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GOT HIS SOBRIQUET EARLY

"Honest John" Kelly Proved His Right to the Title Long Before Manhood.

There have been many stories about the manner in which "Honest John" Kelly, the ex-umpire, first got his nickname. Mr. Kelly himself, according to a New York letter, holds that it came to him naturally, for even as a small boy the purity of his soul shone through his face. "I think the first time I was ever called 'Honest John' was when I was quite a youngster," said Kelly. "A man engaged as an ambulatory salesman of tinware observed the ingenuous countenance I presented to the world and hailed me. 'You look honest, boy,' said he. 'What might your name be?' 'John,' said I, quite simply. 'John—just like that. Then hold my horse while I go in the saloon and get a drink,' said he. And so I held his horse while he went in the saloon and got a drink. But this was on lower Ninth avenue, in a day when the avenue's honors went to the man who could clean the most cops in a given time. By and by the gang came along and beheld that wagon full of tinware. The peddler was detained within by a sore thirst, and they took the tinware. And then they came back and took the cushions of the wagon. Eventually, becoming daring, they unhitched the wagon and took it away. True to my trust, I stood there, holding the horse. And by and by the peddler came out of the saloon and sized up the situation. 'Well,' said he warmly, 'you're Honest John, all right. You saved the horse.'"

His Specialty.
"What has become of young Mr. D'Auber, who showed such signs of talent in drawing? Has he made a success?"

"Oh, yes, indeed. He's got all the work he can do now."
"Magazine or studio work?"
"He draws the maltese cross showing where the body was found, in the evening papers."—Cleveland Leader.

The Cache.
Knicker—We are told to do our shopping early.
Bocker—I know it; my wife has already concealed a forty-nine-cent tie in the top bureau drawer.

Blue Monday.
"Do you know why we call this day Blue Monday?"
"Maybe it's because so much blueing is used."—Judge.

GOT IT.
Got Something Else, Too.

"I liked my coffee strong and I drank it strong," says a Pennsylvania woman, telling a good story, "and although I had headaches nearly every day I just would not believe there was any connection between the two. I had weak and heavy spells and palpitation of the heart, too, and although husband told me he thought it was the coffee that made me so poorly, and did not drink it himself for he said it did not agree with him, yet I loved my coffee and thought I just couldn't do without it."

"One day a friend called at my home—that was a year ago. I spoke about how well she was looking and she said:
"Yes, and I feel well, too. It's because I am drinking Postum in place of ordinary coffee."
"I said, 'What is Postum?'"
"Then she told me how it was a food-drink and how much better she felt since using it in place of coffee or tea, so I went to the store and bought a package and when it was made according to directions it was so good I have never bought a pound of coffee since. I began to improve immediately."

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Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

ASA'S REIGN IN JUDAH
Sunday School Lesson for Jan. 15, 1911
Specially Arranged for This Paper

LESSON TEXT—2 Chronicles 10:1-15.
Memory Verses 1, 2.
GOLDEN TEXT—"Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded."—2 Chron. 15:7.
TIME—Asa began to reign B. C. 923 (or 919), near the close of Jeroboam's reign in the 20th year of the kingdom of Judah.
PLACE—The kingdom of Judah, and Jerusalem its capital, with excursions into Ephraim. Asa's great victory over the invading Ethiopians was gained at Marashah, 25 miles southwest of Jerusalem.

Asa was the grandson of Rehoboam. His grandmother, the queen-mother at the beginning of his reign, was Maachab, an idolatress who had set up an idol and its debased worship in Jerusalem. Apparently Asa was quite a young man when he came to the throne, perhaps twenty years old.

Asa lived in a corrupt court, under the influence of an idolatrous grandmother, surrounded by idolatry, flattered by courtiers. His father and his grandfather were neither of them good characters for a boy to look up to. There were also some good influences from godly men and the temple worship, the good priests and their teaching of the Word of God.

He looked out upon his father's kingdom, and upon the northern kingdom, and saw what was going on; the idolatries and the evils that followed in their train, and the heathen nations and the fruits of idolatry in them. His heart burned within him, and urged him on to reform.

There are two possible effects of the presence of great and prevailing evils. Some are overwhelmed by their power and attractions, and become a part of their downward tide. Others are repelled by them, hate them with a perfect hatred, and arouse all their being to destroy them. We all know instances of this. One of the best business men of my acquaintance lived when a boy amid the vilest surroundings. But he had open eyes. He saw the effect of laziness, and resolved not to be lazy. He saw the effects of drinking and smoking, and resolved not to drink or smoke. He saw the degrading effects of profanity, and he determined not to swear. And so through the whole list. So Asa "did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, as did David his father."

Asa immediately began his reforms. There was a period of ten years of rest from external attack. In these years Asa himself did right and obeyed God. His example stood out before all his people. It is a great thing to have rulers who are true examples of goodness. This is the source of the greatest power any person can have over another.

He taught his people the word to God, to seek God, to keep His commandments. Education, knowledge of right and wrong, are the guides of the impulses to seek God.

