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Take any ten men that you know, and two of them will be very successful, three or four more are thoroly successful and the balance are not successful at all. So it is with our assortment of suits. We bought ten styles to sell at $12.00. To our mind each style was excellent, but three or four of them sold out right away, three or four more are about one-half worn, and the balance have not sold at all. The reason why this is so, we confess we don't know, but we are going to sell the balance of these suits We never carry stock long enough to be shelf-worn. Therefore

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AMONG OUR NEIGHBORS.

GREENWOOD.

Welcome rains.

The Fourth passed Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Miner Shaw returned from a week's visit at Buffalo Saturday.

Lewis Huntington, an old and highly esteemed citizen of Greenwood, died at his home Sunday morning, at the advanced age of 82 years. He leaves a widow and two daughters, Mrs. Sarah Perry and Mrs. E. Ostrander, to mourn his loss.

Byron Austin, wife and son returned to their home in Springville Friday.

Hovey Stephens, wife and son of Buffalo are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Stephens, in this city.

Jesse Grantier of Andover was in town making calls Friday.

Clarence Webster and Mrs. Jesse Webster visited her sister, Mrs. A. Ruger, at Elm Valley, Saturday.

Davis Webster is down with measles.

Miss Helen Hoyt of Walton, N. Y. is the guest of Misses Sarah and Grace Kellogg.

Quite a delegation from Greenwood attended the celebration at Hornellsville the Fourth. They had the pleasure of riding in a side-door palace car without extra charge.

Harry Cheesman has moved into the Reimann house, corner of Dryden and Factory streets.

Merton Goff and family of Independence spent Sunday with his father, Moroni Goff of Andover street.

N. E. Coston, H. A. Cole and E. Spencer were called to Canisteo Monday on a Lawsuit.

Mrs. Sarah Perry and daughter Inez are in town, called here by the death of Mrs. Perry's father.

Mrs. Marion Streeter fell the Fourth and fractured her arm.

Mason Hollenbeck of Jasper was shaking hands with friends in Greenwood Saturday.

Miss Bertha Kellogg closed her term of school on Pingrey Hill Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Guyon spent Saturday at Andover with Mr. and Mrs. Felton Robinson.

Harmon Hoyt and family of Westfield, Pa., who have been visiting her brother at Clarksville, stopped over Sunday on their return, with A. J. Chapman in Greenwood.

Court Freeland of Harrison Valley was the guest of his father, Harrison Freeland of South Main street, Sunday.

The family of Ed. Ferris of Hornellsville are visiting relatives in town.

Dr. C. F. Smith and wife went to Bath Monday.

Frank Alden of Howard has been stopping a few days with his cousin, Byron Ruger. Mr. Alden left for Ellisburg, Pa., Thursday.

D. M. Chilson of Canisteo was in Greenwood Thursday.

Mrs. Will Sims and son Ora, and Harry Moore of Coudersport, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Emery of Andover spent the Fourth with Mrs. Cynthia Moore.

Mrs. Ruth Pease of West Hill has a sick horse. It is under the professional care of Dr. Frank Berton of Canisteo.

The children of Lee Davis of Canisteo are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Clancy of West Greenwood.

Messrs. A. Harris and C. F. Thomas are canvassing this vicinity for orders to enlarge pictures.

A. R. Miner of Canisteo was in town Monday.

A. J. Lawrence and wife of Camron were guests at the Greenwood Hotel Monday.

James Bachle and Fred Wilbur of Hornellsville spent Monday night in Greenwood.

Lew Carter of Buffalo, formerly of Bennett's, was in town Monday.

Miss Sarah Shaw has returned from Buffalo where she has been for a surgical operation which was successfully performed.

Miner Shaw took in the sights of Erie county from an automobile. Miner said it made him dizzy. Perhaps it was that.

Seymour Dennis and Luzerne Drake of Jasper completed a new telephone line over Jackson Hill to Greenwood Monday.

H. Updyke of West Greenwood had a horse stolen Saturday night. Jesse T. Atkins had a buggy taken at the same time.

Arthur York and family of West Greenwood visited Jesse Atkins of Christian Hollow last week.

Ed. Griswold of Troupsburg called on friends in town Monday.

