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When the tenor sings "Coming through the Rye" is it necessarily a high bawl?

GREAT AUTO RACE

Dingley Wins Contest of Skill and Daring at Mineola.

JARDINE'S CAR TURNED TURTLE.

Feature of Race Was Pluck of Drivers of Sherman's Royal Tourist, Which Took Third Prize After Bad Upset.

MINEOLA, N. Y., Sept. 26.—In a contest of skill and daring, devoid of serious accident, B. F. Dingley drove A. L. Pope's sixty horsepower Pope-Toledo car 113.2 miles over the Nassau circuit in two hours and fifty seconds, winning the eliminatory trial to select a team of five American made automobiles for the second race for the Vanderbilt cup.

Fifty-nine seconds behind him in elapsed time came Tracy, driving the 120 horsepower locomobile of Dr. E. H. Thomas. Jardine, whose plucky race was not known when he finished, came third in E. D. Sherman's forty horsepower Royal-Tourist, completing the course in 2 hours, 10 minutes and 18 seconds. Nutt, in a fifty horsepower Haynes, of Elwood Haynes, was fourth in 2 hours, 23 minutes and 32 seconds, and Roberts, driving the sixty horsepower Thomas car of H. S. Houpt, was fifth, six minutes and eight seconds slower than the fourth man. There were ten cars to face the starting line, and only the five that qualified finished.

His automobile overturned and he, with his mechanic, R. Turner, sent flying through the air, bruised and cut, and the machinery almost wrecked. Jardine stuck to the race and for forty-two miles risked his life at almost every rod.

Jardine, known for his daring, a graduate of the Renault and Panhard schools and now an engineer with the Royal Tourist company, was regarded as the best driver in the race. He drove steadily, making up time by his skill in making the sharp turns and by his straight course.

It was on the third round at the Guinea woods. Jardine was going about forty-five miles an hour. Without slacking speed he struck the curve, and suddenly his machine turned turtle. Jardine felt the rise and jumped, calling to his mechanic, Tucker. Jardine landed ten feet away on the turf at the side of the road on his knees, bruising them.

Tucker could not jump, and bystanders said that he turned at least ten somersaults as he flew through the air, alighting twenty-five feet away on his hands and breast. He arose with a sprained wrist and a broken thumb.

Both men were on their feet in an instant and back to the automobile. A large crowd had witnessed the accident, and a score of persons, grasping the machine, turned it right side up. An instant's survey showed the top of the water cooler knocked off, the gasoline tank bent in and the steering rod bent and broken. There was a quick makeshift, the sparkers were ignited and the men were in the machine, Tucker trying to cover the water cooler with his hand and Jardine, bolt upright, steering by faith almost.

The speed of the automobile went back to the average. Over the hills it went, the water splashing, the gasoline leaking, the steering rod almost useless. The daring men were cheered to the echo as they passed the line in third place.

Mountain Climb Was Fatal.

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Charles Fenton, eighty years old, died on White Face mountain while attempting to ascend to the summit. Fenton was a pioneer hotel man of the Adirondacks. With his young wife, who is about thirty years of age, Fenton started up the mountain, but after ascending two miles from its base he stumbled and fell exhausted. He and his wife were alone at the time. Mrs. Fenton hurried down the mountain side again to its base, where she sent out a summons for help. Without waiting for this assistance to come she climbed back to where her husband had fallen and found him dead. Mr. Fenton was president of the Fenton Game Preserve association, controlling a park of 45,000 acres.

Chelsea Methodist Church Burned.

CHELSEA, Mass., Sept. 26.—The Mount Bellingham Methodist Episcopal church of this city, the fiftieth anniversary of which was to have been observed next Wednesday, was destroyed by fire last night. The tall steeple fell, crushing in the roof and injuring a number of firemen. The most seriously hurt were Chief Engineer Harvey A. Spencer and Laddermen John Crocker. The fire, which was caused by spontaneous combustion, started in a closet room and spread rapidly throughout the wooden structure. The church cost $30,000.

Wrote "Black Hand" Letters.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Charged with writing "Black Hand" letters to her own father, Nettie Nussbaum, fifteen years old, was arrested here on the complaint of R. E. Sannwaldt. She was taken to police headquarters, where, after much questioning, she broke down, wept and confessed that she had written a "Black Hand" letter to Mr. Sannwaldt, one to Mrs. Sannwaldt and also to her own father.