From Egypt in the southwest there came up an immense host, one million strong, with three hundred chariots, and like all early Oriental armies, living on the country, consuming the crops, burning the houses, capturing families, and leaving devastation and ruin behind them, like a fire on the prairies, or the grasshoppers on a farm. They had reached Marashah, twenty-five miles from Jerusalem. No wonder the people were terrified. But Asa used both faith and works. He went out with his army, and like Cromwell with his Ironsides, "cried unto the Lord his God, and said, 'Lord, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power; help us, O Lord our God; for we rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O Lord, thou art our God; let not man prevail against thee.'" It was God's cause as well as the people's, and they were strong in that trust. The Ethiopians were overthrown, and their spoil fell into the hands of the Judahites.

The people entered into a covenant to seek the Lord. This was like the public profession of serving Jesus Christ when joining the church. Some seem to think that they can be as good and as useful without a profession as with the covenant relation with others, and public vows to obey Jesus Christ and our Father in heaven. But this is a mistaken feeling. A public covenant gives one a far greater influence for good. It makes known your valuation of the cause. It makes each individual stronger.

The principles in the work of King Asa apply to our own times, but are to be worked out in ways adapted to modern life. "The church is an army on duty, an army for the Christian conquest of the world by loving faithfulness." There are great evils to be driven out of our country. The whole land is waking up to realize the need of civic righteousness. There is always need of awakening new reforming zeal. For every step we gain gives us views of new needs, and new ideals.

Religious consecration to God and His kingdom is needed not only for ourselves, but for our country. President Garfield in his inaugural address says: "To fall to give our young men a sense and appreciation of the dynamic force of religious faith in the progress of human affairs, is to leave them ignorant of the greatest and most profound fact of history."
Today religion lies at the foundation of our national hopes and of our individual character. It was Carlyle who said that the most important thing in any person or nation is his religion.

GOT THE BEST OF THE ELDER

Apt Quotation of Brer Reuben Saved His Mule and at the Same Time Rebuked Sin.

Elder Harris was making another attempt to induce one of the members of his flock to trade horses with him. "Dat pony o' your'n, Brer Reuben," he said, "is jes' what I want, an' my big bay hoss is jes' what yo' want. I kin git over de groun' faster wid de pony, an' yo' kin haul a bigger load wid de hoss. It'd be a good trade fur bofe on us, 'ceptin' dat it'd be a leetle better fur yo' dan it would fur me. Yo' take de bay and give me de chesnut sor'l."

"De pony suits me well nough, elder," averred Brother Reuben, for the twentieth time. "I don' keer t' make no swap."
"But I jes' natchelly got t' have dat pony, Brer Reuben."
"Elder," spoke the other, after a period of profound thought. "I been wantin' t' ast yo' a question for a long time."

"Well, what is it?"
"I know w'at one o' de 'postles says 'bout de law bein' done away wid, but ain't we still livin' undah de ten commandments?"

"Brer Reuben," solemnly averred Elder Harris, "we air."
"Well, one o' dem commandments says we musn't covet anyting w't b' longs t' our neighbors, an' you're covetin' dat lit' chesnut sor'l pony o' mine, Brer Harris!"
"Then the elder gave it up. Clearly the tenth commandment was against him.—Chicago Tribune.

His Ruling Passion.
The young man waited for the millionaire's reply.

"I don't blame you for wanting to marry my daughter," said the latter. "And now how much do you suppose you and she can worry along on?"

The youth brightened up.
"I—I think," he cheerfully stammered, "that \$200,000 well invested, would produce a sufficient income."
The millionaire turned back to his papers.

"Very well," he said, "I will give you \$100,000, providing you raise a similar amount."
And the young man went away sorrowing.

Ended the Controversy.
On the steeple of an old Universalist church in Bath, Me., there is a wooden figure of an angel. It is not a remarkably fine specimen of art, and has always been somewhat laughed about, especially because of its high-heeled shoes. The Bath Enquirer recalls the story that a former pastor of the North Congregational church once accosted a devoted Universalist with the question: "Mr. Raymond, did you ever see an angel with high-heeled shoes on its feet?" "Why, no," answered Mr. Raymond, "I can't say that I ever did; but did you ever see one without them?"

A Young Philosopher.
Time is a relative quantity. Some minutes seem like hours, and some hours seem like minutes. How to control this flight is beyond most persons, but the little boy mentioned below seems to have progressed pretty well for a youngster.
The teacher was surprised to see that he remained perfectly idle all through recess, and accordingly asked him why he did not play.
"Cause," he said, slowly, "it makes recess too quick if I play, and I want it to la-a-ast!"—Youth's Companion.

Bring your will to your fate and suit your mind to your circumstances.—Marcus Aurelius.

