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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.
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Lesson 7:
LUKE 5: 7-18.

GOLDEN TEXT—"Being forth therefore from worthy of repentance."—*Luke* 3: 8.

Central Truth:—We must forsake sin if we would receive Christ.

We have heard little of John, the son of Zacharias and Elizabeth, for thirty years. All that is said of his doing that time is contained in the first two chapters of Luke's gospel. He came, we suppose, to be the child grew and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the day of his shewing unto Israel" (Luke 1: 80). For thirty years John lived a life of retirement, preparing, most of his time in meditation and prayer. His supernatural birth, his quiet, secluded life, his reputation for peculiar sanctity, tended to attract to him the general expectation of the people, that he was destined for some peculiar office. It was indeed the time when were refined and elaborated such ideas of the government of God, and of the government of the world, that it was the time when men were refined about God, and the demands of God.

The government was at this time, both in Church and State, in the hands of the Pharisees. The imperial throne was filled by Tiberius Cæsar, a man, with remorse and crime. Judea was suffering under the yoke of the Roman Procurator Pontius Pilate, and the Tetrarch Herod and Caiaphas, equally from the unworthy manner in which they abused their sacred office. The people were broken-spirited and despairing, with little to hope for from the government. The prophecy of Daniel, that "seventy weeks" were to elapse from the time when the decree was issued for the rebuilding of Jerusalem, until the Messiah should be cut off, was well known to the people, that he was looked for and expected, and the time was at hand, when Gabriel should appear to Zacharias, and say, "Thou shalt have joy and gladness, and many shall rejoice at his birth, for he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God, and shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to make ready for the coming of the Lord." Such was the time when John, which predicted Messiah' coming, but with little or no apparent power from his life, as to stern language he used, and the manner in which he spoke, to come and produce, the appearance of a process of God.

The appearance and address of John really resembled the prophet, and so them into inquiring who he was. The person was so like that this man might be the promised Messiah, and John himself was so much like the prophet Elias, that for that reason, he his ambition was only to be a forerunner to the Messiah, who was to come. It was glory enough for John, as he should be, if he was permitted to proclaim a coming and glorious Messiah, and was the person to be prepared for his advent. John spoke of himself in the most humble and depreciating terms, he magnified the office and was the person to be chosen proclaiming with equal fidelity the love and terrors which would characterize his ministry.

John's appearance and preaching had great power with the people. His own work was a work of great interest and prodigious. There, whether by the fame of his person, or by the inquiry, as soon to commence, his power and so powerful a death. He "was in memorial till his work is done." John was the morning star of the Old and New Testaments, "the living link between the earlier and later parts of the Bible." He was a transitional character, in his position in the majesty and severity of his character, in his office, in his work, preserved in him the spirit of the old and convincing sermons. But in intelligent, believing and loving obedience to Jesus, he was no less a typical representative of the spirit of the Gospel.

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

1. The plainest preaching is often the most popular preaching.

This was one of the preaching of John the Baptist. It was plain, even to severity and faithful as it was generous. His sermons were such, that the consciences of his hearers responded to them, and they were constrained to listen even to unwelcome truth. Scores flocked to hear the stern prophet of the wilderness, and all classes united in asking him, "What shall we do."

2. There is such a thing as "the wrath to come," and men will do wisely to be free from it.

It is easy to say, and not so easy to deny, that "the wrath to come" spoken of by John referred to the temporal calamities which were at hand, rather than to any judgment or retribution in the great future. But however that may be, reason and revelation, and the universal belief of nations, all bear testimony to the reality of warnings of conscience and the moral government of God, which are continually unto to warn us that a time is coming when the business difference will be discerned between good and evil, "between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not."

We should be thankful for the solemn warnings of God's Word, which tell us to "flee from the wrath to come."

3. True repentance is known by its fruits.

4. The Law must precede the Gospel, as John came after Jesus.

5. Jesus—as is not repentance though it may lead to it—does not imply every regret for crimes, but implies a sense of the sight of the terrible evil and wickedness of sin leads to a thorough "change of mind." The best fruits of repentance is in practical reformation.

6. Water baptism is for the present that the baptism of the Spirit, "fire of Pentecost," not by whatever method, the outward rite may be performed, is in the "washing of regeneration" and the "renewing of the Holy Ghost" which is of service work to the soul.