Rev. L. H. Squires of Hornellsville preached the funeral sermon of Lewis Huntington Tuesday.

Daniel Crusen of this place returned Monday from Stanards, where he was called by the serious illness of his cousin, Isaac Crusen. He reports that the latter is very low.

Darius Pingrey is away on a visit to parts unknown.

The Misses O'Neil and Houlihan of Hornellsville are guests of Mrs. T. O. Swan of North Main street.

Mrs. Jane Rogers and two children of Brooklyn are guests of their cousin, Mrs. Addie Smith of North Main street.

We clip from the Elmira Advertiser, found elsewhere, a dispatch concerning our railroad.

The account of the Daley-Hadley wedding, found in another column, was taken from a Michigan paper, and will be of interest to many people in Greenwood and Andover.

The road around Cemetery Hill in Hornellsville continues to form one of the chief topics of the Hornellsville press. The interests of all seem to demand the proposed improvement.

Milo Acker, Esq. of Hornellsville was a caller at Greenwood Monday.

The Best Remedy for Stomach and Bowel Troubles.

"I have been in the drug business for twenty years and have sold most all of the proprietary medicines of any note. Among the entire list I have never found anything to equal Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy for all stomach and bowel troubles," says O. W. Wakefield, of Columbus, Ga. "This remedy cured two severe cases of chronic diarrhœa in my family, and I have recommended and sold hundreds of bottles of it to my customers to their entire satisfaction. It affords quick and sure cure in a pleasant form." For sale by Benedict & Van Noy, Andover, and N. E. Coston, at Greenwood.

INDEPENDENCE.

We are having plenty of nice showers, and everything is growing finely.

Some of the farmers have commenced haying.

Rob and Floyd Clarke visited friends at Little Genesee last week, returning Monday.

J. F. Remington and wife returned from Barbertown Sunday, and will be at home for a few days.

Geo. and Howard Clarke and Ray Livermore went to Little Genesee Monday to work in haying for W. D. Clarke.

The measle cases mentioned last week are all doing well. There are but two new cases, that of Elizabeth and Ada Belle Bassett.

Mrs. Thomas B. Titsworth, after spending several months with her brothers on Crandall street, returned to her home in Plainfield, N. J., on Tuesday.

The Ladies' Aid Society will give an ice cream social at the home of M. A. Crandall on Tuesday evening, July 17.

Lyman Burdick and family, from Hebron, Pa., visited his brother, Rev. W. L. Burdick, the latter part of last week.

S. G. Crandall and wife, W. R. Crandall and wife, M. A. Crandall and wife, and Mrs. Thos. B. Titsworth were invited guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Bassett Tuesday evening.

Was it a Miracle?

"The marvelous cure of Mr. Rena J. Stout of consumption has created intense excitement in Cammack, Ind.," writes Marion Stuart, a leading druggist of that town. "He had lost weight 90 pounds when her doctor in Yorktown said she must soon die. Then she began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and gained 37 pounds in weight and was completely cured." It has cured thousands of hopeless cases, and is positively guaranteed to cure all throat, chest and lung diseases. 50c. and $1. Trial bottles free at L. A. Burrows' and all other drug stores.

Rexville.

Father Alexander of Allegany is visiting Father Casey.

Robert Conway was in Buffalo last week.

A son was born to Dr. and Mrs. Vaughan, July 5. Congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. McCaw of Brooklyn are the guests of James Fitz Patrick.

Sister Hyacinth of Winston, N. H., is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. Maxwell.

Max Maxwell of Buffalo is spending the summer vacation in town.

Mrs. Philip Falling has returned to her home in Canisteo after a week's visit in town.

During last May an infant child of our neighbor was suffering from cholera infantum. The doctors had given up all hopes of recovery. I took a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy to the house, telling them I felt sure it would do good if used according to directions. In two days time the child had fully recovered. The child is now vigorous and healthy. I have recommended this remedy frequently and have never known it to fail.—Mrs. Curtis Baker, Bookwalter, Ohio. Sold by Benedict & Van Noy, Andover, and N. E. Coston, Greenwood.

YOUNG HICKORY.

Haying is at hand.

The Fourth brought rain as usual.

S. B. Hauber took supper at J. O. Potter's on Wednesday.

The sick are improving.