Japanese Seize Islands.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 25.—News has been received here that the American steamer Montara, having on board Baron Bruggen, manager of the Kamtchatka Training society, was seized by the Japanese near Nikolskoe, Bering island, and that the Japanese afterward occupied the Kommander islands and hoisted the Japanese flag.

Are You Engaged?

Engaged people should remember, that, after marriage, many quarrels can be avoided, by keeping their idgestions in good condition with Electric Bitters. S. A. Brown, of Bennettsville, S. C., says: "For years, my wife suffered intensely from dyspepsia, complicated with a torpid liver, until she lost her strength and vigor, and became a mere wreck of her former self. Then she tried Electric Bitters, which helped her at once, and finally made her entirely well. She is now strong and healthy." White & Co., druggists, sell and guarantee them, at 50c a bottle.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly Chronicled.

"Absurd! I'm not very ill, as they say. I'm not going to retire from public life. I'm not going to quit. I'm stronger than I was when I started," declared Senator Platt of New York in a private Pullman car at the Union depot at Kansas City, Mo.

It is said that half a million men will be forced into idleness next April 1, at which time a combined strike and lockout of all the coal miners of Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana, Illinois and part of Kentucky is scheduled.

Robert Richwine, the express agent who was injured in the wreck on the Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Pittsburg division of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad near Barnitz, Pa., is dead. This makes the sixth death due to the accident.

Monday, Sept. 25.

Governor Frank W. Higgins and Mrs. Higgins have arrived at New York from Liverpool after a few weeks' trip abroad. The governor said that his health had been much improved by the trip.

The habeas corpus proceedings in the Gaynor-Greene case at Montreal have been dismissed. It is the general belief among legal men that Greene and Gaynor have reached the limit of their resources in fighting against extradition.

Aesalvo M. M. Walker of Lynn, Mass., is dead from the effects of a wound received in the civil war forty-two years ago when as a member of the Second Massachusetts he took part in a charge on the Confederate line in the battle of Chancellorsville.

Stephen M. Crocker, a member of a well known New London (Conn.) family, is at the Memorial hospital in a serious condition as the result of a pistol shot fired by Mrs. G. Bindloss while he was terrorizing her family at their home at an early hour in the morning.

The czar and members of the imperial family on board the imperial yacht Polar Star are thoroughly enjoying their vacation trip in Finnish waters around Viborg. Receptions, official visits to the ports, etc., have been varied by many hunting and fishing excursions.

One motorman was instantly killed and the other escaped death by jumping when two trolley cars on the Albany and Hudson Electric railway met in a head-on collision near Nassau, N. Y., fifteen miles south of Albany. The dead motorman was Thomas Loftus of Rensselaer.

Saturday, Sept. 23.

An agreement has been reached between the two countries for the dissolution of the union of Norway and Sweden.

Street car traffic in Woodland avenue, Duluth, Minn., was blocked for several minutes by six black bears, three large and three small ones. Incidentally a dozen women passengers were frightened nearly to death.

The Coney Island Mardi Gras parade was broken up by the explosion of two manhole covers of the electric subway, resulting in the injury of about a dozen persons, five of whom were so seriously hurt as to necessitate their removal to the hospital.

Friday, Sept. 22.

The sovereign grand lodge of Odd Fellows' meeting at Philadelphia decided to meet next year in Toronto.

A powerful pump has arrived at Sasebo, Japan, from Port Arthur to be used in floating the battleship Mikasa, Admiral Togo's flagship, which was recently sunk with great loss of life.

The American who jumped from the Hamburg-American line steamer Prinz Oskar as she was entering the harbor of Palermo, Sicily, and was drowned was Charles Westhafer of Cleveland, O.

"What are the lessons the American navy has learned from the war?" Admiral Dewey was asked. "More big ships, more big guns and good shooting," the admiral replied. "The American navy needs more than anything else battleships of 18,000 tons, carrying twelve inch guns, with a few light three pounders for defense against torpedo boat attacks."

Thursday, Sept. 21.

