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the Hebrews that "without faith it is impossible to please God." Without the light of faith which pierces the darkness of the future and points out to us the will of God, it would be impossible to bear the crosses which almighty God offers some of us to bear.

It is this divine faith which enables the good wife and darling children of Louis Buchenstein to control their grief and say, "My God, Thy will be done." The presence here today of this large assembly of representative citizens tells more eloquently than any words of mine of the sterling qualities of the deceased, as friend, citizen, husband and father. No ordinary words could convey to the bereaved a token of sympathy such as your presence here bespeaks. And the church which receives her children at baptism and nevermore forsakes them, not even beyond the grave, is prepared to give a Christian burial to the deceased, who has been a member of the fold for a few years only. We do not indulge in extravagant praises of the dead. Rather we would make the occasion one of teaching a lesson to the living, for we were made not merely for this world, which never satisfies the most ambitious. We were made for heaven. We were made to fill the seats in heaven, vacated by the lost angels.

"Our souls," says St. Augustine, "were made by God and shall never and rest until they rest in God." This then is our duty to be good, honorable citizens in this world, and so to live that we may not be afraid to die. This is the universal doom of every man. It is appointed unto all men once to die and after death the judgment. In the twinkling of

an eye, as the soul bids farewell to its mortal prison, it is in the presence of God, and as soon is judged. Should the soul be in mortal sin and at enmity with God, it will be assigned to hell forever. It will never again see the face of God except at the last judgment, when the sentence will be confirmed.

If the soul dies in peace with God, having done condign penance for the past sins it is at once admitted into the presence of God, to the beatific vision. But we believe that between this state of perfection and that of reprobation there is a mean. The church has taught from scripture, tradition and even reason itself, that the great majority depart this life in a state of more or less imperfection, not pure enough to enter heaven, nor wicked enough to be sent to hell forever. Hence the consoling doctrine of purgatory where souls are purified, before being admitted into heaven. Here we have recourse to that article of belief, in the Apostles Creed for our consolation, the communion of saints. This means the spiritual union that exists between the faithful on earth, the suffering souls in purgatory and the saints in heaven. Hence we have three stages of the church; the church triumphant, the church suffering, and the church militant.

The church suffering cannot help themselves. Their day of merit is over and they are represented by the church as continually appealing to us, their friends, to help them. "Have pity on me, have pity on me, at least you, my friends, have pity on me, for the hand of the Lord hath touched me." So we pray for the dead. Our divine Lord came to prune off the excrescences that had been gathering around the old law. He knew the Jews prayed for the

dead but He never rebuked them for so doing. We therefore infer that He approved of the practice. The early fathers of the church must have known the mind of Christ right from the first century. They all say we should pray for the dead. Reason tells us that very few live so perfectly pure as to be in a state worthy to enter their Father's home, having passed the threshold of death. Yet that a large number are not so wicked as to be condemned to hell forever. "It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins."

This is good for us also, we who are engrossed in the affairs of this world as if it were our greatest good and last end. When our Saviour said, "One thing is necessary," he meant the salvation of our souls, and by a queer perversity of human nature we seem to invert the order and law of God. But when we pray for the dead we enter within ourselves. We see ourselves as God sees us. We know that even for every idle word we will be called to account, and we realize the saint-making maxim, "What will it profit a man to gain the whole world and suffer the loss of his own soul." This is the lesson we who live should take away from the presence of death, that we were made to know, love and serve God here on earth and to be happy with him forever in heaven.

Only one word more. I tender to the loving wife and dear children of the deceased my most sincere sympathy in their grief and desolation. Yet I would remind them of the great tragedy of the cross, where Mary, the mother of Jesus, witnessed her only beloved son expire. She had known through all the years from the day of holy Simeon's prophecy of the sufferings of Jesus. She

kept all these words, pondering them in her heart. And when Jesus expired a sword of grief pierced her tender heart. Yet she resigned to God's will. She knew it was best.

So would I say to the bereaved, "God knows what is best. Welcome be His holy will." A few years more and not one here but will have answered the summons of the angel of death, for life compared with eternity is like a vapor. As then a good life is the best preparation to a happy death, so live that you may not fear to die. Keep before your minds, death, judgment, hell and heaven, and you will die in peace with God and man.

PERU NORMAL NOTES

(By Herald Correspondent)

Peru, Nebr., March 23—Professors Delzell, Jean and Leder went to Lincoln Friday and returned Saturday evening.

President Hayes went to Lincoln Monday on business for the normal. Members of the tennis club have begun to practice although the court is not yet in good condition. Ninety students have joined the club and all are scheduled for practice.

Prof. Novak has been unable to meet his physics classes this week on account of being ill with mumps. His students presented him with some beautiful roses to show their sympathy. Prof. Hoyt of the chemistry department has been taking Prof. Novak's classes.

Kyle Rapp spent a few days in Peru this week.

Miss Burley of the training school is the proud possessor of a new Victrola. She entertained the children of the model school Friday morning. Prof. Delzell made a trip to Nebraska City Tuesday evening.

Miss Ruby Ferguson, head of the expression department of the normal, entertained the students and faculty at chapel Wednesday morning with some splendid readings.