The Sunday School Convention, held at this place on Saturday, was well attended.

A goodly number gathered at the church to listen to the Sunday-school exercises Saturday evening, but were disappointed.

Rev. C. A. Wiley called on friends in this place on Saturday and Sunday, and also preached in the church Sunday morning.

Mrs. Chas. Aubel and Miss Marion Grinolds were guests of J. O. Potter's Saturday and Saturday.

Miss Jennie Lewis was baptized into the Mormon Church Sunday.

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Many thousands have been restored to health and happiness by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. If afflicted with any throat or lung trouble, give it a trial for it is certain to prove beneficial. Coughs that have resisted all other treatment for years, have yielded to this remedy and perfect health been restored. Cases that seemed hopeless, that the climate of famous health resorts failed to benefit, have been permanently cured by its use. For sale by Benedict & Van Noy, Andover, and N. E. Coston, Greenwood.

INDEPENDENCE.

A gentleman recently cured of dyspepsia gave the following appropriate rendering of Burns' famous blessing; "Some have meat and cannot eat, and some have none tha' want it; but we have meat and we can eat. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure be thanked." This preparation will digest what you eat. It instantly relieves and radically cures indigestion and all stomach disorders. Benedict & Van Noy, Andover; E. Breeze, Elm Valley.

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Great consternation was felt by the friends of M. A. Hogarty of Lexington, Ky., when they saw he was turning yellow. His skin slowly changed color, also his eyes, and he suffered terribly. His malady was yellow jaundice. He was treated by the best doctors, but without benefit. Then he was advised to try Electric Bitters, the wonderful stomach, liver and kidney medicine, and he writes: "After taking two bottles I was wholly cured." A trial proves its matchless merit for all stomach, liver and kidney troubles. Only 50c. Sold by L. A. Burrows, Andover, and all other druggists.

RAILROAD EXTENSION.

New York & Pennsylvania Will be Known from Millport, Pa., to Shingle House.

General Manager Brown and Directors Cobb and McConnell of the New York and Pennsylvania Railroad company, made a tour of inspection of the road last week and it was decided to extend the road from Millport to Shingle House, Pa., a distance of five miles, which will bring the road to the center of the gas belt which furnishes Potter and Tioga counties with their supply of natural gas. The extension of the road will be of great benefit to Shingle House and its surrounding country. It is probable that the road will sometime be extended from Shingle House to Ceres, N. Y., thence to Portage, where it will connect with the Pennsylvania railroad, thus greatly increasing the facilities of the road and its value.

Shingle House is desirous of having a glass factory located there, and will furnish gas for five cents per thousand feet to the company that establishes such an industry. Work on the extension from Millport to Shingle House will be commenced to-day.—Elmira Advertiser.

RIPENING THE CREAM.

Valuable Hints Regarding Setting, Temperature and Proper Treatment Up to Churning.

Setting.—There are many ways of setting milk for cream, and the separator is now taking the place of them all. But I will prefer pans holding from six to eight quarts filled two-thirds full. Place them on a rack in a good-milk room and give them the close attention necessary to get good results. The quality of the butter will excel the separator product, while the quantity will closely approach it.

Cream Room.—For ten or twelve cows, a room eight by ten built in the coolest corner of milkhouse; ceiled with pine and having a plank rack on top of one side for ice, with tub below for water; must be well lighted, yet with blinds to darken it if will; milk rack extending length of each side, with wide shelf or table before window for cream pails while skimming milk. The room can be warmed in winter by a stove in a larger room.

Temperature.—Must we varied according to condition of milk. When cows are fresh cream can be raised at lower temperature than after milking them some time. Milk from different herds requires a different treatment, making it hard to give exact rules; 60 to 62 degrees in warm weather, and in cold weather 62 to 65 degrees, seems to secure the best results. Careful watching, noting results from certain temperature, will soon give the exact degree required.

Treatment Up to Churning.—The cream should be removed from the milk as soon as all has risen. If not taken one cream at a time, it is required to hold a churning, equal quantities should be skimmed into each and thoroughly stirred each time. Cream should not stand more than a morning before churning. If not ripened enough, use a starter. If ripe it is kept at proper temperature, it will be about right. But if not, that it is warmed or cooled as needed to about 60 degrees before churning. A good thermometer is as necessary in the dairy as a churn. And let me say "Eternal vigilance is the price of success" in the dairy, as in other business.—Mrs. G. E. Brainard, in Dairy Farmer.

