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Rev. J. A. Gordon D. D., pastor.

BAPTIST—At Lordsburg school house, May
18, at 3:30 p. m. Sunday School at 2:30 p. m.
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Rev. G. S. Bailey D. D., pastor.

Southern California Alphabet.

"Ah there!" Easterner, this is for you!
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Bellamy sees not what you may see here,
Paradise regained without favor or fear.

Carlsbad, whose waters are flowing each day,
Invites thee to seek a new life while ye may.

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Mild and rarified. Why not go there?

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For the wanderer here from a home-seeking
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Will fail to describe the bliss you may reach.

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Fowl for the fowler and lover of eggs.

Holdfast is prospering now, since the break
Of the boom and the flight of the K. E. fable.

Ingomar's followers are dwindling away
And people rejoice in a happier day.

Jashua's spirit at times shows his hand,
And smashes the slate of the vampire band.

Kings of the realm and queen potentates
Are those who sell and at moderate rates.

Lordsburg is home for a lord of the soil,
Though he own but ten acres, free from
tarmoil.

Mentone, near the mountains, a vale of rich
land,
With Crafton and Redlands on either hand.

National City, the inevitable heart,
Of the coming metropolis, our southern bay
mart.

Orange, of Orange County, where oranges
grow,
Will soon take new life and move with the
flow.

Pactolian pickings are given to all,
Rewarding the truth, who laggards forestall.

Querulous quibbles are not wanted here,
Where good "Gaffer Greens" get their thous-
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Regular excursions every Thursday.
By the Santa Fe route, the Eastward way.

South Riverside has quarries and mines,
And land, none richer where the sun shines.

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These facts, reader, are strictly for you.

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X is a letter illumined in Greece,

But here may be found the glittering fleece.

Ysiders, romantic with hedges and flowers.

Where life hath no weary and time-happy
hours

Zetetics are welcomed and clasped hand with
hand.

Preference given to those tilling the land.

—AD RUSTLER.

A Conductor's Story.

"I know," said the conductor, as he finished counting up and lighted a cigar, "that most people consider us a hard hearted lot, but we've got to be, or at least must appear to be. A railroad company has little to do with sentiment, and a great deal to do with business. I can't afford to let people ride at my expense, so what am I to do?"

No remedy being suggested, he smoked away in silence for two or three minutes and then continued:

"I didn't use to have so much heart about it, always excusing myself on the plea of duty; but one night about three years ago something happened which has kept my heart pretty soft ever since. It was on the run out of Buffalo, and when I came to take up the fares I came across a woman and child. She was a palefaced and poorly clad, and she had a world of trouble in her face. I saw that in a general way, but it was not my business to pity her. The child with her, a boy of seven or eight, was lying back on the seat, with her old shawl for a pillow. She offered me one full-fare ticket to a point about forty miles below, but I demanded one for the boy.

"Please sir," she said, 'we are very poor, and he's only a little chap, and I'm taking him home to die.'

"That was no excuse, and I plainly told her that she must pay for him or he'd have to get off. I thought she was trying to beat his way, but in that I was mistaken. It was a dark rainy night, and she'd never have got ready to leave the train, at the next stop if she'd had money to pay for the boy. I felt a bit ashamed when I saw her making ready, and it hurt me to see her lean over him and both cry together, but one of our men had been discharged only the week before for overlooking a one-legged soldier who only wanted a lift for ten miles."

"And no one offered to pay the boy's fare?"

"For a wonder, no. There was a crowd in the car, but all seemed to look upon the pair with suspicion. I hated to pit them off, and I was hoping the woman would make one more appeal and give me a show to

back water, when the train ran into _____, and she made ready to get off. The least I could do was to help her with the boy. I picked him up and started to follow her out, but I had scarcely taken notice of his white face and tear-wet cheeks when he uttered a shriek of fear, straightened out in my arms, and next instant I knew I held a corpse. Yes sir, the life went out of him in that cry, and the mother turned on me with a look I can never forget, and cried:

"He's dead! He's dead! And you have killed him!"

"I don't like to think of it," whispered the conductor after a long silence. "I had my month's wages in my pocket, and I gave her every dollar of it, and the passengers raised as much more, and when I left her with her dead at the next station I had done everything I possibly could, but that didn't clear me. I had been too harsh and cold. She had told me the truth, and I had doubted her. She had asked for mercy, and I had ordered her out into the night and the storm with a dying boy in her care. She has never forgiven me, and never will, and try as hard as I may I can never forgive myself."

CALIFORNIA ON WHEELS. An Interesting Letter From the Manager.

HARPER'S FERRY, AUG., 24, 1890.

Once more Los Angeles is to the front. You should hear the comments of the boys here whenever it is announced that there is something for California on Wheels. They unanimously say, "Los Angeles is heard from again," or something of like import, never waiting to inquire whether it is from Los Angeles or not. The peaches reached us in a deplorable condition. The grapes are in a very good condition. All the other things came O. K. I was specially well pleased to get the palm leaves, for our decorations are much the worse for nine months of wear and tear, and by the way the date palm leaves we have need to be replaced. The woods are quite an acquisition to our exhibit, as we had nothing but redwood before. One thing more in the way of woods would make people open their eyes—a cut off the base of a castor bean measuring 15 or 18 inches in diameter, as you have them—and a big elder tree also. The castor bean here is an annual and I suppose I would have to make an affidavit that it was a castor bean tree, should you send one. The elder rarely exceeds 1½ inches in diameter here, while you have them 18. Such things will serve to show our climate better than we can by other means.

We have reached a country where our exhibition is more highly appreciated than any section through which we have passed, if we may judge by the crowds which throng us

at every station. We are simply taken by storm at many places and sometimes require the services of two policemen to keep the crowds in order, in addition to our force—not that the people are disorderly, but there must be some order observed in entering or some will be crowded out. At Cumberland, Md., when we pulled into the station we encountered a crowd estimated by many to be fully 3000. It was not less than 2000 certainly. It is a poor day now if we do not have to exceed 5000 persons pass through our train. It is too many, and we have as many as 9000 pass through some days. We cannot do effective work under such circumstances, for we are obliged to rush them through like cattle, and if one stops to ask a question it blocks all the train behind him. It serves to show the interest taken in our country, however, and you will reap something of a harvest from the work of this train. This has been a most disastrous season to the Eastern fruit grower. It has been the same story ever since we left Chicago. The fruit crop is a complete failure. Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Maryland all together haven't fruit enough to run Welch's cannery a week, and I'm not sure but I might say three days and be nearer the truth. The people are hungry for fruit here and their only source of supply is California. It will be unfortunate if prices of our fruit are run up too high. It may be profitable for the present, but it will react on us I fear. Many of the dealers state that our prices are already too high for them to handle our goods. I hope that moderation may prevail and that no undue advantage may be taken of the condition of the fruit crop throughout the East by our producers.

