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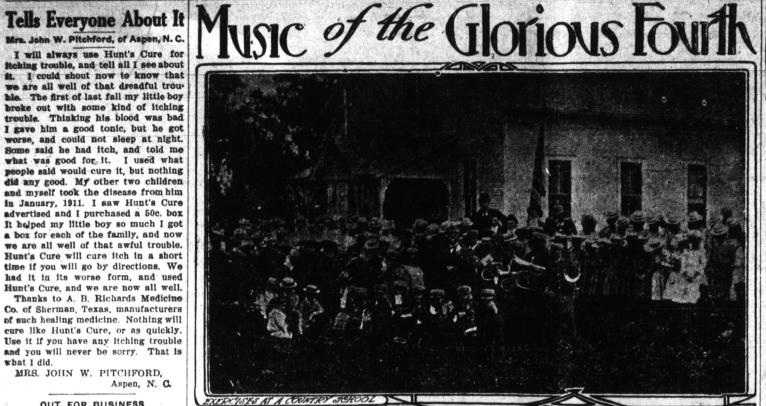
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you imagine AN Fourth of July celebration without a brass band and its next of the rollicking fife and drum corps? Of course not. As soon suggest Easter without eggs, Decoration day without flags, or Thanksgiving without

Why, we could better disa turkey. pense with the firecrackers and other noise-makers on the glorious Fourth than to worry through the day without the inspiring strains of martial music. Indeed, as a matter of fact, the crusaders for a "safe and sane" Fourth are trying to teach all the people that it is the better part of wisdom and patriotism to go short on explosives and to increase the Fourth's always generous menu of band music.

This may serve to explain in part how it is that the brass band-or the vaunted "silver cornet band," if you please-is coming to play a more prominent part than ever in our in-dependence day festivities. But, of course, it did not await this awakening to the charms of the music of the horns and drums to render the band indispensible on Fourth of July. The oldest citizen will testify that it was so in the days of his youth. Like as not he fell into a feverish, fitful sleep on the night before the Fourth to the lullaby of the village band "practicing" for the morrow. It is an even chance that it was the crash of the band and not the roar of artillery that awakened him on the eventful day. And thereafter he heard its inspiring "tunes" at short intervals all through the day until the last skyrocket had winked out its brief glory a few minutes before July Fourth gave way to July fifth.

And pity the poor bandman-per haps. That is you would be prone to pity him if you did not vividly rewhat an object of envy he is call to all the rising generation. Even the fat man who manipulates the bass drum-he is nearly always, you know, the most portly of the musicians-is a hero in the eyes of the youngsters who march in th course of the day just as far as the band for the simple reason that they follow it faithfully in all its migrations up and down the town. And as for the drum major



spending it, he has worked just as hard for his \$4 or \$5 as he could have done had he been brick laying or farming or clerking or barbering.

The band which has become so famillar to us that we regard it as a necessity, is an institution of ancient origin. Our own army and navy have had bands for more than a century and civilian bands in this country date back almost as far. The band as an organized body of musicians could not, of course, come into existence until a variety of different musical instruments had been invented and the development along this line proceeded somewhat slowly a few centuries back. from the outset, however, the most uncivilized nations recognized the three chief factors of band musicrhythm, meloa? and harmony, as manifested by the three basic instruments, the drum, the fife and the bugle or cornet. In this connection it is interesting to note that the drum, which is closer to the heart of young America than any other unit in the band, is an instrument which came to us from the Orient.

The bugles and cornets, which are so much in evidence on the Fourth of July, have been developed from the single tubes of antiquity. Originally range of these instruments was limited to two notes, but in time the tubes were bent and finally the instrument was made in several coils, with the result that the musical range was broadened proportionately. The whistling instruments such as fifes, flutes and clarinets, are the outcome of a somewhat similar development. It is worthy of note that it is seldom nowadays that anybody attempts to introduce a new instrument or a radical adaptation of an old design for use in bands. Every now and then some composer or orchestra conductor will come forward with some new or- uniforms-always with as much gold chestra instrument (many of them short-lived in popularity, it must be admitted), but it is seldom that inventors attempt to introduce new band instruments. Indeed, with the exception of some new-fangled drums, there has been almost nothing new in this field in many years. It cannot be said that there is any standard membership for a band. Many an American village that has a band of ten or twelve pieces plumes itself on the possession, whereas the small city is rare than can boast a band of more than sixteen to twenty members. Yet even this latter numappears small when compared with the membership of our great concert, military and naval bands. Such a band usually has in the neighborhood of fifty members, and some of them, with a fife, drum and bugle corps added, muster nearly one hundred men on parade. In Germany and Italy the regulation military band is made up of forty-five musicians, while the most famous band in France numbers seventy musicians. The United States has always held a high place in the world of band music, thanks not only to our great governmental bands, such as the noted United States Marine band-the "President's Own," which plays at the White House-but also to the famous private bands, such as those of Sousa and the late Patrick Gilmore. Incldently it may be mentioned that American band music has the call all over the world. The lively, characteristic, inspiring marches, such as those composed by the "March King." John Philip Sousa, have been "translated" into the band renditions of every civilized nation, and whereas an American sometimes has difficulty in recognizing the foreign versions of these dashing that though he has been earning airs, they are, at worst so much better