7. The baptism of the Holy Ghost is very important.

Fire illuminates, warms and revives, purifies, shows the way of safety, and consumes the vile dross of things.

Spiritual baptism enlightens the darkened mind, revives the fainting affections, purifies the polluted soul, leads to a "clear way," and supplies the fuel to the roots of sin in the heart.

8. He who has learned to know that he is a sinner will never think that Christ is any thing but a Saviour.

John's preaching would have been enough if it had not pointed to Christ.

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Stone in the Bladder Expelled by using Dr. Kennedy's FAVORITE REMEDY.
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CITY DEBT.

A meeting of the Board of Finance, the Finance Committee of Council, and a number of prominent citizens, the Mayor presiding, was held on Saturday evening, February 8th, to discuss the city debt problem. After a general expression of opinion it was unanimously agreed, on motion of Mr. Berry, that an address be prepared to be laid before the people, under the signature of the Mayor and Finance Board, and two crones to be selected by the Mayor, the address to cover the points that appear to be so generally understood regarding the effects of the special charter. Messrs. Berry, Kay, Lloyd, Wm. Robinson were selected by the Mayor as the crones members, and to them was added the date of the committee.

The following was submitted at the adjourned meeting and Mr. Frank resigning, Frank, which was unanimously accepted and referred to the committee:

TO THE CITIZENS OF RAHWAY

The Legislature of New Jersey has seen fit to provide for the payment of the city debt contracted with the creditors by the action of the Mayor and Common Council of Rahway, but taxes the property of the citizens of this city to pay the debt. It remains for the citizens of this city to decide whether they will pay the debt of the people of Rahway should be made to pay the debt of the people of Rahway, or whether the citizens of this city will purchase a special charter, as it is said, for 7 years, and pay the debt themselves.

To assist those who may take up the question, I have prepared a statement of the debt, and the amount of property in the city, including sinking fund, is about $800,000. The assessed valuation of property in the city in the city last year was $1,000,000. The debt, however, amounts to nearly 80 per cent. of the assessed value of the whole city of Rahway. Half of this is gross on earth, a debt, at 7 per cent., is $14,000. Suppose the city tax is 2 per cent., or $20 on the $1,000 assessed property, it would be $40 for the regular city and county tax, would leave $20 for the payment of the debt, and a corresponding tax of 40 property for the benefit of the creditors. The impossibility of such a tax, which would amount almost to the loss of the property to all classes, will be apparent to everyone. And when the rich discover that a settling with the creditors of the city is by a compromise, when they will find the debt in the manner of the city's ability to pay.

The proposition of the Common Council is, that the debt be adjusted on the basis of twenty-five cents on the dollar. It is believed that this is the most the city can safely agree to pay, as even this amount would be a charge of 40 per cent. on all taxable property, and, at a per cent. interest, would require an annual tax of $40,000 in addition to the ordinary taxes.

It is believed that the proposed adjustment would benefit all parties. The bondholders would be benefited, the holders would find their property at once invested in a flourishing city, and would be relieved from the present drudging find, and would advance in value far beyond what it would bring, should the proposed adjustment be effected. Real estate, relieved from its present crushing burden, would advance in value and find purchasers now repelled from it by its enormous financial position, would be attracted by the prospect of a flourishing new city property, and the inspiration of new hope and energy would everywhere be felt.

By the proposed adjustment holders of property would not be disturbed. No property now held for assessment would be relieved from its liability, but with the reduction of the debt there would be a corresponding reduction in the amount of each unpaid assessment, when paid in cash or in the new bonds. All property on which no assessments are due would be free from the charges, as at present, and the assessed property would provide for the extraordinary of the same proportion of the debt, and the leasing of the debt and the assessments being in exact proportion. In that respect the holders of the assessments would be no worse off than they would be on the present basis of assessment, while the corresponding reduction of the general debt all would be equally benefited.

It will be seen, that as between our own citizens, the proposed plan is just and equitable, and as the whole number of adjustment bonds would not exceed in amount the general debt for which the entire city is now responsible, the interest assessments thereby reduced to one quarter of their present amount would further lighten the burden of cancelling the entire debt, leaving but about $20,000 to be paid by the city at large.

