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THE MASTERPIECE

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How marvelous and perfect is the universe! And this old world of ours, how wonderful it is; the heavenly blue of its endless skies matching the blue of its oceans! How grand and inspiring its mountains, how beautiful its plains and smiling valleys, its rivers and meadows, its trees and flowers, its birds and glorious sunshine, and all of its other varied forms of life!

Yet God's masterpiece is man.' You are the most wonderful of all His creations. Even your body is a most wonderful and perfect mechanism, capable of building itself up from the smallest beginnings to be the "human form divine," with all of its organs, activities and capacities. Your eye, for example, how it can sweep the heavens, and without readjustment view the smallest object close at hand! How it can riot in the wealth of form and color with which the world abounds! And the heart in your bosom has never missed a beat since you first drew the breath of life. Night and day it has sent your blood to every part of your body to build it up in strength and symmetry, to remove the waste matter and keep it well and strong. Even though you may poison it with alcohol or nicotine or some other deleterious substance, it still keeps pounding on until it wears itself out or your ignorance or reckless dissipation destroys it. How wonderful and perfect it all is!

Yet God has given you something even more wonderful and perfect than your body. He has given you your mind, with all of its powers and possibilities; with its wonderful capacity for acquiring knowledge, for ascertaining truth, for saw Mountain Landis all to them- is having the same sort of troureasoning and for using and applying the things which it selves now. acquires; with its ability to project itself into the heavens, measure the stars and mark their courses; to delve into the earth and fathom its mysteries; to learn the laws of the universe and to use them for man's own convenience, pleasure and profit! What cannot the trained, developed human mind accomplish?

God has given to you a more wonderful and precious gift than body or mind He has given to you a part of His own life, a spark or divinity, which we call the soul. The life tradition in agitating for a change to day school convention in Salem.

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God has also bestowed upon you the power to do what | The Russian ruble has reached lived an old man of patriarchat you will with all these great and beautiful gifts. You can a new low record in actual ex- appearance who had a habit of throw away your body; you may weaken or destroy it by change value of about 1-600,000th taking a walk each evening. One ignorance, sin, dissipation. You may, if you choose, let the of a dollar. If they'd make the day as three students saw the mind lie dormant in you, giving it no growth or development, designs satisfactory there might familiar figure approaching they leaving you still a mere child when you come to the end of be a market for the output for decided to joke with him a litlife. You may weaken, even dethrone it, by ignorantly or wall paper. willfully violating the laws of your being.

You may even sear, scar and deform your immortal soul, Lord Northcliffe finds a dis- evening, Father Abraham; good if you live to no purpose and put aside the promptings of the quieting amount of friction in evening, Fother Isaac; good evedivine in you. Yes, you may waste, squander, throw away Palestine, and an American ob- ning, Father Jacob." The old your life, and enter the great eternity with nothing except server notes that recent immi- man paused a moment, then not that spark of divinity with which you were born, and even grants from central Europe are to be outdone, said, "I am neiththat polluted and almost dormant. For God created you to "unnecessarily arrogant." In er Father Abraham, Isaac, nor

be an independent, self-governing, eternal individuality, not Jacob, but I'm Saul, son of Tish, in Africa and one was a Hebrew. American statesman is bracketed God's purpose man could never a merely physical being without responsibility or choice or who was sent forth to look for his The name of the late Pope, Bene with Washington and Lincoln. power, like the trees, the birds and the beasts.

What are you doing with this masterpiece of the Creator; yourself? Are you keeping your body clean, pure, strong and perfect, so that it may be a fit dwelling place for a child of God? Or, forgetful of its Giver and of His purpose in giving it, are you weakening, abusing, defiling, polluting it? is going to require a seven-day assures us that there is nothing have displaced McKinley with Are you developing that mind which God bestowed upon you notice before a wedding cere in the fundamental law to forbid their own hero. Many Americans and filling it with the highest truth that you can reach, or mony can be performed. This is a layman of the church from be- now believe that "Wshington, are you burying your talents in a napkin, like the unprofit- a sensible idea, but if there was coming its pope. In practice, Lincoln and Roosevelt" is the able servant? Are you striving to give your soul a chance a seven-day announcement on however, the cardinals charged final verdict of time. But no one for growth by giving it action and supplying it with daily every tie-up, a lot of them would with the selection almost invari- knows how great a personage the spiritual food; or are you burying it under a load of world- not happen. liness, selfishness, bestiality and sin? These are serious questions that every adult human being may well be asking himself.

