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TIAIN STREET" IN RED LAKE 1 Photo



are drawing adventurous souls from all parts of the country to reenact with modern touches some of the scenes of the Klondike gold strike in the '90s. The Red Lake region of British Co-

en out anew. Recent

strikes in two different

parts of North America

lumbia is the goal of hundreds of young and old prospectors, while in our own country we find the Kramer hills on the Mojave desert in California the objective of other hordes of adventurers stirred to action by the cold. lure of gold.

Lorne Howie last summer struck gold in a wide land of quartz at Red Lake. Now with more than 1.500 claims already staked, they're calling it Canada's "greatest" strike. Howle and his companions reported how they had discovered a vein of gold nearly 1,000 feet long, running from 10 to 50 feet in width. Subsequently the vein | wailing ululation that resembles the was observed to run for a distance of more than 25 miles.

Red Lake is about 150 miles from





ABRAHAM AND THE STRANGERS

LESSON TEXT-Genesis 18:1-19. GOLDEN TEXT-All nations of the earth shall be blessed indeed.-Gen.

PRIMARY TOPIC-Abraham Is Kind Strangers JUNIOR TOPIC---Abraham Welcomes

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOP-IC-Abraham's Hospitality. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOP-

IC-Why God Chose Abraham

I. The Lord Appeared to Abraham (vv. 1-8).

While Abraham sat in his tent door, he lifted up his eyes and lo, three men stood by him. His reception of these three men is a beautiful picture of oriental hospitality. These beings, while called men are also called angels (see 19:1). When the men arose to depart, Abraham according to custom, accompanied his guests some distance on the way. One of the men was the angel of Jehovah, or Jehovah manifest in human form. The Jehovah angel remained behind to commune with Abraham. This is clear from the fact that three started out-one talked with Abraham and only two entered Sodom (see 18:22 and 19:1).

II. God's Promise to Abraham Reaffirmed (vv. 9-15).

The Lord communed with him about his personal interests, showing how Sarah should have a son in her old age, according to the covenant promise. This conversation being overheard by Sarah from her place in the tent only provoked laughter on her part. Although she thus expressed unbellef, it doubtless was a great comfort to Abraham who had been awalting the fulfillment of the promise for years. "Is anything too hard for the Lord?" is a striking rebuke to Sarah's unbellef, and shows that the Lord is able to discern even our inmost thoughts.

III, The Doom of Sodom and Gomorrah Revealed to Abraham (vv. 16-

The Lord now communed with Abraham about Sodom and Gomorrah. Though Abraham had no personal interest in Sodom, the Lord revealed unto him His secret purpose concerning it. He did not hunt up Lot to make known unto him his purpose concerning Sodom. He never goes to the persons who are entangled with the things of the world. The only way to know God's thought touching the age in which we live is to remain separate from it. "The secret of the Lord is with them that fear Him.' (Ps. 25:15). The reason for this disclosure may be stated as follows:

1. Because he was his friend (Jas. 5:23; John 15:15). Friends confide in



NOT THE SAME

The rookie had been at the naval training station two weeks and had spent most of that time in digging ditches, chopping trees, leveling hillocks and filling depressions. Finally he sought his immediate superior. "You see, sir," he complained, "when I joined the navy they said I'd see the world, and here for two weeks I've done nothing but rearrange it."-Amertcan Legion Weekly.

GROUNDS OF DIVORCE



"On what grounds did she get her divorce?" "Chicago, I believe."

A Plea for Information Oh chemist, please investigate And drop me just a line. I'd like to know what carbonate? And where did iodine?

Not So Keen

For months young Simpkins had been calling on the town belle, but with no marked success.

"I suppose," he at last suggested desperately, "that if we lived in the Stone age I'd hit you over the head with a club and drag you off and marry you." "You'd have to," she responded

sweetly, "In order to marry me."-American Legion Weekly.

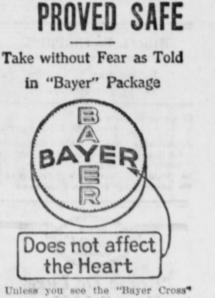
Turn About

"But we were only 15 minutes getting here !" expostulated the passenger. "I don't give a hang about that," snarled the taxi driver. "The meter says we've come 20 miles. Now you fork over !"

