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### KEEP YARD CLEAN.

The winter season is approaching and at this time of year there seems to be a tendency to allow rubbish to accumulate in back alleys and yards and even in some instances, in front yards. Bandon is getting to be acety of large enough proportions that it should be the pride of everyone to keep their places looking presentable at all time. Much rubbish is allowed to accumulate in many places that could just as well be burned up and gotten out of the way. It is possible to burn practically all garbage and in fact, by taking a little precaution, there is no reason whatever why we cannot have a city beautiful to behold the year around.

Grass grows in Bandon every month in the year and we never have bleak, barren lawns, frozen up by the cold weather in the winter. In the face of this fact we should take advantage of our opportunities to always have beautiful lawns and plenty of flowers and other vegetation. It does not cost much and is a big advertisement for the enterprise and thrift of the people.

### THE OPEN FORUM

#### Armageddon Again.

Editor Bandon Recorder—The Aug. 28th and Sept. 1, issues of The Recorder contained certain articles by T. G. Bunch and A. Haberly, respectively on the present European war and its probable bearing on the end of all things temporal. I was absent from home when the articles appeared but on reading them find some things said which I dare not let pass unnoticed. In his reply to Mr. Bunch Mr. Haberly made use of such flings as "misinterpret," "misplaced zeal," "appeals to fear of men," "biased interpretation," "even a limited knowledge of history," "detached verses of scripture," etc. I esteem Mr. Haberly as a friend and Christian brother, but feel it my duty to take this up in the interest of the cause of truth and because of his utter repudiation of the fact of the Christian minister being

able by comparing history and prophecy to so interpret the "signs of the times" as to KNOW His coming is near. I once believed as he does but despite his declaration that Adventists interpret "detached" verses of scripture to suit their doctrine, was forced to change my doctrine to suit the inevitable interpretation and I know of hundreds of people who did the same. To assume that prophecy cannot be understood is to impugn God's wisdom in giving it. The God who once "hid certain things from the wise and prudent and revealed them unto babies," is unchangeable. Our Lord wept over Jerusalem because they "knew not the time of their visitation." The business of prophets of old was, among other things to foretell future events; the duty of preachers of the gospel is to interpret those predictions in the light of passing events. He quotes that headworn passage in Matt. 24:36—"But of that day and hour knoweth no one." (A. R. V.)

But Brother Haberly, why not console yourself to day and hour and not so proximity? And why did you "detach" that passage from its proper setting? Was it to suit your own doctrine? Haven't you noticed in the context three verses above, "When ye see all these things, know that he is nigh, even at the doors." Is not one "know" from our blessed Lord as authoritative and forceful as another? An now take off your biased denominational glasses and re-read Mr. Bunch's article and tell us why your unbounded "misplaced zeal" allowed you to misquote him in your very first statement. You say he was making an effort to prove this European war to be the Armageddon of scripture; whereas he definitely says it is not the Armageddon battle, and that they may make peace for a short time. He is on safe ground—not setting dates but interpreting events, studying proximity. Referring to the power and coming of Jesus and what he saw on the mount, Peter says, "We have a more sure word of prophecy whereunto we do well that we take heed as unto a light shining in a dark place." But why carry the lamp of prophecy unless we throw its rays on our pathway of events to show us where we are walking? What would you think of a train crew who placed their headlight on the rear of a swiftly moving passenger train? The Lord has never brought great judgement on a nation without faithfully warning them. It may appeal to the fears of some but will never scare a true Christian to know the Lord, whom he loves is at hand. Paul says (I Thess. 5:4) "But ye brethren are not in darkness that that day (of the Lord) should overtake you as a thief." One of the ablest preachers I have been permitted to hear on the second coming of Christ was the late Dr. Brooks of St.

Louis in an interdenominational prophetic conference in Los Angeles, and one of the most forceful writers I have ever followed and whose regular contributions I have read for years was E. P. Marvin, D. D. who spent 48 years in the ministry at Lockport, N. Y. and who held revivals of great spiritual power in many states and cities from Boston to Denver. His articles on "Signs of the Times" and the second coming of Christ were more vigorous than the one in question by Mr. Buch. I mention these two scholarly Christian gentlemen because they are of Mr. Haberly's own denomination and I hardly think he would say their knowledge of history or prophecy was "limited." I can furnish names of scores of able men leading denominations outside either the Adventist bodies, who teach along these lines. The late Mr. Moody was a strong believer and preached on the Lord's soon coming and said that subject was mentioned oftener than any other in the new testament. The Savior puts the danger on the side of delay saying "the evil servant will smite his fellows and say, my Lord delays his coming, while the good servant is giving meat in due season." Let us contend earnestly for the faith, but do it with Christian courtesy.