Dr. Thomas John Barnardo, the well known founder and director of philanthropic institutions by which over 55,000 orphan waifs have been rescued, trained and placed out in life, is dead at London.

The entire Mianecki family, including a mother and four children, one of whom is a girl of eleven years, is held for the grand jury in Jersey City, N. J., charged with being connected in a series of recent burglaries.

Four officials of the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Packing company of Chicago were fined an aggregate of $25,000 by Judge Humphrey in the United States district court at Chicago. The fines followed a plea of guilty to indictments charging conspiracy to accept railroad rebates.

The Korean emperor, for the first time during his reign, lunched with foreigners, first giving an audience to Miss Alice Roosevelt and Rear Admiral Train. American Minister Morgan escorted Miss Roosevelt to the banquet hall, where they sat with the emperor, the crown prince and the imperial princes.

Wednesday, Sept. 20.

Alwar Sato, who as a member of Baron Komura's suit has become well known in this country, may be promoted to the position of Japanese minister at Washington.

After encouraging pretty Matilda Dunsford, aged sixteen, to tell through her sobs how she was kissed and hugged on a dark street in St. Louis Judge Tracy fined Roy Parks, eighteen years old, $300 for the offense.

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WRECKED AT PAOLI

Pennsylvania Express Telescopes Private Car.

FIVE DEAD AND MANY INJURED.

Force of Impact So Great That Engine of Limited Plowed Ten Feet Into Coach on Local Train With Fatal Results.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 25.—A rear end collision between the eastbound New York limited express from St. Louis and a local passenger train which was standing at the Paoli station of the Pennsylvania railroad, nineteen miles west of this city, resulted in the death of five men and the injuring of more than twenty others.

The dead are: Frank A. Brastow, Haverford, general agent at Philadelphia of the Safety Car Heating and Lighting company and a distant relative by marriage of W. W. Atterbury, general manager of the Pennsylvania Railroad company; George M. Pennypacker, Philadelphia, foreman of car inspectors in the West Philadelphia yards; S. S. Walton, Altoona, Pa., steam heat inspector at the Altoona shops of the Pennsylvania railroad; Richard Y. Garland, Narberth, a suburb of this city, general foreman of West Philadelphia shop of the Pennsylvania railroad, and Carl Dunhaur, a railroad employee.

Among the injured are the following: Mrs. J. H. Voorhees, Haverford, Pa.; Mrs. A. C. Riengler, New York; Miss E. K. Spangler, Merchantville, N. J.; Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, New York; O. Milentz, St. Louis; John Ford, Jersey City; J. Travis, Montclair, N. J.; Mrs. Lamotte, St. Louis; C. O. Denoist, eight-year-old boy, St. Louis; D. E. Bolt, Dayton, O.; J. A. Flaline, M. C. Radfield, Jersey City; D. M. Ryan, Philadelphia, master mechanic in railroad shops, and M. F. Elliott, Philadelphia.

All those who met death were in the private car of General Manager Atterbury, which was attached to the rear of the local train. Mr. Atterbury is on his vacation in Maine. He expected to return about Oct. 1 and his car had been overhauled preparatory to sending it to Maine to bring him home. It was sent out in the forenoon for a test run and was attached to a local train from Paoli for this city. In the car at the time of the collision were about a dozen who had been engaged in overhauling the car. Those who were not killed were injured.

Paoli is the terminus of the Pennsylvania railroad's suburban traffic on the main line and a large yard is located there for the storage of cars and engines. The local train was made up in the yard on the north side of the railroad and switched across to the eastbound track No. 1 on the south side and came to a stop at the station. Before the switches could be set the New York limited came along at moderate speed on the No. 2 eastbound track, took the cross over switch and crashed into the local train.

The force of the collision was so great that the engine of the limited plowed ten feet into the private car, and the latter was forced halfway through the day coach ahead.

At the time of the accident there were less than a half dozen passengers in the local train and they were in the forward cars which were not damaged. The engineer and fireman of the limited were not hurt, but a dozen persons on this train were injured by being thrown against seats and the sides of the cars.

Four of those who lost their lives were killed almost instantly. The fifth man, Richard Garland, died in the University hospital in this city.

