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PARKER'S TWO SERMONS.

And How He Got the Morning Congregation Back at Night.

A characteristic story of Dr. Parker was told me the other day, writes "A Man of Kent" in the British Weekly, by a minister who had it from an old minister who was much interested in Joseph Parker's early work as a local preacher. One Saturday he met Parker and asked him whether he had an engagement for Sunday. "Yes," was the reply.

"Are your sermons ready, Joseph?" asked the minister.

"I have the morning sermon," was the reply, "but I am not sure about the evening."

"Well, Joseph, what is your text for the morning and how do you treat it?"

Parker went over his text and the outline of his sermon.

"But, Joseph," said the minister, "that is very clever, but it is not the real meaning of the text. If you will look at the commentaries you will see that you are wrong."

Parker thanked him and went his way. On the Monday the minister again met his friend.

"Well, Joseph, how did you get on yesterday?"

"Very well," was the reply.

"How did you manage?"

"Well," he said, "in the morning I preached my sermon and explained the text in my way, and at the close I said: 'This is how I understand it. But I cannot understand it differently, and I will tell you in the evening how the learned men understand it.'"

They all came back in the evening, and Joseph had a happy day.

MEASURING A RIVER.

How Napoleon's Engineer Found Its Width Without Instruments.

An engineer found himself summoned one day into the presence of his commander. Napoleon stood on the bank of a wide river gazing across to where the enemy had planted batteries which he desired to attack with artillery.

"How wide is that river?" was the question put to the engineer.

"Let me get my instruments," was the reply as he turned to go for them.

"I must know at once," the emperor insisted.

The engineer went down to the level bank of the river and, standing erect, gradually bent his head forward till the edge of his hat brim just touched the line from his eyes to the water line of the opposite bank of the river.

Then, keeping his head bent as it was, he wheeled a quarter turn till his eyes looked along the hat brim and met the land at a point on the same side of the river on which he stood. Here he noted a rock or tree near the point at which his eyes met the ground and, calling a soldier, directed that a stake be driven near that point as he should direct. Then, by motioning just where to drive the stake, he fixed the point at which the line from hat brim and eye reached the bank. Turning to the emperor, he said, "Your majesty, the distance from where I stand to the stake is the width of the river."

And so it was, as you can readily see. If the emperor did not promote that officer—why, then the story does not end as it should.—St. Nicholas.

Mount Vernon.

Mount Vernon passed into the hands of the Mount Vernon association just prior to the war between the states. It was purchased from the Washington heirs for \$200,000. Of the purchase money about half was raised by Edward Everett through his lectures and the balance by the ladies of the association. Each state represented in the association has a special room in the mansion. The place is kept in faultless repair and vandalism is made well nigh impossible by the careful watching. During the war Mount Vernon was, by mutual consent, neutral ground, and the wearers of the blue and the wearers of the gray often met before the tomb of the great American, who was loved equally by north and south.

Hospitality.

"The appetite of the guest was a keen one, and he was doing full justice to the excellent dinner provided by his host. The little daughter of the house watched him open mouthed, for awhile. Then finally she smiled on him brightly and said: "Oh, I do wish you were here to dinner every day." The guest beamed with satisfaction "Do you, my dear? Why?" he inquired.

"Because," came the unexpected reply, "there won't be anything cold to eat tomorrow."—London Tit-Bits.

Discipline.

"How do you get your constituents so thoroughly accustomed to implicit reliance on your word?" "Well," replied Senator Sorghum, "made 'em understand at the outset that if they didn't accept my state ments they'd have to listen to a long string of statistics."—Washington Post.

Wasted Effort.

"He never spans his son, does he?" "No; he's an efficiency crank." "What's that got to do with it?" "He says the upward stroke is lost motion."—Houston Post.

Panama's Cathedral.

The towers of the Panama cathedral are roofed with pearl shells, which reflect the sunlight so that they can be seen far out at sea.

Quite a Long Way.

"Does it cost much to feed the prisoners?" "No; you see a little piece a long way with them."—Harvard Lampoon.

BAD BOOK WORST ROBBER.

Weather, Books and Roads Contribute Largely to the Influences of Rural Life—All Are Factors in Favor of the Mail Order House and Against Local Merchant.

(Copyrighted, 1914, by Thomas J. Sullivan.)

Weather, books and roads contribute largely to the influences of rural life. Bad weather and bad roads mean—books.

And books they say are the light-houses erected in the great sea of time. They are masters who instruct us without rods or ferules, without words or anger, without bread or money. If you approach them they are not asleep. If you seek them they do not hide. If you blunder they do not scold. If you are ignorant they do not laugh.

