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She didn't dance,
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To be expert
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On a silver chain,
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She didn't row,
She didn't take in
Every show;
She didn't give
Her purse distress
By straining it
On too much dress;
She didn't play,
She didn't sing,
She wasn't up
On everything,
But, men and women,
Understand,
That she could cook
To beat the band.

—W. J. LAMPTON

A NEW ASPECT OF DEATH.

Charlotte News and Courier.

Some three or four months ago, there died in Philadelphia the Rev. Dr. H. C. Trumbull, who had been for nearly thirty years the editor of the "Sunday School Times." In all outward appearance there was little to distinguish his funeral from those who are taking place every day; but that which made it different from other occasions of the kind was the conduct of those who were present at the last services. In describing it the Philadelphia Press remarked editorially: "It is common to say of an affecting occasion that 'there was hardly a dry eye in the house.' In this case the stereotyped phrase could be changed to 'there was hardly a wet eye in the house.' It was almost a tearless funeral; not that Dr. Trumbull was not loved, or that he will not be deeply missed; few men had more ardent affection than he, or more for themselves a place in the lives of more people. But the real greatness of this departed man revealed itself in that instinctive thought of all those at his bier was one of rejoicing over his brave, tender, fruitful life. He died a victor, vindicating in the end of his career the truths that he taught throughout its length. Intense love facing a coffin with jubilation in its heart, is nothing less than a triumph of religion. The eloquent lips of Dr. Trumbull in life never preached a greater sermon than was preached yesterday by his silent form."

Not more than a year and a half ago, an almost similar scene was witnessed here at the funeral of a beloved minister who had been a great sufferer from a painful disease for some years before his death. By his own desire the whole service and the hymns sung on the occasion contained nothing that could give an impression of gloom and sadness; everything expressed the fullness of faith in the promises of God, and the rejoicing of a pure spirit at its release from suffering and at being at last permitted to enter the presence of its Saviour. There was, of course, the deep grief of near relatives for the loss of his beloved presence, and a feeling of loneliness in the hearts of the congregation to whom he had so faithfully ministered for many years; but above all this the predominant note of the service was that of joy and perfect peace. The remarkable thing about these two occasions was, that they were so exceptional in character; and yet, if we sincerely feel that we profess to believe, joy rather than grief should characterize many another funeral; whether it be that of the aged Christian, whose life has been a long period of consistent, loving service, or of the laborer in the Lord's harvest, who rests upon the Lord's arm, or of the young man whose life has been a long period of consistent, loving service, or of the laborer in the Lord's harvest, who rests upon the Lord's arm, or of the young man whose life has been a long period of consistent, loving service, or of the laborer in the Lord's harvest, who rests upon the Lord's arm.

While it is natural that human hearts should mourn the separation from those they love, we cannot help believing that another great element in our grief is the vagueness of our knowledge, and the weakness of our faith concerning the life immortal. A concern of this is found in the eagerness with which persons who have recently gone through the deep waters of affliction seize upon every word which tends to confirm their hope of meeting the lost friend again in a better world. To such as these a book recently published by a well known northern minister, setting forth the reasonableness of our belief in the doctrine of immortality should be a comfort. He begins by saying that this belief is not based solely in science, nor

in philosophy or in religion; but in all three of these together. "It is a mistake to stake the whole question on any one of these departments, exclusively, as all three are but co-ordinate parts of truth, and one's nature craves different confirmation in different moods, at times seeking to satisfy the intellect, at other times the heart, and still, at other times, the conscience." He then goes on to show the impossibility of proving that the soul is immortal through physical science, and that the most we can do is to satisfy ourselves with the fact that physical science cannot disprove it, so that the question is still open for investigation by scientists. But, at the same time, we have the consolation of knowing that many other things of which we have not the slightest doubt—"such as God, the soul, the moral sense, the affections, the beautiful, the true and the good"—cannot be proved by science.

The Cost of Consumption.