Clinton B. Fisk Missing.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Clinton B. Fisk, a well known newspaper man of this city, is missing. He left his home, 16 Central Park West, at 9:30 a. m. Saturday to go to a store near by and has not been seen since. A general alarm for him was sent out from police headquarters. Mrs. Fisk, the wife of the missing man, arrived from Europe by the St. Paul on Saturday afternoon and was expecting to be met by her husband on the pier. Some of his friends believe that he may have lost his memory.

Editor's Sudden Death.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 26.—Rev. Dr. W. W. McKinney, for sixteen years editor of the Presbyterian and also pastor of the Chambers Memorial Presbyterian church at Rutledge, Pa., near this city, died suddenly here from heart disease. Dr. McKinney was sixty-eight years old. He had attended the sessions of the general Presbyterian assemblies for a number of years.

Wreck on Southern Road.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 26.—An Alabama and Great Southern northbound train collided with the Blockton accommodation of the Louisville and Nashville last night at Woodstock Crossing. H. H. Marbury, conductor, was killed and sixteen white men and eleven negroes were injured.

Much Wanted Man Arrested.

KINGSTON, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Michael Liano, alias Frank Sansone, said to be wanted by the police of many cities, was arrested here last night charged with assaulting and robbing John Ricco of $500 at Hartford, Conn. His home is at Clintondale, Ulster county.

Mosher Named For Assembly.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Lewis E. Mosher, an attorney of this city, has been nominated by Chemung county Democrats for member of the assembly.

Numerous and Worthless.

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine. Sold by W. B. Agnew.

The real reason men like to go fishing is because women folk never want to go along.

EQUITABLE'S CAFE.

Morton Does Not Favor Insurance Restaurant Plant.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Paul Morton, president of the Equitable Life Assurance society, has given out a statement with respect to the criticisms of the relations existing between the Equitable and the Cafe Savarin, as follows:

"There is nothing new or sensational about the Cafe Savarin and Lawyers' club affair. There has been no change in its relation to the Equitable society, which now owns and operates it. I do not like the idea of the society being in the restaurant business, but it is a condition I found, and we will have to continue in the business until I can make other arrangements."

The legislative investigating committee will undoubtedly call Jacob H. Schiff to the stand tomorrow on the

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continuation of its inquiry into the syndicate transactions of the James Hyde and associates and the Equitable.

He will testify as to James H. Hyde and associate deals.

Counsel for the committee are devoting most of their attention to gathering evidence which, it is expected, may prove that John A. McCall, president of the New York Life, could not have been ignorant of the work of Attorney Andrew Hamilton in looking after insurance legislation not only in New York and Albany, but in several of the New England states.

It is said that Charles E. Hughes, chief counsel for the committee, will have within the jurisdiction of the legislative body a man who will testify to having knowledge of Hamilton's movements among the general agents of Connecticut, Massachusetts and Vermont, when money was collected for the purpose of influencing legislation in those states.

IS HE GIRARD?

Schoharie Police Capture Man Answering to His Description.

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 26.—A man supposed to be Joseph Girard, the New York teamster suspected of murdering pretty Augusta Pfeiffer in a lonely part of the Bronx borough, New York city, ten days ago, was arrested at Central Bridge, Schoharie county, and is now in jail at Schoharie awaiting positive identification.

This man, who answers to the descriptions of Girard sent broadcast throughout the state, has been in this vicinity since Friday, and the police of Albany and Schoharie counties have been hunting for him.

He had been seen at East Berne and at Altamont. About 11 o'clock in the morning he appeared near the railway station at Central Bridge. Baggage Master John Holbrook seized and held him until Village Constable Jay Cooper arrived, when the suspect was put under arrest.

The man would give no name and said only that he had been working for a neighboring farmer. This farmer, it is said, denies ever having seen the man.

Clew In Suit Case Murder.

BOSTON, Sept. 26.—The police here are confident that within a few hours they will be on the right trail of the murderers of the young woman whose mutilated torso was found in a dress suit case floating near the Winthrop Yacht clubhouse in the harbor. It is believed by the police that they have found the owner of the green suit case, but they refuse to make known the man's name until he has positively identified it.

Miss Roosevelt and Party at Seoul.

