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Bible Thought For Today

GOD'S RESPONSE:—If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.—2 Chronicles 7:14.

SPOILING GOOD MEN WITH MONEY.

Men are only boys grown tall, hearts don't change much after all, was the song of the old hard, and according to the president of the Oregon Cattle and Horse Growers association, the old saying is true to the extent that men are still like boys and can be spoiled by over-indulgence just as boys can be spoiled.

The speech in which a statement was made that "many a good man—a man who was a thorough success—had been spoiled in recent years by giving him too much capital to work with", was delivered recently and the more one thinks of the remark the more one is forced to believe that many men can be spoiled suddenly by increasing their capital, just as boys are spoiled by allowing them everything their hearts desire.

Good men who fit into the scheme of life in a remarkably snug and satisfactory manner were spoiled the past few years in many instances by suddenly throwing money at them, urging them to take more and use it—a thing which was repeatedly done.

The excess capital threw the men out of balance, and a balance is what is essential to every individual and every business. Where he was used to handling \$10,000 a year and making a safe profit on it, he was at once transformed into the man who handled ten times that much capital. His decisions and his gauges were all set for the smaller amount, and in indulging them ten times many men found it difficult to get their bearings and keep them.

The result was failures by the scores, lack of attention to business in many cases and a general chaotic spread which would not have existed had the general run of investing capital remained about as usual.

It may seem strange, but it is a fact, there is such a thing as getting too much money in the country.

WHAT CONSTITUTES GOOD TIMES?

In Union county everyone is working who wants to work. The highway building, the saw mills starting up, the railroad increasing its number of men all tend to make the jobs plentiful.

The woolmen are selling wool at above thirty cents, cattle are a little better. The outlook for a good crop of winter wheat is good.

What constitutes good times, anyway?

No wonder those British round-the-world-hoppers came to grief right off. They took a black cat with them.

The worst thing about doing things down at Washington nowadays is that you can seldom tell whether any utterance is legislative or political.

Transposition of a word sometimes affects the meaning. For instance in last evening's Observer the lead editorial said, "But, Governor, It Does Pay," when it should have read, "But, Governor, Does It Pay?" Some little difference.

"Screen Star Gets Divorce" reads another headline. Over a news item from Los Angeles. And the editor might just as well "keep that head standing", and save typesetting.

If anyone else comes in with a report that the road is snowed in between La Grande and Pendleton we have a stiff club within easy reach.

A London dispatch says Ambassador Harvey is wearing, for afternoon affairs, "a white topper like Sam Weller's." What the Dickens is that for?

Every time those Irish factions get together for a pact, you can hear the impact.

Imbler beats us all with her Chautauqua program, and she has a good one, too.

If Portland's ball team continues to have grief we will send Cove's huskies down and clean 'em up.

Feminine Adornment.

Do women dress for men, or for themselves? There may be no final answer to this old question, but new light is thrown on it by the complaint of the male superintendent of the girls' reformatory at Bedford, N. Y. "The girls," he says, "take the same pains in dressing and beautifying themselves here as they would for an Easter parade in Fifth avenue. They love to 'doll themselves up'." He thinks it odd, evidently, and even wicked, although there are no masculine eyes to witness the beautification and no masculine morals to be warped by it. He thinks it is bad for the girls themselves, and so he has forbidden various kinds of beauty accessories, restricting the girls to the plainest costumes and simplest prau-

ties. Something must be conceded to simplicity and uniformity in any such institution, but is the superintendent entirely right? Is it really immoral for these girls to make themselves as attractive as they can, even within the reformatory walls? Or is it even a waste of time? Are not such pitiful efforts, at bottom mainly intended to preserve the girls' self-respect? When any human being, especially women, no longer care how they look, they are on the downward path for sure. It means a fundamental slumping of standards. The English gentleman realizing that, insists on "dressing for dinner" though he may be camping in a tropical jungle with none to see him but savages. "Doll up" may be half vanity, but it is also half-virtue. The better

way is not to try to stamp it out, but to direct it and use it as the whole-some means of improvement.

Carrier Pigeons Obsolete.

There is no more use for carrier pigeons. Radiotelephony already, in its pioneer states, has eliminated them. Their function was carrying messages, and there are no more messages for them to carry. The ether serves the purpose with far more speed and certainty.

The passing of this brave winged messenger is a matter for sentimental regret, none the less. The carrier pigeon has filled a fine place in war and peace, and will live long in story. It is only one more of man's dumb friends and servants losing its usefulness, with the progress of science. Will the dog go, too? His ancient functions of hunting and watching and herding are greatly restricted. He will last longer than the cat, no doubt. Pussy's days are plainly numbered, as mankind offers more effective rodent-exterminators and learns to resent a feline preying on birds.

