live and eat as heartily as ever.

It has been proposed to equip London policemen with portable electric batteries to feed electric lights on their helmets. A curiosity of the Stockholm exposition is a pine tree section four feet in diameter from 60 or 70 miles north of the Arctic circle.

The world's useful fibers number 1018, according to a catalogue by the department of agriculture, about 30 being used in the United States. In French trails, a mixture of ten parts of air and one part of acetylene has proven suitable for ordinary gas engines, giving three times the energy of ordinary illuminating gas.

A single bell is made by a German manufacturer to give more than one note. A number of dents divide the bell into sections of different sizes, and each section, when struck, emits a tone corresponding to its size. The fact is stated that in a single one of the standard locomotives employed by a leading railroad of America there are, counting individual rivets and bolts, though not nails in the cab and tender, over twenty thousand pieces.

The gradual cooling of France is proven by its vegetation. The Italian poplar, common in early French settlements, is now seldom seen in the country, while the lemon has disappeared from Languedoc and the orange from Roussillon, and the northern limit of many plant species has shifted far to the southward. A noiseless and more efficient flame for incandescent gas burners is produced by giving the air and gas a rotary motion to thoroughly mix them as they are admitted to the bottom of the burner, the mixed air and gas then being heated by means of corrugated rings in the burner, which draw heat from the flame above.

Sunken iron ships which are too deeply submerged to permit of the descent of divers to make connections for raising them can be lifted by means of powerful electro magnets attached to lifting ropes, the magnets being lowered until they strike the wreck, when an electric current is applied through wires to cause them to grip the boat.

Don't Cross Your Legs. Don't cross your legs! Not only is it bad form, but is one of the worst things in the world for a man or woman. It is particularly injurious for women to sit with one leg swung over the knee of the other.

Many have often wondered how in the world they have contracted a splitting headache, or why their feet get so cold at times. These two troubles and a score of others are due solely in many cases to the common habit of seeking comfort by crossing the legs. Cold feet, varicose veins, headache, ulcers and countless other troubles from the improper circulation of the blood in the lower limbs are caused by the pernicious habit of crossing the legs.

If you cross your right leg over the left knee you will notice that the whole weight of the suspended right leg is sustained by the left knee, which places all of the pressure against that under part of your right leg between the calf and the kneecap. Now, any school text book on physiology will show that just in the very spot where all the pressure is placed there is a large number of large veins, nerves and arteries.

The mere fact of putting undue pressure against this spot in either leg has the effect of crowding all these tissues together, and the circulation of the life-giving fluid is materially interfered with. Of course, the absence of a plentiful supply of blood to the legs and feet causes them to become so susceptible to the cold air that the least draft causes the feet to become annoyingly cold.—Journal of Good Health.

A Very Old Violin. Mr. Taylor Buttrill of Jackson has a violin that is 183 years old. It has been in his possession some twenty years, and is considered by first-class musicians to be a valuable and light-toned instrument. It was manufactured in 1715, and is perhaps one among the oldest of its kind in the south. Mr. Buttrill prizes his violin very highly, and as he is one of those "back-date" musicians himself he sometimes takes the bow in hand and knocks off "The Arkansas Traveler" and "The Old Cow Crossed the Road" with a degree of satisfaction that could hardly be obtained from a violin of a later date than 1715. While he is not what would be considered an expert he can knock a tune out of that old violin that would surprise the natives.—Jackson (Ga.) Argus.

Round the Earth. The time required for a journey round the earth by a man walking day and night, without resting, would be 428 days; an express train, 40 days; a sound, at a medium temperature, 32 1-2 hours; a cannon ball, 21 3-4 hours; light, a little over one-tenth of a second; and electricity, passing over a copper wire, a little under one-tenth of a second.