Casting aside all considerations of duty to your Creator or of religion, be sure that intelligent self-interest dictates admiration for the energy and that you strive to understand the purpose of God in creat- efficiency of the American peoing you, and that you conduct your life in harmony with this ple as well as for their progrespurpose. Thus you may escape the sorrow, suffering, disap- sive Catholicism. The enw force pointment and failure that always overtake him who violates at the Vatican seems to have a the laws of his being, be they physical, intellectual, moral or practical conception of the world. last Sunday, can never be disspiritual. Thus you will come into strength, success, har- He is the 260th successor of St. lodged from the trinity of Washmony, peace and heaven.

"He liveth long who liveth well; All other life is short and vain. He liveth longest who can tell Of living most for heavenly gain. Waste not thy being, back to Him Who freely gave it freely give; Else is that being but a dream, 'Tis but to be, and not to live.

"Be thou in truthfulness arrayed, Hold up to earth thy torch divine; Be what thou prayest to be made; Let steps of charity be thine. Fill up each hour with what will last; Buy up the moments as they go; The life above when this is past Is the ripe fruit of life below.

"Sow truth if thou the truth would'st reap, Who sows the false shall reap the vain. Erect and sound thy conscience keep; From hollow words and deeds refrain. Sow love and taste its fruitage pure; Sow peace and reap its harvest bright; Sow sunbeams on the rock and moor, And find a harvest home of light."

If the fruit prospects pan out time ahead for the manufacturing pressed regret at the necessity Correspond Marriage." as now indicated, there is a busy and shipping concerns of Salem.

Hollywood. Ill., is following

The fans will have Judge Kene- short the new Free State in being had, and are having,

> of giving up mountain climbing. tion. Stridge—Intercollegiate or Basific college, New er or not negotiations with the berg.
>
> March 17-19—Meeting of county Sun-

tle. When he came near enough to hear, they said in turn, "Good

found!"

THE PRELIMINARIES

LIKES AMERICANS

Pope Pius XI has expressed his Peter on the papal throne. Of ington, Lincoln and -. Washthe total number of popes 210 ington is firmly seated also. May were born in Italy and 104 of there not always be uncertainty them were natives of the city of as to the third name? Usage Rome. The Latins have almost seems to have made it a gallery always commanded the vatican, of three immortals, no more nine Greeks, seven Germans, to No. 3. Periodically a third three Spaniards and but one Englishman. That was Adrian IV. who was elevated to the papacy in 1154. Three popes were born

FUTURE DATES

February 16 to 19 inclusive—State Christian Endeavor convention. February 19 and 20, Sunday and Monday—Meeting of Episcopal diocese at St.
Paul's church.
February 20, 21 and 22—Convention
of State Retail Dealers association at

February 21, Tuesday-Convention of Salem.
February 21, Tuesday—John D. Mickle to address South Salem Parent-teacher association at Leslie Methodist church.
February 21 and 22—Tuesday and Wednesday, Apollo club in concert with Gideon Hicks and Gertruce Hunteley Green, pianist.

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February 22, Wednesday—Charles Hall, candidate for governor, to address Rotarians at Marion hotel, in evening.
February 22, Wednesday—Seventeenth anniversary program by Rotarians at

February 22, Wednesday— Washing-ton's birthday. February 22. Saturday— Wreatling bles that other such states have and Chemawa Indian school grapplers, at hemawa. February 25, Saturday-Marion county Holstein cattle club meets at Com-

mercial club. February 27. Monday—Professor James March 2, Thursday-Annual Elks Elec-

be a "prisoner" in the vatican,
his office will require him to March 20. Monday—State convention

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Friday-Primary election.
30. July 1-Convention State convention of Artisans at Woodburn September 21, 22 and 23-Pendleton November 7, Tuesday-General elec-

father's asses, and, lo, they are dict, is commonly associated with John Hay in his oration before domestic life. In literature and congress in 1901, said that the the drama Benedict is the typical three supreme figures in Amerimarried man. But, of course, in can history would be Washingthe papacy this was different. ton, Lincoln and McKinley, Since ably choose from their own ranks. next generation or the next 100 As the spiritual ruler of 275,000,- years will disclose to American 000 souls, the pope is mightier eyes. With Washington and Linthan most of the kings of earth. coln fixtures, the contest for third

WASHINGTON, LINCOLN

Lincoln, whose birthday was

AND —

-Los Angeles Times.

place consequently may be everlasting.

THE SOUL'S HOME

then the end,and fame, then

If parting at the bier from kin and friend Were final, and, to never more extend

There have been 15 French popes, hence the everlasting doubt as To their voice, or see their dear

If this earth life were all and After maddening rish for wealth All done, all finished, after three

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and ten;

Caresses to our loved ones, or

Disintegrating The planets incubator of the soul, God's kindergarten nature made The Episcopal bishop of Nevada Yet a church writer of authority then Mr. Roosevelt's admirers In ortal ; si distanced by a We enter not apart, but as a whole. And judged alone according to our worth. SILK AND WOOL HOSE New Spring Shades at

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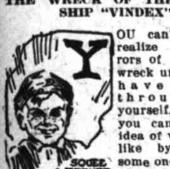
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rors of a ship wreck unless you have been through one yourself, But you can get an like by having

some one tell you At the last Mather, our chief, with his red sinking boat. We had time only bandana around his head, pirate to jump for our lives. style, got up and read us a part of a letter he had received some who used to be a sailor, years ago. uncle had been in. I got the letter from Squee after the meeting. and here's the ship wreck part

"The 'Vindex' was a medium sized sailing vessel lying in the Kipara Harbor, New Zealand, laden with heavy kauri logs, squared up for the Australian market.

