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THE GREATEST JOY.

This is the joyous Yuletide, and we have many reasons for being happy and gay. Whatever small misfortunes may be ours they are negligible compared to those of others. Most of us will be kindly remembered on that day. We will take a day off to prepare for a sumptuous feast. We will have many loved ones about us, our stomachs will be filled and there will be no business cares for the day. Many of the children will be back in the home nest for the day. The scene could hardly be better laid for a joyous time.

This is the selfish point of view and we all are entitled to a certain amount of selfish enjoyment. All can not have as much of that kind of joy as they are as much entitled to as the rest of us are. That gives others a chance to enjoy the greatest happiness on earth, that of bringing joy to others.

Many are on sick beds. A few words of cheer may be all that is needed. Many may have barely enough for comfort. They will not buy the delicacies that add so much to a Christmas feast. There is a way that others can get these delicacies to them. Others may not have even sufficient of the necessities of life. We might please our own stomachs, as well as those of the needy, by dividing with them the food with which we might otherwise gorge ourselves.

We are told that those dispensing food supplies in Armenia and other countries have to decide which children they will let die and which they will supply with the food to keep body and soul together. What is there more appealing to the human heart than the pined face of a child peering from rags which hardly keep out the cold? Life is ahead of them if they can have only a part of that of which we have so much.

In our own country, in our own state, in our own city, in our own neighborhood, there



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are those who would be thankful for food or clothing or both.

Some of the time which we give to pleasure we might well give to hunting these out and many of the things which we have merely for our own enjoyment and pleasure we might well divide with these.

God gave his only begotten son to save us. We now celebrate that event. Why not show our appreciation of such a gift by making a few gifts of our own in keeping with the love of our fellow man taught by the Savior during his life among us?

NEWSPAPER TROUBLE AND FUN.

Fred Lockley, in the Oregon Journal, tells of many of the dealings of the reporter with the public which make his story sound like he had spent several years of his life around The Sentinel office, so well does he hit off incidents that have happened here.

He handles without gloves the politician who wants the reporter to say about him things he wouldn't say about himself, but who probably would object to a statement telling exactly what the reporter had in mind. He tells in a way to warm the cockles of any reporter's heart of how he "sat" upon a pompous individual who first begrudgingly granted the reporter five minutes but soon was begging him to stay as long as he wished.

He takes a neat little shot at the person who wants to call his neighbors names of his own manufacture but wishes the newspaper to assume the responsibility.

Lockley overlooked one important person, the one who insists on getting editorial expression into his news items. No reputable newspaper permits editorial expression in its news columns, not even by the editor, except by quoting some other person, yet there is hardly a week that the editor does not rail someone's temper by editing copy in such a manner as to make it tell the news without being an expression of opinion by the editor. If the editor should print all copy exactly as furnished, the queen's English would be mutilated beyond recognition and the editor would be advocating a few hundred different ways of saving souls, a few million ways of keeping the country from going to the demeriton bow wows, would be advocating the policies of every political party, would be a supporter of every ism on the face of the earth and an exponent of every religious creed.

And the funny part of it all is that many of those who take umbrage at the editor for refusing to accept all these responsibilities is himself too modest (!) to make the statement over his own name. The editor offers to all the same opportunity that the editor himself has for standing responsible for his own beliefs, for his own opinions, but some haven't the nerve, the moral stamina to do themselves what they ask the editor to do.

It is all very amusing, but the editor has got to have something to relieve the load which he carries.

Then there is another important fellow Brother Lockley overlooks: the fellow who neglects to tell the piece of news the paper would have been anxious to get, possibly only a little personal, possibly only a little society item, but an item just as important to those concerned as many of the big items in the paper.

She's a great old game if you don't weaken, isn't she Fred?

IN HER OWN DEFENSE.

In another column appears a letter from a woman who claims to have been unjustly accused during the revival meetings recently held here. The Sentinel is not concerned in the controversy between the woman and the preacher whom she believes unjustly accused her other than to see that everyone accused, whether justly or unjustly, of offense against God or man is given a fair hearing. This The Sentinel will give to either saint or sinner, provided, of course, that there must be some ground for asking such opportunity.

In this case, as in all other cases, we have endeavored to ascertain that the facts are substantially as stated.

We find from conversation with Pastor Hamrick that he did make substantially the statement credited to him in the woman's letter, that a remark which he understood she had

made to a member of his church was the basis for his remark, that he told her, when informed by her that he was in error, that if she was not guilty he did not mean her, having singled out no particular woman and meaning his remarks to be general.

The woman states that several of her friends took the remarks as directed at her and she asks the privilege of calling attention to what she believes a grievous wrong which may seriously interfere with the earning of a livelihood if not corrected, and the columns of The Sentinel offer her the only such opportunity available. If she has been wronged, it is only right and proper that she should have this opportunity. If the one who did the preaching feels that he is wronged by anything said in the columns of The Sentinel he has the same opportunity to use our columns to express his views.

