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**WEST INDIAN BANANA FREAKS**

Man Long in Fruit Business Sends Photograph of Two Remarkable Formations.

New York.—From Kingston, Jamaica, comes a photograph of banana freaks, sent by W. N. Livingston, who says:

"In the accompanying picture are depicted two freaks. One a monster banana of the Martinique variety, weighing 135 pounds, containing 15 hands, averaging 18 fingers to the hand, and a freak of the same variety, both known to botanists as the Musa Sapientum, with 38 laps or hands weighing 26 pounds, both well matured and cut from the same property. It is the most perfect freak that I have seen after an experience of over 25



Banana Freaks.

years in the fruit business. This happened just after storm of 1903 that laid waste the banana cultivations of this island. In going through the fields chopping down the fallen trees this one appears to have been left standing, with just the limbs or branches lopped off with the result that the fruit shot right through the open cavity bearing the peculiar formation as shown in the accompanying illustration on the right."

The Jamaica banana predominates in the markets of the United States. This predominance is the result of a combination of circumstances and intention. The banana grown in Jamaica was not indigenous to that island; or, in other words, it was imported from another part of the tropics to find nourishment and cultivation in Jamaica. The banana so widely known as the Jamaican in the markets of the United States, was born in Martinique, reared in Jamaica and sent to school in North America. It is true that bananas may be induced to grow in Florida, and that Cuba has made commendable, if not always profitable, efforts in the direction of cultivation; but in the island of Jamaica, the climate, the annual rainfall of 35 inches, a stable British protectorate assuring the obedience of a sufficient number of laborers has made it a success.

Many sufferers from rheumatism have been surprised and delighted with the prompt relief afforded by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. No one case of rheumatism in ten requires an internal treatment whatever. This liniment is for sale by all dealers.

Mr. Q. E. Herman showed the Democrat man a wolf's foot sent to him by a friend in Arlington, Wyoming. It was perfectly white with claws about 5 inches long.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has won its great reputation and extensive sale by its remarkable cures of cough, colds and croup. It can be depended upon. Try it. Sold by all dealers.

Miss Flossie Mae Rhyme of Gastonia, spent a few days with friends here last week.

You can say goodbye to constipation with a clear conscience if you use Chamberlain's Tablets. Many have been permanently cured by their use. For sale by all dealers.

Miss Marie Torrence of Gastonia visited friends last week.

**Do You Get Up With a Lame Back?**

**Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.**

Almost everyone knows of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, because of its remarkable health restoring properties. Swamp-Root fulfills almost every wish in overcoming rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to urinate and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night.

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When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Home 2333 Broadway, Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles are sold by all druggists. Don't make any mistake; but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL.**

Lesson X.—First Quarter, For March 10, 1912.

**THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.**

Text of the Lesson, Mark i, 29-45. Memory Verses, 40, 41—Golden Text, Matt. viii, 17—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

The events of this lesson, the healing of the fever stricken and all manner of diseased people and spirit possessed people and the healing of a leper, are all samples of the kingdom which was at hand, but which did not come because they would not have Him. Verse 29 of our lesson summarizes it briefly, "He preached in their synagogues throughout all Galilee and cast out demons." It is more fully stated in Matt. iv, 23, "And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people." It was predicted by the prophets that in the kingdom the blind would see, the deaf hear, the dumb sing, the lame leap as a hart, and no one complain because of sickness, for iniquity would be forgiven (Isa. xxxiii, 24; xxxv, 5, 6). It was also predicted that in the kingdom wolves and lambs, leopards and kids, calves and lions, cows and bears and little children would all live in peace together (Isa. xi, 6, 7; lvi, 25). No one seems to expect these last mentioned things until Jesus shall come again, but many are wondering why they cannot be healed of all diseases even though the kingdom has not come. They ask often complacently, "Is not the body as well as the soul included in the atonement?" Yes; the great atonement will reach the body, too, and in the resurrection these bodies of our humiliation will be fashioned like His glorious body, but till then we must wait patiently in strength or weakness, as He may in His infinite love and wisdom decide. Some are healed by His hand without a physician and some by His blessing upon the physician's skill and medicine, while some continue in weakness, and many are passing out from the mortal body. The truly devout soul says under all circumstances, "Even so, Father," and rejoices in the perfect will of God.

Our lesson verses 29 to 31 tell of His going from the synagogue to the home of Simon and Andrew, where Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever. He took her by the hand, rebuked the fever, and immediately she was well and ministered to them. Compare the ministry of angels in verse 13. Think of Samuel as a little boy ministering to the Lord (1 Sam. iii, 1) and let all our service be "unto the Lord" and "before the Lord." Possibly more might be healed if He saw that they would minister unto Him, for He is seeking in every way to bring people unto Himself that He may fill them with His fullness (Ex. xix, 4; 1 Pet. iii, 18).

Verses 32 to 34 tell of all manner of diseased and demon possessed people being brought to Him to be healed, and it is written here and in the parallel accounts in Matthew and Luke that He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them (Luke iv, 40); that He cast out the spirits with His word and healed all that were sick, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, "Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses" (Matt. viii, 16, 17; Isa. llii, 4). If they had only received Him as their Messiah the Lord would have made bare His holy arm in the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth should have seen the salvation of our God (Isa. lii, 10), but because He is still the despised and rejected one of Israel we continue in faith and patience to wait for His return. He needs no testimony from His adversaries, so He suffered not the demons to speak even though they said, "Thou art Christ, the Son of God."