SEOUL, Sept. 26.—Miss Alice Roosevelt and party attended the athletic sports of Japanese schoolboys. The party was received by the Japanese educational committee. The entire party is now resting after the strenuous weeks spent in Japan, Manila and China. The visit is largely losing an official character, and the party will spend some time at picnicking and riding in the hills of Seoul and vicinity.

Mrs. Roosevelt at Harvard.

BOSTON, Sept. 26.—Mrs. Roosevelt visited Harvard for the purpose of inspecting the rooms engaged for Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., at Claverly hall. Theodore will enter Harvard this week with the incoming freshman class.

Venezuela Must Withdraw Insult.

CARACAS, Venezuela, Sept. 25.—The French government has asked the Venezuelan government to reconsider its last note, which is looked upon as an insult to M. Taigny, the French charge d'affaires.

Admiral Schley Ill.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 26.—Admiral Schley is too ill to attend the special communication of the supreme council, Scottish Rite Masons, now being held here.

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King of Sweden Does Not Come of Ancient Line

Fourth of the House of Bernadotte—Napoleon's Marshal the Founder—Descendants of Marked Ability and Strong Character.

Oscar II. of Sweden is one of the ablest, most distinguished monarchs of the day, but cannot boast of descent from a long line of rulers. In fact it is but the third generation of Bernadottes that now occupies the throne.

Oscar is the fourth of the house, however, that has reigned, succeeding his brother, who died childless.

Thus runs the line: First, Charles XIV.; then his son, Oscar I.; he was succeeded by his son, Charles XV.; next Oscar II. became king.

Long lines of kings are apt to result in weaklings, unable to guide the ship of state, intellectually and physically unfit for their responsible positions. The House of Bernadotte has occasion to take pride in its record as yet made. Mr. Chamberlain, writing in the Chicago Record-Herald, thus presents the story of the Bernadottes:

"Of the reigning families of Europe none has added more to the luster of kingly honor than that to which belongs the present monarch of Sweden. From the time of its founding by the distinguished marshal of France, the prince of Ponte-Corvo, whose title came through the empiric power of the great Napoleon, the house of Bernadotte has been one which has ever commanded the highest respect and admiration. Springing as it did from the loins of old fighting stock, it has comprehended almost all that makes for greatness in the view of the world. It is a family of sailors, able seamen, who from boyhood were familiar with ships in all their details; navigators, who, beginning with the boxing of compass, acquired a knowledge of every trick and turn of wind and wave; soldiers, taking naturally to bivouac and battlefield and knowing of experience the ranks and grades of fighting men, from the private in the squad to the commander in chief possessed of the baton of a field marshal. In the arts and sciences its members have given to the world artists, whose handiwork has been of a superior order of merit and whose paintings and modellings adorn public galleries and private collections; singers, whose rare voices have successfully competed with the

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splendid native vocalism of the land which has born Nilsson, Arnoldson and Lind; composers, who have created love songs of sweetness; anthems grand and religious, and military measures of inspiring melody; poets, whose verse would be an inspiration to any literature; novelists, essayists and orators of force, power and quality; protectors of things artistic and friends who have not only appreciated artists, but have reached out to them hands of helpful fellowship; fine statesmen, whose unusual poise, acumen and courage has been heralded throughout the earth, and better, perhaps, than anything in the long enumeration—gentlemen always."

Men of courage as well as men of culture and character have been members of this house. We are reminded of the words "Too proud to care whence I came," when we read the address of the founder to the people at the time he was crowned king of Sweden.

"When I came among you I brought nothing beyond my sword and my actions as my title and guarantees. If I could have brought you a succession of ancesters from Charles Martel downward, I should have valued the distinction for your sakes only. For my part, I am satisfied with the remembrance of the services I have performed, and with the glory which has exalted me. My claims in other respects rest on my adoption by the king, and on the unanimous choice of a free people. On these I found my rightful pretensions; and so long as honor and justice are esteemed on earth my rights will be accounted more legitimate, more sacred, than if I were descended from Odin. History informs us that no prince ever mounted a foreign throne but by election or by consent. I have not opened my way to the Swedish throne by the latter; I have been invited to it by the former; and this is my best, my proudest claim."