money while everybody else was than anything among current compositions abroad that they are hailed with wild enthusiasm. One of the jokes of American his-

tory is that the first band which is mentioned as being aboard an American warship was deliberately stolen by the commander of the vessel who, it seems was mighty fond of band music. This was more than a century The officer who boldly kidnaped ago. a full-fledged band was Capt. Daniel McNiell, and his good ship was the corvette Boston, carrying twenty-eight guns. The Boston had put into an Italian port for a brief stay, and a band attached to one of the regiments stationed at that port came aboard to give a concert. The Yankee captain was so fascinated with the music that he forthwith tripped anchor, made all sail and escaped to sea with the pro-testing musicians. Of course there was a big howl over the episode, and the government of the United States had to hasten to disclaim all responsibility and send the musicians back home. The first real worth-while band in the American navy was likewise captured, but the intrepid Decatur came into possession of this band through the capture of a British warship and then induced the British musicians to enlist in his service. When this band reached New York and marched through the streets at the head of a procession of Yankee blue jackets it created a sensation.

The greatest latitude has always been allowed in the matter of the uniforms worn by bandmen. Except in the United States army and navy. there are no rules or restrictions governing the sort of costumes the musicians shall wear when on parade, and our private bands have taken advan tage of this license to bedeck themselves in gorgeous attire. Red and blue are the favorite colors for band or silver lace or white braid as the handmen can afford-but there are some bands that in selecting a design for a uniform seem to have been moved by a desire to have it present as many different colors as possible. Zouave and hussar uniforms have proven popular with not a few bands. and others manage to look very natty in uniforms of white duck. Perhaps the handsomest and showi est of all band uniforms is that worn on state occasions at the White House the Marine band. It consists of by light blue trousers and brilliant red coat, liberally embellished with black The mounted bands of the braid United States cavalry are a novelty and never fail to arouse wonder that they can give as good music as they do, considering that each member, even to the drummer, is mounted on a prancing steed. In all bands the drum major is the most gaudily garbed member of that organization, and wears a hat designed to make him appear about eight feet in height in the eyes of the small boys.

Isaiah's Prophecy **Concerning Sennacherib** Sunday School Lesson for July 2, 1911 Specially Arranged for This Paper

LESSON TEXT-Isaiah 37:14-33. MEMORY. VERSES-33-35. GOLDEN TEXT-"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trou-ble."-Psa. 46:1. TIME-Probably B. C. 701-637, toward the close of Hezekiah's reign. PLACE-Jerusalem and vicinity. The destruction of the army was probably southwest of Judah toward Egypt.

The importance of the event which forms the subject of this lesson is shown by the fact that its history is given in three books of the Bible, and probably referred to in another, occupying seven or eight chapters, besides the clay cylinder on which Sennacherib made his own record.

It was a great crisis in Israel's history like the exodus, and return from captivity, a signal landmark, to teach and warn and encourage and comfort Israel in other great crises, and the nations and individuals of all times. Hezekiah, although the son of a bad father (but a good mother), began his reign with a thorough and widespread reformation and revival of the true religion, even while the Assyrians were invading the Northern Kingdom. He cleansed and repaired the temple, restored the temple services, and provided for the support of the Levites and for popular religious instruction from the books of the law, thus bringing about a great uprising against idolatry.

The result was most happy. "Hezekiah had exceeding much riches and honor." His kingdom was tranquil, strong and wealthy. But one constant danger threatened Judah-the growing power of Assyria, whose overlordship Ahaz had acknowledged, against the urgent protests of Isaiah.

In 701 B. C. the great invasion of Palestine was made by Sennacherib, with a double siege of Jerusalem. Sennacherib sent an army demanding the surrender of Jerusalem. He may have felt that it was a mistake to leave in his rear so powerful a fortress, while he had still to complete the overthrow of the Egyptians."

