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Conversion and His Escape From Prison

Its Approach and Surroundings A Viewed From Overlooking Mountains Said to Be the Most Beautiful in the World.

Smyrna to Beyreut, which takes nearly two days by steamer, is an uneventful one. The weather is clear and fast.

The city of Beyreut is rather an imconsiderably within the two last dec- setting. ades. It has now a population of about 120,000, which consists probawe reach the crest or divide, which is 4,500 feet above sea-level. We get an excellent view from this point over the sea, as also of the valley of the Ante-Lebanon. From this point we the meat, which was too tough to eat, and which, as I found out next day, good for most of the hotels in Turwhenever we reached our steamer.

great temple supposed to have been erected some 600 years before the Christian era. What can still be seen largest and finest structures that has columns 60 feet high and 8 feet in there was no pay. diameter beautifully fluted with Corinthian capitals. Some of the ceiling of finely carved marble still covers and the Moslem; this applies to the indicated horsepower developed by the roof between the Penstyle and the residential part of the city, and it the rivers having their headwaters in main building, immense blocks of seems queer to see many of the shops the Southern Appalachian mountains. marble connect the columns and form in the bazaars closed on Friday, Sat- Mature consideration of the condition a double frieze. It is a riddle how urday and Sunday, the respective leads the survey to estimate that at these huge blocks of marble could sabbaths of the Moslems, the Jews and least 50 per cent. and probably much have been placed in their position.

Yet even a greater wonder is the enclosing wall on the west side of the great temple. This contains no doubt the largest stones ever used in the

A still larger stone lies still at the quarry. This is 15 feet square and 72 feet long, weighing about 1,500 tons. This is considered the largest hewn

stone in existence. Next to the great temple is another called the Temple of the Sun. This is considerably smaller, but in much

better state of preservation. The name of Baalbeck is derived from the temple of Baal, which Solo-

the two hotels are pretty well taxed to Mrs. Jeffries and Sam Berger, giving minor grievances were under discustake care of our company of about an exhibition of boxing at an amuse- sion and in a fair way to be amicably one hundred people. We have a spe- ment resort. cial train to Damascus under Cook's He gave as his reasons lack of con- He expects a settlement will be

city, if for no other reason than from decided to quit the fighting game," he "safety explosives," alleg d violation North Carolina expects every man to

ands of years, and their mode of liv- man, but I can't go in to retrieve it 9 .- The government officials today ing is probably the same as many cen- myself. turies ago. We see less of European . "There are plenty of men who can from Nairobi to Fort Hall, the capital style of living here than in other cities trim this man Johnson, and I wouldn't of Kenia, owing to the invasion of we have visited. The streets open on wonder if it would be an unexpected that district by man-eating lions. Savsquares and restaurants are crowded hooier. The fans might as well count eral natives within the last few days with a motley crowd of native idlers, me out."

MR. WELL AT DAMASCUS sitting in groups, smoking their warghilehs or sipping, their Turkish a liquid resembling lemonade. Yet one thing must be said in their favor, The City Noted For St. Paul's and that is that they don't take any Some alcoholic drinks. In all my travels in the East I have not seen a drunken man. The Moslem religion prohibits strong drink. A little more fresh water externally used would be quite an advantage to these people. I have no doubt many of them seldom use any except when they enter a mosque, and in these, baths are generally provided. The chief industry here is the

manufacture of hammered brass vessels, in which work they seem to be experts. They also manufacture swords and firearms, rather crudely, Dear "Joe Argus": Our trip from not of the famous Damascus steel, but of a poor article imported from Germany. They also manufacture inlaid furniture, of which I have seen some during the past few months have beautiful specimens. The bazaars or placed contracts for 45,509,625 locothe sea rather smooth. We arrive at shops are quite interesting and very motives, including a few orders for 7 a. m. and disembark after break- much on the order of those we saw in Constantinople and Smyrna. They seem to be without limit and are to portant one for trade, and has grown be seen here in their purely Oriental

