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NEW THINGS IN THE BIBLE.

Many Things the Young Minister Found While Looking for a Church Letter.

Bangor, Me., Dispatch.
"Don't you find something new in the Bible every time you look into it?" asked a Calais lawyer of a preacher as they were seated together on a train coming into Bangor.

"Every time," said the young minister. "I never opened the book but I find some new food for thought, and speaking of food for thought, I must tell you what I found in the Bible last week," and the minister smiled a regular orthodox smile.

"You see, a family moved to St. Stephen this fall, and the first Sunday they came to our church and I found they wanted to join us on a letter from their former church. I appointed a time to receive them and give the right hand of fellowship, but when the time came it had to be postponed because they could not find the letter from their former church.

"The lady said she had mislaid the letter. I called at the house twice and they had not found it.

"The lady said she was sure she had it laid away somewhere, but could not find it. I was anxious to get them into our church out of the cold, so I suggested different places for them to hunt for it.

"Finally, I saw a Bible on the table and I suggested that maybe they had it in the Bible. The lady said maybe, but if it was in there it was lost, because they never could find anything in the Bible.

"I took up the good book and opened it at the New Testament, and in the first chapter of Matthew I found a paper and opened it, the brother and sister looking over my shoulder. Opening the paper, I was about to read it, when the lady said that was not the letter; it was only a recipe for making soap powder.

"I let up on that and turned over a few leaves, when I found an envelope, and opening it I learned how to make mixed pickles. In Luke I struck pay dirt, turning up an old Confederate \$10 bill, which was good for its face in two years after the acknowledgment of the Southern Confederacy.

"There were a couple of long hairpins in Luke, also a piece of black court plaster. In Genesis I found a remedy for rheumatism, and a formula further along was a formula for preparing a gargle for sore throat, and over a leaf were two blocks all patched ready for a silk quilt, and the tail of several neckties.

"When I opened on Deuteronomy I thought I had the letter. There was an envelope with something in it, and I opened it, but it wasn't a church letter. It was ten shares of stock in the Rev. Mr. Jernegan's salt water gold mine at Lubeo, and on the back of the envelope was written in pencil, 'The greatest fraud on record!'

"Deuteronomy didn't pan out any more except a recipe for making a salve, but when I struck Leviticus there seemed to be a grand field for research. There was a new white kid glove with the thumb half torn off, and a lock of curly hair which brought tears to the eyes of the brother and sister who were aiding me in the search, and I knew it was from the head of their darling who had been taken away from them.

"On the next page was a recipe for making preserves of watermelon rinds, a root beer recipe, and a chromo from a tea store.

"In Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians I ran on a recipe for making soft soap, and a clipping from an agricultural paper telling how to start a balky horse, besides a formula for an insect powder.

"The search was becoming interesting. When I got to Chronicles new beauties were open to me, and I found a porous plaster and a photograph of Langtry. Proverbs contained a recipe for sassafras kraut.

SECURITY IN RAILWAY TRAVEL.

Western Lines Give Much Care to Roadways and Train Equipment and to Maintenance of Strict Disciplines Among Employees.

"Anything new on the subject of safety in railroad travel is likely to receive a great deal of attention these days," said an old railway official in a recent conversation. "In fact, the railways are pretty fully alive to the needs of the situation, and some of the best trained minds of the day are spending much time and thought in efforts to perfect to a still higher degree the system of appliances now in use.

"Take, for instance, a line like the Chicago & North-Western," he continued, "where there are over seventeen hundred stations on the system, with a tributary population of more than seven and one half million people, reaching almost every community of importance in nine of the western States. Now, the question of thorough discipline of the big army of employees required on a road like that, is one that's enough to stun the average man.

"Every man of them, from the boiler-maker's helper, heating rivets in a portable forge, to the flagman at a country highway crossing, must be trained and disciplined to that point where an error or omission in his duty if practically out of the question. With such training, it is no wonder some of our biggest men are found in the railway ranks. They are men who can do things, and do them right when they're called on.

"It is a great thing, though," continued the veteran, "to see the way in which some of the western roads have not only kept pace with the growing traffic, but have looked ahead into the future and taken a wholesome grasp on this question of safety, steadily expending millions of dollars in order to take care of these millions of Americans who travel over their lines."