The Rented Cow.

A little church in a North Carolina town is said to own the cow that gives the milk of human kindness. This cow is rented out by the church. A family with a number of children, greatly in need of fresh milk but lacking sufficient funds to purchase either milk or a cow of their own, may rent the church cow for a dollar a week. The church adds the rental money to its growing fund for the purchase of other cows. It wants to have a community herd one of these days.

According to local authorities, the arrangement is working beautifully. The cow was rented first to a family with six children. This family ought to consume close to six quarts of milk a day. A little simple multiplication will show that it would cost them several times as much as a dollar a week—the hire of the cow—to provide that much milk. A member of the church says, "You should see how these children are blossoming forth. You can see the bloom in their cheeks, and the scales also have a story to tell."

If the Ulster bitter-enders would kidnap all the Sinn Feiners, and the Sinn Feiners would kidnap all the Republicans, and the Republicans would kidnap all the Ulsterites, Ireland might be peaceful for a while.

American, as the government has informed them more than once, are perfectly free to do business in Russia under the Soviet regime if they want to. But somehow Americans don't seem to want to do business that bad.

An astronomer says its ridiculous to suppose that those queer lines visible on the planet Mars are "canals". Then maybe they're trenches. It would be just like Mars to dig that kind of ditches.

The former Kaiser may get his war indemnity from America after all. He is asking \$1,000,000 for publication rights to his memoirs.

When gasoline goes up, some automobilists holler and others stop wasting gas.

South Ireland is making progress. Its parties have decided to fight it out with ballots instead of bullets.

Those Bolsheviks at Genoa seemed to think it a triumph when they got back to Moscow with all their whiskers intact.

The principal business of the civilized world is still tax-collecting.

Literally. "Take a double handful of interest in everything. That is the best recipe for happiness," says a noted statesman. Now we know why money lenders are such a cheery crowd!—Exchange.

Hear Chief Redfeather at the Arcade tonight and Sunday. A treat for old and young. 6-3-11.

THE OFFICE CAT



How could the teacher rebuke Emil when she read this excuse from her father? "The only excuse I have for Emil being late was nine o'clock came sooner than we expected."

USUALLY
The real trouble with life is just the same as with the time table—by the time a man has it figured out the train is gone.

CHATTER
To those who talk and talk and talk this proverb should appeal: The steam that blows the whistle Will never turn the wheel.

Illinois man beats wife with sausage. That's the worst we ever heard.

ALONE AT LAST
Convict—I am here for having five wives.
Visitor—How do you enjoy your liberty?

A day in the country is worth two in the city.
A man will go a long way to save his face; but a woman only has to go to the drug store.

KEEPING HER IN GLOVES
"Is your son-in-law a good provider?"
"He can just about keep my daughter in gloves. I pay for everything else."
"Then he deceived you as to his circumstances?"
"No, I distinctly remember he merely asked for her hand."

It is said that Mr. Burbank has invented a pepper tomato. That is what might be called real hot stuff.

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JAPAN HAS ITS FIRST HOLD-UP

TOKIO, June 3.—What the police say was the first "lone bandit" train holdup in Japan recently was pulled off on a train just outside Tokio with a net profit to the bandit of the equivalent of an American nickel.

The highwayman entered a crowded third class car, turned down the lights and at the point of a revolver, demanded that the passengers hand over their money and valuables. One victim had 10 sen, about 5 cents American of 10 sen, about 5 cents American money, when the train stopped and the robber jumped through an open window. He escaped.

President Harding has endorsed "Be-Kind-to-Animals" week. Harding is a good scout and knows how to stand in with the men, all right.

It is true that the chronic shopper doesn't buy much, but just look at all the practice she furnishes for the clerks.

GONE UP IN SMOKE.
"Played this put-and-take game last night."
"How did you make out?"
"Played a motorcycle game."
"A motorcycle game?"
"Put-put-put-put-put."
Silver Grill Sunday Special table d'hote Chicken dinner, 75 cents. 6-3-11

RAGS Wanted at The Observer.

help build Muscle Shoals will be men by the time the job opens.

The champion mystery will always be why an efficiency expert doesn't use his own system and become a millionaire himself.

EPIGRAMS
To speed on a curve needs a measure of skill.
Lest the auto capsize and the occupant, kill.
Such an accident happened to Red-erick Trave.
Whose friends have erected this stone o'er his grave.
Joe the Plodder says you can pay a man's brains with money, but his heart demands the reward of kind words.
Man says the world is 72,000,000 years old. No wonder it's wrinkled.
The two boys who ran away to

SHERRY'S

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