Yours truly,
S. J. MATHES.

—L. A. Times.

The city of Olathe, Kansas, has a population of 4,000. It has had no saloon in twelve years. There has not been a man arrested nor in the city jail for drunkenness and disorderly conduct for five years. The town supports twelve churches all of which have pastors who get good salaries, not one of whom receives a penny from missionary funds, nor any part of his salary out of the store nor in farm produce. The city has built three large public school buildings since prohibition, and put in water works costing \$50,000. The streets are all nicely paved, debts paid, and not one cent of revenue from the saloon. Olathe is the home of John P. St. John.

The fifty-ninth annual exhibition of the American Institute opens at its hall on Third Avenue, New York, Oct. 1st continuing until Nov. 29.

Israel at Work.

MOTTO.—Not dull sloth but earnest activity, is the Christian's high privilege through Christ our Lord.

"When people put off their religion in vacation, they give evidence that it is a cloak. The true nobility of God's family seek and find opportunities for service by the way."

The press reports say that the Pope of Rome has informed the Chancellor of Italy that under the circumstances he will vacate Rome. Should he do this it will be heralded as simply one of the happenings of the day; but the Bible prophecies may see in it the fulfilment of God's predictions.

To have crowds attending the ministry of a preacher is not an absolute test of success. Flippancy, wit and buffonery will always draw a crowd; but what kind of a crowd are they? What are they worth in doing the solid work of the world.

"The King of France offered the Prince de Conde his choice of three things; first, to go to mass; second, to die; third, to be imprisoned for life. The answer was, 'With regard to the first, I am fully determined never to go to mass; as to the other two, I am so perfectly indifferent, that I leave the choice to your majesty.' It was a similar courage that sustained the Apostles in undertaking to preach the religion of the crucified Jesus, in opposition to a splendid mythology which has been cherished for ages, to the support of which the architect and sculptor had long consecrated their genius. And it was this courage which enabled the Apostle Paul to brave the dangers which were before him, and to say, 'For I am not ready to be bound only, but also to die.'"

Talmage on Church Choirs.

My chief objection to church choir singing is that I am a firm believer in a congregation doing the singing. To me a singing church is always a triumphant church. If a congregation is silent during the exercise, or partially silent, it is the silence of death. If when the hymn is given out you hear the faint hum of here and there a father and mother in Israel, while the vast majority are silent, that minister who is presiding needs to have a very strong constitution if he does not get the chills. He needs not only the grace of God, but nerves like whalebones. It is a constant source of amazement to me how some people with voice enough to discharge all their duties in the world, when they enter the house of God have no voice to discharge their duty of singing. I really believe that if all our churches would rise up and sing as they ought to sing, that where we have a hundred souls brought into the kingdom of Christ there would be a thousand.—*Talmage.*

The Seven Bibles.

The seven bibles of the world are the Koran of the Mohammedans, the Tri Pitikes of the Buddhists, the Five Kings of the Chinese, the Three Vedas of the Hindoos, the Zendavesta and the Scripture of the Christians.

The Koran is the most recent of the five, dating from about the century after Christ. It is a compound of quotations from both the Old and

New Testament and from the Falmud. The Tri Pitikes contain sublime morals and pure aspirations. Their author lived and died in the sixth century before Christ.

The sacred writings of the Chinese are called the Five Kings, the word "Kings" meaning web or cloth. From this it is presumed that they were originally written on five rolls of cloth. They contain wise sayings from the sages on the duties of life, but they cannot be traced further back than the eleventh century before our era.

The Tedas are the most ancient books in the language of the Hindoos, but they do not, according to late commentators, antedate the twelfth century before the Christian era.

The Zendavesta of the Persians, next to our bible, is reckoned among scholars as being the greatest and most learned of the sacred writings. Zoroaster, whose sayings it contains, lived and worked in the twelfth century before Christ; Moses lived and wrote the Pentateuch 1,500 years before the birth of Christ; therefore that portion of our bible is at least 300 years older than the most ancient of other sacred writings.

The Eddas, a semi-sacred work of the Scandinavians, was first given to the world in the fourteenth century.

Peter Pixley's Pieces.

For the SOUTHERN CALIFORNIAN.

There is so much counterfeit manhood abroad that it is hard to tell the genuine coins from the base. The Indian boasts of the scalps he has taken and the dishonest dealer tells of the sharp bargains he has driven during the week. The cyprians of the street advertise their infamy while the dishonest trader professes to be honest and is not. Infamy is sometimes more honest than legitimate business. Divine guidance is needed in all business affairs.

A young man once wrote: "Twenty-five years ago to-night my mother went to heaven, my beautiful, blessed mother, and I have been alone, tossed up and down upon the billows of life's tempestuous ocean. Shall I ever go to heaven? She told me I must meet her there, when she took hold of her boy's hand and turned her gentle, loving eyes on me, and gazed earnestly and long into my face, and lifted them to heaven in that last prayer, she prayed I might meet her there. I wonder if I ever shall?"

Girls, do not tease your brothers. Do not irritate them and make them feel bitter towards you. You might as well draw a bunch of thorns across their necks with the hope that by so doing they will love you more, as to tease them about the color of their hair, or the shape of their nose, or the revealing of a secret which you ought to keep. For your sake, for their sake, quit it!

Truth is one thing, fact another. Every fact is truth but every truth is not a fact. He made man which is both a truth and a fact. Paul preached Christ crucified to the gentiles is both a truth and a fact, but being the Apostle of the gentiles is a truth but not a fact. The agreement of the terms of a proposition is a truth, but something must be done before there can be a fact. Every means of grace ordained of God are so many facts designed to be impressed upon the soul of the believer.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

LOOK YOUR VERY BEST.
A Duty That Every Woman Owes
To Herself.

Dress up, little girl. It pays to be pretty, and youth is the time to be gay.

Save nothing for Sunday. That penurious custom went out of fashion long ago.

Put on your best bib and tucker every day, for style is as variable as the weather vane, and what is popular to-day may be unsightly a month hence. Clothes are intended to be worn; that's all they are good for, and you make a tremendous mistake when you take your hard-earned or patiently-saved money and buy hats, dresses, wraps, shoes and gloves to line bureaus and closets with. It is sheer folly to feed moths with good material.