bly of one-half Greeks, Armenians and the principal one being the Mosque of Amayade, and the finest next to the Mosque of St. Sophia at Constantino-Yet much of this city is modern and ple, and the one in Jerusalem; it is an is reported that in January and Feboffers nothing of great interest to the immense building, 430 feet long and ruary, when other lines were lan-We only stay here a few 130 feet wide, the floor of which is hours, then take the narrow gauge covered with Oriental rugs, the walls railroad to Baalbeck and Damascus, are of pretty mosaics. From the minwhich takes us over the mountains of aret of this mosque we get a fine view Lebanon; about eighteen miles inland of the city and a wide area of the sur- and Wire Company have booked conrounding country, even as far as Mt. tracts calling for 880,000 tons, and

can also view the town of Harmana, the "street that is called straight," during the first six months of the year tiger and the town is paying the bill nestled in the valley, this is the home which dates from before Paul's time. is 1,200,000 tons. As the agricultural This ought to be in every place. As of our Syrian friends living in Golds- The house of Ananias, the good one, implement manufacturers are the sort in the summer, visited by people Just outside the Mosque of Amayada heavy contracts placed for the latter from quite a distance, and is especial- we visit the tomb of Saladin, the product are not surprising, but the ly attractive for its fine climate and great Moslem conqueror who almost railroads, indirectly through the its pure cold water. We reach the annihilated the Knights of the Cru- equipment shops, have also been junction to Baalbeck about noon and sade, which marked the end of the responsible for a very large tonnage. take our luncheon at a hotel near the crusades and made Palestine a Turkdepot, the best the town affords. The ish province to this day. We make looks of the place and the waiters a most interesting visit to a synadressed in colored shirts, callarless gogue, a structure standing about and necktie-less, heads covered with 1,500 years, and the services there that it will most likely soon be out of the regulation Turkish fez, did not conducted vary probably little from the way, there is every reason to beenhance our appetite. I tried some of the time of its first dedication. The ladies there still worship in the court yard, which has a beautiful mosaic was old camel's meat. I considered floor, while the men worship inside hindrance. that the safest articles of food were the building. We are also shown the would not vouch for its authenticity.

delight and comfort were the greater theatre in the evening. About ten of our company accompany him, but af- tal hitherward for investment. The only thing of special interest ter staying about fifteen minutes we to be seen here are the ruins of the got tired of the performance; two women sing and play some crude instruments. The medley was anything wealth-and it is usually by looking but euphonious. I offcred to re-em- into the future that wealth is acquired burse our dragoman for the tickets he -we commend the following figures purchased and to my surprise he said of the government as to the money ever been erected. The main court he did not pay anything for our party: producing power of the streams of the of this temple is about 450 by 370 he had made arrangement with the South. And this, by the way, is but feet and was surrounded by marble management that if we did not stay one of our side lines.

the Christians.

fact, are built more like fortresses th minimum horsepower. with small barred windows, yet many of them are comfortably and even per year would amount to an annual of these monsters are 13 feet square luxuriantly furnished. In one in- return of \$28,000,000. This amount is and 60 feet long, weighing about 1,000 stance we partook of the Eastern hos- equal to a gross income of 3 per cent. tons each. How these stones were pitality at an afternoon tea and if our on a capital of about \$933,000,000. brought from the quarry about one treatment was a fair specimen of Some of this power has already been mile distant and raised to a height of entertaining strangers, we could developed but a very small proportion about 100 feet will perhaps always scarcely improve on their custom and --hardly enough to make any apprevery little on their civilization.

After spending five days in a very the region are taken into account." interesting manner at Damascus, we took the train back to Beyreut to our steamer and are now heading for Palestine.