Alcohol, the Skin and the Heart.

A party of Americans in crossing Sierra Nevada encamped at a spot above the snow line. Some of them took a good deal of spirits before going to sleep, and they slept warm and happy; some took a moderate quantity, and they lay awake somewhat but not very cold; others took none at all, and they lay down very cold and miserable. Next morning, however, those who had taken the spirits got up feeling quite well; those who had taken a little got up feeling cold and parched, those who had taken a great deal did not get up at all; they had perished from cold during the night. Those who took no alcohol kept their hearts warm at the expense of their skin, and they remained well; those who took more warmed their skin at the expense of their hearts, and they died.—Dr. Carter.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice to Creditors.

IN pursuance of an order made by Hon. S. M. Norton, Allegany County Judge, on the 6th day of April, 1900, notice is hereby given to all creditors and persons having claims against the estate of George Spaulding, deceased, late of the town of Amity, county of Allegany, state of New York, that they are required to present their claims with the vouchers thereof duly verified to the subscriber, at the office of Van Fleet & Phillips, in the village of Andover, county of Allegany, and state of New York, on or before the 15th day of October, 1900.

Dated Andover, N. Y., April 11, 1900.

VAN FLEET & PHILLIPS, ORANGE SMITH, Executor.
Attorneys for Executor.

DALEY-HADLEY.

Dr. Grant S. Hadley Weds a Charming Hillsdale Girl.

Dr. Grant Hadley, the popular dentist, of the firm of Andrews & Hadley, was married last evening to Miss Grace Daley, the happy event occurring at the home of the bride's parents near Hillsdale. More than a hundred guests were present, the Coldwater contingent being Misses Rose and Lavinia Whitney, Mabelle Halleck, Edna Shepperd and Anna Mannerow, Messrs. Guy Thurston, L. E. Kimmel, Ernest Smith, Chas. Hiller, W. Sweeney and Wm. Coombs. After the ceremony a three-course supper was served. The gifts made a lavish display, and testified to the popularity of the couple. The groom's present to his bride was a beautiful pearl sunburst pin. After two or three days spent with relatives in Hillsdale county the doctor and his handsome bride will be at home in the A. A. Dorrance residence on Grand street.

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TIP TOP.

D. A. Yentzer of Roulette, Pa., was visiting his sister, Mrs. W. E. Baker, a couple of days last week.

F. M. Lee, wife and daughter Mabel attended the Vincent-Baker wedding at Andover last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent, the newly-married couple, are spending a few days at the bride's uncle's, F. M. Lee.

Judd Bennett and L. L. Spencer celebrated the ever glorious at Hornellsville.

Alvin Baker and Willie C. Green wheeled to Hornellsville and back on the Fourth.

D. L. Langworthy and wife spent the Fourth at W. E. Baker's.

Miss Marie Langworthy was visiting Miss Mae Baker a couple of days last week.

M. A. Green was at E. A. Cottrell's, taking care of his son Eddie, who has been sick with measles. Eddie is improving at present writing.

G. B. Proper and wife visited at G. N. Martin's Sunday.

Clayton Williams and sister Carrie were guests of Miss Mable Lee on the Fourth.

Albert Wilcox of Hornellsville and Miss Grace Tucker of Almond were visiting at F. M. Lee's, and attended the Vincent-Baker wedding at Andover last Thursday.

R. Thompson of Salamanca, master carpenter of the Allegheny division of the Erie, and S. N. Draper of Salamanca, who has charge of the water works of the division, were at Tip Tip a couple of days last week, repairing the water works in the tank.

Mrs. H. H. Wilcox and children of Hornellsville, who have been visiting her mother, Mrs. M. A. Best, the past ten days, returned home Wednesday.

Mrs. Edward Green has been the past week at E. A. Cottrell's on Independence hill, helping care for her grandson.

Davis Lee and wife of Andover were visiting at W. E. Baker's last Friday.