J. SPENCER TILTON

#### German Chemicals Needed.

Editor Recorder: From Washington, D. C., comes the complaint that the import of German chemicals and colorings for textile articles becomes so scarce that within a short time a million textile workers of this country will have to be laid off. This, however, is not the greatest difficulty, the need of coloring matter to print postage stamps and the making of paper money will have to be stopped until the export of such chemicals will be allowed again. M. G. POHL.

#### A Noisy Comet.

There had been great excitement over the coming of a comet, and five-year-old Bobby had been eagerly watching for it. One night his father roused him from sleep and took him in his arms to see it. "Wake up, Bobby, wake up!" said his father. "Look, Bobby! Do you see the comet?" Bobby looked sleepily up into the sky. Then came the long drawn bray of a donkey. Bobby's head sank down on his father's shoulder. "Oh, Bobby," said his mother, "wake up and see the comet!" "I see it," murmured Bobby and refused to look any more. The next morning Bobby was playing in the garden when he heard a sound that made him raise his head. He listened attentively. It was the bray of a donkey. Bobby rushed into the house. "Mother, mother," he shouted, "there goes the comet again!"

#### His Descent.

"When ambition led me into an accidental seat in congress," says Henry A. Barnhart of Indiana in the Chicago Record-Herald, "the congressional directory carried a ten line biographical announcement that a new member from Indiana had first been a farmer, then an editor, incidentally a prison director and state insane hospital trustee and then a congressman. "One day Uncle Joe was philosophizing in the cloak room, and he said: 'I see a new member from Indiana has had a remarkably consistent career. He was first a farmer, from there he stepped down to the editorial chair, thence to the penitentiary, thence to the insane asylum and thence in the very nature of consistency to congress.'"

#### Gibbon's History.

It is said that when Gibbon set down to write his great work, "Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire," he proposed writing it in French. But David Hume, a close friend, on hearing this wrote him a letter of remonstrance in such strong and stirring language that he was only too glad to relinquish his fancy. There is an excellent foundation for the story of Hume's letter to Gibbon, and beyond doubt we owe it to this old Scotchman that the immortal history was written in our own language. — New York American.

#### Evolution of Wealth.

Originally the process of accumulation comes by the toiler who spends less than he receives. Eventually he is what is called a capitalist. If all were either improvident, vicious or incompetent civilization would speedily decline, therefore the real benefactors of the rest are those who accumulate. Some of us have the capacity others have not. That is an inexorable law of nature which cannot be altered. — Charles C. Crocellus in Laell's.

#### Embarrassing.

"Mamma," said Mary, eight years old, "I'm glad I'm not a boy." "What makes you feel that way?" said mamma. "Well, I think if I were a boy I would be so embarrassing to papa," she replied. — Indianapolis News.

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### Constipation, if Neglected, Causes Serious Illness

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Many cases of typhoid fever, appendicitis and other severe diseases are traceable to prolonged clogging of the bowels. Regarding the effects of constipation, C. E. Ayers, 6 Sabin St., Montpelier, Vt., says: "I was afflicted with constipation and biliousness for years and at times became so bad I would become unconscious. I have been found in this condition many times. Physicians did not seem to be able to do me any good. I would become weak and for days at a time could do no work. Not long ago I got a box of Dr. Miles' Laxative Tablets, and after using them found I had never tried anything that acted in such a mild and effective manner. I believe I have at last found the remedy that suits my case."

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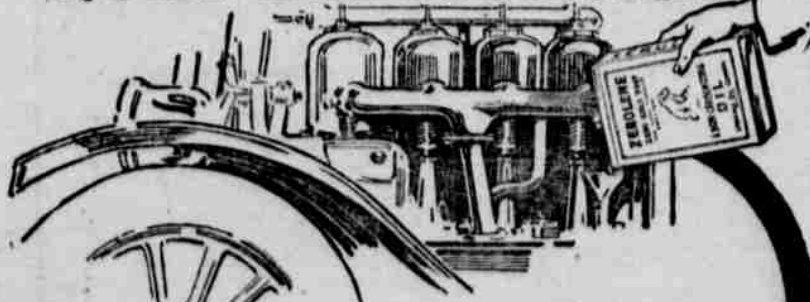
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