

NINETY DAYS WITH A PASSPORT

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cathedral built in the year 1064, and partly rebuilt during the 16th century, after it was partially destroyed by fire. The dome of the Baptistery (separate buildings connected with many Italian cathedrals, where their followers are baptised) is worthy of note, not only because of its beauty, but also the fact that it is a work of the 12th century.

The three-hour ride to Florence took us thru a level country, covered with olive orchards and vineyards. In Italy, many of the vineyards are in orchards, where the grapevine is twined around a small fruit tree. Every foot of useful ground is covered with something. The people of Italy work hard. They do not possess great natural resources, and therefore are dependent upon their colonies and other countries for many of the necessities of life.

We traveled second class in Italy as in France, but we would recommend first class for enjoyment. Second is crowded and then, about every other time, you have in your compartment a man who expectorates on the floor. We say every other time, because we have had some very polite, clean Italians in our compartment. They are just as refined as the clean educated American.

Florence! Oh, you never say, "I like Florence." You say, "I love Florence."

We spent six glorious days in Florence, "the beautiful," and we saw why Robert and Elizabeth Barrett Browning loved it so. Florence is really a city of the Middle Ages, living in the 20th century. Her streets are narrow, and with their rows of dim lights they present a weird aspect at night. The old palaces of her former princes are seen in every part of the city. She has her own revenue and custom officers who stop one's carriage at the station exit and ask if one's suitcase contains eggs, chicken or tobacco. Articles for which duty must be paid. Florence is so well supplied with hotels that the entire force of attendants meet one at the door in their delight to have new arrivals during the dull season. Here we were initiated into the ways of the Pension (Italian word for small hotel which operates on the American plan). We were given a large, clean room (in fact, all of the rooms are spotlessly clean), with two beds and a balcony overlooking a private garden; with three meals, for about \$1.75 a day. Italy has a law which is a delight to American tourists: All tips in hotels have been abolished and a tax of 10% is added to the bill, to be divided among all servants. The service is excellent because the longer one is pleased the longer he is likely to remain, and of course the pleased customer tells his friends.

Florence is the greatest city in Italy, if we may judge from famous works of art (especially paintings) and from the number of great men whom she has sent out into the world. Let me name the greatest: The poet Dante was born in Florence; we saw his home. The scientist Galileo was born there; the great preacher, Savonarola, lived there; the artists Raphael, Michael Angelo, Leonardo da Vinci and Andrea del Sarto were born here. Speaking of artists, the comment of a Florence citizen may be of interest. We were commenting enthusiastically upon the marvellous collections of sculpture that we saw in Rome. He replied with feeling, "Yes; but you must remember that Rome took her works of art as the result of conquest, while Florence produced her own." The greatest paintings in Rome are by the immortal Florentine painters.

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We have only mentioned a few of the details about Florence which make her attractive. One must read her history in order to appreciate her present life. Of course, for the women from America the "shops" of Florence, with their laces and beads and silks, are a never-ending source of attraction. Except in the larger or older established stores it is necessary to bargain for everything you buy in Italy. Our method is to ask the price of an article, and offer one-half of that price. Then as the merchant comes down from his figures we go up in ours until we meet, and the sale is made. Americans who fail to do this bargaining are the ones who complain about the high prices in Italy.

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LUCKY STRIKE CIGARETTE ITS TOASTED It's toasted. This one extra process gives a delightful quality that can not be duplicated

OUR CHURCHES

SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST

Rev. Walter L. Greene, Pastor. Regular Sabbath services at 2:30 p. m. followed by the Bible School. The pastor will preach. You are welcome to these services. "Take time to be holy and speak with thy Lord."

METHODIST EPISCOPAL

Rev. W. H. Smith, Pastor. 10:30 a. m. Morning worship, sermon by the pastor. 12 M., Sunday School. 6:30 p. m. Junior Epworth League. Topic: "A Christian Praises and Thanks God Continually." Leader, the pastor, assisted by two of the Juniors.

7:30 p. m. Evening worship, sermon by the pastor. Thursdays: at 3 p. m. the Interdenominational Community Week Day Church School will meet at the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches. At 7:30 p. m. the regular mid-week service, with address by the pastor.

ELM VALLEY UNION CHAPEL

2 p. m. Sunday School. 3 p. m., Preaching service, — sermon by the Rev. W. H. Smith.

BAPTIST

A. D. Shepard, Pastor. "The entering wedge to backsliding is neglect of the church," but faithful attendance cleaves the way for right living. Which way does your wedge aim?"

Remember next Sunday is Rally Day

Morning worship, 10:30. Subject: "Our Boys and Girls." Bible School, 12 M. Mrs. F. A. Derr, Supt. Allegany County Sunday Schools, will address our school during the Sunday School hour and will also bring us a brief message at a hour of morning worship.

