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Bible Thought For Today

RESTORE THE ERRING.—Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault which is spiritual, restore such a one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted. —Galatians 6:1.

That Nova Scotia Ghost

The failure of Dr. Walter F. Prince, New York psychic researcher to solve the problem of a certain farmhouse ghost in Nova Scotia, doesn't necessarily prove that there wasn't a ghost. It only proves that Dr. Prince wasn't able to see, hear, feel, smell or otherwise perceive the presence of a ghost. Maybe the ghost was there all the time, laughing at the learned scientist, and only hiding his time to start "haunting" his time, setting fire to window curtains, slapping slapping people on the arm and otherwise having a good time in his own spooky way.

It is not necessary to declare flatly that the whole business is ridiculous. It may not be proved that there are ghosts, but if a ghost has been proved that there are no ghosts. In the present state of human knowledge, perhaps an open-minded agnosticism is the only logical attitude. And most people nowadays, while dubious about such matters, seem willing to be "shown."

The majority of ghostly manifestations are explained by psychologists as purely "subjective," that is, the product of the perceiver's own mind, and therefore unreal. There are, however, psychologists of good standing who admit the possibility of apparitions that are "objective," that is, having an external existence, and therefore real. There are, however, psychologists of good standing who admit the possibility of apparitions that are "objective," that is, having an external existence, and therefore real. There are, however, psychologists of good standing who admit the possibility of apparitions that are "objective," that is, having an external existence, and therefore real.

Even if it is true, it does not necessarily mean that the forms seen are the "spirits" or "souls" of other people, living or dead, or anything to be taken seriously. Students of occultism explain such phenomena as "astral" produced more or less automatically and having back of them no real intelligence or meaning or responsibility.

In any case, if there is one sure thing about ghosts, according to the most modern thought, it is that, if they do exist, they are nothing for a normal-minded person to be afraid of.

Credit Scarcity

"Mr. Ford," says the New York World, "talks about a scarcity of money as the reason why industry languishes and a shortage in housing exists. He is mistaken. Money was never so abundant as now. It is credit which is scarce."

It is a useful distinction, usually overlooked by amateur financiers who, like Mr. Ford, would reduce the situation by swelling the currency with forced issues of paper money. And why is credit scarce? "Because there is a shortage for the time being in the confidence of owners of money or capital in the business situation and outlook."

That is always the case in a time of business uncertainty. Money crawls into hiding, and can only be drawn out by abnormally high rates of interest. When business conditions again become indubitably sound, without either abnormal inflation or abnormal uncertainty, money flows freely again, on easy terms. The business of fiat money, in the hands of the country's natural resources, for any other kind not approved by sound business enterprises, would lead, drive good money into hiding, raise prices and interest and restrict credit, thereby deflating its own purpose.

Dr. Ng Yen Chow of China is in this country touring. The last name sounds for itself, but we won't wonder which syllable of the first name is accented.

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IN THE OLD HOME TOWN



Reindeer In Michigan

A herd of reindeer has just been brought to this country from northern Norway to form the nucleus of a permanent herd in Michigan. This is the first experiment to be made in the much-talked-of plan for raising reindeer for commercial purposes in the United States.

The burnt-over lands and pine barrens of Michigan offer excellent feeding places and it is thought climatic conditions will be right. The animals will be raised largely for the food market. The meat is considered superior to beef by many persons who have tried it. But the versatile need of Santa Claus can't be 'dred also for hauling, being easily tamed, swift and strong. The females are good leather. Here is a combination of milkers and the hides make good virtues not to be scorned, especially as the cost of feeding is practically nil.

To the average American, whose ideas of reindeer are mostly inspired by childhood fancies, it is hard to think of the light-footed creatures in so worded a connection. But if Dancer and Dasher and Comet and Cupid live up to their advance notices the available supply of cheap, good meat in America will be increased notably within a few years; and that's not such bad Santa Claus stuff, either.

The American Woolen Company made over \$9,000,000 last year. It deflated while a lot of other corporations were wool-gathering.

THE OFFICE CAT

By JUNIOR



Quite Simple, Too

Edinburgh Scotsman: Septimes Wagge met his chum the other day. "I say, Bill, I watched a wonderful machine at our shop this morning."

"And how does it work?" asked Bill.

"Well," was the reply, "by the means of a pedal attachment, a full-cranked lever converts a vertical reciprocating motion into a circular movement. The principal part of the machine is a huge disc that revolves in a vertical plane. Power is applied through the axis of the disc, and work is done on the periphery, and the hardest substance, by mere impact, may be reduced to any shape."

"What is this wonderful machine?" asked Bill.

"A grindstone," was the reply.

A fog story that won an Answer prize of three guineas was about a London merchant who received one foggy morning a telephone message from his clerk.