But the worst robber in all the world is a bad book. It has long been the devil's policy to keep the masses of mankind in ignorance; but, finding that they will read, he is doing all in his power to poison their books. Now, let's see what our rural friend is reading. Oh, para avis! Oh, book without parallel in the history of commercial destruction! "The book" is a huge pictorial, tinsel-colored retail catalogue.

The catalogues of mail order houses are a kind of leaky boat on the waters of temptation; some of the temptation will get in anyhow.

Mud a Great Help Too.

What is more natural with gloom, darkness, rain and mud surrounding a farmer or suburban dweller, when to venture forth means either a sacrifice of self or faithful horses, than for him to turn to the alluring catalogue for both pasture and a means of procuring the necessities of life? Thus it can be seen that the third and best factor in favor of the catalogue houses is mud.

Man is measured by his deeds, and it seems strange that after mastering the art of reading the stars, discovering the course of the planets, controlling the iron monster, the lightning, the sea and the wind, man shows his inability to conquer the one great problem which is proving such a drawback to the best expression of his life in rural districts as far as social and commercial conditions are concerned. Poor roads seem to be his heritage, his master.

A country's stability is measured by its agricultural importance, as the well being of a nation is like a tree—agriculture is its root; industry and commerce are its branches and its life. If the root be injured the leaves fall, the branches break away and the tree dies. Community pride begins where agriculture leaves off, and both are equal and inseparable in their importance to a healthy, happy, successful existence for man.

Blue Grass Roads Are Best.

It is a pleasure to drive through the blue grass district of Kentucky, where they have what they call macadamized turnpikes. These roads are the equal of any paved city street and of course are passable at all seasons of the year. They cost approximately \$3,000 per mile. The highways in Kentucky are from thirty to sixty feet in width. It is estimated that were the highways of Illinois regulated to fifty feet \$25,000,000 could be added to the wealth of the farmers of the state. That alone would build more than 8,000 miles of road.

Spend \$150,000,000.

This country today has about 2,200,000 miles of public highway, on which it is estimated that the people of the country are spending \$150,000,000 annually. Statistics say we also spend \$2,000,000,000 for alcohol, \$9,000,000,000 for tobacco, and it is said that the ladies spend \$365,000,000 yearly for candy. If all this money could be appropriated for road building we could have a turnpike to the moon.

The principal cause of the Roman empire's downfall was its neglect of agriculture—the exodus of its men and women from the farm to the city, the life there to be spent in extravagant and riotous living. Go to any of our cities today and view the extravagant dress and general trend of life for pleasure and you will feel that the old Roman times are being repeated.

It would seem that the remedy lies in building good roads, narrow if advisable, but firm and hard, and have them all lead to your trading center and to the doors of your local merchants. Then on gloomy, rainy days you can do your marketing, and then "back to the farm" without sacrifice to self or injury to beast.

Nothing tends to make a man a good citizen so much as co-operation with his fellows. No man can live for himself alone. Selfishness leads nowhere but to destruction, strife, bad feeling and disorder. It is one of the mainstays of all the virtues.

The farmer and the town consumer who patronize the retail catalogue houses also assist materially in the destruction of the local market and trading center. This practice of sending local money to out of town merchants is a dangerous habit.

Naming the Picture.

The artist was of the Impressionist school. He had just given the last touches to a purple and blue canvas when his wife came into the studio. "My dear," said he, "this is the landscape I wanted you to suggest a title for."

"Why not call it 'Home?'" she said after a long look.

"Home? Why?"

"Because there's no place like it," she replied meekly.—Glasgow Times.

A Solemn Critic.

A local band was one day playing at Dumfries when an old weaver came up and asked the bandmaster what "that was they were playing."

"That is the 'Death of Nelson,'" solemnly replied the bandmaster.

"Ay, man," remarked the weaver, "ye ha'e given him an awfu' death!"—Glasgow News.

Right on the Job.

Indignant Citizen (to office boy)—Your confounded paper had an outrageous attack on me this morning, and— Office Boy (briskly)—Yesir, how many copies will you have?

Call For City Warrants.

Notice is hereby given that the City of Athena will redeem all outstanding warrants against both the general fund and the water fund. Interest will cease on these warrants on and after the date of this publication of this notice. Dated this 8th day of May, 1914. V. C. Burk, Treasurer.

An Ideal Home.

An ideal home and diversified farm, reduced price. 40 acres; good house and outbuildings; running water. Close to marina. Fine ornamental and fruit trees; 20 acres of alfalfa; plenty of commercial fruit. Every foot is good land. Price is \$13,000.00. Close to Wells Walls. Freshwater Land Co., Freshwater, Oregon.—Adv.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. Mamie Boyd, Plaintiff, vs. Cleveland G. Boyd, Defendant.

