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ALL WILL BE WELL.

All will be well! Since first this ball
In its appointed orbit rolled
That blessed truth our God by all
His holy prophets has foretold.
All will be well! A thousand years
To Him are but as yesterday,
And still he smiles above the fears
Of those who wonder, hope and pray.
All will be well! To Abram's seed
He gave the promise long ago;
That word is a sufficient creed,
And all that mortals need to know.
All will be well! Our sinful stains
Shall yet be freely washed away;
Our doubts and sorrows, fears and pains,
Shall vanish in the perfect day.
All will be well! So Peter said
That awful day of Pentecost;
Our hope shall die not with the dead,
And nothing lovely shall be lost.
All will be well! When Christ again
Shall claim His kingdom on the earth
He will efface the mark of Cain,
And death shall prove a better birth.
All will be well! We know not when,
But faith shall brighten all the years;
The Savior's day will come, and then
Farewell to sorrow, pain and tears.
All will be well! To this hold fast,
The promises of God are firm;
And all shall be fulfilled at last
To man and to the mearest worm.

A DRUMMER'S BRILLIANT IDEA.

Some people seem born with a faculty of raising the ancient masculine juvenile. They get folks who are minding their own business and merely want peace and quiet into all sorts of scrapes. This faculty is peculiarly developed in the commercial tourist, usually referred to as a drummer. He's the man who makes love to all the pretty servant girls in the hotels and gets their notions so high that they won't notice the porters, and it makes the latter want to "slug" the drummers. One of this class of gentlemen was at an up-country railway station some days ago, and discovered, while waiting for a train, a wasp's nest. An idea at once struck him. How he achieved the feat without getting hurt we don't know. Probably the wasps were dormant with cold. But at any rate he got that nest down and tied it to the tail of a large yellow dog that was fooling around the depot. The dog started to run and that so stirred up the wasps that they sent a courier out to investigate, and as he did so in a manner disagreeable to the dog, he only ran the harder and made three wild circuits of the depot. The train, meanwhile, came in, and as trains don't stop long at country stations, it was just starting as the dog came round the third time. Wild with pain the dog leaped aboard the train and plunged into a crowded car just as the brakeman closed the door. The poor brute got beneath a seat and tried to curl up. The car was hot and it warmed up the wasps and they came out, and in about half a minute the men in that seat jumped up so hard that they nearly stove holes in the roof, and the way that they clawed at their legs was a caution. Everybody looked. And the dog started on the run through the car. The wasps went for him and every person in the car. A wild scene took place. Men cursed and clawed wildly. Women got up on the seats and danced, and the dog, which everybody thought to be mad, tore up and down the aisle, howling. The conductor came in, thinking the people insane. He promptly joined the show. As the train was flying, folks couldn't jump off. No mad-house ever saw such a scene. There was profanity enough to sink a ship, and the brakeman, gazing in at the door, said it beat anything he ever saw in a variety show. Finally, the conductor stopped the train, folks got out, and the car was cleared of wasps and dog. But the passengers didn't get over it. They were an awful mad set, and occasionally, after they had got started again, a man would find a stray wasp in his trousers and rise and yell. They talked of suing the railroad, and if they could have got that drummer his death would have been frightful. But he had gone on the train the other way.

One Way to Do.

The celebrated Thomas Marshall, of Kentucky, has been regarded as an extraordinary genius—that his almost inimitable speeches were the sudden outbursts of this genius; that he was eloquent without previous thought or labor. Free and easy in his manners, by no means abstemious or rigid in his habits, he was prepared to deliver one of his grand speeches at any time and place; and great was the wonder at his genius. Now let him tell the tale as he does in the following words:

They talk of my astonishing bursts of eloquence, and doubtless imagine it is my genius bubbling over. It is nothing of the sort. I'll tell you how I do it: "I select a subject and study it from the ground up. When I have mastered it fully I write a speech on it. Then I take a walk and come back and revise and correct. In a few days I subject it to another pruning and then re-copy it. Next I add the finishing touches, round it off with graceful periods, and commit it to memory. Then I speak it in the fields, in my father's lawn and before my mirror, until gesture and delivery are perfect. It sometimes takes me six weeks or two months to get up a speech. When I have prepared I come to town and go to drinking. I generally select a court day, when there is sure to be a crowd. I am called upon to make a speech, and am permitted to select my own subject. I seize hold of the banister and confirm the impression that I am very drunk, and speak my piece. It astonishes the people, as I intended it should, and they go away marveling at my power of oratory. They call it genius, but it is the hardest kind of work."