Mrs. A. M. Burrows and Mrs. V. L. Eggleston were calling on Mrs. John Lusk and Mrs. B. S. Baker last Friday.

M. F. Baker, operator at JX tower, is home for a few days.

After many intricate experiments, scientists have discovered methods for obtaining all the natural digestants. These have been combined in the proportion found in the human body and united with substances that build up the digestive organs, making a compound called Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It digests what you eat and allows all dyspeptics to eat plenty of nourishing food while the stomach troubles are being radically cured by the medicinal agents it contains. It is pleasant to take and will give quick relief. Benedict & Van Noy, Andover; E. Breeze, Elm Valley.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson in the International Series for July 15, 1900—The Gentile Woman's Faith.

[Prepared by H. C. Lenington.]

THE LESSON TEXT.

(Mark 7:24-30.)

24. And from there he arose and went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered into an house, and would have no man know it; but he could not be hid.
25. For a certain woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at His feet.
26. The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought Him that He would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.
27. But Jesus said unto her, Let the children first be fed: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it into the dogs.
28. And she answered and said unto Him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs.
29. And He said unto her, For this saying, go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter.
30. And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed.

GOLDEN TEXT.—Lord, help me.—Matt. 15:25.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

"Triumphant Faith" would be an appropriate topic for this lesson, and for the second time as recorded in the Gospels it is the faith of a Gentile that is held up to the admiration of the world. We remember that upon another occasion Jesus, speaking of the Roman centurion said: "I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel." This time it is the faith of a Syrophoenician woman that is held up as an example by which we might profit. However, before entering upon this study we may make a brief note of what happened between the last lesson and the present. This includes: (1) Visit to scene of disturbance in Jerusalem.

(2) Discourse on Eating with Unwashen Hands.

(3) Increasing Opposition to Jesus.

The feast of the passover occurred April 16, A. D. 29, but Jesus did not go to Jerusalem to attend it, probably because of the already apparent opposition of the rulers. The Jews of Judea had evidently looked forward to His coming, and were disappointed. Even the Pharisees wanted to see Him, but as soon as the passover was over they started north for an interview. Jesus did not avoid them; He and the disciples went on in their accustomed way. No sooner had the distinguished men from Jerusalem arrived than they found an occasion for controversy. The disciples did not follow the traditions of the Jewish elders and rabbis in the custom of washing their hands before eating. Jesus' reply, as usual, went straight to the heart of the matter. He said (Matt. 15:16): "Ye have made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition," and cites in illustration traditions which have had the effect of causing open violation of one of the ten commandments. Then to the multitude that gathered about Him He declared that it is "not that which goeth into the mouth that defileth a man, but that which cometh out," explaining that "those things which proceeded out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies; these are the things which defile a man; but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man." This rebuke to and exposure of the Pharisees before the people helped increase the growing hostility of the rulers. So He departed for a short time among the hills of eastern Phoenicia. There He entered into a house, and would have no man know it." But word soon got abroad that the great healer was in the neighborhood, and the incident of the visit of the Syrophoenician woman occurs.

Faith Triumphing Over Obstacles.—The beautiful story of a Gentile woman's faith turns on the point that the Jews in general and the Pharisees in particular spoke and acted as if all Gentiles as dogs. The fact that Jesus used the term seems not to have surprised the woman, and probably for the reason that the exclusiveness of the strict Jews was universally understood, and at this place, only 30 or 40 miles from Capernaum, the Phoenicians were accustomed to meeting with the haughty contempt of their neighbors to the east and south. Her daughter had an unclean spirit, a demon, according to Matthew. She needed help, and, from what she had heard of Jesus, she knew He could give it to her, and she was willing to risk her own pride to gain it. The answer of Jesus in no wise discouraged her. If the Jews were the "children" and the Gentiles only "dogs," yet she remembered that even the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs." "For this saying," showing her humility, trust and faith, Jesus rewarded her prayer. "O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee, even as thou will."—Matt. 15:28.

Living in This Life.

Hereafter can have little practical power on the life and character of a person who neglects or disregards the present. As Dr. Stalker says: "Religion should be not an insurance for the next world, but a programme for the present world." How to use, or misuse, the life that is, is the indication of our fitness, or our unfitness, for the life that is to come.—S. Times.

In the Right Road.