To Cleveland G. Boyd, the above-named defendant: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed against you in the above entitled court and cause within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit, on or before the 3rd day of July, A. D., 1914; and you will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer or otherwise plead to the said complaint within said time the plaintiff, for want thereof, will apply to the court for the relief prayed for and demanded in said complaint, to-wit, for a decree of said court forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant and for an absolute divorce from the defendant and for other equitable relief.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of Hon. Gilbert W. Phelps, Circuit Judge of the Sixth Judicial District of the State of Oregon, duly made and filed on the 10th day of May, A. D., 1914, and the first publication of this summons will be made in the Athena Press newspaper on Friday, the 22nd day of May, 1914, and the last publication will be made on Friday the 3rd day of July, A. D., 1914.

Dated this 10th day of May, 1914. WILL M. PETERSON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Notice of Final Account.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of Elizabeth Dell, Deceased: Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that York Dell, administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Dell deceased has filed his final account and report in the administration of the estate; that the County Judge by order duly made and entered has appointed Saturday the 20th day of June A. D. 1914 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon as the time, and the County Court House at Pendleton, Oregon, as the place, where the said final account and report will be heard and the settlement thereof made. Dated this 22nd day of May, A. D., 1914. York Dell, Atty. for Administrator.

Notice to Creditors.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of Charles Carpenter, Deceased: Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that Walter V. Griswold has been appointed administrator of the estate of Charles Carpenter, deceased. All persons having claims against his estate are hereby required to present them with proper vouchers as required by law to the said Walter V. Griswold at the office of Will M. Peterson, attorney at law, Pendleton, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, which is made on this 8th day of May, A. D. 1914. Walter V. Griswold, Administrator. Will M. Peterson, Atty.

Notice to Creditors.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Umatilla County. In the matter of the Estate of Peter LaCour, deceased. Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that F. S. LeGrow has qualified as the executor of the last will and testament of Peter LaCour, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them with proper vouchers as required by law, to said executor at his office in Athena, Oregon, or to his attorney, Homer I. Watts, at his law office in Athena, Oregon, within six months from the first publication of this notice. Dated this 1st day of May, 1914. Homer I. Watts, F. S. LeGrow, Executor.

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In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Umatilla County. In the matter of the Estate of T. J. Watts, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the above estate, by order of the above entitled court and has qualified as the law director; all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same at my office in Athena, Oregon, or at the office of my attorney in Athena, Oregon, with proper vouchers, within six months from the date hereof. Dated this 1st day of May, A. D. 1914. Homer I. Watts, M. L. Watts, Attorney, Administrator.

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SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION.

In Foreclosure of Tax Lien. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Umatilla. Lexington Realty Company, a corporation Plaintiff, vs. William Schultz and also all persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described herein, Defendants.

To William Schultz, the above named defendant and all persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described herein: You are hereby notified that Lexington Realty Company, a corporation, is the holder of Certificate of Delinquency 892 issued on the 3rd day of February, 1913 by the Tax Collector of the County of Umatilla, State of Oregon, for the amount of one and 90-100 (\$1.90) Dollars, the same being the amount then due and delinquent for taxes for the year 1907 together with penalty, interest and costs thereon upon the real property assessed to you, of which you are the owner as appears of record, situated in said County and State, and particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

West half of West half of the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter (W 1/2, W 1/2, SE 1/4, NW 1/4) of Section 10, Township 3 North, Range 36 East W. M., containing ten acres.

You are further notified that said Lexington Realty Company, a corporation, has paid taxes on said premises for prior and subsequent years with the rate of interest on said amounts as follows:

Years	Date	Tax	Receipt	Number	Am't	Rate of Interest
1907	Feb. 3, 1913	701	808	15	10 per cent	
1908	" " "	708	" "	" "	" "	
1910	" " "	702	" "	" "	" "	
1911	" " "	856	" "	" "	" "	
1912	April, "	878	" "	" "	" "	

Said William Schultz, as the owner of the legal title of the above described property as the same appears of record and each of the other persons above named are hereby notified that Lexington Realty Company, a corporation, will apply to the Circuit Court of the County and State aforesaid for a decree foreclosing the lien against the property above described and mentioned in said certificate. And you are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the first publication of the summons exclusive of the day of first publication, and defend this action or pay the amount due as above shown together with costs and accrued interest and in case of your failure to do so, a decree will be rendered foreclosing the lien of said taxes and costs against the land and premises above named.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable Gilbert W. Phelps, Judge of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Umatilla, and said order was made and dated this 10th day of January, 1914, and the date of the first publication of this summons is the 1st day of May, 1914.

All process and papers in this proceeding may be served upon the undersigned, residing within the State of Oregon, at the address hereafter mentioned.

FREDERICK STEIWER, Dist. Atty. and Attorney for the Plaintiff, Pendleton, Oregon.

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