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GOD'S SPIRIT, THE PANACEA

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Many of those who give some thought to the welfare of mankind have a sure panacea for the ills from which men and society suffer. One has concluded that the competitive system of labor and commercial transactions is the cause of all our troubles. Another thinks that if all the property in the world were equally distributed among all the people nearly all suffering would be at an end.

The simple and plain truth is that mankind lack one thing which, if it could be supplied to them, would eliminate all of the troubles, sins, miseries, sufferings and unhappiness that afflict the earth. The one great thing lacking is the Spirit of God active, dominant in the hearts of men.

How are we to get this Spirit into our hearts? We can not mount to the skies, where some suppose God to be, to get it there, and we need not strive to bring God down to the earth to give us of His spirit here.

It is very difficult to create a vacuum because it is almost impossible to keep the air from rushing in to fill the vacancy which you have produced. So with the life, the Spirit of God; it comes into our hearts, our lives, the moment we make a place for it.

If all who are striving to be religious could know that we can not invite the Spirit of God to come into our hearts with all our might, mind, soul and strength to put out of our lives those things that are enemy to God, they would work with a different spirit and in a different way from what most of the religious world have hitherto been working.

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at the same time be His true children. We must either serve God or mammon. Which shall it be? Each must answer for himself. How are we to overcome these things and put them out of our lives? The New Testament answers this question for us. It tells us to "resist Satan and he will flee from us."

How many people are sorrowful and miserable and make everyone around them unhappy, because they do not resist the promptings of their physical, passionate, carnal nature? How much better and happier such would be, the world would be, if they would go seriously about putting out of their lives the weaknesses and sins of the flesh and thus let God's spirit come into their hearts!

"Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move; Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art, And make me love Thee as I ought to love.

"Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh; Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear; To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh; Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

"Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love, One holy passion filling all my frame; The baptism of the heaven-descended dove, My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame."

IF the theory of disarmament is carried out generally, what is to become of the football games?

The mikado gets his plumbing supplies in the United States. Another evidence of the era of international good feeling.

Farmers in the Salem section are going more strongly into the business of raising certified seed potatoes, to supply the California demand. It is a paying and promising industry.

The weather man is looking for rains this week. The broccoli growers will be glad to hear about it, and will hope for a scarcity of freezing weather from this time on.

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FUTURE DATES: January 17, 18, 19, 20—State Penitentiary musical show. January 19-21—Eggs' Mardi Gras. January 31 Tuesday—Gay MacLaren at Grand Theater, auspices Salem Arts League.

of all the gifts of the Creator is, indeed, the best way of doing Him homage. The Jordan on a small scale can do for Jerusalem and Nazareth and Bethlehem and the surrounding country that which the streams of the Columbia river basin can do on a larger scale for the Pacific northwest, or the Colorado river can do for the Great Southwest. For sentimental or false religious reasons, to deny the Canaanites the advantages we are so anxious to enjoy for ourselves on this coast—through the agency of hydro-electric energy—is to brand ourselves as opponents of the Golden Rule by refusing to do for the Jordan what we would have the Columbia and its tributaries or the Colorado do for us.

Historically Jordan is probably the most famous stream on the face of the globe. And it is decidedly a live river even if it closes its short and swift career in the waters of the Dead sea. Nor will that life be allowed in the future to run aimlessly to waste, as it has done through so many creeping centuries.

Shall we gather at the river? Yes, we shall gather many blessings from the ancient of streams that will take nothing from its hoary traditions, will do no violence to the memory of John the Baptist or Joshua the Warrior, or even the Redeemer Himself.

So, from the time of the first red cherry of spring until the last yellow apple of autumn, the basket of fruit was kept ready for the hungry traveler, while the cool, refreshing waters were overflowing for his thirsty lips. Little wonder that the poet envied those simple souls their unselfish and sincere thought for their fellow-men; little wonder that he was stirred to unbend a tribute to the beauty of this humble and sympathetic ministry.

MOSES JIMMY JINGLES: Those who read the jingle from Brother Baker. Wonder if he's a street car tool or a common faker. For he doesn't know what he talks about. When he gets to change the jingle route, from the Fairground road he goes straight "right" to the "left" street.

As to the soul yearning of 400 to be plumbers, one may be convinced that this is merely a polite euphemism. It is another way of saying their hearts greed for wealth and luxury. One can't say on a government questionnaire that he wishes to be trained to be a millionaire. So one writes down "plumber"—just as a manner of expression.

As to the five who wish to be undertakers—well, there are five who wish to be undertakers. No doubt some one must wish to be an undertaker or there wouldn't be any undertakers and no one could die. So that's that.

TODAY'S PUZZLE: TARST. LOUSS. RACRY. SDPRO. LETAS. From the above groups of letters into the proper words, then arrange the words correctly, and their diagonals, reading from the upper left-hand corner to the lower right, spell something we do in school.

HAVING THE MAZUMA: Henry Ford is now reported to have a cash balance of \$130,000,000 in the bank after paying the government \$76,000,000 in taxes. This is a pretty fair showing of the profits in a low-priced car. It is only a year ago that a committee of officious bankers were said to be considering the taking over of Henry's affairs as pro-

\$5000 he is allowed an exemption of only \$2,000. March 15, 1922, is the last day for filing these returns. The law provides heavy penalties for those who fail to file by that time.

VALUE is the one thing that we strive to assure our customers. At the present time we are in a position to assure you that we can give you the best values of any firm in Salem. Here are a few of them. Dodge Touring \$375.00, Studebaker 6 \$350.00, Maxwell Touring \$200.00, Olds Coupe \$1150.00, Overland Touring \$325.00, Ford Touring \$135.00.

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IN THE PIRATE'S CAVE

INTRODUCED TO SIX PIRATES: Here are the fellows who comprise the Pirate Six. Squee Mather, Chief of the Six. Freckle-faced. Extra large feet. Leader of the neighborhood. Won't wear a necktie on any day except Sunday. Likes licorice. Al Stubb, Squee's assistant. Keeps records of Pirate Six meetings. Small in stature. Likes books. Studies hard. Collects stamps. Good sport. Sam Finney. All that a fat boy should be. Nose turns up like a sled runner. Meantime and bedtime are his favorites.

notebook then, Al, that Herb is going to tell the first story for us. And half an hour later when each pirate had given his speech, the meeting broke up, and each of the six boys promised faithfully to be on hand the next week for the first real meeting. They'd all be there or be expelled from the band and maybe cast off on some desert island. "Except," as Ollie insisted, "in case of sickness."

ONE REEL YARNS: GREEN EYES: "There's no use calling my eyes blue, or hazel, or gray or anything else," mourned Teresa. "They're green. That's all, just plain, everyday green. Like cats' eyes."

HULLY GEE JIMMY: We must have WASHINGTON BACK ON HIS NECK! Illustration of a man with a long neck and a cat.

Big Used Car Sale Starting Tuesday, January 17 EVERY USED CAR IN THE HOUSE REDUCED New Tire and Tube FREE with every sale. Chevrolet—Fords—Dodge—Overland—Mitchell and Maxwell to select from. The greatest used Car sale of the year. Real Bargains Our store will be open every evening till 9 o'clock. Watch Our Windows—Reasonable Terms SALEM AUTOMOBILE CO. F. G. Delano SALEM A. I. Eoff