

SHOULD BE LITERARY SHIRINE

Room in London Where Rudyard Kipling, Thirty Years Ago, Wrote 'The Light That Failed'

Thirty years make few changes in a London street, and Villiers street running down to the Thames past the smoke-smudged walls of Charing Cross railway station is much the same as when Rudyard Kipling lived in Number 19, the Embankment chambers, and struggled for recognition from the London editors, says Arthur Bartlett Maurice in 'Literary Pilgrimages' in the New York Herald.

The third-floor rooms in the Embankment chambers where Kipling worked in his early twenties are the scene of nearly all the stories with a London background that he has written.

For example, 'The Light That Failed.' The rooms shared by Terpenhew and Dick Helder were Kipling's own rooms. From the doorway of No. 19 poor Dick, stricken with blindness, groped down to the water's edge for the sense of the Thames' damp and the feel of the ships that waited to his nostrils—the pungent smells of the East, lying across that doorway. Terpenhew first found Bessie Broke, the little street girl from 'Sogh' to the river, who fell in love with him, and revenged herself on Dick for his interference by scripping away the face of the Melancholia. On a table of the Kipling rooms in the Embankment chambers, Charlie Means, of 'The Finest Story in the World,' scrawled the words, meaningless to him, that told of the agony of the galley slave. The very table once had being Kipling had been burning the midnight oil and generally overworking himself. On the table he had graven the words: 'Oft was I weary when I tolled at thee—the motto which the galley slave carved upon his oar.'

HAS GRUDGE AGAINST RADIO

One Person at Least Who Cannot See Anything in the Latest Popular Amusement.

'I'm through with Greenwich Village for good,' the out-of-towner told her city cousin. 'It was false to me in my hour of need. Furthermore, I'm haunted by wireless.'

'You don't say so?' 'At home I led a terribly conventional life. It was boring, but I managed to endure it. My brother is a rather clever talker, you know, and we were the best of pals—until he took up wireless telephony.'

'So that's why you came to town so suddenly?' 'It is! My life was just one continuous discussion of radiophones, P.D.Q. stations, antennae and wot not! But the thing I hated most was my brother's enchantment with the nightly radio concerts. Every time we settled down for a chat and he promised to reform from his wireless craze, he'd get word that there was a concert in Newark and off he'd dash to his wireless telephone.'—New York Times.

Under His Hat

The woman and the man from out of town were together and at 8 o'clock both discovered that neither knew the answer on which the particular theater was located.

'Let's go to a newspaper and get an evening paper,' suggested the man.

'Let's ask a policeman,' suggested the woman.

'That is a good suggestion,' said the man, 'but as a big policeman goes into the man went up to him to get the information.'

'Lord love you,' said the joyful policeman, 'I can't keep all the theaters in my head any more than you can, but I do keep them in my hat.' Then, grinning amiably, he removed said hat or cap, to be carried, and extracted a tiny guide book which revealed, after a turning of numerous pages, the desired address.—Exchange.

America's Oldest Bell

In the court house at Barnstable, Mass., is an old bell, cracked and silent, which may be, and probably is, the oldest bell in the United States. So thinks Alfred Crocker of Barnstable county.

The date 1675 is still plainly visible in a photograph recently printed. By this date, however, the old bell had seen nearly a quarter of a century of life in England before it came to America and began calling worshippers together in the church at Sandwich town.

Gratitude bought the bell in England, for it came as a gift from Mrs. Peter Adolph, whose husband, Captain Adolph, was lost in the wreck of his vessel on the Massachusetts coast in 1697 despite the efforts of the people of Sandwich.—Boston Transcript.

Travel Lore

The woman who seeks but spring longings for a sea trip as she passes a department gay with travel literature.

A bright-looking boy was temporarily in charge. 'Have you a booklet that outlines a trip including Jamaica?' the woman asked. 'He looked helplessly about and said, 'Jamaica? Where's Jamaica, lady? The only one I know is Jamaica, singer.'—Exchange.

Key-Chain That Stretches

There are times when the rear of a key ring and chain wishes the chain were longer. With one such as this those wishes will come true, for the chain is made of coiled piano wire and will stretch a considerable distance.

