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WHERE YOUR CHANCE LIES.

The Outlook.

An army of men and women are looking for "chances," to use a word commonly taken to mean opportunities.

And there are some men and women against whom the doors seemed to be barred, but they are few; the trouble with the vast majority is that they do not understand the meaning of two very inconspicuous monosyllables—here and now.

Most people fall of the success they long for because they do not look through things; they rest in appearances, and are deluded and, so to speak, tricked by the outward show of things.

The chance lies chiefly in us, and we invite success, not by sending invitations abroad, but by making ourselves ready to entertain the chance when it comes.

The young physician who means to become an authority does not waste the days when he is waiting for patients; he makes himself ready by the hardest kind of study.

Good Year at Hawthorne Lane. Charlotte Observer, Sunday.

Humble Men and Women Have Power.

The Final Argument for or against Christianity is always people. Faulty Christians are the adverse argument hardest to meet.

Send Your Money With Home Merchants.

Some Valuable Statistics.

Nashville Christian Advocate.

Last year's Southern Methodist Handbook reported only one Conference which gave as much as \$7 per member for ministerial support.

The highest amounts paid per member for missions should be credited to the following Conferences in respective order: German Mission, \$1.16; China Mission, \$1.10; Montana, \$0.87; Los Angeles, \$0.85; Virginia, \$0.74; Denver, \$0.70; West Texas, \$0.62.

According to the last Handbook, there were 835 supernannated preachers in Southern Methodism.

There were 632 supplies. The Conferences having the largest number are, respectively, as follows: St. Louis, 37; East Columbia, 36; Holston, 33; Louisville, 30; Southwest Missouri, 29; Texas, 28; Western North Carolina, 28; Tennessee, 27; Baltimore, 24.

How to Enjoy Sunday.

From the Calendar of the First Congregational Church, Topeka, Kans.

- 1. Stay at home Saturday night and get acquainted with your family. Retire a little earlier than usual. 2. Get up early and help do the necessary work of the home.

THE UNIVERSAL RELIGION.

Why is Christianity the universal and final religion?

- 1. It is the only religion that recognizes the universal brotherhood of man. 2. It denies the existence of, and therefore overturns, all racial, national, and sex barriers.

Good Year at Hawthorne Lane.

At services held by the Hawthorne Lane Church Sunday it was shown that the church building is nearly completed at the corner of Hawthorne Lane and East Eighth street.

Told Him A-Plenty.

A North Carolina citizen got mad at another citizen and he wanted to cuss him, but he didn't. He just opened his mouth and said unto him: "If your fool head was whittled down to fit your brains a peanut hull cut in two the long way would make a hat too big for you."

An English John Wanamaker.

A. R. Presbyterian.

When Mr. Wanamaker was Postmaster General, and his official duties called him to Washington, he made a practice of returning each Saturday to his home in Philadelphia so that he might superintend the great Bethany Sabbath School.

Mr. Ferens has been a member of Parliament since 1906, but during that time he has continued to act as Superintendent of the Brunswick Wesleyan Methodist Sabbath School, of which he has been in charge for forty-two years.

In addition to his Parliamentary duties, Mr. Ferens is Privy Councillor of London, and also High Steward of Hull—an office generally held by a Peer of the Realm.

Mr. Ferens is chief director of an industrial firm with a capital of 2,000,000 pounds. He entered the firm nearly fifty years ago with an empty pocket, and sterling worth has brought him to the front.

PRESIDENTS' LONGEVITY.

Lancet Contributor Considers Their Ages Remarkable.

New York Times.

An anonymous contributor to the Lancet of London discusses longevity among great men and points out that the longevity of the Presidents of the United States is remarkable.

Their ages were as follows: 67, 90, 83, 85, 73, 80, 78, 79, 68, 71, 55, 65, 74, 64, 77, 56, 66, 63, 70, 49, 56, 71, 67 and 58 years.

The ages of those twenty-four men totalize 1,663 years, or an average of 69 years each showing, as is believed, that the stress and responsibility of leadership seem to have no effect on longevity.

Drift From Country to City.