Lesson verses 35 to 39 tell of His early morning praying a great while before day, having gone off to a solitary place. Since He felt the need of being away from even these few disciples that He might the better commune with His Father, how can we know much of real communion with God in the constantly busy life that so many lead? It is true that we can go to God anywhere and at any time, but see how He went away alone. Simon and the others found Him and told Him that people were looking for Him; then He said, "Let us go into the next towns." "I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also." We must not forget that "the field is the world" and our orders are, "Go ye into all the world." The four lepers of Samaria should put us to shame with their words: "We do not well. This day is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace" (11 Kings vii, 9). Our lesson chapter closes with the record of a healed leper with the record of a healed leper with the record of a healed leper with the record of a healed leper.

Children are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that are often contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

**Boone Items.**

Correspondence of the Democrat.

Boone, Feb. 26.—We are hoping that the rough winter is nearly over, Watauga winter weather has been no worse than winter weather farther south and in lower elevations. In the Appalachian Training school, I find a teacher from South Carolina who has greatly enjoyed the winter and will return twenty pounds heavier. Another from the central part of this state has added fifteen pounds to her weight and met every class and duty assigned her. From Nashville, Tenn., I find another teacher joining with good health and a gain of twenty pounds.

Mr. W. C. Coffey and lady are visiting Mr. Coffey's son, J. Fin Coffey, of Manning, S. C. A meeting of days is being conducted at Three Forks, by pastor Miller and Rev. E. F. Jones. Arrangements are being made to build a new church at Poplar Grove.

The property of the late Judge L. L. Greene is being cut up into town lots and will be sold.

Quite a lot of maple syrup and sugar will be made in various sections of the county this spring.

These notes are from the Appalachian Training School:—The Domestic Science department gave the faculty a supper on Monday evening.

The Audubon Society has been organized.

The boys debated the advisability of the county voting \$100,000.00 in bonds to the building of the proposed Watauga Railroad.

The Board of Trustees at a meeting decided to push improvements on the grounds.

A. M.

**Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA**

**TAXES!**

This is the last chance you will have to pay your 1911 taxes without COST. Please meet me at one of the places mentioned below and get your receipt.

**REMEMBER**

this is ELECTION YEAR and you want your RECEIPT.

Hickory one day, Whitener & Martin's 9 to 5 March and Rudisill & Anthony, store, 9 a m to 12 m. March 5th.

T. D. Shuford's store, half a day, 1 p m. to 4 p m. March 5th.

Plateau, one day, 9 a m to 4 p m March 6th.

Young & Mull's store half day, 9 a m to 12 m. Mar. 7th.

Foard & Whisenhunt's store, half day, 1 p m to 4 p m. March 7th.

Brookford one day, 9 a m to 4 p m March 8th.

Hickory one day, Whitener & Martin's store, March 8.

Noah Deal's store, half day, 9 a. m. to 12 m. March 11.

Q. M. Smith's store, half a day, 1 a. m to 4 p. m. March 11th.

John Holler's store, half day, 1 a. m. to 12 m. March 12.

Claremont, half day, 1 p. m. to 4 p. m., March 12

Catawba, one day, J. U. Long & 's store, March 13th.

Long Island, half day, 9 a m to 12 m., March 14th.

Monbo, half day, 1 p. m. to 4 p. m. Feb. 14th.

Sherrill's Ford, one day, March 15.

Terrill, one day, 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. March, 16th.

Maiden, half day, 9 a m to 12 m., March 18.

Oliver's, one day, March 19.

Locke Little's store, half day, 9 a m to 12 m. March 20.

Flemings, Keistler's store, half day, 1 p m to 4 p m. March 20.

Walt Alley's store, half day, 9 a. m. to 12 m. March 21st.

Bandy's Cross Roads, half day, 1 p. m. to 4 p. m. March 21st.

Conover, one day, 10 a m to 4 p m March 22.

Hickory, one day, Whitener & Martin's store, 9 a m to 5. March 23.

Respectfully,  
R. LEE HEWITT, Sheriff.

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**Announcement**

Good morning, friends; how are you all this morning? Friends, I hereby declare myself a candidate for the office of county treasurer, subject, however, to the action of the Democratic primaries and county convention soon to be held. Friends, I want your vote. Friends, I need your vote. Friends, I will appreciate your vote. Friends, will you give me your vote? Realizing that I will neither have the time, opportunity nor money to wage a successful campaign, I shall be compelled to rest my candidacy mainly upon its merits, but trusting that you will give me your support, and thanking you in advance for the same, I remain as ever,

Yours for the plumb,  
GEORGE F. DRUM.

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Yorkville	8 42	2 25	
Gastonia	9 30	4 15	
Gastonia		5 40	
Lincolnton	10 26	6 46	
Newton	11 05	7 40	
Hickory	12 15 p m	8 30	
Lenoir	1 30	9 55 a m	
Mortimer	2 53		
Edgemont	Ar.	3 05	

Southbound.		No. 59	No. 61
Edgemont	Lv	12 00 m	
Mortimer	12 08		
Lenoir	1 23	7 00 a m	
Hickory	2 30	8 25	
Newton	3 05	9 15	
Lincolnton	3 43	10 05	
Gastonia	4 40	11 45	
Gastonia	4 55	12 30 p m	
Yorkville	5 39	1 50	
Chester	Ar.	6 25,	3 50

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