The incidental benefits that will result from a successful adjustment of the city debt must be apparent to all. The prospect of a flourishing manufacturing city would be a tempting one for persons wishing to establish new business enterprises, and the feeling of hopefulness it would give to our citizens; the increased value of real estate for which a demand would be created, and a general improvement in our business prospects would do much towards advancing our city to that prosperous condition which, by it favorable position and many advantages, it is capable of occupy.

It is in the power of the voters of this city to secure the benefits named above. The opportunity may not again be offered. A repeal of the law which authorizes adjustment, is already discussed. Should that take place, the inevitable litigation which would be forced on us, leading to a further decline in our property, might result in ruin, as the only escape from perpetual harassment, to throw up our property, and cease to exist as a municipality. Let the people, then, act promptly and decisively, while they have the power. The benefits offered to the city we gain for them, and having done that let us wait for results. Each of them will be free to accept or to reject the offer; to those who accept it, our bonds will be issued, the interest and principal of which will be guaranteed; those who reject our offer will retain the old bonds and their debts, and we and thought will convince them of the wisdom of accepting the utmost the city is able to pay rather than to forfeit everything by demanding an impossible thing.

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The people of Rahway have a lively interest in exciting some discussion in the Elizabeth papers.

The act providing for the election of delegates to a Constitutional Convention on the 18th inst., was passed in the House of Assembly Tuesday afternoon.

WANTED—Several points of secondhand [illegible] to walk through the heavy stones at Rahway Station. Apply to J. R. Hetfield, Rahway, or at the A and T. on the subject of mineral improvement.

Mrs. Theodore Wood, and Henry Meyer of New York city are spending a few days with Rahway friends. Mr. Meyer is a prominent merchant of the city, and is a son of the late Mr. Meyer, of the firm of Meyer Brothers, of New York, and a brother of the late Mrs. Hetfield.

Our polished brother of the *Advocate* has undertaken the unique task of reconciling with unanimous approbation of his editorial brethren. They look upon his more recent efforts, and are mild and benevolent in their kindly criticisms of the *Advocate* editor's "slip of the pen." But the latter takes a greedy view of the matter, and for which we are not responsible, as he evidently wishes to be considered the free trip this week. He has his own ideas about the kind of a paper which he wishes to, and for which we are not responsible, as he evidently wishes to be considered the free trip this week. He has his own ideas about the kind of a paper which he wishes to, and for which we are not responsible, as he evidently wishes to be considered the free trip this week. We admit that we have not had the pleasure of reading a single editorial since the "President" and "Cabinet" talks to be found in the *Advocate* since the "slip of the pen" was made, and we shall not have

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

Feb. 9, 1881.

Lesson 8:

THE PREACHING OF JESUS.

GOLDEN TEXT.—"He hath anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor."

Central Truth:—Prophecy is fulfilled in Jesus.

Subsequently to the events narrated in the last lesson we have the baptism of Jesus by John, and the temptation [illegible] the wilderness, [illegible] memorable [illegible] with Nicodemus, and also with the Samaritan woman, and the miracle of the healing of the nobleman's son. After these our Lord returned to Galilee [illegible] This was [illegible] Galilee, and to make [illegible] Nazareth.

By this time he had become very famous [illegible] Our Lord was never popular [illegible]

[illegible] at Nazareth [illegible] The arrangements of the synagogue most resembled those of our modern places of worship. [illegible]

[illegible] the benediction was pronounced, to which all the people responded Amen, and the service was conducted. The service was not conducted by ordained ministers, and any competent person was at liberty to act as reader, and could add his own comments by permission from the ruler of the synagogue. Jesus, by rising in his place, signified his wish or intention to read, and the [illegible] was therefore brought to him by an attendant, and he read the portion which was in course for the service of the day. The lesson was in the Book of Isaiah, and it was most appropriate to the Messiah. His reading excited profound attention, and the eyes of all were fastened upon him. After he had closed the book he said to the people "This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears." This was equivalent to claiming that he was the Messiah, and that the inspired prophecies were spoken of him. His [illegible] and he simply asserts it, offering no argument to prove it, contenting himself with the simple authoritative declaration that he was the Christ, the anointed One sent by the Father.

Jesus was perhaps a stranger to many of his hearers, at least they might not have heard him expound Scripture before in public, so that they listened to him intensely and heard him with astonishment and interest.