M. M. Hanting, in Scientific American

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Sunday School Lesson

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LESSON FOR JUNE 25

REVIEW: JUDAH'S PROSPERITY AND ADVERSITY

GOLDEN TEXT: 'Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.'—Ps. 135: 20. PRIMARY AND JUNIOR TOPIC—Men Who Obeyed God.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—True and False Leaders of Judah. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Some Lessons From Judah's History.

I. Central Thought of Each Lesson Gathered Around the Key Words of the Day's Lesson Subject, Namely, Prosperity and Adversity.

A good outline is the following from Crannel's Pocket Lessons:

- 1. Judah's Prosperity. Based on—
  - (1) Reliance on God, lesson 1.
  - (2) Courageous Venture for God, lesson 2.
  - (3) Business Methods for God, lesson 3.
  - (4) The Vision of God, lesson 5.
  - (5) The Law and Leadership of God, lesson 7.
  - (6) Wise Leadership Back to God, lesson 8.
- 2. Judah's Adversity. Due to—
  - (1) Presuming Upon God's Blessing, lesson 4.
  - (2) Presuming Upon God's Purpose, lesson 6.
  - (3) Rejecting God's Word, lesson 10.
  - (4) Persecuting God's Messenger, lesson 11.
  - (5) Disloyalty to God and Man, lesson 12.

II. Golden Text Review.

Assign the texts to your class the preceding Sunday and ask them to show how the lesson illumines the text, or ask the class to prepare on all the texts and have the members of the class draw the text and give the answer.

III. Character Study or Portrait Review.

Assign the following characters the Sunday before: Asa, Josiah, Jehoiada, Uzziah, Isaiah, Hezekiah, Hilkiah, Jeremlah, Baah, Jehoiakim, Ebed-melech, Zedekiah.

IV. The Summary Method.

This method calls for the salient facts of each lesson with a statement of its outstanding teaching.

Note the following suggestions:

Lesson 1. Asa cleared the land of idolatry and called upon Judah to seek the Lord. Because he rested upon the Lord, God gave him victory over his enemies.

Lesson 2. Athaliah attempted to destroy the seed royal and then usurp the throne. Jehoiada checked her by hiding away Joash for six years. At an appointed time Joash was crowned king and the usurper slain. Every attempt to thwart God's purpose fails.

Lesson 3. Jesus arose from the dead, showed himself to His disciples and sent them forth as witnesses for Him. Certainty of the resurrection of Christ is essential to witness for Him.

Lesson 4. Uzziah made a notable civic and military record, but in his pride he presumptuously intruded into the priest's office. As a judgment God smote him with leprosy. 'Bride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.'

Lesson 5. Isaiah's vision of God brought him to a sense of his sinfulness. Man's supreme need today is a vision of God.

Lesson 6. Isaiah foretold the end of all strife in the world through the establishment of Christ's kingdom. Peace and restoration shall come to the earth when Christ shall come and remove from men's hearts the cause for strife.

Lesson 7. Hezekiah led his people back to God. This he did by means of the passover feast. The only way for a sinning and divided people to get back to God and be united is around the crucified Lord.

Lesson 8. Through the repelling of the temple the law of God was found. When it was read before the king it brought penitence sorrow. God accepted his penitence and postponed the evil day.

Lesson 9. Jeremlah was arrested and brought to trial because he boldly proclaimed God's word to the nation. The one whom God calls to proclaim His word should faithfully discharge his duty regardless of what men may say to him.

Lesson 10. Jehoiakim tried to destroy God's Word by burning it. Trying to destroy God's Word will not avert His judgments.

Lesson 11. Because of Jeremlah's fidelity to God he was cast into prison. Casting the prophets into the dungeon will not turn aside God's judgments.

Lesson 12. Nebuchadnezzar captured Jerusalem and carried away the people captives. Though God's judgments tarry they eventually fall.

Useful Steps

For even heretofore were we called because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that we should follow his steps.—1 Peter 2:21.

Trusting Men

The man who trusts men will make fewer mistakes than he who distrusts them.—Cairns.