You don't want a lot of dresses. Wait till you are married, and let it be the pleasant duty of the man you honor with your affection to give you a new gown every two weeks. Just now, while your eyes are bright, your cheeks are so smooth and pink and your lips are so sweet and rosy, one gown, one hat and one wrap are quite enough. Put them on, wear them every place you go, get your money's worth of beauty and comfort out of them, and when the cool weather comes and you have another outfit you will be a new girl.

Would you believe that this is the habit of hundreds of lovely and well-dressed women in New York? Well it is.

One of the richest ladies in the country, now in Newport, dresses in brown when she goes to church or through the streets of the city—brown woolen dress, jacket to match gloves ditto, and such a simple little bonnet that you might think her maid trimmed it. This is the suit for every day in the week Sunday included. At the opera, at dinner, or a company she dresses like a royal princess, but in the street a Quakeress could not be quieter in attire.

You may consider it your gracious duty to help about the house, and argue that sweeping, cooking, dusting and bed-making will not agree with your cambric or alpaca. You are right, but here is Miss Eastlake's way of managing. She has a lot of kitchen frocks—not aprons, but frocks—made exactly like a man's night-gown.

They are kept in the kitchen, in a box that serves as a seat. When she goes out to make a pudding, a tart, cake or batch of bread one of these linen frocks is thrown over her head, buttoned at the neck and wrists, and she is ready for work. There is no belt at the waist, and she has the appearance of a perambulating parallelogram.

Now, why not make one of these frocks of ticking, gingham or crash? Why not get a pair of leather gloves for your hands and an oiled silk cap for your head? Then your dress would be protected, your hands saved and your hair kept clean. The work done and the protectors removed, you would be good to look upon. Men like this sort of domestic costuming and women will admire you for your habitual neatness.

But, kitchen frock or not, make yourself as much a picture as possible. You know it is your prerogative to be admired; you need it; it is essential to your happiness and vanity, but you must deserve it; as they say in theatricals, you must draw.

This looking pretty, being sweet and pleasing people has nothing to do with extravagant tastes. The prettiest girls at Long Branch and Seabright wear gingham dresses in the daytime, with big hats and yellow shoes, and white gowns at night that you can make, if you know how to sew, for \$5. If you can't afford white get some dark cloth, anything but black and gray, for one is not fit to wear and the other color is too hard to wear unless you are a great beauty with very pink cheeks. You don't want any trimming over. Wait until you are old, till your good looks have vanished and then wear passementerie, gold lace, buckles, braid and grimp. Never buy velvet satin; those are textures that no girl should ever wear and no woman can afford on a smaller salary than \$2,000 a year. Know when you get your twill, cashmere, gingham or cambrie on, that you are pretty, that the beauty of youth is in your face and hair and eyes, that your graceful figure is superior to stuffs and frills and that you belie yourself by fretting over the vanities of life.

A word about foot-gear. Go through the tenements and flats of humble New York and you will find most of the girls and women sewing, reading or working in their stocking feet; others have on big slippers, some wear rubbers and a few old shoes without laces or buttons. This habit aside from being untidy and unlovely, is an injustice to your souls, and if persisted in you will never be able to get your wedding slippers on. And then it has a bad effect on the brothers, who lose their respect for the sex and institute a home and company code of etiquette.

No, this slip shod method is bad. You don't want to use it. You must brace up lace up, look up work up. Beauty is a power. It surpasses brains and it is capital to a woman. It is not so much complexion, size, form or color as you think.

Any woman who keeps herself clean, well and trim is beautiful and when she is gentle, kind, healthy, trim and cheerful she is the loveliest creature on the face of the earth. Be prodigal of soap, water and sleep; keep your hair clean, your teeth white and your hands nice; keep your toilet in order; let your freckles and fat alone, let your hair alone; study to please people, say nice things to them and say nothing unkind of them; look your best and do your best and, dear little girl, you will be a queen of hearts—if not of diamonds.—*Nell Nelson in Phoenix.*

No fewer than 698 lady doctors have been graduated from the Medical Academy for Women at St. Petersburg. The institution has been closed and in danger of remaining so, but has now received a grant of \$15,000 a year from the city for its support, and is to be re-opened.

Some men who are just smart enough to think they can learn no more, are just smart enough to be foolish.

The Saloon.

The saloon is a place with screened windows and closed doors, a place where the tread of a woman's foot is her everlasting shame. It is a place where for childhood to enter is everlasting wreck ruin. It is a place where men gather only, where they shut their eyes to the world outside. It is a place where a cool, keen, voracious, designing villain on one side of the bar sells, for greed of gain, his liquor to reeling brains on the other side of the bar. It is a place where no man can enter for an hour and come out as good as he went in. It is a place that unfits a man to be the husband of a decent and virtuous wife, that destroys a man for being a clear brained, steady-nerved father for his children.

He goes there for degradation, prostitutes the name of woman, and blasphemes the name of God. He disgraces his wife, his mother his sister, and comes out demoralized, obscene, less than a brute, because he has not fulfilled the design of Providence. The saloon does not do that sometimes; it does it always. It cannot live without it. The saloon does not do that probably, or may be. It must do it. The saloon never lives except by feeding on moral carrion—on dead souls and bodies. This is the thing you have to deal with. You know what it is. There is not a man of you who is ignorant about it, but what knows to the depth of its eternal shame what the saloon is to-day. And if you stand by it, you stand where the judgment of God will rest upon you as a Christian man and an honest citizen if you do not strike your blows against it.—*Mrs. Mary A. Livingston.*

"Alcohol and tobacco are no respecters of persons. They climb up marble and brown stone steps as readily as they pour down the filthy passages of underground dens. They enter the palace as quickly as the hovel. They smite down not only the weak, but the strong also, and put more people in the grave every year than war, pestilence, famine and all the plagues of the world."

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Lordsburg, Cal., Sept. 18th, 1890.

WE are short of space this week which necessitates the delay of some items which will appear next week.

PLEASE read G. L. McDonaugh's letter in another part of this page. If you wish to come to California it is plain that he who runneth may read.

GENERAL Manager, K. H. Wade, of the Southern California Railway, passed up over the road last Thursday. He was going east as far as the mountains to inspect some work.