Yours very truly,

HENRY WEIL. JEFFRIES WON'T FIGHT JOHNSON.

mon is supposed to have erected to fries said positively last night that he

gridance, and we arrive at Damascus dition and reluctance to fight a col- reached before Thursday, the date set, it is up to us to show the nation that

the fact that it is one of the oldest if said. "I can't get into my old class of the eight-hour law on dead work, do his duty. not the oldest city still in existence. and I don't want to fight beyond the and the check-off system. The dress and customs of the peo- color line anyway. I would like to ple have scarcely changed in thous- see the championship go to a white

Side Lights On Potential Opportunities.

As Soon as the Tariff Bill Is Settled Business Will Adjust Itself to

Conditions and Go Forward.

Considerable business activity during the year 1910 is forecast by conditions. It is stated that the railroads Canadian lines and for export. Rail contracts, which during the first quarter of the year were less than 275,000 tons, were increased to 1,200,000 tons by the first of July, cars and orders We visit some of the mosques, of placed during the second quarter exceeding 900,000 tons.

Prosperity in the agricultural districts is indicated, it is said, by the immense business in wire products. It guishing, the wire mills were prosperous, with a fair grist of orders. During the last four months, beginning with March, the American Steel for the first half of the year about We also visit the outer wall of the 1,000,000 tons. Crediting the indepencity and are shown the window where dent interest with 200,000 tons the to-St. Paul was let down in a basket, also tal of contracts for wire products largest consumers of steel bars, the It is estimated that contracts have been placed for about 800,000 tons of

> With the tariff bill in such shape self to conditions, whatever they may be, and go forward without further

Coming down to our own section-to boiled eggs and oranges. This held house of Naaman, the leper, yet I the South and its potentialities, the Southern "Lumberman," in presenting Our dragoman asks us to go to a the opportunities here afforded, invites young men of energy and capi-

> Says the Lumberman: "To him who likes to figure with a pencil on the possibilities of acquiring

"According to estimates made by There are three distinct quarters in the United States Geological Survey Damascus, the Jewish, the Christian there is a minimum of about 2,800,000 more of the indicated waterpower of The dwelling houses make a very the South is available for economic plain appearance from the street: in development. This represents merely

> "The rental of 1,400,000 horsepower ciable showing when the resources of

> > 15,000 Go Out on Strike.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 12.-Between 15,000 and 18,000 men are affected by the strike order issued to the members of district No. 5, United Mine Workers of America, which is composed of the employees of the Pittsburg Coal Company. According to Montreal, Que., July 12.—"Jim" Jef- George Hosack, vice-president of the company, the order to strike came won't fight Johnson under any condi- very much as a surprise. He says all We stay in Baalbeck over night and tions. The big champion is here with agreements have been lived up to and the very best have determined that adjusted when the strike order came. for the strike. The grievances com? this law can be enforced. Citizens, Demascus is quite an interesting "I won't fight Johnson, for I have plained of are objections to the new one and all, let us be up and doing.

> Naivasha, British East Africa, July closed the public road which runs have been killed by these animals.

PUBLIC OFFICIALS MAKING

Evidence Against Violators Obtained

PROHIBITION EFECTIVE

More Easily and Public Sentiment Is More Strongly Behind the Law Than Formerly. To the Editor: As the superintend-

ent of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, I am constantly on the go. During the month of June I have spoken on the duties of citizenship five times in Dare, six times in Moore three times in Gaston and twice in Harnett counties, and at Sanford and Jonesboro, I always have fair conences. If we may judge by the attendance upon these meetings, I am sure the prohibition law will be enforced. The earnestness and enthusiash manifested on these occasions by the audience is enough to convince the doubting Thomases. On these trips I have also visited Benson Dunn, Raleigh, Elizabeth City and Gastonia, as well as the Shelby Dis trict Conference.