A conference for all Sunday School workers will be held at 3 o'clock, under the direction of Mrs. F. A. Derr. All are welcome and most cordially invited to be present.

Christian Endeavor 6:15. Topic: "Helping Foreign Missions." Leader, Miss Onnoles Hammell. Evening worship, 7:30. Theme, "Faithful Leading."

Thursday evening is church-night and monthly fellowship meeting. Cafeteria luncheon at 6:30 with social hour following. Bible study, 8 to 8:30. Prayer and testimony, 8:30 to 9:00

PRESBYTERIAN

Royal E. MacGowan, B. D., S. T. B., Pastor. Sunday, September 24th: — Morning Service, 10:30 a. m. sermon: "The Reasonableness of Our Faith."

Evening Service, 7:30 p. m., sermon: "Religion in Everyday Life." Sunday School immediately following the close of the morning service. There are classes for all and everyone is cordially invited to attend and join one of our classes. Rally Day will be observed with appropriate exercises on Sunday, October 8th.

Christian Endeavor meeting at 6:45 in the evening. Topic: "How can we help Foreign Mission Work?" Isaiah 61-8 (Missionary Meeting) Leader, Evelyn Collins.

Mid-week service every Thursday evening at 7:30. On Thursday evening, September 28th, we will continue our course of study on "The Landmarks of the Christian Church." The aim of the course will be to trace the history of the development of the doctrine, character, form or government, etc., of the Christian Church, from the Apostolic Age to the present time. The value of the course will depend largely upon regularity of attendance.

On Sunday, October 1st, we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and will administer the Sacrament of Baptism to infants and adults. Anyone who would like to unite with our church, either by letter or on confession of faith, will inform the pastor or one of the other members of the session in due season. "The Church of God is a supreme institution. It has gathered into itself the best aspirations and fairest hopes of its time. It safeguards the reverencies of life. It holds aloft the

emblems of a purified humanity. It dignifies the Godward aspirations of the heart by pronouncing them the highest and noblest expressions of manhood. Its one unique commission is to conserve the ideal and to hold it up clean, distinct, beautiful, imperative, before the eyes of men. The church is the power house of the Spirit."

We welcome YOU to all the services of OUR church.

CITATION FOR JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT - ADMINISTRATION

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK: By the Grace of God Free and Independent. To Lena Scott, Augusta Chase, Minnie Marvin, Frances Mesler, Rose Redner, Gertrude Rice, Bert Wandover, Will Wandover, Bertha Fessenden, Walter D. Clair, Earl E. Clair, Emma Jane McCray, Vesta Rogers, Matilda Gleason, Mabel Rosenthal, Claude Stives, Ladell Palmer, Nancy J. Walker, Eugene Marvin, Clair Dawson, Elmer Green, and to all other persons interested in the estate of Chester Clair, deceased, whose names are unknown as heirs at law, next of kin, creditors or otherwise interested in estate of said deceased, and to all persons interested in the estate of Chester Clair, late of the County of

Allegany, deceased, as creditors, heirs at law, next of kin or otherwise, send GREETING: You and each of you are hereby cited to show cause before our Surrogate of the County of Allegany, at the Surrogate's Court of said County, held in the Surrogate's Office in the village of Belmont, N. Y., on the 13th day of October, 1922, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why the account of Emma Biswell & James S. Clair, as administrators of the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, should not be judicially settled and allowed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,

we have caused the Seal of the Surrogate's Court of the said County of Allegany to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, Hon. Bernard B. Ackerman, Surrogate of (L.S.) said County, at Belmont, N. Y. (Seal) this 1st day of September in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Two. LEON A. ACKERMAN, Clerk of the Surrogate's Court. NOTE:—This citation is served to give you Legal Notice of the proceeding; but you are not obliged to appear unless you desire to do so. 40 To-to-date Commercial Printing at the News Office.

SAVED LIFE OF Mrs. HARDING. Image of a man in a suit. Text: How many good tenants are ever found except thru advertising?

POEM BY UNCLE JOHN. My little niece has bobbed her hair—which makes her look a trifle queer about her upper story. . . . For she was mighty well supplied with what we call the woman's pride, — in fact, her crownin' glory. . . . I couldn't say that she's improved, by whackin' off the curls I loved— BOBBED it makes her look so sassy! But—when she's HAIR— had 'em off a spell, she may look sweeter—who can tell?—or, mebbe, twice as classy! I'm shore-an-certain bow, that I could never be induced to try to wear luxuriant tresses. . . . I wouldn't want to face a gale, with skyptee-like-a-boss's-tale, or hooked up in long dresses. . . . An'-so, that little niece-of-mine can occupy the firm' line in front of my affections. . . . A fairy-neck an' dimpled-knee can shell my works, an' captiv' me, in spite of all objections! But, still—there's drawbacks to the game, and little resks about the same. It's useless to deny it. Therefore—if I was Teeny's Ma, or other dames that I have saw—I don't believe I'd try it!

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