It is better even to stumble along in the right road than to step firm in the wrong one.—Ram's Horn.

Love and Life.

The life of love is better than the love of life.—Ram's Horn.

Now Twice Canny.

A steadfast faith brings to a transient peace.—John Mason.

A short prayer will get to Heaven quicker than a long one.

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RELIGION OF CHRIST.

Dr. Talmage Says It Is a Preventive of This World's Ills.

An Active Principle Which Constantly Works for the Welfare of Body, Mind and Soul—A Mighty Antiseptic.

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Washington, July 1.

Dr. Talmage is now traveling in Norway, where he has been delighted and astonished in the natural phenomena and the quaint social life of that wonderful land. In his discourse this week he argues, contrary to the opinion of many, that religion is an active principle which works constantly for the welfare of body, mind and soul. His text is Luke 14:34: "Salt is good."

The Bible is a dictionary of the finest similes. It employs, among living creatures, storks and eagles and doves and unicorns and sheep and cattle; among trees, sycamore and terebinths and pomegranates and almonds and apples; among jewels, pearls and amethysts and jacinths and chrysoprases. Christ uses no stale illustrations. The illustrations He picks for His sermons are dewy fresh; the ravens in His discourses are not stuffed specimens of birds, but warm with life from wing tip to wing tip; the fish He points to are not dull about the gills, as though long captured, but a-squirm in the net just brought up on the beach of Tiberias. In my text, which is the peroration of one of His sermons, He picks up a crystal and holds it before His congregation as an illustration of divine grace in the heart, when He says what we all know by experiment: "Salt is good."

I shall try to carry out the Saviour's idea in this text and in the first place say to you that grace is like salt in its beauty. In Galilee there are mines of salt, with excavations and underground passages reaching, I am told, 280 miles. Far under ground there are chapels and halls of reception, the colors, the altars and the pulpits of salt. When the king and the princes come to visit these mines, the whole place is illuminated, and the glory of crystal walls and crystal ceilings and crystal floors and crystal columns, under the glare of the torches and the lamps, needs words of crystal to describe it. But you need not go so far as that to find the beauty of it. You live in a land which produces millions of bushels of it in a year, and you can take the morning rail train and in a few hours get to the salt mines and salt springs. And you have this article morning, noon and night on your table. Salt has all the beauty of the snowflake and water foam with durability added. It is beautiful to the naked eye, but under the glass you see the stars and diamonds and the white tree branches and the pillars and the bridges of fire as the sun glints them. There is more architectural skill in one of these crystals of salt than human ingenuity has ever demonstrated in an Alhambra or St. Peter's.

It would take all time, with an infringement upon eternity, for an angel of God to tell one-half the glories in a salt crystal. So with the grace of God. It is perfectly beautiful. I have seen it smooth out wrinkles of care from the brow. I have seen it make an aged man feel almost young again. I have seen it lift the stooping shoulders and put sparkle into the dull eye. Solomon discovered its therapeutic qualities when he said: "It is marrow to the bones." It brings digestive force and purifying the blood and to calm the pulses and quiet the spleen, and instead of Tyndall's prayer test of 20 years ago, putting a man in a philosophical hospital to be experimented upon by prayer, it keeps him so well that he does not need to be prayed for as an invalid. I am speaking now of a healthy religion—not of that morbid religion that sits for three hours on a gravestone reading Harvey's "Meditations Among the Tombs"—a religion that prospers best in a bad state of the liver! I speak of the religion that Christ preached. I suppose when that religion has conquered the world that disease will be banished and that a man a hundred years of age will come in from business and say: "I feel tired. I think it must be time for me to go," and without one physical pang Heaven will have him.