The Assyrians, coming near to the walls of the city and speaking through Rabshakeh, the chief officer of Sennacherib, made the contest one between Jehovah and the Assyrian idols, between the true religion, the one means of redeeming the world, and Hezekiah, and Isaiah, and apparently the scribes and elders, clothed in sackcloth, went into the temple and prayed from their inmost souls.

Note how afflictions lead to prayer. Hezekiah saw before him captivity. suffering, probably death, the loss of his kingdom, the extinction of his line, the exile of his people. But above all he saw the fall of true religion, the dishonor of God's name, a relig ious and moral loss to the world. We should pray for temporal blessings, for whatever we need; but at the same time we should never let the desire for earthly things overshadow the larger and more important spiritual interests; but rather, as in Hezekiah's case, the pressure of personal need should make more intense the desire for God's cause and kingdom.

Then came a message from God through Isaiah. Hitherto Isaiah's message had been one of warning to Judah, in order to make them so obedient to God that the relief could come to them as a blessing. Now his message concerns the Assyrians, but also shows Judah why God comes to their help.

The wonderful deliverance came when the angel of the Lord smote of the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five thousand. Just where this occurred we do not know. Sennacherib was marching toward Egypt. The deliverance was a deliverance of Egypt as well as of Judah. The scene may well have been near Egypt. Whether it was by a storm, or pestilence, no one knows. It is remarkable that the histories of both his chief rivals in this campaign, Judah and Egypt, should contain independent reminiscences of so sudden and miraculous a disaster to his host. From Egyptian sources there has come down through Herodotus a story that a king of Egypt, being deserted by the military caste, when Sennacherib, king of the Arabs and Assyrians invaded his country, entered his sanctuary and appealed with weeping to his god: that the god appeared and cheered him: that he raised an army of artisans and marched to meet Sennacherib in Pelusium; that by night a multitude of field mice ate up the quivers, bowstrings and shieldstraps of the Assyrians; and that, as these fled on the morrow, very many of them fell. A stone statue of the king, adds Herodotus, stood in the temple of Hephaestus, having a mouse in the hand. Now, since the mouse was a symbol of sudden destruction, and even of the plague, this story of Herodotus seems to be merely a pic turesque form of a tradition that pestilence broke out in the Assyrian camp. The parallel with the Bible narrative is close. In both accounts it is a prayer of the king that prevails. In both the deity sends his agent-in the grotesque Egyptian an army of mice, in the sublime Jewish his angel. In both the effects are sudden, happening in a single night. From the Assyrian side we have this corroboration: that King Sennacherib did abruptly return to Nine veh without taking Jerusalem or meeting with Tirbakah, and that, though this Egyptian ruler reigned for twenty years more, he never again made a Syrian campaign.



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sweltering in the lofty fur hat and torrid red coat, liberally bespattered with gold lace, why, not the ball player of renown nor yet the president of United States could command the such worship as he receives from barefooted admirers at his heels. But, all joking aside, the Fourth of July is pretty certain to prove the busiest day of the year for the members of the average military bandthey are "military bands," you know if we are to believe the posters that

herald the Fourth of July celebration. As has been hinted above, the band

is likely to be called out early in the morning for a street concert or more likely to welcome and escort to his hotel the orator of the day, who arrives on an early train. Then, not later than ten o'clock, the musicmakers must be in their places at the head of the parade then forming, and for the next couple of hours they will be tramping up and down streets and roads that may be dusty enough to spell discomfort even for the head of the procession.

At noon there is a brief respite for luncheon and mayhap the bandmen, if they are lucky, are treated to ice cream by the local belles who are, for this day at least, enrolled in the service of the aid society or patriotic organization that has things in charge. The lull is brief, however, for one o'clock is a favorite hour for a band concert, according to the ideas of those conscientious committeemen. who feel that something must be happening every moment. In the afternoon the band is equally busy, and the only difference from the morning is that the players get to sit down-that is they are called upon to play in connection with the speech-making and the singing in the local park or the races at the fair ground or other set program. In the evening there is more band music as an accompaniment for the fireworks, and then the bandman, who does not "work at it regularly" can go home convinced

### Prompt to the Minute.

Sir Charles Dilke once spoke with admiration of an American he had met in San Francisco. The American told him he would be coming to England in a year. Dilke invited him to lunch and gave him a day fourteen months later, assuring him he would give him a distinctively Eng-lish lusch, begging him at the same time to be punctual. "If you will give me an hour I'll be on hand," replied the American. Dilke gave one o'clock. As the clock struck one on the day in question fourteen months afterward Dilke walked downstairs to the dining room, which was on the ground floo of his house, just as the American walked in.

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