The usual length of the lesson read was about twenty-one verses, and the reader stood during the reading, and was seated during the exposition. On this occasion his discourse must have been of a very interesting character, for we are told that "they wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth." It was the first distinct public announcement of his Messiahship, and it stirred the hearts of many who were looking and longing for the good tidings of the hope of Israel. There were many who were waiting for the coming of the Lord, and were ready to receive him into open and anxious hearts.

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

1. It is a characteristic of the Gospel that it is first addressed to "the poor."

This is a proof of its universal adaptation. All men are spiritually poor. Sin has impoverished the race. It has stripped men of all true wealth, and reduced them to spiritual bankruptcy. The true wealth of the soul is that which is in accordance with its nature, and lasting as its duration. Holiness and the favor of God alone can make us rich. Sin has robbed us of both, and without the Gospel we must remain hopelessly and forever poor. Earthly wealth cannot supply spiritual needs. We may spend money for that which is not bread, for man cannot live by bread alone. The supplies of riches, the offers of pleasure, the promises of fame, are but a mockery to the lost sinner seeking a way of pardon and peace. When a man realizes this poverty of the spirit, this bankruptcy of the soul, then he can appreciate the value of Christ as one who was "anointed to preach the Gospel to the poor."

2. How attractive should be the Gospel of Christ to every variety of spiritual need.

It has comfort for the broken-hearted, deliverance for the enslaved, sight to the blinded soul, freedom for the oppressed spirit, acceptance for the guilty and condemned, relief for every want and woe! which poor sinners can endure.

3. What a preacher is Christ.

He is a Scriptural preacher. He is an intelligible preacher; the common people heard him gladly. He is a loving and sympathizing preacher. He is a faithful preacher. He is an eloquent preacher. He is a preacher who illustrates his doctrine by his life. He is a preacher who convinces the understanding and wins the affection of his hearers.

4. Would that all preachers would take the Lord Jesus as their model.

The great Apostle said: "We preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake." This is the true title of a minister, the servant of the Church for Jesus' sake. A true minister is a shepherd under Christ, and he thinks far more of the flock than of the fleece. It is better to preach so as to turn the critic into a Christian, than to turn the Christian into a critic. "We seek not yours, but you."

5. The Gospel ministers to our necessities rather than to our desires. [illegible] our Lord first began to preach [illegible]

[illegible] he became more pointed in his preaching, they rose up against him and drove him out of their city. We must sometimes preach at men, as well as preach to them. Then, instead of being canonized, we must expect to be [illegible]

6. Every year of the Gospel dispensation is an acceptable year of the Lord.

"Now is the accepted time; behold now is the day of salvation."

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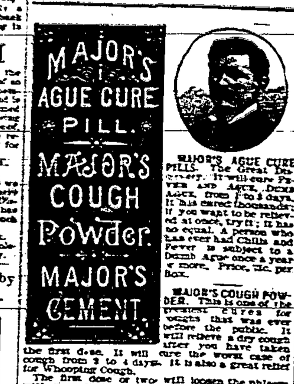
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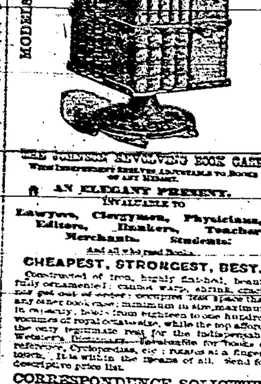
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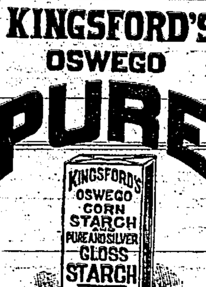

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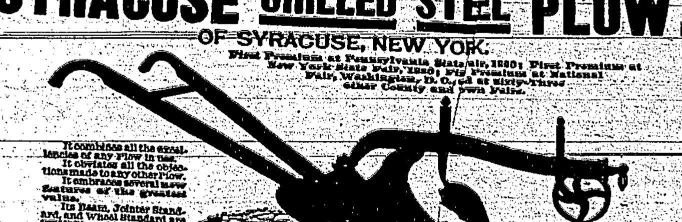

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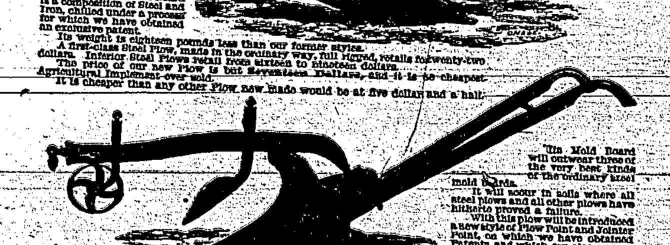

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He stepped from the narrow way,
It may be your turn next.