"One of three of the deaths between the ages of twenty-five and thirty-four years is due to consumption," one in four between the ages of thirty-five and forty-four," says Eugene Wood in Everybody's Magazine for May. "These are the years wherein a worker is at his best, when he repays to the community what it has spent upon him in his nurture and upbringing. Count it as you would count an investment. The average man's earnings in the working period of his life are about \$12,000. The average earnings of a consumptive, taking into the calculation the short period when he earns full wages, the period when he can work only part of the time at what light tasks he can find, and the still longer period when all that he can do is gasp for breath, a burden to his family, and more than a burden, a menace—the average earnings of a man that dies of consumption are no more than \$4,075, a loss of \$8,525 on every man. By and large the land we live in loses just so much on every one that dies of this great plague for which a woman is of equal worth with a man. It is she that keeps the home. It is estimates that in the United States 160,000 die every year of this disease alone. Leaving out of the calculation all that it costs for medicines and nursing, counting only the loss of wages, we are out more than a billion and a third of dollars every year by the Great White Plague."

Plague of Rats.

STERLING, Ill., April 30.—Millions of rats have suddenly made their appearance in Mercer, Rock Island and a portion of Whiteside counties and are doing great damage to stock and grain. The rats attack hogs, biting them and tearing their flesh, bringing on blood poisoning. Hundreds of hogs have been killed in this manner. The rats also kill pigs outright and endeavor to eat them. Poison has been used and cats by the hundreds have been imported into the counties, but there is no abatement to the plague. The farmers are greatly worried over the situation.

Big Rats Attack Farmer.

Curtis Dettler, a farmer of East Berlin, Pa., had a narrow escape from death in a desperate battle with barn rats. He was engaged in tearing up the floor in the entry of the barn, when he unearthed a nest of large rats. The animals attacked him. He succeeded in killing about a dozen of the rats, but so severely was he bitten that it was with difficulty he succeeded in making his way from the barn. Friends found him in an unconscious condition, almost dead from loss of blood.

Wildcat Sought Entrance.

Mrs. William Clow, living at a lumber camp near Cedar, Mich., recently had an experience with a wildcat that she does not care to have repeated. Her husband was away from home on business and she was awakened during the night by the screams of the animal, which was trying to break through the doors. Failing to effect an entrance by that way it climbed to the roof, and for several hours made desperate efforts to tear the boards off and get into the room. It was nearly morning before the frenzied beast went away.

Cured His Mother of Rheumatism.

"My mother has been a sufferer for many years with rheumatism," says W. H. Howard, of Husband, Pa. "At times she was unable to move at all, while at other times walking was painful. I presented her with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and after a few applications she decided it was the most wonderful pain reliever she had ever tried, in fact, she is never without it now and is at all times able to walk. An occasional application of Pain Balm keeps away the pain that she was formerly troubled with." For sale by M. L. Marsh.

Some women are like blonde wig—fair but false.

CHRIST'S SECOND COMING.

A Rochester Band Gets Ready for the Millennium.

New York Sun.
Firm in the conviction that within a year or so Christ will again visit the world, a band calling itself the Society of Christian Brethren has recently taken up its abode in Rochester, there to work and watch and pray for the millennium.

There are seventy-two persons in the band, comprising thirty-one families. The Christian Brethren have been working in the south and west for several years, although not very much has been known about them in the east.

The originator and leader of the Christian Brethren faith is Capt. J. T. Nichols, who was born in Indiana in 1844. He makes no pretence to divine inspiration. He is tall and slender, and has a kindly face, with a surprisingly high forehead.

The brethren have not started their campaign in Rochester yet. They are waiting for the spring. Then they will begin work. They propose to go up and down the canal, from one end of the State to the other, and sound the warning to the people. New York city will be visited, although Capt. Nichols seems to be a little timid about advancing on wicked Gotham after the hippodrome performance of Elijah Dowie.