Is it any wonder that industrious people who come to Southern California, are delighted? With a climate the most even and healthful, with fruits, flowers, grains, grasses, tropical plants and shrubs, with good markets for produce and wages which tickle the workmen, their wives and children who wouldn't feel contented? Of course lazy people and such as are noted for their grumbling propensities have a hard time of it here. Their number does not increase very fast.

ONE of the reasons that Southern California will always take the lead as a fruit growing section is that her fruits are of superior quality and hence commands the highest prices which enable men to give their orchards more attention through this medium. Money is pouring in to ranch-men which enables them to employ skill labor at a good price to the employee. One of the great draw-backs to the Eastern fruit grower is that they are never sure of a crop, are not prepared to take care of it when it does come. With us we are certain on this ground as Paul may plant Apolis water the result is inevitable which cannot be said of any other section of country in the U. S. Our crops are sure quality superior. Prices good. Hence we take the lead.

FROM the present outlook orange trees will be in demand next Spring. It undoubtedly will be a grand mistake for our planters to pay exorbitant prices for orange trees when in a year or two the orange craze will be off the people. This year has already demonstrated what can be done with deciduous fruits. Therefore we should turn our attention in that direction for a few years. As we have no doubt but that the trees can be purchased for three-fourths less than orange stock and the fruit pay equally as well. When we come to take into consideration that so much land will not bring first quality of oranges but would bring fine apricots, prunes, peaches and other fruits. Here is the fig and the olive; we ought to hear more in their favor as they will be among the coming industries of Southern California, and can be grown with less than half the water required for oranges. It is conceded by many that the olive is the poor man's fruit. We shall not attempt in this short article to go into any lengthy detail but will likely have more to say on the subject in the near future.

BROWN, Sterling and Co., of Alessandro, have bought of Messerve and sons, of North Pomona, 10,000 two-year old seedling orange trees for \$6,000, of W. R. Barbour, of Covina, 10,000, budded orange trees for \$7,500 of Mr. Dames, of North Pomona, 10,000, budded trees, \$7,500, and 6000 seedlings, one year old, for \$1,800. Also of Ambrose & Gates, of Pomona and Lordsl ar; 30,000 prune trees for \$6,000, and 5,000 seedling oranges from Howland's nursery of North Pomona, for \$2,500, making in round numbers 70,000 trees for \$30,000. These trees are to be planted on what has lately been known as the Alessandro Tract south-east of Riverside.

AMONG the parties who came in last week to make their homes in Southern California, were Mr. B. F. Singer, wife and children; Mr. S. Beanblossom, wife and children; Mr. C. H. Gish and family; Mr. John Swoveland and family; Mr. T. E. Singer and wife, who by the way, were recently made one; and Mr. F. Korbe all of Burr Oak, Kansas. Also Mr. J. Hoffman of Hope, Kan. These people had scarcely alighted from the train until they were offered work at \$1.50 per day. The next day a number of them started out to work cheerful and happy, and up to this writing all seem glad they came to this country. At San Bernardino they were met by G. L. McDonaugh with a lot of fine grapes and when they had landed here a box of peaches, large and delicious was placed before them with the command to go at them which command any Kansan will implicitly obey.

WE are receiving some gratifying endorsements from patrons for the moral tone and truthful character of our paper. This we appreciate. Our aim is and always has been, to put out a clean and reliable paper—one which may be taken into the family with the feeling that any of the children can read it with perfect safety to themselves.

Personals.

—Mrs. J. W. Tincher made this office a very pleasant call last Monday.

—W. K. Whitesell of Eswena is spending this week in Lordsburg.

—Mrs. Dr. T. W. Ensign of Los Angeles is visiting Mrs. G. L. Ensign this week.

—Prof. G. L. Ensign has been spending several days in Los Angeles visiting with his brother.

—Miss Amy Eshelman of Eswena is spending a few days with her sister at this place.

—C. M. Wells of Los Angeles spent Saturday last at Eswena in company with Mr. Hunt of Los Angeles.

—M. M. Eshelman spent last Sunday at Covina in company with J. W. Hoff and others from Lordsburg.

—Mrs. Jane Nicholson mother of Mr. L. World of Covina arrived last Friday from Northern Kansas. She stood the trip remarkably well for an old lady.

—C. W. Smith of North Rochester Cal. was among the parties who landed at Lordsburg last Friday. Mr. S. came down to see the boys get off.

School begins next Monday.

Another Excursion to Southern California.

LORDSBURG, CAL., SEPT. 15 1890.

EDITORS OF CALIFORNIAN:

Our last excursion from the East having been such a grand success (M. M. Eshelman brought in thirty-one for Lordsburg, eight for Eswena and six for Santa Ana on Friday Sept. 12th) and still there are many more who could not get ready to come with that party claiming it was too early in the season, we have decided to name Tuesday October 7th as the day when the next excursion will leave Kansas City over the Santa Fe route for Southern California and have arranged with Dr. T. J. Nair, who formerly lived in Herrington, Kan., to go East about a week in advance to meet parties who wish to come out, either to settle or look for homes. We wish you would publish the following time table or program for the excursion: The Santa Fe Overland is timed to start on Tuesday Oct., 7th at 8:55 a. m. Parties wishing to join it should leave all points in Ohio, Indiana or Northern Illinois so as to connect with the Santa Fe trains leaving Chicago Monday, Oct. 6 at 4:40 p. m. and get into the through tourist sleeper for California which will only cost them \$4 from Chicago, or \$3 from Kansas City for a double berth, which will accommodate two persons, through to California without change. The ticket rate for railroad passage through to Southern California is only \$47.50 from Chicago \$42.50 from St. Louis or \$35.00 from Kan., City. Parties who desire to join this party from Southern Mo., or Southern Kan., can purchase tickets over St. Louis and San Francisco R. R. which is part of the Santa Fe route and they will be attached to the through train at Burton, Kansas. Parties who wish to join the party from Nebraska or Northern Kansas can purchase tickets over the Superior City line of the Santa Fe and will be attached to the through train at Strong City. Parties in Colorado can purchase tickets over the Santa Fe, and they will be attached to the through train at La Junta. The following schedule of departure will be observed for this excursion party and all who wish to join it should time themselves accordingly. Dr. Nair expects to be at the Kansas City Union Depot Hotel Monday, Oct., 6 and leave there on the Southern California Overland Tuesday, Oct., 7 at 8:55 a. m. Will pass the following points in Kansas at the time mentioned. Topeka 11:55 a. m. Emporia 2:25 p. m., Strong City 3:17 p. m., Florence 4:15 p. m., Newton 5:25 p. m., Hutchinson 7:05 p. m. and La Junta Colo., Wednesday the 8th at 7:30 a. m. Parties on the McPherson branch or Southern Kansas branches will have to arrange to meet Dr. Nair on main line at times mentioned above and all should write him in care of the Union Depot Hotel at Kansas City so he can arrange for sleeping car accommodations and other conveniences before he leaves Kansas City. There are many persons in the East who are contemplating a trip to California this fall, but look upon it as a great undertaking now all they have to do is to take this paper with them to their nearest coupon ticket agent, show him this article and say we want tickets by this line and want to leave home so as to