Our people, both officers and citi zens, are concerned about the forcement of the prohibition law, and many of them are ready to do their full duty. I make it a point to hunt up the officers as I pass along that together we may council and plan Many times they seek me first. I find that in nearly every case the officer i ed and that their oath of office pledges them to enforcement; therefore are diligent. Some town governments are using detectives to catch the blind times lie. I have been very much encouraged by all the interviews I have had with judges, recorders and may-

Sentiment among the average citizen is toning up. Still there is much need of education and agitation along this line. Pastors need to preach on the duties of citizenship, and press home the truth that every citizen is the guardian of the law, and that it is his duty to report violators. This false swearing, of which we have so much, comes only from a depraved citizen. It is the act of the traitor rather than the act of the patriotic and honorable citizen. If the citizen supports the constitution of the State, as he has taken oath to do, then he cannot support the lawbreaker, or shield him from the penalty of the law. I have heard some ay that they were honor-bound not o tell on the seller. But honor never nen become liars, honor has gone Phough it is a fact that many of our people are not doing their duty at this point, it is also a fact that more are loing it today than ever before, and elieve that the day is not far distant when every citizen that claims selfepect will tell the truth about the iolator of the prohibition law. It is ertainly much easier to get the evilence today than it was two years go. I see, too, that the detective is eing used more than ever before to top this sort of crime. At most places hey are succeeding, and I think it

vise to use them. The communications coming to our nent. Today sheriffs, magistrates. nayors, preachers and lawyers are constantly writing us to recommend detective or to send some literature or to come and speak or to advise on point of law, or how to proceed in ple are now waking up to the fact that what we are after is freedom from the liquor traffic, and that the law only makes it possible to secure this freedom through enforcement. They have learned that there are no regard for law, honor, character or State to go to the dogs or the devil if only they can sell liquor and make money. Every patriotic citizen will aid to make these obey, and many of

eyes of the nation are upon us. Let-

Yours for enforcement,

R. L. DAVIS. Supt. N. C. Anti-Saloon League When people can be genuinely charitable it is to themselves.

Self-satisfied people have nothing more to live for.

Asa Your Neighbor to Subscribe for the ARGUS City Pharmacy.

PERFECTION OF PATHOS

ly Appropriate to the Incident.

Election Held in Goldsboro for Town Commissioners Fifty-

Three Years Age.

Apropos the visit of Mr. George B. Wright to Goldsboro, after an absence of fifty-three years, as noted in yesterday's Argus, we have in our possession, in the handwriting of the late Maj. J. C. Slocumb, and on the regulation blue paper of those times, the original tally sheet of an election held in Goldsboro on the first Saturday in December, 1855, by the late Olin Coor, sheriff, "for the electing of five persons to serve as town commissioners" for the ensuing year, which was the year (1856) that Mr. Wright left Goldsboro-in February 1856although at the election spoken of he was then in Alabama, making arrangements for his removal to that state, and therefore his name does not appear among the list of voters. Here is the preamble and the list of

the voters and the official return on the back of the tally-sheet: "An election was held by O. Coor, sheriff of Wayne county, at the Court House in Goldsboro, N. C., on the 1st

day of December, 1855, it being the first Saturday in said month, for the they say I am feeble with age, Magpurpose of electing five persons to act as commissioners of the town of Goldsboro for the ensuing year-when "B. H. Stammeir, J. J. Bradbury,

J. B. Whitaker, Bennet Webb, E. B. Borden, J. R. Murray, O. C. Sasser, B. C. Wood, Geo. A. Dudley, M. D. Craton, E. A. Sauls, J. C. Slocumb, C. J. Nelson, E. Pittman, F. Odenheimer, K. Smith, D. J. Ezzell, B. F. Arrington, W. R. Ashby, Everett Joyner, Sr., E. B. Hood, J. R. Kinton, Tho. Sutton. K. Green, B. H. Smith, John Taylor E. Sherman, Thos. Warters, Henry WEAT TIME AWAITS TIE ELKS. Strouse, W. J. Jolly, J. D. Wilkinson J. H. Philyars, Kedar Ballard, Arthur Stansill, R. J. Gregory, S. D. Phillips Griswold, Everitt Joyner, Jr., Josial Fields, W. A. Williams, James Long C. D. Jones, J. W. Thompson, Wm R Hooks, H. R. Nixon, Willy Hall, Tho M. Rogers, L. M. Huggins, Oliver Smith, Jas. A. Washington, Lindsay Daniel, W. S. G. Andrews, Matthew Albritton, G. W. Wattlington, J. Foulks, Henry Stanton, John E. Lan caster, Geo. C. Jones, E. C. White Council Radford, John Wiggs, Blount King, Lem'l Fields, Howell Sasser Jas. H. Privitt, John H. Powell, John Scarborough, C. F. Dewey, J. H. Griffin, Jno. S. Moore, Wm. Dail, Gaston Craig, J. B. Wheeler, Hilliard Sasser, J. W. Commack.