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A suffering soul doth lie;
Go staunch his wounds and quench his thirst,
Nor pass him idly by;
God will hook the swift excuse,
The thoughtless vain pretext;
A fellow mortal begs the dust—
It may be your turn next.

You heard, one day, a single word
Against a person's name;
Oh, bear it not from door to door
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If you're the man you claim to be,
Remember, then, the text,
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It may be your turn next.

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And now—why had Robert Percival taken it into his head that he was growing old, and why was he growing to be uncomfortable and moody and altogether unlike himself?

Ah! I can tell you: Mary Atherton, was the cause of it. And who was Mary Atherton! I will enlighten you.

She was an orphan, without brother or sister, and had been for ten years ward of an elderly uncle, at whose hands, and at whose heart, she had received all the care and the love that a parent could have given; for Uncle John had loved her dearly, and she had been the light and the joy of his home. He had no daughter of his own, and only one son—that son married, and removed to a distant town; so that his bright-faced, pure-minded, and really beautiful niece had been, of his home, its all-in-all. She was nine years old when her father died—her mother had died a year before—so that she was now very near twenty.

But there was something to be taken into account in speaking of Mary Atherton, besides her beauty and her goodness. It was her bank account!

Old Simon Atherton's will had been very simple. In the preamble, written in his own strong hand, had been this sentence, "Having confidence to believe that the gentle, human, and truly Christian spirit manifested by my child, now in her tender years, cannot be overcome, or seriously warped, I feel perfectly safe in leaving it for her to distribute my wealth as she shall be inclined; and I believe she will find happiness in making others happy. By this last will and testament, and with my dying breath, I will urge it upon her that she shall never forget, nor forego, the joys of giving, where good can be the result."

And then he had left her his sole heir—saving only generous legacies to those of his faithful servants whom he wished to reward. And the result of this will, at the expiration of ten years since her father's death, with her property in the hands of a man who had been true and faithful, was to make Mary Atherton the possessor, in her own undisputed right, of a very large sum of money.

There is no need that we should tell of the wonderful expectations; the hopes and the fears; the zeal and the pertinacity; and the profound respect, love, and devotion of the vast multitude who fancied that they had received a call to offer themselves as life-companions to the wealthy beauty.

When she was fifteen years of age her uncle had persuaded her to go away to a boarding school. She had remained there a year, and then left in disgust.

When she was seventeen, Uncle John fell in with Robert Percival, whose father had once been Uncle John's dearest friend. Robert had spent ten years in France and Germany, was an accomplished musician, and musical fashions, besides being perfect in the French and German languages.

Oh, Mary did so wish to study French and German of a teacher who could fluently and properly speak them; and, also, she wished to study music under the tuition of one who had music in his soul, and who had strength, and power, and understanding. Uncle John made critical inquiries regarding Robert Percival's character, the result of which was that he engaged him as private tutor.

And Robert Percival had been engaged two years in that capacity.—And now it was that he was feeling himself to be old. He was contrasting his five-and-thirty with Mary Atherton's twenty. But that was not all. She was wealthy.

Was he mad enough to think of loving such a girl? It may have been madness, but he was not responsible. During these two years of constant intercourse—the interchange of sweet thoughts in music, and the rich and varied converse in French and German—years in which her heart—her soul—her very life—had been laid open to him, with all the priceless treasures of such a nature—he had come to love her with a love that had made itself a part of his inner being.

But—he was not mad enough to think of seeking her love in return.—For more than six months he had been promising himself to flee from the love that could only bring to him sorrow in the end; but he had found it hard to break away; and he had staid. But he must go now.

The day was drawing near on which Mary would be twenty years old—the age at which, by her father's will, she was to be free, and mistress of herself and her fortune. And Robert had told Uncle John why he was going; and Uncle John had commended him for his generous resolution.

On the evening of the day preceding the birthday, Mary came, in a state of terror and alarm, to seek her uncle in the library, where she found him alone.

