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PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT MAD

Puts a Number of Newspaper Men in the Annals Club—Not Reply From Joseph Pulitzer.

Referring to the Panama Canal purchase which certain members of the Senate think should be investigated and about which there have been intimations of fraud among high officials, President Roosevelt last week administered a severe rebuke to Joseph Pulitzer, Editor of the New York World and other newspaper men who have appeared to think there was something rotten about the Canal purchase.

These stories were first brought to my attention as published in a paper in Indianapolis, called the News, edited by Mr. Delavan Smith. The stories were scurrilous and libelous in character and false in every essential particular.

It should not be left to a private citizen to sue Mr. Pulitzer for libel. He should be prosecuted for libel by the Governmental authorities.

Mr. Roosevelt is mistaken. He cannot muzzle The World. While no amount of Billingsgate on his part can alter our determination to treat him with judicial impartiality and scrupulous fairness, we repeat what we have already said, that the Congress of the United States should make a thorough investigation of the whole Panama transaction, that the full truth may be known to the American people.

This is the first time a President ever asserted the doctrine of lese

Woman Fouly Assaulted in Her Home Near Albemarle.

Criminally assaulted in her own home this afternoon at Moss' siding, near Whitney, Stanly county, Mrs. James R. Moss, a highly respected lady of that place, is tonight in a precarious condition on account of an attack made upon her by Henry Young, colored, aged about 25 years, who was late this afternoon landed in jail at Albemarle charged with the crime.

Twenty minutes after the party had left, Young was seen seated on a railroad track near the Moss home. As soon as he learned that the men were all out of sight he slipped up to the rear door of the house and made an effort to enter. Passing around the house he tried another door which had been locked by Mrs. Moss when she discovered that the negro was trying to enter the house.

It is true that The World printed the public reports concerning the Panama canal affair which resulted from William Nelson Cromwell's appeal to the District Attorney's office during the recent campaign to prevent the publication of a story which was said to be in the hands of the Democratic National Committee.

It is true also that when Mr. Roosevelt made his attack upon Delavan Smith The World called attention to certain statements which Mr. Roosevelt must have known to be false or misleading, and appealed to Congress to end all scandal by a full and impartial investigation.

So far as the World is concerned, its proprietor may go to jail if Mr. Roosevelt succeeds, as the threats; but even in jail The World will not cease to be a fearless champion of free speech, a free press and a free people.

Sunday School Department

Conducted by Special Editor.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

Quarterly Review. Read Proverbs 4. Golden Text.—"Keep thy heart with all diligence: for out of it are the issues of life."—Proverbs 4:23.

Bible Search. Here are three questions on each lesson. The answers can be found in the scripture passages.

I. David Brings The Ark To Jerusalem. 1. What had become of the ark and the tabernacle after the destruction of Shiloh? (1 Kings 8:4; 2 Chron. 1:3)

2. What had been the state of David's mind before the ark was found? (Ps. 132)

3. How should the ark have been carried? (Num. 4:15; 7:9)

II. God's Promise to David 1. What friend besides Nathan had David often consulted? (1 Sam. 23:9)

2. How did Nathan later show great moral courage? (2 Sam. 12)

3. How would God discipline the family of David? (2 Sam. 7:14)

III. David's Kindness to Jonathan's Son. 1. What had become of Ish-bosheth? (2 Sam. 4)

2. What had become of the seven other sons of Saul? (2 Sam. 21)

3. How was Ziba later punished? (2 Sam. 19:16-30)

IV. The Joy of Forgiveness 1. Why was public confession for sin necessary? (Lev. 5:5; 26:40)

2. What other experience did David have during his time of waiting? (Ps. 51)

3. How did pardon come to another confessed sinner? (Luke 18:9-14)

V. Absalom Rebels Against David 1. What judgment rested on David even after his forgiveness? (2 Sam. 12:10)

2. How had Absalom been born? (2 Sam. 3:3)

3. What reputation did Ahithophel have? (2 Sam. 16:23)

VI. David Grieves for Absalom 1. Why was David not permitted to go into battle? (2 Sam. 18:3-4)

2. What had Ahimeaz already done for David? (4 Sam. 17:16-22)

3. How did David at last receive his soldiers? (2 Sam. 19:38)

VII. The Lord Our Shepherd 1. In what way is God the shepherd of the nation? (Ps. 78)

2. How does Jesus speak of himself as shepherd? (John 10)

3. In what way is Jesus our shepherd? (Phil. 4:13-19)

VIII. Solomon Anointed King 1. What kind of oil was used for the anointing? (Exod. 30:23-32)

2. Who was Benaiah? (2 Sam. 23:20 f.)

3. Tell something about the horns of the altar. (Exod. 27:2; 30:10)

IX. World's Temperance Sunday 1. What did the people of that time think of Samaria? (Amos 3:9-15)

2. What other prophet was scorned because he offered knowledge? (Jer. 6:10)

3. What did Paul say about strange tongues? (1 Cor. 14:21)

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