Reference to Golden

Well-timed silence hath more eloquence than speech.—Martin Farquhar Tupper.

DIGNITY NOT YET ATTAINED

Latest Arrival Evidently Had to Wait Before Her Age Could Be Matter of Notice.

The open season for park diversions being at hand, the man who likes the outdoors took a seat on a park bench and awaited events. Men, women, children and even dogs and cats respond to him without conscious effort on his part, so there was nothing surprising about it when a little girl walked up to him and climbed upon the bench at his side.

'My name is Frances,' she said fearlessly. 'What's yours?'

Before the M. W. L. O. had time to reply another smaller child ran up and began pulling Frances' dress, so he asked:

'Is this your little sister?'

'Yes,' replied Frances. 'Her name is Mianie. That is our daddy over there on the bench,' and she indicated him with a wave of her hand.

'How old are you?' the M. W. L. O. asked.

'I'm six,' Frances answered proudly, then, with a slight touch of disdain, she added, nodding toward the little Mianie, 'she's only three.'

The M. W. L. O. looked at the two little girls and was about to ask another question when Frances said, this time somewhat confidentially:

'I've got another sister at home.'

'Oh, have you?' the M. W. L. O. responded. 'Is she older than you?'

'The little girl made an expressive gesture.

'She hasn't any age,' she said in a matter of fact way. 'She's just born.'

—Chicago Journal.

PECULIAR MAY DAY SPORTS

Diversions in 'Merrie England' That Went Out With the Rise of Puritanical Ideas.

In London in olden times the chimney sweeps had a May day celebration of their own. They gathered in small bands, fantastically dressed, usually with a woman smartly dressed and glittering with spangles. One strange figure in the group, a man concealed in a frame of herbs and flowers, called 'Jack in the Green.' All these persons strolled the streets, stopping to dance to the tune of a lute and a drum and collect pennies from the onlookers. This chimney sweep observance of the day was the last of the May day celebrations of the sort in England.

As a part of the old English celebration of May day there was a distinct set of sports meant to represent the adventures of the legendary Robin Hood and known as the 'Robin Hood games.' Most of the characters mentioned in the Robin Hood legend were portrayed in these games and there were archery and quarter staff contests.

In Pavilion times in England, May poles were uprooted and the May day customs came into disuse.

Solved the Difficulty.

A prominent 'movie' director says that there is at least one advantage in the income tax.

'We were casting for a picture, and we wanted a particular man for a certain part. This man had evidently forgotten that common sense has entered the motion picture field, because he insisted upon the most exorbitant salary that could be imagined.'

'Negotiations were apparently hot and the discussion became general. Finally this actor complained bitterly of the amount that he had had to pay in income tax. 'We've got some quick mental figuring and found that the return he had made to the government was about a half of what he should have made had he received the salary that he insisted he had been getting.'

'I'll tell you what I'll do, I said; I'll give you the same salary that you told the government you got.'

Cub Tricks

He had been a newspaper reporter long enough to consider himself well past the 'cub' stage.

It was 2 a. m. barely an hour before press time, when the phone bell rang. Replacing the receiver after a few excited 'Whats?' and 'Whens?' he grabbed his raincoat, and, telling the city editor there was a big train wreck on the W. & N., rushed out.

Breathless, he grabbed at the bridge watchman, ten minutes later.

'Where's 85? Did she sink?'

'Where's what? Yuh-crazy?' asked the watchman.

'I'm from the Clarion; we got a report train 85 ran off the bridge.'