"Uncle John! What is this I hear? That you have settled with Robert—with my teacher—with Mr. Percival—and that he is going away?"

"That is the arrangement, my dear. Certainly, you cannot wonder. You cannot expect him to remain here, to teach you, after you have come to know as much as he does."

"Uncle John! You trifle. You know that I can never know what that man knows. But—tell me"—and she caught the old man by the arm—"does he want to go? Is it of his own free will and accord?"

"Entirely so, Mary. He has been planning to this end for a long time. He spoke with me about it more than a month ago, and would have gone then if I had said so."

Mary Atherton sank into a chair and buried her face in her hands. A few moments so, and then she burst into sobbing and weeping. It seemed as though her heart was breaking.

Uncle John was not surprised. He had suspected this. And he was not grieved. Since Robert had manifested that noble, most self-denying spirit—since he had known that the teacher would go away with an aching, bursting heart, and leave his great love unspoken, he had resolved that he should have a chance; and, if his niece loved him the twain should be happy. It he had not the wealth of money, he had that far richer wealth—the wealth of worth!

He sat for a time in silence, and then went and laid his hand upon the girl's head.

"Mary, do you love Robert Percival?"

She looked up in his face—looked up through the fast falling tears, and sobbed—

"I love him with all my heart!—with all my soul! O! if I could know—"

"Look you, darling! Look up and I will tell you why he is going. He is going because he is poor, and you are rich; and because his heart is aching—he says—breaking—with a love which he dares not speak."

She started to her feet and threw herself upon her uncle's bosom. Then she wiped away her tears, and spoke—

"Uncle John, you would be willing to give my hand to Robert?"

"Yes, my child; for I have confidence in him. He is a true man—one of nature's noblemen. I should have no fears in consigning you to his care for life."

"O! you darling uncle! I will bless you while I live!" And then she hastened away.

An hour later, with all the strength she possessed, summoned to her aid, calm and serene, but somewhat paler than usual, Mary Atherton sought her teacher, and found him at his desk engaged in writing a letter. She did not stop to consider.

"Robert!—what are you writing?"

He started at the sound of that name as though a bomb-shell had burst at his side; and when he looked up, she saw that he had been weeping.

"What are you writing?"

"I—I—was writing—" But he broke down.

"Robert Percival! Tell me—to whom were you writing? It is a letter!"

"Yes—it is a letter—to—to—yourself!"

"And you tell me that you are going away?"

"Yes!"

"Then tear it up! Tear it up, I say; for you are not going."

The man arose to his feet, and faced his pupil. He saw a light upon her countenance so infinitely tender and sublime, that the soul caught the inspiration, and his own face was transfigured!

"Mary!"

"O! Robert! You will not go!"

To-day, Robert and Mary Percival, with their children raising up to call them blessed, are the centre of a broad sphere of happiness and prosperity, all flowing from their munificence; and the joyful wife, in the beatitude of her love-lighted home, blesses the hour when she found in her husband the wealth of worth.

FORTY-ONE CHILDREN.

"Yes, it's so," said the man.

"Oh, John, you must be mistaken," replied his third wife.

"Well, I tell you it's so; I ought to know," was the emphatic reply of John Heffner, who lives on Maple street, between Chesnut and Spruce, this city. A reporter for the *Eagle* had called upon Mr. Heffner to learn the correct history of this much talked-about great brood of forty-one children.

Heffner is sparingly built, smokes a short pipe, and makes a living in the rag business. He is 65 years old, and has a pleasant smile and cheerful greeting for all friends. The story of the man's married life, as related by himself, is probably the most remarkable one on record. He was born in Germany in 1815. When 25 years old—in 1840—he married his first wife, who lived eight years. She became the mother of seventeen children in that time, having twins in the first year of their marriage. The next year another pair of twins was born. Each succeeding year for four years thereafter Mrs. Heffner became the mother of triplets. The seventh year was signalized by the birth of only one child. Mrs. Heffner died and was laid away in the village churchyard in Germany. The widower had now a family of seventeen children, the oldest only 7 years of age. Three months thereafter a young lady took charge of the children, and in course of time she became the second Mrs. Heffner. The first wife died in February, 1848. In February, 1849, this second wife presented Mr. Heffner with a boy. On Christmas day the same year the nineteenth child was added to the Heffner flock. The family was now larger than any other in that part of the country. Five years passed by, and Mr. Heffner's household was increased by the addition of ten more children—a pair of twins being born every year. There was now a lull, and for three years thereafter only one child was born unto them. In 1855 he came to this country with his family, and the last three children was born in America. In 1857 his wife died, having been married nine years. He was now the father of thirty-two children, twelve of whom had died, leaving twenty to be taken in charge by a widow whom he married in 1858. Mrs. Heffner No. 3 had one child by previous marriage. She became the mother of nine more children in ten years by single birth. His last, or third wife, is still living. None of the first set of seventeen children survive. Two of the fifteen of the second wife's children still live, and three of the third wife's nine. In a period of twenty-eight years—from 1840, when he first married, to 1868, the date of the birth of his last child—he became the father of forty-one children. The five who are still living are girls. With the step-child added to the list forty-two children have called John Heffner "father." The old man has long since forgotten the names of his numerous progeny, and can only recall those born in late years.—Reading (Pa.) Eagle.