But the chief beauty of grace is in the soul. It takes that which was hard and cold and repulsive and makes it all over again. It pours upon one's nature what David calls "the beauty of holiness." It extirpates everything that is hateful and unclean. If jealousy and pride and lust and worldliness lurk about, they are cheered and have a very small sweep. Jesus throws upon the soul the fragrance of a summer garden as He comes in, saying, "I am the rose of Sharon," and He submerges it with the glory of a spring morning as He says: "I am the light." Oh, how much that grace did for the three Johns! It took John Bunyan, the foul mouthed, and made him John Bunyan, the immortal dreamer. It took John Newton, the infidel sailor, and in the midst of the hurricane made him cry out: "My mother's God, have mercy upon me!" It took John Summerfield from a life of sin and, by the hand of a Christian maker of edge tools, led him into the pulpit that burns still with the light of that Christian eloquence which charmed thousands to the Jesus whom he once despised. Ah, you may search all the earth over for anything so beautiful or beautifying as the grace of God. Go all through the deep mine passages of Wieliczka and amid the underground kingdoms of salt in Petersstadt, and show me anything so exquisite, so transcendently beautiful as this grace of God fashioned and hung in eternal crystals.

Again, grace is like salt in the fact that it is a preservative of life. Man and beast perish without salt. What are those paths across the western prairies? Why, they were made there by deer and buffalo going to and coming away from the salt "licks." Chemists and physicians all the world over tell us that salt is a necessity of life. And so with the grace of God; you must have it or die. I know a great many speak of it as a mere adornment, a sort of shoulder strap adorning a soldier, or a light, frothing dessert brought in after a greatest part of the banquet of life is over, or a medicine to be taken after powders and mustard plasters have failed to do their work, but ordinarily a mere superfluity, a string of bells around a horse's neck while he draws the load, and in nowise helping him to draw it. So far from that, I declare the grace of God to be the first and the last necessity. It is food we must take or starve into an eternity of famine. It is clothing without which we freeze to the mast of infinite terror. It is the plank, and the only plank, on which we can float shoreward. It is the ladder, and the only ladder, on which we can climb up into the light. It is a positive necessity for the soul. You can tell very easily what the effect would be if a person refused to take salt into the body. The energies would fail, the lungs would collapse with the air, slow fevers would crawl through the brain, the heart would flutter, and the life would be gone. Salt a necessity for the life of the body; the grace of God a necessity for the life of the soul.

Again I remark that grace is like salt in abundance. God has strewn salt in vast profusion all over the continents. Russia seems built on a salt cellar. There is one region of that country that turns out 90,000 tons in a year. England and Russia and Italy have inexhaustible resources in this respect. Norway and Sweden, white with snow above, white with salt beneath. Austria, yielding 900,000 tons annually. Nearly all the nations rich in salt springs, salt rocks, salt seas. Christ, the Creator of the world, when He uttered our text, knew it would become more and more significant as the shafts were sunk and the springs were bored and the pumps were worked and the crystals were gathered. So the grace of God is abundant. It is for all lands, for all ages, for all conditions. It seems to undergird everything. Pardon for the worst sin, comfort for the sharpest suffering, bright light for the thickest darkness. Around about the salt lakes of Saratov there are 10,000 men toiling day and night, and yet they never exhaust the salt treasures. And if the 1,600,000,000 of our race should now cry out to God for His mercy there would be enough for all—for those farthest gone in sin, for the murderer standing on the drop of the gallows. It is an ocean of mercy; and if Europe and Asia, Africa, North and South America and all the islands of the sea went down in it to-day they would have room enough to wash and come up clean. Let no man think that his case is too tough a one for God to act upon. Though your sin may be as scarlet and crying, let me tell you that God's grace is a bridge not built on earthly piers, but suspended and spanning the awful chasm of your guilt, and resting upon the rock of eternal promises and the other on the foundations of Heaven. Demetrius wore a robe so incrusted with jewels that no one after him ever dared to wear it, but our King, Jesus, takes off the robe of His righteousness, a robe blood dyed and Heaven impearled, and reaches out to the worst wretch in all the earth and says: "Put that on! Wear it now! Wear it forever."