make connection with this party then write Dr. Nair at the above address and tell him how many sleeping car berths they want in the tourist car so he can get their letters on Monday, Oct., 6 and they will find it no more of an undertaking to come to California than it is to go to their county town. If you will kindly publish this letter it will save me writing letters to many of your readers in the East who have written for directions as to how to buy tickets etc. Now finally all who wish to come through to Southern Cal., ask for tickets over the Santa Fe Route and *take no others*. Leave home according to above schedule and write their friends to meet them on the arrival of the Santa Fe overland train in Cal., on Friday Oct., 10th.

Yours Truly,

G. L. McDONAUGH.

TRAVELING AGENT.

Covina Items.

Eld. John Metzger, of Cerro Gordo Ill., preached at the Dunkard church Sunday.

All the schools in the Azusa district commenced Sept., 15, with a very good attendance.

Last Sunday quite a number of people from Lordsburg, including several of the recent emigrants, visited Covina.

Perry Bashor's house is nearly finished on the outside. He will not finish it on the inside at present.

G. W. Hepner, of Ventura county, was visiting his son, Wm. Hepner of this place, last Saturday and Sunday.

Married, at San Bernardino, Sept. 11th, Lovin Finch and Minta Hepner of Conejo valley.

A large crowd assembled at the Baptist church Sunday evening. The gentleman who preached expects to hold meetings during the week.

Last Tuesday, Sept., 9th was a memorable day with the lovers of hunting, as the law forbidding the shooting of quails, went out of effect that day.

Several citizens of Covina were disturbed a few nights ago by a would-be burglar. He visited the houses of the following: John Wine, Madison Bashor, B. F. Edwards, Thos. Trout, Asa Villinger and Hilton Houser. He obtained \$35 at Madison Bashor's, and \$16 and a pair of pants at H. Houser's. That stolen at the latter place belonged to a gentleman from Pomona, who was taking orders for fruit trees. He luckily had another pair of pants with him. The burglar has not been caught yet.

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Eld. John Metzger and good wife of Cerro Gordo, Ill., arrived here last Friday with the excursion. They report as having a very fine trip, everything passing off pleasantly all the way through. Eld. M. and wife spent last winter in Los Angeles and they will spend this winter in Lordsburg. Their friends should make a note of their address. Uncle John, as many call him, is rather a remarkable man for his age. He is now in his eighty-third year and can preach as good a sermon as many of our able young ministers. We welcome him and his companion amongst us and hope they will have a pleasant stay.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. Brewer and family of Abingdon, Ill., arrived last week. They will make North Pomona their home as Mr. Brewer has employment on the railroad.

Elder John Metzger of Cerro Gordo, Ill., preached at Covina last Sunday to a house full of attentive listeners for a man eighty three years of age he sends home the truth of God to the soul with power.

Mr. Derreck of Long Beach arrived here last week. Mr. D. has been in the derry business and in all probability will make this place his home for some time as he has been here before.

Elder John Metzger of Cerro Gordo Ill., who is now located in Lordsburg for some time will preach at the Lordsburg school house next Sunday the 21st at 11 o'clock a. m.

R. W. Huffard of Cerro Gordo Ill., was among the excursionists last Friday. Mr. H. is well pleased with the country as far as he has been around. He spent last Sunday at Covina Monday at Cucamonga, North Rochester and Etiwanda. The way to see a country is to go and see it and be convinced,

Mr. Matthew Gage, General manager of the English syndicate, who brought out the Gage Canal system and 6000 acres of orange land at Riverside has also secured all of the budding orange trees in and around Redlands that will be ready for spring planting.

M. M. Eshelman wishes to acknowledge the valuable assistance rendered him in his late Eastern trip by Mr. E. F. Burnett, Traveling Passenger Agent of the Santa Fe Route at Topeka, Kansas.

Quite a number of the new comers took a drive through the Etiwanda and Hermosa Colonies last Monday. They were all seemingly well pleased with their trip. They visited several vineyards and had a fine treat in the way of raisin grapes. This was the first of the kind that they ever enjoyed. Many new things to new-comers.

ONE of the genial conductors on the Southern California R. R., is L. House, who runs between Los Angeles and Redlands. We have enrolled him as a reader of the CALIFORNIAN as he is always the last in to take the boys home at night.

HALL OF LORDSBURG LODGE NO. 254 A. O. U. W.

LORDSBURG, CAL., SEPT. 12, 1890.

Be it resolved, that inasmuch as it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst the wife of our beloved brother, David C. Teague, we, the members of this Lodge, extend to him, his family and friends our heartfelt sympathy in this their bereavement. May her Christain example continue to live, while her ashes rest in peace.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of our Lodge and printed in the Lordsburg paper.

B. B. BROWN)
C. S. GILBERT) COMMITTEE.
W. B. EWING)

Eswena Itemlets.

The following named person came in from Reno county, Kansas last week; J. L. Motter, wife and two children, John, Ben, Milton and Susie Zug.

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David Bolinger is putting up a temporary dwelling.

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Mr. C. M. Wells was here last week and has ordered a lot of pipe to be sent in this week.

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Mr. Hunt of Los Angeles was here last week looking at the land with a view of purchasing.

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More surveys and water measurements are being made this week.

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Over sixty acres have been taken to plant on shares and quite a number of tracts have been sold.

Covina Clinkets.

Mrs. J. H. Coleman is somewhat indisposed.

Mrs. G. W. Taylor is on the sick list.

Madison Bashor has lumber on the ground for a new residence.

Rev. Davis of Pomona will fill the pulpit at the M. E. church next Sunday.

Rev. Cogsnell, of Monrovia, spoke from the pulpit of the M. E. church last Sunday.

School opened Monday with Miss Foley as teachers. There are fifty scholars enrolled.

The boys will meet again next Friday night to perfect the organization of the Covina Brass Band.