HOUSEHOLD RECIPES.

TO REMOVE IRON RUST.—Apply oxalic acid to the spot with the fingers wet with water, then lay in the sun a few hours, then rinse thoroughly.

DELICIOUS GRAHAM MUFFINS.—Add two beaten eggs to one pint of milk; stir in two cups of Graham flour and one teaspoon of baking powder. Bake in a quick oven fifteen minutes. These are made very quickly.

INDIAN MEAL PUDDING.—One-and-a-half cups buttermilk; 1 cup dried fruit (of any kind); 2 eggs; 1 small teaspoon of soda dissolved in the milk, a pinch of salt, and enough meal to make a little thicker than pancake batter. Put in a bag and boil one hour; serve with sauce.

CHILDREN'S PLUM PUDDING.—Half-pound raisins, half-pound sultanas, or chopped currants, half-pound suet, one pound bread soaked in milk and beaten smooth, quarter-pound flour, two ounces of candied peel, half-pound sugar, a little spice and pinch of salt; boil six hours or less, according to size.

DELICIOUS FRIED OYSTERS.—Have good-sized oysters, dry in a towel, dip in well-beaten eggs, then in rolled cracker, and again in the egg, and drop into boiling lard; watch closely and when light brown, turn; brown the other side and dish quickly. Lard, no matter how hot, will never boil up until something is thrown into it. Drop in a piece of bread, and if the lard boils up around it it is sufficiently hot.

TAPIOCA SOUP.—Make a good beef soup with two pounds of meat and bone, and two and a half quarts of cold clear water, simmering for four or five hours and adding an onion, some parsley and carrots. Put in a very little salt. Let the stock when done, get cold. Take the fat off the top, and re-heat the soup putting in a tablespoon of tapioca to a quart of stock. Season to taste and add a few drops of lemon juice.

HARD SAUCE FOR PLUM PUDDING.—Take by measure three spoonsful of butter—slightly salt butter is best—mix this thoroughly with nine tablespoonsful of powdered white sugar; beat it very thoroughly until it is quite white and light; add to it the juice of one lemon; a wineglassful of brandy or rum, and a teaspoonful of nutmeg mix very thoroughly; cannot be made thoroughly in less than a half-hour; keep in a cold place.

STEAMED PUDDING.—One cup of sweet milk; 1 cup of butter or chopped suet; 1 cup of raisins; 1 cup of molasses; 3 cups of flour; 2 teaspoons of cinnamon (ground); 1 teaspoon each of cloves and nutmeg; 1 teaspoon cream of tartar; 2 teaspoons soda.—Sauce for above: One pint hot water; 2 tablespoons butter; 2 tablespoons flour; 1 cup of sugar; flavor to taste. Make the pudding in a two-quart basin, set in a steamer, cover tightly, and steam two hours without uncovering.

CHICKEN SALAD.—Cut the white meat of chickens into small bits, the size of peas, chop the sticks of celery nearly as small. Prepare a dressing in this way: rub the yolks of hard boiled eggs smooth; to each yolk put half a teaspoonful of mustard, the same quantity of salt, a tablespoonful of oil and a wine glass of vinegar; mix the chicken and celery in a large bowl, and pour over this dressing with a little cream added. The dressing must not be put on till just before it is served.

Dominoes for masquerades are made this season in the old shapes, but of the richest brocaded and Oriental-looking fabrics.