"We hereby certify that J. B. Whitaker received 47 votes, J. B. Griswold 46, H. R. Nixon 45, Josiah Fields 39 J. J. Bradbury 35, and were duly elected commissioners for the town o Goldsboro, December 1, 1855. "E. B. BORDEN.

> "K. SMITH. "Inspectors.

"O. COOR, Shff." It will be observed that there were out seventy-seven voters in that election, and the tally sheet, on the same paper, shows that of this seventyseven twenty-five received votes for commissioner, ranging from one vote to forty seven, the highest received, so that, evidently, people in those days-in matters of local government at any rate-voted to suit themselves.

It will be observed, too, with a pathos that brings pause and thoughts too sublime for words, that of the seventy-seven recorded as voting in that election only two are with us today, and they are, as the poet Young in his "Night Thoughts" so beautifully says of old age, "walking thoughtful on the silent solemn shore," yet or

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joying the fruition of the chaff to few men. The state r. E. B. Borden BOX CARS OVERTURNED and Col. J.

There is, too, something pathetic while his good wife, of fifty-two years wedded companionship, who remained in Alabama, her home, was not the sweetheart of his teen days here, yet his visit brings to mind the words of an old song that we used to hear sung when a boy-and "the old songs are sweetest." Here it is:

wandered today to the hill, Maggie, To watch the scenes below: The creek and the creaking old mill.

Maggie, As we used to long ago. The green grove is gone from the hill.

Maggie. Where first the daisies sprung; The creaking old mill is still, Maggie Since you and I were young.

And now we are aged and gray, Mag-And the trials of life nearly done;

Let us sing of the days that are gone Maggie, When you and I were young.

city so silent and lone, Maggie, Where the young and the gay and

polished white mansions of stone Have each found a place of rest, s built where the birds used to play

Maggie. And join in the songs that were sung. for we sang as gamly as they, Maggie,

My steps are less sprightly than

ly face is a well-written page. Mag-

But time alone was the pen. hey say we are aged and gray, Mag-As sprays by the white breakers

When you and I were young.

in Los Angeles. ios Angeles, Cal., July 10 .- The adsuin forty-eight hours special trains rain. arring at short intervals will pour tensof thousands of "the hest people on erth" into Los Angeles, and when the tand Lodge sessions begin Monday his expected that the attendance will hve broken all oravious records in the history of the Elks' convenions, wwwithstanding the great dis-

than eve before. tomorrow morning and continuing be reached inside of ten days or two through to week there is not a break weeks. in the sial program. Something the day ar evening.

ciary of the and bodge, is generally acting upon them definitely in conferconceded to the leading candidate. ence. o promote his bom.

Kansas, Arkansa Louisiana and other of the Middlend Western states while the East igenerally regarded as favoring Mr. Hrmann.

SPECIAL SESSIO BOARD

tion of bperty. The board of copy cor

met in special sein, Menday a heard complaints alo excess v tion of property. A number of tax here ent. and property in was increased in board.

A near-argument is __ nobody gets angry.

An Old Song That Is Tender- about the visit of Mr. Wright, and Storm Swept With Unexpected Fury Over South Dakota and Minnesota

Believed That at Least Six Are Dead and Twenty Fatally Injured by Storm Which Devastated

Four or Five States.

