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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptation, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment. II Peter 2:9.

Return of the Traitor

Most astonishing of the bewildering moves of French politics is the appointment in the new French cabinet of Joseph Caillaux as minister of finance, but five years ago condemned as a traitor to France by the very men now exalting him to office.

Caillaux has had a kaleidoscopic career, filled with romance, drama and sensation. Love and early marriage, divorce and remarriage, the shooting and killing of Gaston Calmette, editor of the Figaro by the second Mme. Caillaux, her sensational trial and acquittal, which forced his retirement from public office, his own subsequent trial and conviction for "commerce with the enemy" during the world war, are high-lights in the career of the most brilliant, most admired, most unscrupulous and best hated man in France.

Though Caillaux has been frequently called to high office he has always been the center of political turmoil, and has been persistently accused of using his position and power for personal profit. The fact that he was an avowed partisan of Germany led to the downfall of the cabinet of which he was head in 1912 because he turned over to Germany a portion of the French Congo to settle the Moroccan controversy, and utilized his knowledge of German plans to clean up a fortune on the stock exchange.

When the Figaro in 1914 began its attack upon Caillaux the latter was minister of finance in the cabinet of Gaston Doumergue now president of France. When war was declared, Caillaux became leader of the defeatists and pacifists of France favoring a surrender through concessions to Germany. He was sent on a mission to South America. There he continued his activities against the allies and was later arrested by order of Clemenceau and tried for treason, after being held two years in prison. At his trial papers seized from him confirmed his plots to overthrow the republic by a coup d'etat. He was found guilty and sentenced to three years imprisonment, but soon freed.

Governor Pierce permitted two Jewish convicts to leave the penitentiary, spend the Passover visiting at their Portland homes, which indicates that the good old days, when convicts spent week ends with their families or tripped the light fantastic with winsome flappers at public dances are coming back, at least for the religiously inclined. Surely the tender hearted executive, wouldn't play favorites and keep Christians in prison at Easter?

A Taxless State

Because Senator Dennis fathered the legislative resolution submitting a referendum upon the question of suspending income and inheritance taxes for 15 years to a vote of the people, the grange of Union and Willamette counties has voted to circulate petitions for his recall, referendums apparently being the divine right of grangers.

At the same time the Yamhill county grange has voted favorably upon resolutions making it unlawful to levy or collect a tax from agriculture or livestock for a period of 15 years and will seek to have the state grange initiate a measure to that effect for submission to the people at the next general election.

As everybody wants to escape taxation, both measures will probably pass if submitted to a vote, and we will at last realize Governor Pierce's long lost promise of cutting taxes in half, and Oregon become the mecca not only for capitalists but for farmers. The habit will spread, other referendums ban other forms of taxation, and Oregon finally reach that desideratum of patriots, the taxless state.

This in the language of the referendums "will bring us a flood of patriotic and wealthy citizens to build up and develop our state" and we see a glorious future ahead for taxless Oregon, that is, for everybody except the officeholder. This indeed will be a consummation devoutly to be wished—the piece de resistance of the famous Oregon system, the crowning achievement of government by initiative and referendum.

OPEN FORUM

Contributions to this column must be plainly written on one side of paper only limited to 300 words in length and signed with the name of the writer. Articles not meeting these specifications will be rejected.

To the Editor:—We love to fish and we have been wondering how we might legally avoid paying a \$3 license for the privilege of fishing; and go, perhaps a hundred or more miles and then obtain the necessary permission from the land owners, or perhaps find the stream closed for the season against fishing, but now we find that our troubles may be easily overcome and we are enabled to avoid the license fee and, instead of going long distances to catch minnows, we can get plenty of large fish near home with no effort. All we need do is to go to the penitentiary providing we wear the garb of the institution and do not fish outside of the penitentiary grounds. Of course we could manager to obtain the garb and as the common people tax themselves to place fishways at all the dams below and allow no fish to pass them and corral all the fish at the pen, we can see no necessity for going outside but, a fishway at the penitentiary would be an outrage on the residents of that institution as fish might go upstream and find some deep and safe retreat and thus avoid being caught by even outsiders in low water time.
L. H. SUTER.

LONDON SEES BYRON MSS.

London, Eng.—Following the example set in the United States, the First Edition club has opened an unique exhibition of Byron manuscripts, proof sheets and first editions. The display is made up of exhibits from private sources and several of the books shown are the only ones in existence. Many of the books are accompanied by the MS. and proof copies.

TODAY'S CROSS WORD PUZZLE

HORIZONTAL

- Grows faint
- Master of Arts (ab.)
- Distant
- Pertaining to the sea
- Chief
- Envy
- Pertaining to the sun
- Word of negation
- Barrier
- Business
- Cry of a cat
- Past tense see
- Royal Engineers (ab.)
- Place
- Quick
- Ancient Greek city
- Procure

HOW TO SOLVE THE CROSS WORD PUZZLE

The way to solve the Cross Word Puzzle is to fill in the white squares of the diagram with the words which agree with the accompanying definitions. The definitions are numbered to correspond with the numbers on the diagram.

Any word defined in the text under "HORIZONTAL" will begin at its number, shown on the diagram, and will extend all the way across to the first black space to the right of that number. That is, the word must begin in the square that contains its identifying number, and extend as far as the white squares continue uninterrupted.