Carpenters, masons, bricklayers and other tradesmen are included in the band, and they will erect the buildings needed for their accommodation. That the brethren have money is shown by the fact that they paid \$7,500 for the land and assumed a \$4,500 mortgage.

The society is not organized on the communistic principle. It said that there is nothing in common among them except ideas and religious work.

Each man has his own property and his own bank account, earns his own living and is obliged to rely upon himself for a livelihood. Each family has a room entirely to itself, and as far as possible each family has a cook stove and a complete housekeeping establishment of its own.

The society has strict rules concerning the manner in which its members shall live. They may not use in any form tea, coffee, lard, pork, pie, cake, tobacco or liquor. Some of these things are forbidden because they are considered unhealthful, others because they are luxuries and others because they are sinful.

They kill their own beef and mutton and dress it, because they say that then they know it is clean. They never buy meat at a market.

The exact date of the beginning of the millennium is put at 1941. They say that it will take Christ forty years to subdue the rebellious and wicked kingdoms of the earth, so that according to their calculations the Lord is now apparently over due.

But Capt. Nichols has discovered that in reality the world is now living in 1897 and that the present calendar is seven years ahead of the true date. He therefore says that the millennium will begin in 1948 by the present calendar, although 1948 will in reality be only the year 1941.

Capt. Nichols establishes the date of the millennium by the Bible. In the first place, the words of the Bible, "A day with the Lord is as a thousand years," are pointed out. The next reference is made to the commandment, "Six days shall thou labor, and the seventh," etc.

The millennium, argue the Christian Brethren, is to come with the first Sunday on God's calendar after His creation of man. The problem, then, is to figure out the exact time that has elapsed since the creation of man to the present day.

Capt. Nichols has taken the account of "Abraham begat Isaac" straight down through the whole narrative. He has figured out the time that has elapsed from the statement made of the duration of the lives of these men.

Parson Knocks Down Youth.

An unidentified visitor of athletic propensities, who, with a companion, was using profane language in Eureka Springs, Ark., a few days ago was chastised by the Rev. Mr. Keen, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The pastor touched the offender on the shoulder and called attention to the fact that they were obstructing the passage and offending a group of ladies. The visitor retaliated by applying a vile epithet to the preacher and warning him to mind his own business, whereupon the parson promptly knocked the offender down and twice he repeated the dose.

A Husband's Bicycle.

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EXTRACTS FROM GEN. GORDON'S GREAT SPEECH.

Sunny South.

This extract from General John B. Gordon's great lecture on "The Last Days of the Confederacy" is characteristic of the eloquence which has charmed enthusiastic multitudes in both sections of the country and the tribute which the soldier-statesman pays to his illustrious chief:

"There stood Lee—as a mark of respect to Grant—in his best uniform, unbent by misfortune, sustaining by his example the spirits of his defeated comrades and illustrating in his calm and lofty bearing the noble adage which he afterwards announced that 'human virtue should be equal to human calamity.' I had him seen before in defeat as well as in the hour of triumph with the exultant shouts of his victorious legions ringing in his ears. I was familiar with the spirit of self-abnegation with which he had severed his allegiance to the general government and resolved like old John Adams, that, 'sink or swim, live or die, survive or perish,' he would cast his fortunes with those of his people. I had learned long and intimate association with him that unlike Caesar and Alexander and Bonaparte, the goal of his ambition was not glory, but duty, and duty only; that it was true of him as of few men who have ever lived that distance in his case did not lend enchantment, and that the nearer he was approached the greater and grander he grew. And now, self-poised and modest, bearing on his heart a mountain load of woe, with the light of an unclouded conscience upon his majestic brow, with an innate dignity and nobility of spirit rarely equaled and never excelled, this central figure of the confederate cause rose in this hour of supreme trial to the acme of the morally sublime."