A Wonderful Lake in Iowa.

The greatest wonder in the State of Iowa, and perhaps in any other State, is what is called the Walled Lake, in Wright county, twelve miles north of the Dubuque and Pacific railway, and 50 miles west of Dubuque city. The lake is two or three feet higher than the earth's surface. In some places the wall is ten feet high, fifteen feet wide at the bottom, and five feet wide on the top. Another fact is the size of the stone used in the construction, the whole of them varying in weight from three tons down to 100 pounds. There is an abundance of stones in Wright county, but surrounding the lake, to the extent of five or six miles, there are none. No one can form an idea of the means employed to bring them to the spot, or who constructed it. Around the entire lake is a belt of woodland half a mile in length, composed of oak. With this exception the country is a rolling prairie. The trees must have been planted there at the time of the building of the wall. In the spring of the year 1856 there was a great storm and the ice on the lake broke the wall in several places, and the farmers in the vicinity were obliged to repair the damages to prevent inundation. The lake occupies a ground surface of 2,800 acres; the depth of water is as great as twenty-five feet. The water is clear

and cold; soil sandy and loamy. It is singular that no one has been able to ascertain where the water comes from nor where it goes, yet it is always clear and fresh.

St Helen's Bar.

The greatest obstruction to navigation between Columbia Gateway and this port, exists in the vicinity of St. Helen's in the shape of a bar formed by the meeting of waters from Willamette slough and the Columbia river. A great deal of money has been expended in attempts to remove the obstruction, but the benefits have been but temporary and trifling. Each flood quickly refills cuts made through the bar and to give the desired depth a dredge will be required each year to remove the deposit left by the flood. Such temporary benefit and constant expense will not meet the desires of our people or the necessities of our commerce so we must look elsewhere for relief. We are told by an old river man who has led the stream many a hundred times, that on the opposite side of the river exists a fine channel of great depth save at two points. One is a finger or reef of rock extending diagonally across the channel and easily removed, while the other is more formidable. Over these obstructions there are twelve feet of water at low tide, the channel being formerly used almost exclusively by steamboats and vessels. On either side of the reefs a depth of from six to seven fathoms is found and once these obstructions are removed, an eternal channel of great depth will be had. Capt. West at the Williamette locks has maps and diagrams we are informed, of this channel; and we hope to hear from him in relation to it at an early day. It were better to undertake an extensive work of this kind; complete it and have a perpetual channel than to dredge the mud from St. Helen's Bar each year at heavy expense and then have but a shallow channel.—P. J. of C.

He Meant Well.

A Missouri paper tells of a farmer who owed Walt Perkins twenty-five dollars; and has owed him for years. One day he met Walt and said: "Don't be uneasy; Walt, I have the thing all fixed up by which I can pay you." Walt asked him how he had got it fixed, and the old granger said: "Well, if nothing happens, next year I hope to raise a good crop of corn, and I intend to trade some of the corn for a yoke of oxen, and I know an old man in St. Charles county that owns an old mare, and he wants to trade her for a yoke of oxen. Now, Walt, when I raise the corn, and get the oxen, I will make the trade for the old mare, and then I will bring her home and raise mule colts—and Walt, the very first mule colt I sell you shall have the money."

Animals from Other Planets.

Two interesting problems which have long perplexed the scientific world, appear to have been at last definitely solved by the eminent geologist, Dr. Hahn. These questions are: first, whether or not celestial bodies, other than the earth, belonging to our solar system, are inhabited by inanimate beings; and, secondly, whether the meteoric stones from time to time cast upon the surface of this globe emanate from incandescent comets or from volcanic planets. That they at no time formed a part of the earth itself, has been conclusively demonstrated. Dr. Hahn has recently completed a series of investigations upon some of the huge meteoric stones that fell from

the skies in Hungary during the summer of 1806. This laminar of these mysterious bodies, subjected to examination under a powerful microscope, have been found to contain coal and spongy formations, and to reveal unmistakable traces of the lower forms of vegetation. All the organisms, animal and vegetable, discovered by Dr. Hahn in the delicate stone shavings he has thus dealt with, indicates the condition of their parent world to be one of what is technically termed "primary formation." But the presence of water in that world is proved by the fact that the tiny petrified creatures revealed by the magic of the lens, one and all belong to the so-called subaqueous classes of animals.—Our Animal Friends.

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