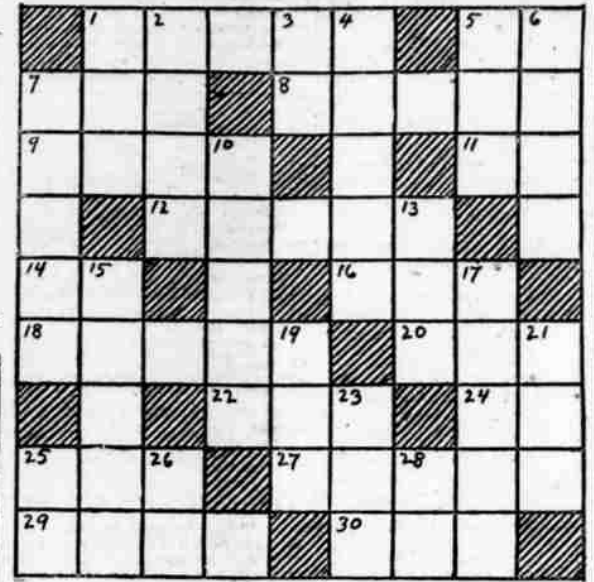
Any word defined under "VERTICAL" will also begin in the white space that contains its number, but will extend downward as far as the white squares remain uninterrupted.

VERTICAL

- Armed conflict
- Bows
- Half an era
- Part of a meal
- A chair
- Exclamation
- Lacking strength
- Head covering
- To butt
- Command
- To carry a right to
- Organ of hearing
- To marry
- A wit
- Street (ab.)
- Toward
- Protestant Episcopal (ab.)

SOLUTION OF YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

S	H	E	A	R	E	D
T	E	A	M	S	M	I
R	A	M	S	G	I	S
A	S	T	A	R	T	I
M	A	R	E	U	P	
P	A	L	T	E	R	E
L	A	R	K	N	O	O
E	R	E	A	O	D	D
M	A	N	D	A	T	E



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Men, Mothers and Maids

A Romantic Serial of Modern Life
By IDAH McGLONE GIBSON

THE PURSUING CLASS

Since the break in Paris with Robert McLean, however, Lillie had not before this morning stolen out from her bed to greet the day. The reason had held too many happier times when she had held out her arms in ecstatic acceptance of another day—a day to fill her whole consciousness with the joy of living and loving.

"Good morning, Nonnie," said Lillie without turning around. "I did not dream that anyone would be up so early."

"I heard you when you passed my door, my dear, and I could not resist the impulse to join you in your sun-worshipping."

Lillie gave Miss Norton a penetrating glance, under which the older woman colored.

"Dear," she said, "I am going to leave you when we arrive in Los Angeles."

"Don't speak yet! Let me talk first," she continued impudently, as Lillie started to remonstrate.

"I suppose that was what you came out here to tell me," Lillie said composedly. "I've seen it coming for the last few days."

"Has our interest in each other been so patent," asked Nonnie. "Of course I can not understand how any woman could help loving Mr. Marchmont. He is so gentle and tender. He has had a very hard life, Lillie, and I am going to make the end of it much happier than the beginning."

"You'll wish me luck, dear, in another world forget that time if my undertaking, will you not?" she asked rather wistfully, for Lillie had said nothing.

With a quick rush the girl put her arms around the older woman's shoulders. "Wish you luck! Oh my dear, my dear, I wish you very much more than that. I wish you all the happiness you deserve."

"Although I was rather surprised when I first realized I am now more than glad that you love and are going to marry Uncle Ovid, and reward him for all the lonely years that he devoted to mother."

"I had always thought that some time they might be married. It would have seemed to me imminent, but it seems I was mistaken."

"Harold Kennedy told me, however, that according to his cousin's Uncle Ovid had never really loved mother, even in their days of poverty."

"He also said that the woman mother had now become would be the last one to make Uncle Ovid happy, even if he did want to marry her now which Harold was sure was far from Uncle Ovid's mind."

"Harold Kennedy is a disconcerting young man Lillie," Miss Norton said. "I shall never be able to fill the place in Marchmont's heart that has been and is still filled by your mother. I do not want to, I want to make a place for myself. I want to fill a place dedicated to myself alone. Only that would make me happy."

"To you, mother, Lillie, Ovid was always a kind of father-son. That is the kind of affection which comes from sympathy and a community of troubles."

"Your mother and Ovid were poor, desperately poor together. I think that he as well as your mother would forget that time if

they could. Up to this hour, however, he has not known how to do it, as your mother did, by making friends with those who had not known her in her poverty.

"Ovid I think has been very lonely since Harold Kennedy came into your mother's life, but with that stolid pertinacity which has characterized him all through the years he still told himself that he was in love with Mrs. Vail."

"Because of that, he put all the thought of any other woman away from him. He has never sought love in any way, consequently he has become almost a recluse."

"I was literally thrown in his company in New York, as you know."

"I think at first he was quite surprised that I could hold any of his interest, not because he was gentle and sympathetic; he was possible to me. I too seemed alone."

"I must confess Lillie, that I cared for him from the very first. Before I knew the part your mother had played in his earlier life I perhaps encouraged him. You know it is a modern theory, Lillie, that when a woman wants a man she gets him. We have passed out of the parable and I became the pursuing class."

"Daily, I noticed he was beginning to care for me. You and your mother, consequently I had to be left both of us much to ourselves."

"Tomorrow—A Mother's Love."

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BARNEY GOOGLE AND SPARK PLUG



Barney Shows Remarkable "Foresight"



By Billy de Beck



KRAZY KAT



MUTT AND JEFF



Polka Dotted Fur



By Herriman



MUTT AND JEFF



Umpire Sir Sidney Introduces An English Custom Into Our National.



By Bud Fisher



By Bud Fisher