Another paragraph from this same address voices General Gordon's eloquent tribute to the private soldier's on both sides of the struggle:

"My countrymen, I must be pardoned for saying that when I recall the uncompromising spirit, the unbought and poorly paid patriotism of those grand men, the American volunteers, who had no hopes of personal honors, no stripes on their coats, nor stars on their collars, who wore the knapsacks, trudged in the mud, leaving the imprint of their feet in their own blood on Virginia's snows; when I recall those men who stood in the fore-front of the battle, fired the muskets, won the victories and made the generals, I would gladly write their names in characters of blazing stars that could never grow dim. . . . My brother Americans, all the ages have claimed chivalry and courage; but I stand here tonight with the fear of God upon me, measuring my every word, and throw down the challenge to all history: I challenge the proud phalanxes of Cyrus and Alexander, the Tenth Legion of Caesar, the Old Guard of Napoleon or the heroic Highlanders of Scotland to furnish a parallel to that heroism, devotion and self-sacrifice exhibited by those American boys in blue and gray from 1861 to 1865."

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SOLE WEATHER WINDOR.

St. Louis Republic.

For once the government has issued a bulletin that is interesting reading and upon the most tiresome of subjects—the weather. It is issued by the department of agriculture and its author is Edward B. Garratt, professor of meteorology. It is made interesting by quotations from Pliny, the Bible, Indian legends and folklore.

The bulletin says that the weather of the world is governed by different conditions, but in this country, generally speaking, a steady south to east wind will bring rain within 36 hours. It will tell whether it is a rain cloud the professor quotes from Luke xii, 54: "When ye see a cloud rise out of the west, straightaway ye say there cometh a shower; and so it is." Birds fly high when the barometer is high, and low when the barometer is low, hence the frequently misquoted prediction: "Everything is lovely and the good looks high." Before rain tobacco becomes moist, salt increases its weight, cordage tightens, flies sting, doors and windows become hard to shut, red hair curls, lamp wicks crackle, candles burn dim and soot falls down.

Cats are weather prophets. When a cat washes herself good weather can be expected, and bad weather when she licks her coat against the grain or washes herself over the ears or sits with her tail to the bed. "If the cock goes crowing to be fed, he'll certainly rise with a watery head," is another quotation. When fish bite readily and swim near the surface rain may be expected with certainty. The bee is never caught in a shower, and the professor quotes: "When bees to distance wing their flight days are warm and skies are bright; but when their flight ends near at home stormy weather is sure to come."

Plants, says this expert, are subject to weather conditions and are safe prophets. The odor of flowers is strongest before a shower, cottonwood and aspen trees turn up their leaves before rain and those of the sugar maple turn down. A Zuni proverb is: "When the sun sets unhappily then will the morning be angry with wind, storm and sand." If the sun before setting appears diffuse and of a brilliant white it foretells a storm, but if it sets in a sky slightly purple, the atmosphere near the zenith being of a bright blue, we may rely on fair weather. This is real weather wisdom.

Can Leprosy Be Cured?

In a lecture delivered at New Orleans Saturday, Dr. Isadore Dyer, physician of the Lepers' Home of Louisiana, and probably the most distinguished expert on this disease in this country, after saying that there were 3,000,000 lepers in existence—or one to every 500 living persons—announced that in the last two years the problem of curing this dread disease had been solved. In ten years, Dr. Dyer said that he and his assistants had succeeded in removing every trace of the disease in twelve lepers. In the past two years, since later part of 1902, every case at the Louisiana Leper Home, except those in the very last stages of the disease, had been improved materially, and in three cases the lepers are almost well, and it will be possible to discharge them within a comparatively short time. Thus it seems that modern science is about to overcome one of the most repulsive afflictions known to humanity, and one that has always carried with it the incurable stamp. Such a triumph of medical skill gives hope that ere long the disease of tuberculosis may be successfully mastered. Many discoveries in regard to it have been made, and doubtless numerous lives prolonged, but it is still popularly regarded as the worst enemy to mankind.

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