Minneapolis, Minn., July 12 .- It is now believed that at least six were killed and from twenty to twenty-five fatally injured in the tornado which swept over eastern South Dakota and western Minnesota late yesterday, nearly devastating Ortonville, Minn., and Big Stone, S. D. The storm swept with unexpected fury out of the southwest, across Big Stone Lake, hitting the eastern part of the town. An idea of the velocity of the wind is gained from the fact that a string of box cars housing a gang of Italian railroad workmen were overturned,

three of the men being instantly killed and nineteen others badly maimed. Cars were lifted from the rails, buildings crumpled up like cardboard and trees uprooted and sent sailing through the air. Telephone and telegraph wires were blown down and today communication is so badly handicapped that details of the damage are hard to obtain. It is believed the loss will go to \$250,000.

Waterspout in Kansas.

Abilene, Kan., July 12 .- A tornado this city doing great damage last night. In five minutes two inches of rain fell. Hundreds of trees were blown down and business was at 5 standstill today until the debris, could be cleared from the streets. Parker's. warehouse, the Abilene Miles properties and St. Joseph's Academy were. badly wrecked. Crops have suffered greatly from the rain.

Much Property Lost in Illinois.

Para, Ill., July 12 .- A tornado hit Lodge Sessions Berin Monday this city yesterday afternoon, demolishing many houses and uprooting trees. All electric light and other are guard of the thousands of Elks wires were blown down. Nobody was wh will be here for annual con- injured. The losses to property version and reunion in this city next amount to many thousands of dollars. wed arrived today. During the en- The wind was followed by a heavy

FINAL TARIFF BILL. Now Being Considered by the Confer-

suce Committees Washington, July 12 .- The tariff coeferees did not meet yesterday. Besance lew England and the Eastern giuni ig today, however, the sittings. states re sending their usual dele- will he practically continuous, comgates, hile the South and West, will mencing at ten o'clock in the mornundoubtly be better represented ing, with an hour for luncheon, followed by an afternoon session, a re-The electainment, of the visitors cess of two hours for dinner, and a vill be n a scale never before at- night sitting. Even under this pres. tempted this gity. Beginning with sure t is doubted, if, an agreement can

Wh is members of the conference has been tranged for every hour of committee were not in session, they beere not prmitted to spend a quiet or Already e contest for the office of restful Sunday. The hotels are full grand exald ruler is beginning, eo of me a representing interests touched excite at non among the delegates. The way or the other by the bill, and There are o candidates for the hig they are clamoring to be taken care office and wely and spirited contest of a conference. Undoubtedly many is promised James U. Sammis, a menuments of vital interest to cerleading mener of the lows bar and tain industries were permitted to get for the pastine years a member of into the bill in the Senate, merely to the committeen laws and the judi- avoid discussion with the purpose of

Opposed four. Sammis is August The struggle now is to keep them in Frman, the baseball or modify them to suit the interests magnate and diffician of Cincinnati. of the men behind them. The real Headquarters we been opened at the tariff bill is now being constructed Hotel A evance in the interest of and the men whose industries are after Mr. Hermannand nothing is lack- feeted will leave no stone unturned ing in the walof money or, politics to retain any advantage they have derived or to remove any harm that has Friends of Sammis, claim for been done them. This is the day for ... Texas. Minneson fowa, California, the lobby is well represented just now in Washington.

CONTRACT LET FOR GOOD ROAD.

supervisors of clizabeth City county COUNT COMMISSIONERS, met at the court house yesterday morning ar dawarded a contract to G. Heard Complaints | Excess Value | E. Tric & Co., of this city, for the ruction of a six-inch stone road-

4 between Hampton and Newport News. The Boulevard road, as it will ad be known, extends for a distance of alua- nearly three and one-half miles, and the stone is to be six inches thick afwere pres- ter rolling. Hudson river granite will some localities be used. The road will cost \$23,300. aluation by the Of this amount the county is to pay only \$5,000, as the state will pay \$11,-000 and private subscriptions among one in which the property owners along the route, raised the rest of the money.

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