We are glad to note the recovery of Mr. Lute Southern and that he has again resumed his duties at the shop.

Mr. E. G. Prather spent Saturday Sunday and Monday at Santa Monica. "Where our treasure is their will our heart be also."

Preparations for planting a great many peas are being made. Indications are that pea raising will become quite an industry in this section.

C. M. Eye left over the Santa Fe for Denver Colo., on last Monday where he expects to take a few years course at the State University. We are sorry to lose Mr. Eye as he will be very much missed in society but the best wishes of this community follow him for his success in his undertaking.

Several bold robberies were committed at this place during last week. We began to think that "Old Stocking-foot," whom many of our readers remember as having made himself quite familiar in the neighborhood two years ago, had put in appearance again. On Wednesday night he entered the house of Thos. Rowland near Puente and secured cash and jewelry to the amount of between \$200 and \$300 and relieved the cupboard of five loaves of bread and some other things.

Thursday night he gained entrance into the residence of Madison Bashor where he secured about \$35 and as he passed through the kitchen helped himself to a dish of potatoes and some bi-cuits then to the melon patch where he got on the outside of a large

melon. At that place was found his gaunt looking pocket book, Mr. Rowland's check-book and some other papers. From thence he proceeded to J. S. Wine's where he entered the kitchen but the door being locked he was unable to gain admittance into their sleeping apartments, so after he took possession of some rare steak and a couple cans of salmon he "shook the dust off his feet" and departed. He then went to the residence of A. Villinger where he entered but awakened some of the inmates of the house and was frightened away empty handed. From there he went to H. Houser's, entered the room occupied by Mr. Caldwell, a deciduous fruit tree agent from Pomona, and after striking several matches to locate things he snatched a pair of pants from under Mr. Caldwell's head and "took to his heels," relieving him of \$16. The pants were found a quarter of a mile from there rolled up and lying under a gum tree.

Friday night he visited Mr. Camel's near the Center school house during their absence and only succeeded in securing \$1.15 and then took with him a beef roast and four roast quails. Several more houses in that vicinity were visited but at each one he was found out in time and frightened off. Officers are on the look out but up to the present writing there has been no clue to his whereabouts. \$50 reward is offered for his arrest and conviction. U-NO

DIED.

J. L. Lomis of North Pomona departed this life last Tuesday. He had been confined to his bed for some time but bore his affliction with christian fortitude. Thus another good man has passed away. We extend our sympathy to the family in their sad bereavement.

Announcement.

H. B. WESTERMAN, of Pomona, Is a Candidate for the office of ASSEMBLYMAN Of the 78th District, subject to the Democratic Legislative Convention of said District.

If nominated and elected I shall vote for Stephen M. White for United States Senator.

ATTENTION VOTERS!

Los Angeles, Cal., July 29, 1890
OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS of Los Angeles County, Cal.

Notice is hereby given that a re-registration of the above voters of Los Angeles County, State of California, in accordance with Section 1024 Pol. Code et seq., and the acts amendatory thereto, has been ordered by the Board of Supervisors under date of July 11 1890.

Said re-registration commenced July 28th, and will continue 85 days from that date. All voters must be re-registered.

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RED RICES.

RED RICES—LOS ANGELES Tuesday September 16th. A good new cook stove for \$9; second-hand ones for \$5; oil stoves for \$1; gasoline stoves for \$4; heating stoves for \$2.20 Why not get ready for winter while the bargains are flying at RED RICES BAZAR, 143 and 145 S. Main St.?

INDUSTRIAL.

MOTTO.—The reward of industry is not alone in current coin, but also in an approved conscience.

Poultry Notes.

The egg production of America is equal in money value to the entire production of iron.

Young fowls need plenty of water to drink, but should not have more than this. Ducks and geese are no exceptions.

If you have any old hens to sell this season the probabilities are you will realize as much for them just now as at any time.

Systematic work means regularity and carefulness. Everything comes in the regular order. There should be a time for each branch of labor.

The farmer who grows poultry for market should have eggs to sell when the season arrives, and grown fowls to market when the winter winds blow.

Lice do not fancy wading up to their chins in fine dry ashes and lime over walls and roosts. It is well to have two sets of roosting poles. Change every few days, keeping one set out in the weather all the time.

A farmer raising several hundred chicks each year sets his hens in small coops. During three weeks they are never allowed to leave the nest. He has a tin cup with water and one with corn before them constantly. His success has been very good for years. This shows that eggs need no cooling, as some believe.

Every branch of poultry business can be made to pay. He who makes a specialty of producing eggs and he who devotes his energies to the production of young birds for fries each has a good field, while they that rely on growing fowls, chicks turkeys, ducks, and geese for winter roasts have a remunerative field for operation.

Food of a vegetable kind must be sound and not decayed when fed to poultry. We have known a number of instances where decayed potatoes killed the chickens. If you doubt it, feed it and you will perhaps account for a few sudden deaths. If you feed at all feed the best, nothing saved by feeding a cheap, inferior article.

Half a new flock, at least, are roosters, and these sold in season should pay for raising them and the pullets, too, so that the pullets reach the laying season free of cost, while the eggs then are profit less the feed. When their litters are laid, their flesh is again largely profit especially when compared with some of the lighter breeds. Ninety-five pounds is the weight of twelve hens just sold.

Men who have failed in all other kinds of business must not think they can invest \$500, launch out in the poultry business and make it pay. It will be a dismal failure. The want of experience has been the downfall of many enterprises, and poultry raising is no exception. A small start usually ends well, providing enthusiasm and sticking propensities exist, but otherwise do not attempt to do it, as it will be a failure.—*Farm, Field and Stockman.*

Farm Notes.

The manure of cows is better than that of horses for general crop purposes.

"Education," says the *Indiana Farmer*, "is learning to observe and think." That's the education every farmer's boy should get.

During the month of July no less than 455 carloads of deciduous fruits passed through Sacramento over the Central Pacific lines, eastbound.

Be careful of the horse's mouth. Men who jerk the reins because they are too mad to be sensible and humane, should have a bit placed in their own mouth and have it jerked by some brutal fellow who would enjoy giving pain.

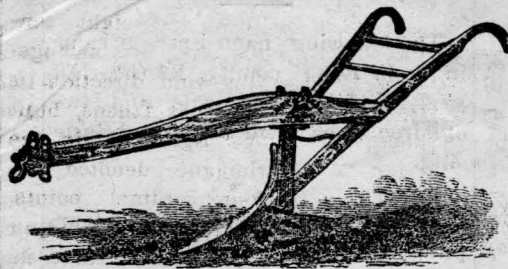
Encouraging Figures.