PHUNNY-GRAPHS.

TAKING THE VEIL.

She took the veil! So young, so fair,
Oh! was she not too pure for earth?
Around her seemed to breathe the air
That came of more than human birth.

She took the veil! And Macy's clerk,
Who saw her take it, took her too;
The Judge said: "This is ticklish work;
So, madam, ninety days for *you*."
—*Ohio.*

How's blizz?—New York Commercial. Ael.—Detroit Free Press.

He is often deceived, who taketh all other men for asses.—San Francisco Wasp.

The man who kant laff iz an animal and the man who don't iz a devil.—Josh Billings.

A New York man calls his sweetheart Kitty, because she gets her back up so often.—Graphic.

A dressmaker never thinks of going to a lawyer when she wishes to commence a suit.—Lowell Citizen.

Don't borrow trouble. Unless you come naturally by it, try and get along without it.—W. A. Wilkins.

Good food for paragraphers—buckwheat cakes—it'll bring the humor out, every time.—Keokuk Gate City.

The trouble about an "open winter" is that too much cold weather is apt to get in.—Buffalo Evening Express.

Arkansas women love to whistle.—Boston Post. And what is more lovely than tulips well blown?—Philadelphia Bulletin.

The best machinery ever made, will not work, unless its parts are well lubricated with oil of the brain.—Whitehall Times.

A Bridgeport man says his wife is only half like a telescope. He can draw her out, but he can't shut her up.—Norristown Herald.

Turners Falls Reporter: General Hazen, the new "Old Probabilities," began life as a plumber. How the old fellow favors the trade!

There's mourning in the "wake" of a homeward-bound vessel.—New York News. Except when the wind is dead ahead.—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

A New York writer says that the humorists have had their day. Yes, it is undeniable that there is marked wane among them.—Cincinnati Sunday Night.

Dr. Drinkphast says it cost him twenty dollars to color his meerschaum. Those who know him best say it cost him about three thousand to color his nose.—Norristown Herald.

Aminadab heard a young man say the other day that his best girl was too sweet for anything, when the inquisitive youth asked if she was sweet enough to cut up into chunks and sell for taffy.—Marathon Independent.

One feels complimented if you tell him that he has a heart of oak, but if you carry the simile still further, and tell him that he has a wooden head also, he is apt to feel that you are carrying the joke a little too far.—Ex.

A novelty in neck lingerie for gentlemen is made of hemp and manilla, and is worn so as to close up pretty snug when the gentleman steps through the trap. It is much affected in Nevada and New Mexico.—Burlington Hawkeye.

A fond mother said to her little son: "Tommy, my dear, I am going to give you a little companion, which would you prefer, a little boy or a little girl?" "Well, mother," replied Tommy, "if it is all the same to you, I would rather have a little donkey."

They had been at the masquerade, where she recognized him at once.—"What the loud beating of your heart, my darling, that told you I was near?" murmured he. "Oh no," she replied, "I recognized your crooked legs."—J. Joshua Jenkins.

You will never get up in the world unless you get up in the morning.... Hardware dealers number tacks-payers among their best customers.... Who will take care of the lingo of our mothers when Dicky Grunt White is gathered to his fathers?—N. Y. News.

A painful rumor—rheumatism.... An early rye sir—a whiskey cocktail.... The Irish question—"want yer sidewalk shoveled off?".... A pudding, like a house, is often ruined by bad plumming.... Striking seems to be the forte of the New York piano men.—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

A German was in a room with a dozen other lodgers, trying to sleep, but was kept awake by their terrific snoring. At last one of the snorers, who had been shaking the building for half an hour, gave a snort and stopped short. "Tank Cott, von ish tead!" said the Dutchman.—Peck's Milwaukee Sun.

Our song birds: The sparrows are like some men who get credited for a great deal of evil that they don't do. Sparrows are accused of driving away our song birds. Of all our song birds the cat is the best known and most numerous. Yet the sparrow would not harm so much as a hair of the cat's head.—Brooklyn Eagle.

When two loafers commenced to call each other "liar," "miscreant," "perjurer," and other pet names in old Seilheimer's saloon, the proprietor picked up a porter bottle and indignantly exclaimed: "Now, go right avay avit! Dese saloon is not von of does Vashington congresses, and don'd you forgot id!"—Norristown Herald.