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The Primitive Man.
"Jones is so dreadfully primitive."
"What's his latest?"
"Why, we were at the opera house the other night and a stage hand removed a table and Jones yelled 'Sup!' 'sup!' We were dreadfully mortified."
"I was at a dinner the other night and Jones sat next to me. When he saw the row of spoons and forks and knives beside his plate he beckoned to the waiter. 'Say, boy,' he hoarsely muttered, 'I guess you spilled the spoon holder!'"
"Well, it's lucky he's rich."
"Ain't it?"

Old Women in Maine.
Gray has a quintet of ladies whose age is over ninety years. Mrs. Enoch Merrill's age is ninety-nine years and eleven months, while Mrs. Lois B. Small reached her ninety-eighth birthday on November 6, and both of these ladies are bright and active. Mrs. Mary A. Frank was ninety-six last September, and is in her usual health. Mrs. Hannah T. Rowe is ninety-one; Mrs. Mary Leighton also is ninety-one.—Kennebec Journal.

What Happened.
Fate—Did you call?
Opportunity—Yes, but she sent word by her servant she wasn't in.—Harper's Bazar.

On the Ties.
First Thesplan—Walking home?
Second Thesplan—Yes, the railroad cars are insufficiently heated.

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Now About Clean Food
Another Splendid Opportunity to Bring Out Facts

When the "Weekly" which sued us for libel (because we publicly denounced them for an editorial attack on our claims) was searching for some "weak spot," they thought best to send a N. Y. Atty. to Battle Creek, summoned 25 of our workmen and took their sworn statements before a Commissioner.
Did we object? No. On the contrary, we helped all we could, for the opportunity was too good to be lost.
Geo. Haines testified he inspected the wheat and barley, also floors and every part of the factories to know things were kept clean. That every 30 minutes a sample of the products was taken and inspected to keep the food up to standard and keep out any impurities, also that it is the duty of every man in the factories to see that anything not right is immediately reported. Has been with the Co. 10 years.
Edward Young testified had been with Co. 15 years. Inspector, he and his men examined every sack and car of wheat and barley to see they were up to standard and rejected many cars.
H. E. Burt, Supt., testified has been with Co. over 13 years. Bought only the best grain obtainable. That the Co. kept a corps of men who do nothing but keep things clean, bright and polished.
Testified that no ingredient went into Grape-Nuts and Postum except those printed in the advertising. No possibility of any foreign things getting into the foods as most of the machinery is kept closed. Asked if the factory is open to the public, said "yes" and "it took from two to three guides constantly to show visitors through the works." Said none of the processes were carried on behind closed doors.
At this point attys. for the "Weekly" tried to show the water used was from some outside source. Testified the water came from Co.'s own artesian wells and was pure.
He testified the workmen were first-class, high-grade and inspected by the Co.'s physician to be sure they were all in proper physical condition; also testified that state reports showed that Co. pays better wages than the average and he thought higher than any in the state.
F. B. Martin, Asst. Supt., testified Grape-Nuts made of wheat, barley, yeast and water. Anything else? "No, sir." Postum made of Wheat, Wheat Bran and New Orleans Molasses. Statements made on his experience of about 10 years with Co.
Testified bakers are required to wear fresh white suits, changed every other day. Said had never known any of the products being sent out that were below the high standard of inspection. Asked if any one connected with the Postum Co. had instructed him how to testify. Said, "No, sir."
Horace Brown testified has been with Co. 9 years. Worked in Grape-Nuts bake shop. Testified the whole of the flour is composed of Wheat and Barley. Atty. tried to confuse him, but he insisted that any casual visitor could see that nothing else went into the flour. Said machinery and floors always kept clean. So these men were examined by the "Weekly" lawyers hoping to find at least one who would say that some under-grade grain was put in or some unclean condition was found somewhere.
But it was no use.
Each and every man testified to the purity and cleanliness.
As a sample, take the testimony of Luther W. Mayo.
Testified been with Company about 10 years. Now working in the bakery department making Grape-Nuts. Testified that the ovens and floors are kept clean and the raw products as they go in are kept clean. Also that the wearing apparel of the employees has to be changed three times a week.

Q. Do you use Postum or Grape-Nuts yourself at all?
A. Yes, I use them at home.
Q. If from your knowledge of the factory which you have gained in your ten years at the factory you believed that they were dirty or impure in any way, would you use them?
A. I do not think I would. No.
Asked if any one on behalf of the Company had asked him to testify in any particular manner. Stated "No."
All these sworn depositions were carefully excluded from the testimony at the trial, for they wouldn't sound well for the "Weekly."
Think of the fact that every man swore to the purity and cleanliness so that the Atty. for the "Weekly" was forced to say in open court that the food was pure and good.
What a disappointment for the "Weekly!" But the testimony showed:
All of the grain used in Grape-Nuts, Postum and Post Toasties is the highest standard possible to obtain.
All parts of the factory are kept scrupulously clean.
None of the workmen had been told how to testify.
Most of them have been from 10 to 15 years with the Co. and use the products on their tables at home.
Why do their families use the products, Grape-Nuts, Postum and Post Toasties, that they, themselves, make?
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