Literary Digest.

Some further statistics as to the drift of population in this country from the country to the city were presented in a recent census bureau report.

SATAN AND RELIGION.

The whisky interests are sending out plate-matter articles to newspapers all over the country, without order, on "The Pulpit Warned against Politics" and "The Country Needs 'Old Time Religion.'"

Whole-Hearted Consecration.

What we need is to stop dallying with sin. We must come to hate the devil and all his works; we must take the Bible more as our fathers took it, and believe it and govern our lives by its precepts.

Send The Gazette to the boy or girl away at college; only \$1 for the school year. Send cash with order.

WAS SHOT AT BY WOMAN.

Mrs. J. M. Neill Fires One Shot at Barney Scruggs Claiming that He Ruined Her Life—Occurred in Boyce-Falls Building at 10 O'clock.

Considerable excitement was occasioned on Main street about 10 o'clock this morning when it was rumored that Barney Scruggs had been shot to death at the head of the stairs in the Boyce-Falls building by Mrs. J. M. Neill.

After firing one shot at Scruggs the woman quietly walked to the police station and surrendered to Chief Carroll and Patrolman Adderholdt, saying that she had shot Barney Scruggs with the intention of killing him.

Scruggs stated just after being shot at that he had received a letter yesterday from Mrs. Neill asking him to meet her at the P. & N. passenger station this morning.

Mrs. Neill stated to Chief Carroll that Scruggs had made it unpleasant for her and had ruined her life. The trial will be held tomorrow morning.

Can't Locate Man.

Chief of Police J. W. Carroll received a telegram this morning from W. R. Penland stating that the latter's sister was dead in Asheville and asking him to come.

Visitors.

Among out-of-town people here yesterday, either on business or pleasure, were the following: H. F. Forbes, Crowders Creek; Mr. Leon Oppenheimer, of Baltimore; Mr. W. H. Falls, of Pleasant Ridge; Mr. T. M. Ferguson, of Crowders Creek; Mrs. M. J. Patrick, of Union; Mrs. Joe Riddle, of Bethel; Mr. H. B. Pursley, of Crowders Creek; Mr. H. W. Ramsour, of Bessemer City; Mr. Laban Falls, of Pleasant Ridge; Mrs. R. R. Ray and Miss Mamie Ray, of McAdenville; Mr. C. T. Cornwell, of Kings Mountain; Mr. T. B. Brown, manager of Belk's Greensboro store; Mr. J. D. B. McLean, of South Point; Mr. C. J. Huss, of Bessemer City; Mr. Joe Thompson, of Kings Mountain.

BOY PLUS BOOK EQUALS MAN.

It happened on a day that a book, a real book, fell into the hands of a gifted and impressionable youth.

When a new planet swims into his ken; Or like stout Cortez when with eagle eyes He stared at the Pacific, and all his men Looked at each other with a wild surmise.

Silent, upon a peak in Darien.

Every lover and reader of true books has had some such experience, even though it may not have fashioned itself so compellingly in his thought or expressed itself in such unforgettable numbers as in the case of Keats.

THE OUTLOOK FOR \$30 SHOES.

The shoe manufacturer who, at the banquet of the Boot and Shoe Club last night predicted the price of \$30 for an all-leather shoe "in a few years," is probably not altogether an idle alarmist.

THE GAZETTE \$2.00.

On and after January 1, 1917, the subscription price of The Gazette will be \$2 the year instead of \$1.50 as at present. Until that date new subscriptions and renewals will be taken at the old price.

COZY THEATRE "GASTONIA'S COZIEST MOVIE" TODAY, THURSDAY LADIES ADMITTED FREE 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. Also children Under 12 years old. First Chapter of "THE CRIMSON STAIN MYSTERY," featuring Maurice Costello and Ethel Grandin.

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THOMSON'S Big Thanksgiving Sale IS NOW GOING ON Big Reductions throughout our entire Store. Sale Continues through the week. Special Prices on Coat Suits, Dresses, Millinery, Etc., Etc. Come and See Thomson Mercantile Co. "Quality and Service"