"I'm sorry, sir," the clerk said, "but I can't come down to the office this morning on account of the fog. I have not yet arrived home yesterday."

Fastly Repaired

Los Angeles Times: Representative Odessa Mills said at a dinner in Washington:

"I like to see women grow old gracefully. It isn't growing old gracefully to smoke cigarettes and drink cocktails, to wear short skirts and sport bright yellow hair when you're a grandmother. This sort of thing destroys a man's reverence for his sex."

Two old men sat at a table one day. "I fear your wife had an automobile accident the other day," said the first old man. "Oh, it wasn't such a bad accident," said the second old man. "We'd heard that she was the worst injured."

FORUM

THOUGHTS OF AN OCTOGENARIAN.

Editor of The Evening Observer:—Since the sheriff has sent out the tax notices he has created a feeling of both sadness and gladness among the taxpayers of the county. They are so elated to know they possess so much wealth of this world's goods and so chagrined to find out it costs almost the full value of their possessions to meet the taxes on the same. And who is to blame for all these high taxes? Under our form of government the "People are the power behind the throne" and, as good government can only be had through and by the intelligent use of the elective franchise, it is evident the majority of the average voters are not voting for "Hetsy and the babies" but for the fellow that has his best picture stamped on a little card with a few printed lines: "My Platform—Retrenchment and Reform and a Lessening of Taxation." Mr. Taxpayer, do your tax notices correspond with the platform on that little card? The philosopher has no truly said: "Show me the laws of a country and I will tell you the condition of the people." Oh, how true! The laws we are living under are the cause of the condition of taxpayers are complaining of, or real estate is bearing 85 per cent of the tax burden. Our law-making power should consist of a generous number of real 'dirt farmers,' not agriculturalists, who really "farm the farmer."

Baker and Union counties both have had creditable representation in our legislatures for the last several years, working untiringly for the lessening of taxation, while some were, and are, really dirt farmers, and others the success of whose business depended wholly and solely on the farmer, hence their interests are mutual. Only by preventing the emergency clause to our county salary bills we would be paying increased salaries to our county officers the same as we are to our state officers today. Then we have county well-paid commissioners, both state and county, that should be dispensed with. Their salaries taken from our tax notices would make them look much better.

Mr. Taxpayer, there is going to be a primary held in May. Are we going to allow the persons hunting office to tell us they are the ones we are looking for, or will we go to the body of the county and make our own choice? If so, begin to stick up your ears and look around for good times. While our state county and municipal officers are all grooming under their tails of debt and taxation there is still a glimmer of paramount importance to this hanging fire with the highest law-making power known to the vastest world, of which all tax-payers are people of the world are

Artistic temperament: A small portion of genius with the swell-head.

The smaller the town, the greater the enlargement caused by the germ of swell head.

Sure Enough Misery

Cheer up. Even if you are broke and jobless, things might be worse. Suppose you had a run down auto on your hands?

"Ask Junius, She Knows"

"Holy smoke, but wasn't that trade officer boiling mad at the chap who disregarded his signal?"

"I'll say he was, and yet 'hot copers' are getting rarer as the country becomes dryer." (Who said dryer?)

deeply interested and are looking on with great anxiety for favorable action to ratify that which will guarantee peace to the entire world. When the greatest statesmen and diplomats known to the governments of the world met in conference from Versailles to Washington, D. C., and draft agreements and treaties that forty-three governments of the world have cheerfully agreed to, and the "Four-Power Pacific Treaty," agreed to between the four greatest nations of Earth, the agreements of which were drafted by one of America's greatest jurists, statesmen and patriots, there is no reason to not believe but what America's best interests are safeguarded from every standpoint. I say "ratify" from Wilson to Harding, and express my Americanism in the following lines:

In drifting down through the sands of time

To pick out words that they may rhyme

To tell of this world we so much love

In all our works there should be the Dove.

To be happy we must be content,

If in this world we have not a cent

For it's in our power to make life bright

By doing good and living right.

But, oh, to hear the whole world holler

In its wild chase for the mighty dollar.

It has been thus throughout all time.

Which has filled the world with sin and crime.

Why can't man in these two thousand years

Say to our mothers "dry up your tears,

The guns and cannons no more shall roar,

The ships we'll scrap, and war no more."

The iron and steel in these great acres

We'll mould in shape for making plows.

We'll search for scrap in all the nooks

To bend in shape for pruning hooks.

No more we'll crave our brothers' blood.

We'll train our thoughts for doing good.

This earth the Lord to man did give

To till the soil that he might live.

The scriptures have so truly said

"By the sweat of thy brow may man eat bread,"

So heed the command, both faithful and true.

To do unto others as you would others to do unto you.

DUNHAM WRIGHT.