Crew Shorthanded

"I had been doing cook's work In the lumber camp. Captain watching and waiting for Slater of the Vindex came to me the day his ship was to leave the harbor, and asked me if I would io him a favor. 'I'm short-handd.' said he, 'and I can't leave without a full crew. Will you sign up for Sydney, Australia, with us?' I thought a minute. Then I answered that I'd be glad to. I had no more than completed arrangements when the signal went un for a fair wind, and the crew of the Vindex got busy setting sail and raising anchor.

When we left the harbor little d any of us think that our good old Vindex was a doomed ship.
"We had no more than reached open sea when a large black cloud same up from the southeastern

can't really the Vindex. It was a bad one. The Vindex couldn't stand up against it. We got orders to "bout ship," front of the house."

roared the captain.

the foaming water. Those of the time ago from an uncle of his crew who had not jumped slid in with them. It was about a ship wreck this rain and the spray of the waves I made out the form of Captain Slater and his great Newfoundland dog. both jumping overboard. The captain had a tight hold on the dog's tail, and the last I saw of them until I reached shore, the captain and the dog

"The rest of us paddled about chance to climb upon a log to be washed ashore. Long before the last man had reached safety, the old Vindex was out of sight-and that was the last we ever saw

greatly harmed. I claim that must have been some shipwreck. Of course, i wasn't as big as the sinking o the "Titanic" some years ago but we fellers in the Pirate Six figure that we wouldn't care a whole lot about being one of the Vindex crew even thoug nobody

How about you? -AL STUBBS.

but when 'fore bowling' rang over the ship from the magaphone, the Vindex missed stay and swung on top of a large rock. She smashed

to pieces. "'Every man for himself!"

"The sea was rough. Huge of the Pirate Six, Squee waves washed over the deck of the

> "The cargo of logs tumbled into Through the falling

were heading together for land. The Vindex Sinks

ever will see of her. naking an effort to get it. I have

"Not a one of the did get hurt,

'I'm very much worried." said Professor Stebbin, as he came down to breakfast, "Last night "The storm swept down upon when I came home from the laboratory, just after dark, I discovered some mysterious signs in

> "Gracious!" shivered Stebbin. "Mysterious signs!" "They pointed toward the house," continued the professor gravely. "I examined them carefully, but they had no meaning fire.

that I could see." "How very strange," Mrs Stebbin gasped. "Have some more muffins, Elmer," and she passed the plate to her nephew, who was taying with them, and who was listening, open-mouthed, to the

conversation. "I got to thinking about it." the very serious. You know I have been working for some time on a formula for a very powerful poisor gas.

'Yes, I know," sighed his wife

and I've been so worried, think

ng about you working all the

ime with that dangerous stuff.

But what dose that have to do with the signs?" "Don't you see," said the pro essor. "that a formula like that is very valuable? I have intended to turn it over to the goveern ment. I have taken great pains o keep secret the fact that it i lmost completed. I am afraid hat someone has discovered the act and some secret society is

ead of such things ' "My goodness! I suppose the 'h'nk you keep it at home in a afe and have marked the house to they can surround it or something. You dont carry it around with you, do you?"

"No. indeed. It is in a place at the laboratory. But ! must investigate this strange matter further. However, let us not talk of it now. We are frigh-Scribe of the Pirate Six. About an hour later Peter Grant

Edited by John H. Millar came trotting over to see Elmer.

who was out in front. "What are you doing?" he asked. "I'm washing off those chalkthe-rabbit signs we made last night," said Elmer calmly. "Say Peter. I wonder where folks get that idea about professors being

TODAY'S PUZZLE

Hidden in the following sentence are three sports spelled back wards: "I was worried when I asked for a pile of logs, but five or six obligingly helped me fix the

Answer to yesterday's: "All's well that ends well." Answer to today's: Row, golf

Every family should have a rule not to quarrel or discuss disagreeable things at the table professor went on, "and it looks There are so many pleasant things to talk about. And it is not good manners, either when invited out or eating at home, to criticize the food, or to talk about things to eat during the meal.

> "Are the pictures in the Rogue's Gallery framed?" "Yes, in guilt."

Scientists tell us that the north pole is moving south. Well, what other direction could it move?