Bernadotte was French born, son of a not over-successful lawyer. It was intended the son (Jean Baptiste Jules) should follow the father's profession, but he showed a strong inclination for a military life and enlisted as a private in the royal marines of France. He began his career at a fortunate time for a man with ambitions, for it was at the period when "family" meant least in France, ability had its chance. The revolution had turned classes upside down; the talents of the enlisted private were recognized and ere long he was advanced to high positions.

Before we speak of the miracle that placed a French lad of humble origin on the throne of a foreign country, let us review briefly his previous career. He served nine years in his profession without attracting particular attention, but at the end of that period his rise was rapid. He became colonel, general of brigade, then general of division and French minister of war. It was in the campaign of the Rhine and the Italian campaign his military prowess won special recognition; but of this one of his soldiers Napoleon never had any great fondness. Bernadotte was above flattery and above intimidation, and had to be handled with diplomacy. When Napoleon overthrew the directory and had himself made First Consul, Bernadotte would have been glad to defend the directory had he been backed up with strong stroops. But the troops

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were lacking and the imperator's power grew apace. Bernadotte said of Napoleon after his first meeting with the Corsican: "I have seen a man 26 or 27 years old who wishes to be thought 50; this does not augur well for the republic."

Napoleon's judgment of Bernadotte also was discerning: "He has a French head and a Roman heart. He has iron blood in his veins." Napoleon had to reward this dangerous man, however, and try to placade him. He made him a mashal of France. After Austerlitz Bernadotte was more than ever a hero with the people, and there must be added show of imperial favor; Napoleon presented him with the principality of Ponte-Corvo. And presently Bernadotte was offered a still higher post. The man with the French head and Roman heart became Swedish king.

And why and how? When his strange opportunity came, Sweden was in sore perplexity. Her king was old and weak, she had but recently acquired Norway, was a little afraid of Denmark and Russia. The thought came that it might win the favor of the great Napoleon if there were asked to be ruler of Sweden one of his field marshals, namely the prince of Ponte-Corvo. The prince was connected by marriage with Napoleon, his wife a sister of Joseph Bonaparte, Napoleon's oldest brother. So the Swedes argued Bernadotte surely is in high favor with Napoleon, we will ask him to our throne.

It is very probable that Bernadotte never at all enjoyed the favor of Bonaparte, but the emperor did nothing to interfere when the Swedes made the astonishing proposition to name him their crown prince and carried out the astonishing proposition. The famous general was adopted by the childless king, and at the death of the latter (1818) ascended the throne of Sweden and Norway. He enjoyed a long reign,

MARSHAL BERNADOTTE.

was king 26 years, until his death in 1844. As Charles XIV. he succeeded Charles XIII.

Bernadotte was elected successor to the throne some years before he became king. Napoleon in 1810 made known that he would not interefere with this succession, little thinking that presently his old field marshal would be drawn into a coalition that was to end his triumphs. In that last successful coalition of the nations against Napoleon, Bernadotte was persuaded to join, and as crown prince of Sweden and Norway he took active part in the campaigns of 1813-14 against his former chief. At the battle of Leipsic, the decisive "battle of nations," the Swedish contingent pressed the French hard, Bernadotte, who had earlier in the campaign fallen under suspicion as a traitor, showed himself loyal to the coalition, loyal to the Swedes, whom Napoleon had recently threatened with starvation by the closing of their ports.

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DANIEL IN BELSHAZZAR

Sunday School Lesson for Oct. 1, 1905

Specially Prepared for This Paper.

LESSON TEXT.—Daniel 5:17-30. Memory Verses 29, 30.

GOLDEN TEXT.—"The face of the Lord is against them that do evil.—Psalm 34:16.

TIME.—B. C. 538. Prof. Beecher places it in June or earlier. It was in the latter period of the Exile. Compare verse 27 with Daniel 9:1.

PLACE.—Babylon on the Euphrates.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES. — Isa. 45:1-6 tells of guidance of Cyrus. Isa. 13; 14; 21:1-9; 47:14-17; 46:1, 2, 9-13 tell of the overthrow of Babylon. Jer. 50 and 51 represent the destruction of Babylon.

Comment and Suggestive Thought.