"They tell me that on the North-Western Line they maintain no less than six hundred and ten electric block signals, one hundred and twenty-six interlocking plants, over nine thousand miles of telegraph line, over forty thousand miles of wire and a force of seventeen hundred telegraph dispatchers and operators in the movement of their traffic. Besides this there is an army of crossing watchmen, operators of safety gates, signal-tower men, track walkers; in short, a highly organized system looking after the safety of patrons. Their widely announced only double-track to the Missouri River is one of the most aggressive moves ever made by a railway, and one the bearing of which upon the question of safety is obvious.

"After all, though, I place the greatest dependence on that process of training on western roads that keeps the heads of departments in close touch with their men, requires unceasing vigilance on the part of everyone concerned and results in a force brought up to the point of highest discipline. This training the North-Western and other roads give their men is a thing that nothing else can take the place of."

Manners in New York.
New York Sun.
At the circus the other night a fat middle-aged woman, who wore a red hat, had planted herself directly in front of a man who had dined well. The woman refused to sit down. She effectively shut off all view of the circus and he became impatient.

"Here, you!" he yelled at the top of his voice. "You forty-year-old woman with the sixteen-year-old hat, sit down."

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Chicago Journal.
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WHAT THE WORLD DRINKS.

Charlotte Observer.

The consumption of tea, coffee and alcoholic beverages in the principal countries of the world is presented in a table just prepared by the Department of Commerce and Labor, through its bureau of statistics. The figures show that the United Kingdom is first in the consumption of tea; the United States, first in the consumption of coffee; Germany, first in the consumption of beer; Russia, first in the consumption of whiskey and other distilled spirits; and France, first in the consumption of wine. Statistics are presented relative to the United States, the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Russia, Spain, Italy, Austria-Hungary, Portugal, Chile and Argentina.

Tea consumption in the twelve countries named aggregated in 1904, or the latest available year, over 510,000,000 pounds. Of this the consumption in the United Kingdom was 256,500,000; Russia, 27,325,000; United States, 109,800,000; Germany, 7,000,000; while in no other country for which these statistics are available is the annual consumption as much as 3,000,000 pounds; that of Austria-Hungary being 2,700,000 pounds; France, less than 2,500,000 pounds; Chile, about 2,000,000 pounds; Argentina, 1,800,000; Spain, 383,000 pounds; and Italy, 115,500 pounds.

Of coffee, the world's consumption is approximately 2,250,000,000 pounds. In this the United States as already indicated, holds the first place, with a total consumption in 1904 of 961,000,000 pounds; Germany second, 397,000,000; France, third, 168,000,000; Austria-Hungary fifth, 108,700,000; Italy sixth, 89,000,000, and the United Kingdom seventh, 29,500,000 pounds. In the other countries coffee consumption is a great deal less.

The statistics show the world's beer consumption to be 5,753,000 gallons annually; and the consumption of distilled liquors amount to 678,000,000 gallons annually.

Give a swift horse to him who tells the truth, so that as soon as he has told it he may ride and escape the eyes of the curious.

ALL HAVE FAVORS FOR THE RICH.

Statesville Landmark.

Cases against Josh L. Casper, the big Winston distiller, which came up in the Federal Court at Greensboro last week, were compromised by authority of the internal revenue department, Casper getting out by paying about \$9,000. In passing on the case Judge Boyd said he did not believe in this way of letting violators of law off by the simple payment of money, as a general proposition, for that meant that poor men would be imprisoned and rich men would go free of such punishment, but in this case the revenue bureau had worked the case up and had charge of it, and a Federal statute gave the bureau the right of monetary settlement of such matters, and he was not going to stand out against the department now acceding their right under the statute to compromise and settle cases of the kind where revenue was the chief end involved.

This is creditable to Judge Boyd. The Raleigh News and Observer comments on the case and criticizes Commissioner Yerkes for authorizing the compromise. The principle is wrong, of course, but unfortunately the practice is not confined to revenue cases in the Federal Courts. It is common in our State courts for men of means and influence to escape punishment by the payment of money. It will be recalled in this connection that Gov. Aycock set the example, or at least followed the same rule, in the celebrated Mehaffey case from Catawba, in which Mehaffey was allowed to escape a term of seven years in the penitentiary by paying \$3,000. Suppose he had been a poor man? How would he have paid the \$3,000? So far as we can recall some of the papers that are now pointing with alarm to the Casper case said not a word about the Mehaffey case. They lacked the nerve to criticize the Governor.

Take the records of the State courts and we will find this thing of common occurrence; and thousands of cases never get into the courts, because the influence of money and social position keeps them out. Mr. Dewey, who broke the New Borne bank, goes into court with United States Senator, ex-Governor and ex-judges as counsel and gets a continuance. If he is ever convicted and punished we shall be surprised.

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