Neither The Sentinel nor the correspondent who defends herself intends any reflection upon the work of the church or the accomplishments of the recent revival meetings. We need the churches. We would not live in a community which did not have them. We are niggardly in our support of them. It is easier to get money for the hungry of other lands than it is to get money for the preacher. Many people need to have some pastor get them by the nape of the neck and shake the devil out of them. Many would be saved from hell by attending church oftener, but we feel that in the church, of all places, great care should be taken in making statements that may unjustly reflect upon anyone. It would be better that many sinners go unflayed than that any person be unjustly accused, or remarks made that members of the audience may think directed at any particular person when there is any doubt of their being properly directed at such person.

There is, of course, in the case referred to, no doubt that no harm was intended. We think it unlikely that the results are as serious as our correspondent believes and we trust the opportunity we have given her to speak for herself will avert any possibility of injury.

WOMAN DEFENDS SELF.

Cottage Grove, Ore., Dec. 11.—(To the Editor.)—Will you kindly give me space to correct a statement recently made in the pulpit of the Methodist church during the revival which was worded something like this: "There is a certain woman in this town who has taken up divine healing and is going to charge for it," and then the speaker went on to put the work of this woman on the same basis with spiritualism and works of the devil.

For the sake of my patients, my future and the people who heard this statement, I wish to define suggestive therapeutics. It is an exact science in which the tissues of the body are revitalized and obstructions removed from the circulation, thus restoring normal function to the body, and this is brought about by hand manipulation and the use of electrical apparatus.

The school of drugless healing of which I am a graduate is the oldest school of its kind in the United States and has been chartered for 23 years. I expect to make suggestive therapeutics my life work and so make a record of doing good for others. I am not writing this article to attack christianity or the Methodist church, for I know there are many christian people in the church and I believe the revival has done much good. I have nothing whatever to do with spiritualism or any other "ism." I do believe in the devil and that he's going to get people who are false witnesses against their neighbors. No man under heaven has a right to judge people or the different creeds unless he knows absolutely what he is talking about, and my God teaches me not to attack any denomination.

Again I want to say that I am not going to practice divine healing of any sort but just be what the public dubs a "rub" doctor, and, by the vows of the college, have an attendant at all times when needed, for the sake of public opinion.

MABEL C. ALSTOTT,
Therapist.

THINGS WE THINK

Things Others Think and What We Think of the Things Others Think

There is no reason to be afraid of the devil. He can do nothing unaided.

Living in the foot of an active volcano would prove tame sport to some married men.

The woman about whom people never gossip feels that she has made a failure in society.

If there is something we want to do we don't care for a reason—all we want is a chance.

Quite often it turns out that in the long run things that are given to you cost you the most.

Those who get up rules for others to follow must be guided by the things they don't do themselves.

The more worthless, ornery and no account a person is, the more he imagines he is being persecuted.

Many a man imagines that if he hadn't raised a family he would be rich—but usually he is mistaken.

It is unreasonable to expect woman to listen to both sides of a proposition. She can't stop talking that long.

A lot of people are perfectly contented when they find they haven't been more foolish than a lot of other people.

When folks talk about you it is gossip. When you talk about them you are simply telling things that ought to be known.

Those that are not in office cuss those that are for not doing things that they know they couldn't do themselves. The funny part is to watch the officeholder try to meet the unreasonable demands.

Once in a great while what a person tells for a lie turns out to be the truth.

The man who is not afraid to face danger must also take the necessary precautions to escape or he won't face many of them.

The most heroic deeds never become public property—and let it be said that the most heroic part of a heroic deed is not to brag about it.

A woman doesn't object to her husband flirting with the dining room girls if he can get better service for both of them that way.

When their love during the honeymoon is warm enough to boil coffee, the chances are they will get through the rest of life all right.

A good thing would be all right if it were not so easily secured as to make us believe that we could just as well have gotten something better.

The girl who graduates with highest honors quite frequently marries the most ignorant stick in town.

If the Creator regulated things according to the law of supply and demand, think of the number of other people who never would have been born.

The newspapers should get after the moving picture producers. The abortions produced as far as stories in daily papers would shame a backwoods rag.

The farmer, who hated the automobile because it frightened his horses and spoiled the roads, is becoming one of the largest users of bubble wagons, which proves that the world do move.

It's funny how hard up a man feels after paying his taxes. The man who has paid \$3.63 into the county exchequer considers that sufficient excuse for standing off his creditors for two months.

If being in love didn't take away the reasoning power, it is our humble opinion that there would be a whole lot fewer marriages.

A member of a legislature 49 years of age boasts that he has never been kissed by anyone but his mother. He shouldn't be in the legislature for he's either a blasted liar or else lacks much in practical experience.

A dispatch from Winsted, Conn., says that a skunk which someone had placed in the piano broke up the dance. Details not having been given we presume the animal, incensed over its confinement, must have damaged the mechanism of the piano.

If you would not be a burden to others in old age, do not allow your brain to become inactive, for the moment you do that you begin to become helpless. The old person with the use of his mind is a joy to the children and never lacks for a whole-hearted welcome from them.

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