HARDING LOVES DUMB ANIMALS

(By Associated Press)

ALBANY, N. Y., Mar. 24.—President Warren G. Harding has written to Dr. William O. Sullivan, president of The American Humane Association in regard to the Be Kind To Animals Week national celebration, which will occur on April 24 to 29, next. The president wrote:

"I have expressed myself many times in favor of this humane and appealing movement, and I firmly believe we shall improve our human society by every effective step taken to promote the humane treatment of defenceless animals and the protection of the weak and suffering. With very best wishes for your success, I am,

Very Truly Yours,

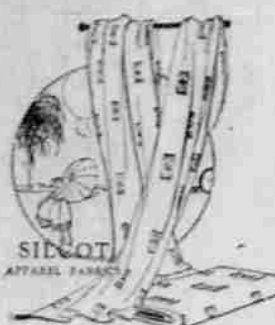
(Signed) Warren G. Harding.

President Harding's love for animals is very well known. The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America has recently taken action favorable toward supporting the movement for animal protection. Humane Sunday will be celebrated April 30th, by thousands of sermons appealing for kindness and humanity from Christian pulpits of all denominations.

FERNS—FERNS.

Compelled to sell all our ferns to make room at the greenhouses. Call at the store and look them over. 5-22-24. CHERRYS FLORESTA.

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Blouses, lingerie, children's school frocks, play suits, new spring suits, coats and frocks will soon be needed. Here you will find a storehouse full of ideas and an array of moderate prices that demand your interest.

COLORFUL COTTONS

A glimpse of these cotton fabrics and you will never be able to wait another day to start spring sewing. This department has just received many new shipments during the past ten days—new fabrics and colors as well as new patterns and colorings in gingham. You should see them as they come in. The fresh new colors are charming.

RATINE

This delightful new cotton fabric for spring is shown here in beautiful colorings and in various weights including a silk mixture. Copenhagen, salmon, green, yellow, tan, orange and white are the shades. Priced from 55c to 72c yard.

TISSUE GINGHAM

A fabric that has already proven its popularity by the vast amount already sold in this department. As sheer and fine as organdy, with the colorful patterns of gingham. It is 22 inches wide and priced at 65c yd.

Smartly Designed WOOLENS

In Spring Weight
Few spring seasons have found such a demand for smart woollens as does this year. The designs are entirely new and so very different from past seasons.

SKIRTINGS

Your first attention must be given to skirtings. There are imported and domestic fabrics in beautiful colorings as well as the ever popular black and white. They are 26 to 54 inches wide and range in price from \$1.50 to \$5.50 yard.

IMPORTED TWEEDS

It's a season for tweeds without a doubt—for coats, suits and all outdoor and sports wearing apparel tweeds come first. We are showing imported Scotch tweeds 54 inches wide in several different shades. Priced at \$2.50 yard.

Silk CREPES

For Spring
Creme silk fabrics are immensely popular for spring wear. Some of the materials have been used before, others are new with the season—but there are new shades in all.

CANTON CREPE

Our Canton crepe are of the finest, heaviest quality obtainable—rich in appearance, lustrous in finish. We have this material in Princess Mary blue, gray, navy, brown, black and white. Priced at \$4.00 and \$4.50.

EMBOSSED CREPE

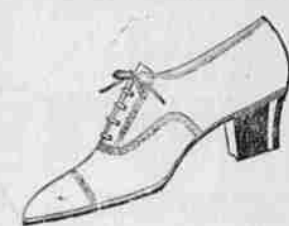
A very new material—shown here for the first time. In delicate shades of green and blue—also navy. A broad design in this material gives it a rich appearance. Ask to see it. Priced at \$2.50 yard.

Low Heel, Square Toe Brown or Black, Armstrong Make

This kind of shoe is a style that meets every demand in footwear. We firmly believe in it too, because it is an ARMSTRONG.

It is on display in one of our windows—also in our shoe department.

In black it is \$3.25, and in brown \$3.00. Sizes 2-12 to 8-12. AAAA to D width. The foot that is extremely hard to fit will find comfort in this Oxford.



PRODUCTION STILL LOW

(By Associated Press)

VIENNA, Mar. 24.—The Austrian Manufacturers' Association has received reports indicating that factory production is only 55 per cent of pre-war efficiency. This is accounted for by three hours a day less working time and a decrease of 25 per cent of the efficiency of labor the manufacturers say.

Have you seen the large Ferns in Cherry Flower Shop window? Don't miss this sale. 5-22-24

Ten pounds of lard \$1.50 at People's Market. Phone Main 747.

Found a Cure for Indigestion.

"I use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for indigestion and find they suit my case better than any dyspepsia remedy I have ever tried and I have used many different medicines. I am nearly fifty-one years of age and have suffered a great deal from indigestion. I can eat almost anything I want to, now," writes Geo. W. Emery, Rock Mills, Ala. These tablets contain no poison but strengthen the stomach and enable it to digest the food naturally.—adv.

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