Again, the grace of God is like salt in the way we come at it. The salt on the surface is almost always impure—that which incrusts the Rocky mountains and the South American pampas and in India; but the miners go down through the shafts and through the dark labyrinths and along by galleries of rock and, with torches and pickaxes, find their way under the very foundations of the earth, to where the salt lies that makes up the nation's wealth. To get to the best saline springs of the earth huge machinery goes down, boring depth below depth, depth below depth, until from under the very roots of the mountains the saline water supplies the aqueduct. This water is brought to the surface and is exposed in tanks to the sun for evaporation, or it is put in boilers might'ly heated, and the water evaporates, and the salt gathers at the bottom of the tank—the work is completed, and the fortune is made. So with the grace of God. It is to be profoundly sought after. With all the concentered energies of body, mind and soul we must dig for it. No man stumbles accidentally on it. We need to go down to the very lowest strata of earnestness and faith to find it. Superficial exploration will not turn it up. We must strive and implore and dig until we strike the spring foaming with living waters. Then the work of evaporation begins, and as when the saline waters are exposed to the sun, the vapors float away, leaving nothing but the pure white salt at the bottom of the tank, so, when the Christian soul is exposed to the Son of Righteousness the vapors of pride and selfishness and worldliness float off, and there is chiefly left beneath pure white holiness of heart. Then, in the case of the salt, the furnace is added. Blazing troubles, stirred by unsanctified stokers of darkness, quicken the evaporation of worldliness, and the crystallization of grace.

Have you not been in enough trouble to have that work go on? I was reading of Aristotle, who said there was a field of flowers in Sicily so sweet that once a hound, coming on the track of a game, came to that field and was bewildered by the perfumes and so lost the track. Oh, that our souls might become like "a field which the Lord hath blessed" and that so much of the sweetness of Christian character that the hounds of temptation, coming on our track, might lose it and go howling back with disappointment!

But, I remark again, that the grace of God is like the salt in its preservative quality. You know that salt absorbs the moisture of articles of food and inclosures them with brine, which preserves them for a long while. Salt is the great antipurefactor of the world. Experiments, in preserving food, have tried sugar, smoke and air-tight jars and everything else, but as long as the world stands Christ's words will be suggestive, and men will admit that as a great preservative "salt is good." But for the grace of God the earth would have become a stale carcass long before this. That grace is the only preservative of laws and constitutions and literature, and just as soon as a government loses this salt of divine grace it perishes. The philosophy of this day, so far as it is antagonistic to this religion, putrefies and stinks. The great want of our schools of learning and our institutions of science to-day is, not more Leyden jars and galvanic batteries and spectroscopes and philosophical apparatus, but more of that grace that will teach our men of science that the God of the universe is the God of the Bible. How strange it is that in all their magnificent sweep of the telescope they have not seen the morning star of Jesus and that in all their experiments with light and heat they have not seen the light and felt the warmth of the Sun of Righteousness! We want more of the salt of God's grace in our homes, in our schools, in our colleges, in our social life, in our Christianity. And that which has not yet been in the effect it not will die. I proclaim the tendency of everything earthly to putrefaction and death—but the religion of Christ the only preservative.

My subject is one of great congratulation to those who have within their souls this great antiseptic. This salt will preserve them through the temptations and sorrows of life and through the ages of eternity. I do not mean to say that you will have a smooth time because you are a Christian. On the contrary, if you do your whole duty, I will promise you a rough time. You march through an enemy's country, and they will try to double up both flanks and to cut you off from your source of supplies. The war you wage will not be with toy arrows, but sword plunged to the hilt and spurring on your steed over heaps of the slain. But I think that God omnipotent will see you through. I think He will. But why do I talk like an atheist when I ought to say I know He will? "Kept by the power of God through faith unto complete salvation."

When Gov. Geary, of Pennsylvania, died, years ago, I lost a good friend. He impressed me mightily with the horrors of war. In the eight hours that we rode together in the cars he recited to me the scenes through which he had passed in the civil war. He said that there came one battle upon which everything seemed to pivot. Telegrams from Washington said that the life of the nation depended on that struggle. He said to me: "I went into that battle, sir, with my son. His mother and I thought everything of him. You know a father will feel toward his son who is coming up manly and brave and good. Well, the battle opened and concentered, and it was awful. Shell riders burst and tore twisted and piled up together. It was awful, sir. We quit firing and took to the point of the bayonet. Well, sir, I didn't feel like myself that day. I had prayed to God for strength for that particular battle, and I went into it feeling that I had in my right arm the strength of ten giants." And as the governor brought his arm down on the back of the seat it fairly made the car tremble. "Well," he said, "the battle was desperate, but after awhile we gained a little, and we marched on a little. I turned round to the troops and shouted: 'Come on, boys!' and I stepped across a dead soldier, and, lo,