"All right," assented the passenger, paying. "Now get ready to come with me for driving 80 miles an hour. I'm a speed cop."-American Legion Weekly

The Martyr

"Yes," said the bankrupt, "I lost my fortune reaching for an ideal." "How noble! And what was the



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the shore a legion of dogs are chained -huskies, collie curs, nondescript mongrels of intricate ancestry, fish eaters-the uncivilized and unrequited slaves of a harsh regime. They fill the air with doleful sound; the collies yelping shrilly, the huskies, unable to bark, rousing the echoes with that cry of neither dog nor wolf, but is

the song of the wolf-dog alone. "Mining history is being written, the nearest railroad, but as distance and these are the characters that is nothing when gold is at stake, this record it, for the Howie claims, now district soon found itself possessed of the property of the Howie Gold Syndicate are the focus of the greatest gold rush Canada has seen in a score of years, and this desolated community assures itself that it is to form the nucleus of a great camp." coast cities. What are the chances of striking it rich? Is the field already too crowded? Mr. Reading is enthusiastic about the possibilities, but it might be well to wait for positive results before you take the following too seriously: "This will be a stampede probably unequaled since the Klondike. It will not assume its full proportions until the spring break-up clears the way for further prospecting. Assays on the properties now being tested have shown extraordinary values and surprising consistency. On the main ton. vein, which strikes roughly northeast and southwest, you can pick up samples bearing free gold, little glittering specks that permeate the quartz, right

"To the little poplar trees that stud in this new camp,

seen.

ments, but does not conceal his faith

"John Hammell, chairman of the Howie Red Lake Syndicate, also sees a big future. He is not lacking in experience, for he has the development of four or five successful mines to his credit, and he declares outright that the surface showings at Red Lake are the most encouraging he has ever

ARIO

Turning to our own country, we find the desert wastes of the Mojave, about 120 miles from Bakersfield, Cal., filled with prospectors for the gold discovered in the Kramer hills. Here the going is easier, and miners

thriving, bustling population of gold seekers lured from all points of the compass in the hope of digging a fortune from the earth. Despite weather of 20 to 30 degrees below zero, these prospectors pushed through the 150 miles of snow and discomfort to the land of promised gold. Unheard of prices were paid for dogs to make the desolate trip, and one enterprising avlator, Jack V. Elliott, has established an air route between Hudson, Ont., and the gold fields. Hudson is on the northern transcontinental line of the Canadian National railways, about 240 miles east of Winnipeg and 12 miles to the west of Sioux Lookout. It is the nearest railway point to the Red Lake district, and a short time ago was nothing more than a name on the map.

What kind of a place is Red Lake? Is it full of dance halls, saloons, gambling joints and other wild and woolly institutions which spring up like magic in such settlements? It's hard to get information either into or out of this district. Of course, there are no telegraph lines, and all dispatches have to be sent by dog team. From E. Paul Reading, who mushed across the barren area into Red Lake, comes the following information as it appeared in the Washington Star:

"Tucked snugly in one corner of a bay, near the outlet of this straggling sheet of frozen water is a cluster of tents. They are pitched on hastily constructed log cribs and roughly floored with hewn spruce. Through the roof of each a section of rusty stovepipe thrusts itself at a rakish angle, belching upward in the frosty atmosphere. "One of the tents bears above its flaps the end of a packing case bearing in staggering black letters the portentous legend, 'Mining Recorder's Office.' Another, though it does not yet boast a sign, is a provincial police post; a third is the oflast perhaps the most important of all, on the Howie claims. He is quite un-

across on a width of 20, 40, and even

"Great lakes and rivers make summer travel easy and rapid. For ten miles to the east, and nearly as far west, the country is staked solid, and the peculiar thing is that practically all of the claims have yet to be prospected.

men here are fulfilled, there will be fresh discoveries elsewhere in spring and fresh belts to be staked, in a zone of possible gold-bearing rock nearly ten miles wide and thirty long. At present interest centers in East bay, the northeast arm of the lake, which is 16 miles away but in line with the

"So far the sour dough has had his innings. A census of Red Lake's floating population this winter would have read like a map of the original Porcupine staking, with the name of Alex Gillies, who discovered the Hollinger, at the head of the list. Gillies has fice, and a fourth the cook tent, this been in charge of development work

his mother tried to dissuade him from

this notion or interpret it until she

heard her neighbor next door calling:

Life's Endless Adventures

Exploration will never come to an

"Oh, Reginald."

Astute Johnnie

Johnnie had intently watched the moving of the family that had come to occupy the house next door but his chief interest lay in the child who seemed to be his own age. All attempts to make friends with the child end, and one need not fear that adwere unavailing, however, so it was venturers will shortly find life very with a great deal of enthusiasm he dull. Even when Everest has been announced.