An excellent piano recital was given by Miss Genevieve Gregg in the chapel Thursday afternoon. The recital was well attended and greatly enjoyed.

The Fortnightly Art Club of the Peru Normal gave their tenth annual exhibit March 11, 12, 13. The exhibit was preceded Tuesday night by a reception to the faculty and citizens. After the general reception, a program was given consisting of Victrola music, a reading by Miss Effie Abbot and a scholarly lecture on "The Function of Art" by Prof. Grumann of the state university. The exhibit proper opened Wednesday morning and consisted of reproductions of the world's great masterpieces in color and carbon. The exhibit came from H. B. Whitmore's fine art store in Omaha. A program consisting of special music and talks by members of the art club and faculty was given at each of the afternoon and evening sessions. The attendance was the largest in the history of the club, due in no small measure to the inspiring presence of Prof. Grumann, scholar, teacher and art critic. Prof. Grumann gave four lectures during the exhibit. Miss Mutz, head of the art department of the normal, is the efficient president of the club, having succeeded Mattie C. Ellis.

A BIT OF ADVICE

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COTTONWOOD VALLEY NEWS

(By Cottonwood Valley Steve)

Mr. Ramsdale, Tony Gillshanon and Frank Ramsdale were at P. S. Malley's one day this week.

G. G. Clark and family were calling at Fred Trinkel's Sunday and report a fine time.

Hubert Robison and family were calling at the Hagaman ranch Sunday.

Mrs. Coupons and Fisher, Mr. Omie Hagaman and Miss Josie Carrie were calling at Auntie Malley's Sunday.

Lee Marsh will need an auto delivery car this fall if his wife's plans work out all right, for she is going her best in the chicken business. Here is hoping she wins.

R. R. Reddish believes in keeping up with prosperity and travel with the bunch. As he got tired of being a crank when he wanted to take a joy ride he swapped his old car for a self-starter Studebaker.

Fred Marsh took a notion that he wanted to get away from prunes, sugar and coffee for awhile so came out to his brother's for a few days to rest.

If the young ladies in the valley have an eye to their own interests they will be flashing their brilliant orbs on Billy Vogel and his shining Studebaker auto.

Mr. Hawkins and wife and Mrs. Westley enjoyed an all day visit with Auntie Malley one day this week and report a splendid time.

John Wright and family, Mrs. Westley, all of Alliance, J. C. Hawkins and wife of the valley took dinner at the home of Ralph Worley Sunday and then were given a joy ride with the Hon. Link Lowery at the wheel. Come again, Link, more are waiting.

We understand that Ralph has decided that he ought to have an auto, so he has purchased a large touring car.

Misses Bonnie and Shirley Hagaman went over to Bayard the last of the week to visit for a few days at the home of John Hunt.

Rub It Out

(H. E. Fisher, Cottonwood Valley) Got a chronic grouch that lasts?

Rub it out.

Don't keep digging up old pasts.

Rub 'em out.

Stranded, without one penny?

Worrying won't help you any.

Rub it out.

Frowns don't stack up 'longside o' grins.

Rub 'em out.

Lack of nerve—it never wins.

So rub it out.

Th' world ain't got no use for you, Mopin' 'round, a feelin' blue.

When old man Grouch lays hold on you.

Just rub him out. Don't trade God's sunshine for dark clouds;

Rub 'em out.

Lay out your dread dead past in shrouds.

And rub it out.

There's good in every wind that blows.

There's sweetness, too, in every rose. And friends to help you, goodness knows.

To rub it out.

Put up your grouch, oh, friend of mine—

Just rub it out.

Each storm may pass, the sun will shine;

Rub it out.

There's happiness in every minute. Brace up, take courage, try to win it. The world's all right and God's still in it.

So rub it out.

MARSLAND NEWS

Mariland, Nebr., March 25—Ora Phillips was a passenger east on 44 Thursday morning.

G. P. Taylor who has been sick with tonsillitis and grippe the past week is up and around again.

Miss Mudgett returned on 44 Sunday morning after spending a few days on her claim in South Dakota. Mrs. Riggs took her place as teacher while she was gone.

Opr Thudium stopped here one day this week while being changed from Belmont to Hemingford.

Miss Alice Enyeart was an Alliance visitor over Saturday night returning Sunday on 43.

Geo. Young went to Denver Monday night on 42 to assist his wife to get ready to return home. Mrs. Young has been in Denver the past four months for her health.

Ora Phillips returned from New Castle Monday morning where he has been on business.

W. E. Davidson was a passenger to Omaha to attend the merchants' convention on Monday. He expects to be gone a week or ten days.

We understand Dr. Willis will soon move to Alliance to make his future home. We all hate to see the doctor go but hope he has success in his new location. As yet, there seems to be no doctor in sight for Mariland. A very good location though.

E. T. Gregg who injured his shoulder while working on his ice house during the winter went to Crawford Monday to try the osteopath doctor at that place. He seems to have no use for the arm at present and is in hopes that something can be done to get full use of the arm back again.

W. L. Austin took the helper engine to Alliance Monday night for a washout, returning Tuesday morning.

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