Petaluma Imprint

We know a man living in this city who within his enclosure had an acre and a half of land. Last year he had 350 hens, and he kept a strict account of all the receipts and expenditures of his poultry yard from January 1, 1889, to the same day and month in 1890. On the latter mentioned day he posted up his accounts for the year and found that he had made from his chickens \$620 clear of all expenses. Another gentleman living in Marin county kept last year between 450 and 500 hens, and also ran a dairy of 25 cows. He said on comparing notes at the end of the year, his chickens had paid him as much as his cows, and at much less expense and trouble. Of course chickens will pay if properly cared for.

Ensilage for Fowls.

J. W. Pierce, of Peru, Ind., writing to the *Orange Judd Farmer*, commends clover and corn ensilage for winter food for fowls, and tells how to make four silos for \$1. He says: Buy four coaloil barrels at the drug store, burn them out on the inside and take the head out. Go to the clover field when the small June clover is in bloom of the second crop and cut one-half ton about three-eighths of an inch in length; also one-half ton of sweet corn, and run this through the feed-cutter. Put into the barrel a layer of clover, then a layer of corn. Having done this take a common building jack screw and press the silage down as firmly as possible. Then put on this a very light sprinkling of pulverized charcoal, and keep putting in clover and corn until you get the barrel as full as will admit of the cover being put back. After your four barrels of silos are filled roll them out beside the barn and cover them with horse manure, allowing them to remain their thirty days. Then put them away, covering with cut straw or hay. When the cold, chilling winds of December come, open one of these poultrymen's silos, take about twenty pounds for 100 hens, add equal parts of potatoes and ground oats and winter rye and place some in a kettle and bring to a boiling state. Feed warm in the morning and the first thing you know you will hear along about 9. a. m., a grand chorus from your layers.

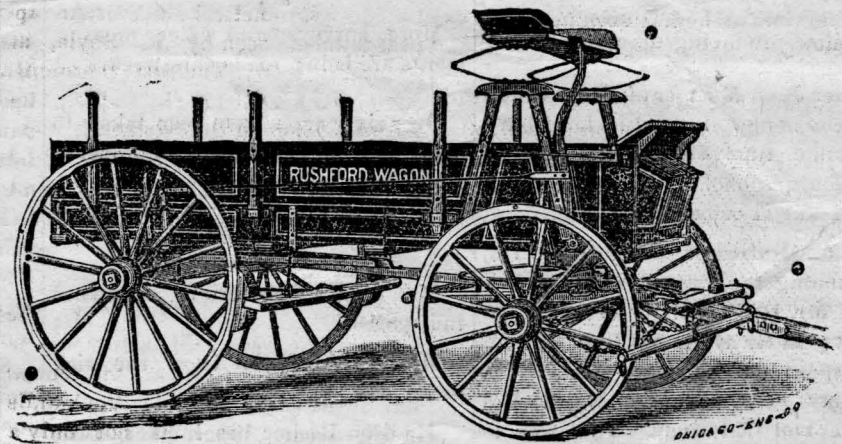


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EDUCATIONAL.

MOTTO.—Illuminate the mind, is to lay the foundation of sound government and human happiness.

Experiments by an Italian physician indicate that tuberculosis of fowls is different from that of man and is not transmitted to the latter.

In a recent investigation of some cases of poisoning from sea-water mussels in Dublin, the city analyst expressed the opinion that in an inlet impregnated with sewage the mussels develop a form of poison allied to strychnine. Others have supposed that the reason why sea-water mussels are sometimes dangerous is because they are affected with some alkaloid-producing disease.

From tables made by the use of synoptic charts eliminating local disturbances, Dr. G. Meyer believes he has accomplished what other investigators have sought to do without success—shown an influence of the moon on the weather. The height of the barometer, in the months of September to January, is lowered at the time of full moon and raised during the first quarter. No effect can be traced for other months.

It is estimated by M. Adametz that 360 grammes (about three-fourths of a pound) of cheese may contain as many living organisms as there are inhabitants upon the earth. In a soft French cheese, when fresh he found from 90,000 to 140,000 microbes per gramme; and in a similar cheese contained 1,200,000 microbes per gramme when 25 days old, and 2,000,000 when 45 days old. The center is the least densely inhabited, as many as from 3,600,000 to 5,000,000 organisms per gramme having been found near the periphery of a soft cheese.

Under Water Forty Years.

Some Hungarian prisoners of war were thrown in 1849, into a deep pool near Hermannstadt, from which the bodies after an immersion of 41 years, were lately brought up. Their physiological condition has been made the subject of careful investigation by Dr. Konig. The bodies were perfectly preserved, and their organs remained unchanged in shape and mostly unaltered in color and consistence. The most remarkable feature was the presence of crystals of common salt, clearly showing that, in the water, particles held in solution may pass through the skin and muscles, and find their way into the most deeply seated organs. This is considered confirmatory proof that mineral baths exert in this way their specific action on the internal economy of bathers.

Beginnings in Weather Science.

The history of meteorology has been made a subject of investigation by Dr. G. Hellmann. He finds that it is not exactly known who first kept a regular meteorological journal; but Humboldt attributes it to Columbus, on his first voyage to America in 1492 while the Italians also appear to have made daily observations from the middle of the fifteenth century. The oldest of the meteorological instru-

ments is the wind vane. The qualities of the winds were correctly described in the periods of Homer and Hesiod, in the ninth and eight centuries B. C. while the first arrangement for observing wind direction is the Temple of Winds at Athens, built about 100 B. C. Eginhard, in the reign of Charlemagne, denoted the winds by the four cardinal points. The first instrument for denoting wind force—essentially the same as the pendulum anemometer now used—is ascribed to Robert Hooker, in 1667. The absorption hygrometer was invented about the middle of the fifteenth century by N. de Cusa; and the first condensation hygrometer is credited to the Grand Duke Ferdinand II of Tuscany. The first continuous hygrometrical observations appear to have been by R. Boyle, at Oxford, in 1666. The first thermometer is attributed to G. Galilei, toward the end of the sixteenth century. The first rain gauge was used by B. Castelli in 1639. The first barometer was made by Torricelli in 1643.