INTRODUCTORY. — We are now drawing near to the close of the 70 years (dating from the beginning of the captivities B. C. 606-4) for which period Jeremiah had foretold that the exile should continue (Jer. 25:12). "The exiles gradually acquired lands and houses, they lived in separate communities, and were apparently allowed to maintain to some extent the social customs and organizations of their native land (Ezek. 8:1; 14:1)."—Ottley. "Native qualities soon brought the Jews to the front in whatever land they were thrown."—Prof. E. T. Harper. Jeremiah's prophecies still pervaded the moral atmosphere. Ezekiel's voice was heard through the nation. The glorious visions and prophecies of the later chapters of Isaiah were stirring the hearts of the faithful with hope and faith and courage. We now come to the providential movements which made the return possible. A new king, and a new policy, now took possession of the empire that held the Jews captive. Cyrus, the Persian, conquered Babylon. The nominal king of Babylon at this time was Nabonidus. He was a most scholarly man rather than ruler, interested in his country's institutions, and making most valuable records on clay cylinders. There is, says Mr. Pinches, "every probability that Belshazzar, the son of Nabonidus, was the real ruler." We have learned about Belshazzar from these tablets and inscriptions lately discovered in the ruins of Babylon. Cyrus, the conqueror of Babylon, the king of Elam, Media and Persia, appears on the horizon at this time, advancing toward Babylon, in his victorious career, with his wide-extended troops, whose numbers "like the waters of a river could not be known." He entered Babylon without fighting, which agrees with both Herodotus and Daniel.

Belshazzar's Great Feast.—Belshazzar was a youth flushed with the excitement of almost uncontrolled power. Even while Cyrus was approaching with his victorious army, the young man, secure in the unrivaled strength of his city defenses, made a great feast to a thousand of the nobles, probably in E-sagila, the magnificent temple of Belus, within the walls of Babylon. It was a wonder of the world. The walls were rich with images of the Chaldeans "painted in vermillion and exceeding in dyed attire," on goodly horses, like those on the frieze of the Acropolis.—From Farrar.

V. 17. "Let thy gifts be to thyself:" Keep them, do what you will with them. Daniel will speak God's truth without fear or favor, and the rich presents the king offered can have no influence whatever.

Vs. 18-22. "The most high God gave Nebuchadnezzar:" The true God is shown to be over all and above all. "And thou . . . hast not humbled thine heart:" etc. You have not sinned through ignorance, but have gone on in a wicked course in spite of, in defiance of, God's lessons of warning.

V. 23. "But hast lifted up thyself:" Exalted thyself as if thou couldst defy and disobey with impunity the Lord of Heaven.

V. 25. "This is the writing:" The words are of the Aramaic (called Chaldee in A. V.) language, with letters like the Hebrew. This language was familiar in Babylon at that time.

V. 26. "Mene" (repeated for the sake of emphasis); "God hath numbered thy kingdom and finished it:" God had put a definite limit to the number of years the kingdom should last, and that number was now complete.

V. 27. "Tekel; thou art weighed in the balances:" as to his moral character and actions, and been found wanting, of light weight like a counterfeit coin, or one that did not come up to the standard required. God had tested him, and he had failed.

V. 28. "Peres" (the singular of the word "Upharsin," in V. 25, the prefix "U" meaning and. It is the same as if "Peres" was written twice, like "Mene," for emphasis).

V. 29. "Clothed Daniel with scarlet:" The royal purple. "Third ruler in the kingdom:" Either, one of three; or, more probably, next under Belshazzar, who was the second, being under his father, Nabonidus, the king over all.

Thus the Persian conquerors found Daniel, the Jew, not in obscure retirement, but occupying the position of an active statesman, and in a position to help his exiled countrymen.

V. 30. "In that night was Belshazzar . . . slain:" Swift and sudden came the foretold doom.

Illustrative Points.

"Fools make a mock of sin," and only fools. Wise men do not play with matches in a powder-mill. Wise men do not hold a merry-making while their house is blazing. Wise men do not sleep undefended amid deadly foes. Wise men do not neglect and increase a dangerous disease.

There is a handwriting of warning and of doom on the wall for every sinner. It may be invisible for a time, like that kind of writing which is invisible till brought to the fire, or touched with chemicals, but it is written where his eye shall some time see it.

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