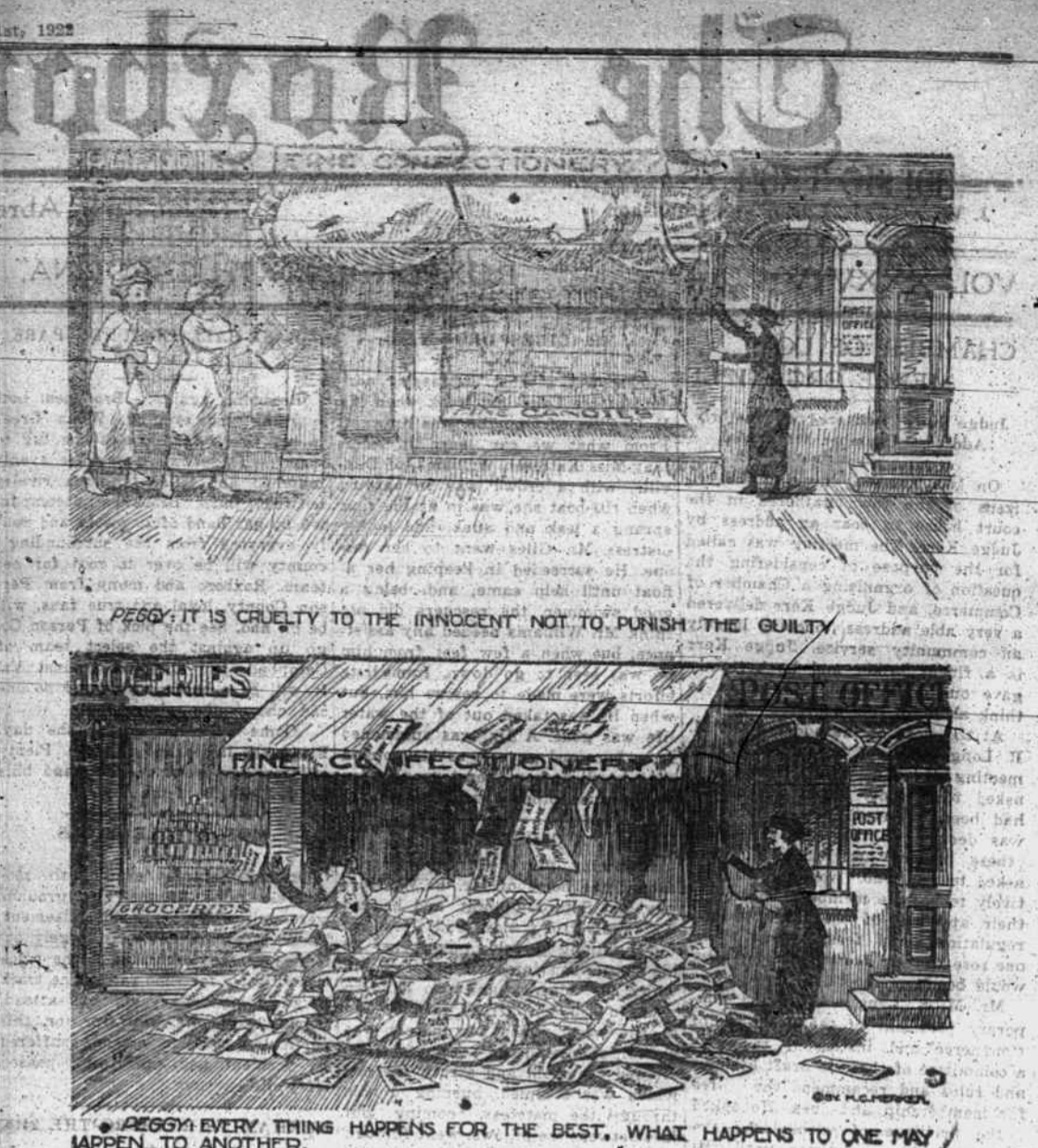
'It did. It does every morning about this time. Wladdaya, huhk—this bridge goes everywhere with the train.'—Everybody's Magazine.

New Yorkers Got Lost in City.

Many of the life-long residents of New York know little of the city's rapidly expanding transportation system. They are acquainted with those minor sections they use daily, but if they have occasion to travel to unaccustomed quarters they are as puzzled as the stranger. It is usually the newcomer, the resident of a few months or years, who even pretends to know the subways or the streets of any considerable section of the town. New York Sun.

Completing Her Collection.

Helen—People say it is awful kind of her to marry him. He has an artificial arm and an artificial leg. Marie, (sweetly)—Yes, about the only artificialities she hasn't got her self.—Boston Evening Transcript.



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