UNSEEN WORLDS.—One of the latest achievements of astronomy is the discovery that Mizar, the central star of the three forming the handle of the Great Dipper, is not only a double—as has long been known—but that the principal component has a second which the telescope has never revealed. Several photographs of the spectrum of the principal star have been taken at the Hartford Observatory since 1887, and a study of these has disclosed the curious fact that the most distinct one of the photographed dark lines undergoes a process of doubling at regular intervals of 52 days. This is explained by Prof. Pickering by the supposition that the chief star Mizar is itself a double, having components revolving around their common centre of gravity in 104 days, the lines in the spectrum of the two stars being displaced in opposite directions when one star is moving toward and the other away from the earth, and coinciding when the stars are in conjunction. The rate of the motion is estimated to be 100 miles a second, and the two bodies are separated by a distance of 130,000,000 miles though in the most powerful telescope they appear as one star. If the calculations are correct, the second magnitude Mizar has 40 times the mass of our sun. A similar investigation at the Potsdam Observatory has confirmed the belief that the variable brightness of the star Algol, in the head of Medusa, is due to passage behind a dark body. This star shines steadily for 2½ days, then with reduced brilliancy for 4½ hours, the changes taking place with great regularity. Photographs of the spectrum now show that the lines are displaced in one direction when the star is at its weakest, and in the opposite direction after that moment, as would occur were the star alternately approaching and receding from the earth in revolutions in an orbit around some unknown object. Calculations show that the bright star and its dark companion must be of nearly equal size, with a total mass of about two-thirds that of our sun, and separated by less than 3,000,000 miles. It is a unique and not easily conceived fact that a hot sun should have so near a cooled moon of nearly its own size.

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The Adventure of Two Girls.

For the Happy Corner.

Tuesday morning Sept., 9th was the day of all days, so thought two of us girls who had planned the evening before to make a "prospecting tour" of the canyons and foothills north of our country home.

At seven o'clock Tuesday morning we were wending our way toward the hills, I carrying our lunch basket and a tin cup tied around my neck, and my companion carrying the fruit that was to help while away the time while resting 'neath the shade of some tree.

We enjoyed our walk up hill better than we had anticipated but of course stopped pretty often to rest and view the valley below us. What a pretty sight met our eyes! Towns dotting the valley here and there made the valley look like one great city. But to continue on our journey.

We arrived, at last, at a canyon and not knowing the name of it we called it "Quail canyon" for the quails seemed to have taken possession.

We went on and on through brush and over rocks till all at once something big and black rose before us. My heart seemed to be in my throat, and my companion gasped "what is it?" A second look and we saw it was a black house that had long ago been vacated but the ruins still standing. We wondered what we would do if we *should* happen to meet a bear, for our only weapon of defense was the parasol we carried and we concluded to stick that in the bear's eyes should we meet one; but our fears soon subsided and thinking we had seen all that was to see at that place we proceeded to find another of more interest.

Winding around the foothills for about a half mile we came to Deer Creek canyon, which place seemed more romantic than the former. We found a stream of water as clear as crystal, and seating ourselves on some rocks close by we rested before going farther. How long we sat there we could not tell as the clocks and watches were rather scarce; but my companion being restless and wanting to gather ferns took her staff and started on while I preferred to stay in the shade and gather stones out of the clear stream flowing by, not knowing what I might discover.

On looking up my companion had disappeared from sight. Waiting patiently for her return I seated myself on the ground and "viewed the mountains o'er." My companion not yet returning I concluded she had encountered some wild animal and better go to her rescue. I found her way up the canyon seated on a large rock, quietly enjoying the scenery and seemed contented to be alone.

By this time we had gone a long ways and felt like it must be nearly noon; so we went back to "camp" to eat our lunch. We supposed it was noon but it must have been about eleven o'clock.

After we had eaten our lunch we

started on to find the head of the stream and, perhaps, make some great discovery. We had not gone far when we came to a halt. My companion being ahead (I always being in the rear) I asked the cause of the delay. Being told the brush was too thick to pass on we, with sorrowful hearts, turned back for we had great hopes of some discovery.

Our "camp ground" was under a large tree with plenty of rocks for chairs. My companion, being weary, lay down on the ground to rest and I, afraid she would go to sleep, threw pebbles at her to keep her awake; but in spite of the stones she at last sank into dreamland, leaving me to watch for a "something" that should happen to stray that way. Nothing, however, broke the awful stillness but the song of birds and the heavy breathing of my companion.

While waiting for her to awake I made a prospecting tour, but finding nothing of very great importance nor of interest except a flock of quails that would rise now and then, I returned to camp where I found my companion still enjoying sweet sleep. I quietly awakened her and we began our homeward march which place we reached at three o'clock, some wiser and a great deal more tired than when we left in the morning.

ROXIE.

Bessie's Tramp.

Great flakes of snow were falling to the ground. Bessie stood watching them from the window. She was alone in the kitchen. Mamma had gone upstairs to make the beds, and the pretty rag doll lay neglected on the floor. Suddenly Bessie heard a sound at the back door.

"That's papa," she thought. But no! when she opened the door there stood a lame old man. He wore a hood and a pair of green spectacles.

Bessie was surprised but not frightened "Come in, if you please," she said sweetly.

The old man walked in and sat down by the fire.

Bessie sat opposite him on her little stool. She waited for him to speak but he did not.

Finally she said, "Please, sir, are you a tramp?" The old man smiled. "Yes," he said, "I've tramped 'way from the village this morning."

"O," cried Bessie, "then you are tired! Are you hungry too?"

"A little" said the tramp.

Bessie's heart was filled with pity. She went to the pantry and brought out bread, doughnuts, meat and a piece of pie.

"Please eat some breakfast," she said solemnly.

The old man's eyes twinkled. He sat down at the table. Bessie looked on in surprise. "He's so hungry! "Poor, poor man!" she said softly.

Presently mamma's step was heard. She opened the door and stood still. "Why Bessie!" she exclaimed.

Bessie ran to her saying, "Please, mamma, he is very poor and was cold and hungry."

The old man turned around. And then what do you think! mamma went right up and kissed him.

Bessie looked very sober. She didn't think it was quite right to kiss a tramp.

"Won't you kiss me too?" asked the tramp. Bessie shook her head. Mamma laughed. So did the old man.

"Well, will you now, Bessie?" and the lame old man stood up very straight, threw off his cloak and hood and took off his green spectacles.

"Grandpa, grandpa!" cried Bessie, running right into the old man's arms. She kissed him ever so many more times than mamma did.

She was surprised, but was very happy to find that the old tramp was really her own dear grandpa.—*Our Little Ones.*

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