"I know what the little boy next has been tapped, El Dorado unearthed, door same is. It's Original."

60 feet.

"If the anticipations of the mining strike of Lorne Howie's lead.

are arriving in every kind of conveyance from flivvers to air taxis, which leave on regular schedule from Los Angeles, San Francisco, and other

Back of this scramble Mes a real romance. Nearly thirty years ago one Austin Burcham, a mimer, drilled powder holes 35 feet into the ground near the site of the present diggings. Then along came news of a new gold strike, and Burcham deserted his stake before setting off the dynamite he had ready for the last step in his long labors. Recently Edward Herkelrath found Burcham's uncompleted work and set off the blast. When the smoke cleared away he found gold ore later estimated to be worth \$1,000 a

Then the rush of the '26ers began. The extent of the golden spread down through the gulches and over the low brown desert hills is yet undetermined, but enough real gold has been found to attract throngs of treasure seekers to the field. The town of Kramer, a short time ago nothing but a railway siding along the Santa Fe tracks, became overnight a gold-mad Old-time prospectors and town. 'greenhorns" have staked out their claims and are working furiously day and night.

Everyone who has staked a claim constantly is on the lookout for claimjumpers and high-graders. Revolvers and rifles put in their appearance soon after the hordes arrived, and old-timers in the mining game shook their heads dubiously as the jumble of location notices piled up in the record er's office.

One tract of land adjoining the orige inal discovery shaft of Edward Herkelrath and his cousin John, original discoverers, nealy 400 acres in extent, which has been thoroughly staked from end to end, was found to be owned by Mrs. S. S. Kelly of San Bernardino. The land was purchased from the state many years ago.

each other. The master reveals his purposes to his friends, not to his servants.

2. Because he was to be the head of a great nation (v. 18).

As such he was to be the medium of blessings to them. The interests of humanity were at stake in the destruction of Sodom. It was good that Abraham should know that he might be able to instruct coming generations. 3. Because of the responsibility of instructing his own family aright (v. 19). God is always careful that His judgments have a rational explanation, serving to deter others from the same sin. The Lord declared that His purpose was to go down and see whether the Sodomites had done ac-

from It (v. 21). IV. Abraham's Intercession for Sodom and Gomorrah (vv. 22-23).

cording to the cry which had come up

The two men departed for Sodom, leaving Abraham alone in the presence of the Lord. He stood there as an intercessor. In this unselfish act Abraham represents our High Priest (Heb. 7:23-28; Rom. 8:34; I John 2:1). Jesus possesses the divine right to stand before the Father. Abraham made his plea on the ground of justice to the righteous who might be in the city. Because of the infinite sacrifice which Christ made by His blood for our sins, He can plead our cause before God on the ground of strict justice. He ventured his plea six times, each time diminishing the number. We should learn from this that petitions granted give encouragement to ask for others. Abraham's power as an intercessor was limited. He was afraid of overdrawing his account with the Lord. This is not the case with our High Priest. His credit and influence with the Father are infinite. He is able to save unto the uttermost those who come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them

It is not designed that the road should be made too smooth for us here upon earth .-- Jane Porter.

The Stain of Sin

Besides the guilt of sin and the power of sin there is the stain of sin. -Nathaniel Culverweil.

To Be Converted

A man to be converted has to give up his will, his ways and his thoughts. -D. L. Moody.

"A bigger fortune than I had."

Goes With the Job

Clerk-That fellow gets a cold shoulder every time he comes in here. Grocer-Who does? Clerk-The ice man.-Progressive Grocer.

WHAT MATTERS WHO?



"My brother was a finished saxophone player. "Who finished him?"

The Wise Orator He did not seek for glory With intellectual show. He told a funny story Across the radio.

Don't Try It

Art-What's all the noise down there? Dart-Fella turned a corner!

"Well?" "There wasn't any corner."-Penn Punch Bowl.

Mutual

Beggar-Take pity on a pore mizzable wretch, mister. I have a wife and seven children. 'My poor fellow, accept my con-

dolences. So have L"

Sometimes They Add Two

"A proverb says, 'Add naught to the truth."

"I suspect that is what those movie stars do when they are telling what salarles they get-\$500 becomes \$5,000."-Boston Transcript.

The Prescription

Daughter-What did the specialist say about auntie's frightful attack of kleptomania?

Mother-He said she must take things more quietly in the future.

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lesser!

It was with no success at all that | reached on stilts, there will still remain wonderful things to do. The

(Heb. 7:25). The Road of Life