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# MOST PERFEGT BOY AT FAIR

LINCOLN BABY BOY SCORED THE HIGHEST AT SHOW.

## **Somparisons Show That City Babies** Scored Much Higher in Points Than Their Cousins From the Country.

Lincoln, Neb .- Orville Hanning, the Walton baby who was awarded the prize for being the most perfect boy in the "better babies" contest at the state fair, may have to forfeit his 'honors to a state capital tot, Frank Willard Jackson. The report turned in by the state board of health did not |



## Frank Willard Jackson, Lincoln.

take into consideration the figures earned by the two bables. The little Hanning boy acored 98.8 per cent, while young Jackson scored 99 per cent. The former was entered in the rural class and the latter in the city of its business section from fire one class.

The comparison of percentages much higher than the country urchins. Fifteen of the twenty city prize winners scored 98 per cent or higher, while only four of the rural winners did that well. The tables show the ous Y. M. C. A. Yollowing:

### Lot One-Rural.

Boys 12 to 24 months-First, Louis Jennings Larson, Fairview. 98 per cent; second, Louis Albert Pearl, Wymore, 96.5; third, Myron Darrel Teter, Shickley, 96; fourth, Henry Severine Harrington, Benedict, 95.5; fifth, John William Hartz, Roca, 95.

Boys 24 to 36 months-First, Orville Hanning, Walton, 98.8 second, Owen Alvin Meredith, Edholm, 98.4; third,



# BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA \* Citizens of Madison bave organized

country club. The carnival of Ak-Sar-Ben will be held at Omaha, September 24 to Octo ber 4.

The Burlington depot at York, destroyed by fire recently, will be rebuilt at once.

On account of scarcity of water several tons of fish in a lake near Oxford have perished.

A fire destroyed the Burlington freight depot at York, together with three box cars.

The village of Cook has voted bonds in the sum of \$6,000 to erect an elec-

tric light plant. Several boys have been arrested at York for cigarette smoking contrary to the state law.

The Nebraska federation held its sixth annual convention at Grand Island last week

The Norfolk hospital for insane is so crowded that not another male pa tient can be admitted

David City has bought the light and power plant at that place formerly operated by James Bill.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the German day celebration at Lincoln, October 14.

The grand lodge L O. O. F. of Ne bracks will hold its annual session at Lincoln, October 15 and 16.

Laura Shigley of Elisworth has lost her eyesight from the shock of a bol' of lightning which struck her home. The auto races at Norfolk, Septem ber 17 to 19, will be under sanction of the American automobile associa

tion. John Harshberger of Humboldt was badly injured when a bank of earth it which he was at work, caved in ou him.

Dr. E. M. Whitten, one of the prominent physicians of Nebraska City, is dead after a long illness, at the age of 75 years.

For the first time in the history of the state baseball league, each of the eight clubs played the full schedule of 112 games.

The little town of Wauneta in Chase county suffered the loss of a portion night last week.

The third big dredging machine has given out by the agricultural board to- just been put to work on the plan of day shows that city babies scored dredging along the Nemaha river in Johnson county.

A state-wide campaign to teach every youth in Nebraska to swim has been started by secretaries of the vari-

W. L. Hulbert of University Place dled at a Lincoln hospital from injuries received when he was thrown from a blevcle

The Eastern Nebraska Fruit Growers' association, which incorporated for \$30,000 last week, has elected A. M. Shubert treasurer.

Plenty of mailard, teal and chickens are around the lakes in the vicinity of Alliance and hunters are having their usual season sport.

in his yard after a fierce electrical storm and found forty-four dead spar- look like that." rows under the trees.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. White of anniversary at the home of their son, Al. W. White, last week.

many times in his own mind. "And I don't suppose I should enjoy having the Hermons spoken of in that way," he admitted uncomfortably. "I wonder if I'll ever be able to make it up with Eliza." But Eliza seemed capable of making

Scott tribe," a few times audibly, and

herself very inaccessible, and it was almost evening when he found an op portunity to speak with her. "Eliza. will you let me drive you home?" he asked, with amazing humility.

"There is plenty of room in our wag on for all of us, thank you," answered the girl, with apparent innocence.

"But-your people are gone." ad mitted Mark, a little shamefacedly, "] -I told them I was going to bring you. I've wanted all day to talk with you. Eliza, but you would not give me a tunity, didn't 1?"

"Then there is nothing else for me to do," she agreed with a matter-offactness that made his heart sink in a most disconcerting manner, "But I am quite certain you ought to be pun ished," she added with a smile. "I'm wondering what my punish

ment is to be," he observed, breaking the rather uncomfortable silence after they had started. "I should say that driving before the

assembled country-side with a Scott would be sufficient," answered Eliza.

"Eliza, see here," blurted the young man, "I don't suppose you can forgive me for that. I never thought before today how it would seem to be born in a home like-yours. I never thought of the help I've had right along-1 guess I thought I had done it all, myself!' And he laughed with self-scorn.

"I suspect that I might have felt that way, too, if I had been in your place," admitted Eliza, gently. "Oh, do not make excuses for me-

but you are an angel to do it!" "I cannot imagine an angel working

herself to death all summer to 'get even' with some one for an idle remark," severely.

"It wasn't an idle remark-I meant it. I thought I was better than you were, I never even took the trouble to see what sort of girl you were until you began snubbing me this summer. But I'm geiting my punishment, never fear; you are not like any other girl in the whole world to me, Eliza., And I do not dare tell you about it because of what has happened."

There was a long silence. The girl's face beamed softly. In the tender autumn twilight his arm stole along the back of the seat. "Dear." he whispered, "don't you believe we can fix it so that we can take our exhibits to the fair together next year? I'd so much rather take a back seat for my wife than for a mere-neighbor!"

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# CHOSE QUEER HIDING PLACE Fugitives Fondly Fancled Themselves

## In Security in Most Public Spot They Could Have Chosen.

The father of Joseph Altshelr, the writer of war stories, was a Prussian who came to this country a few years before the Civil war broke out, and settled in Barren county. Kentucky. By reason of his foreign subject to draft by either army when | idea at least of God's attitude towards



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**LESSON FOR SEPTEMBER 21** 

# THE GOLDEN CALF.

LESSON TEXT-Ex. 22:15-20, 20-25. GOLDEN TEXT-"My little children, guard yourself from idols."-I John 5:2L It is incredible that these Israelites

should turn aside after gods made with man's hands in the very midst of such a demonstration of the holiness, majesty and glory of Jehovah. Yet in life it is always but a step from glory to degradation, and one of the easiest moments in which to trip up the saint is at the time of his greatest ecstacles. The human heart is it is wicked and is desperately deceitful, Jer. 17:9. Following the giving of the decalogue God gave Moses a series of laws and ordinances which are an application of that fundamental law and which form "the book of the covenant." Then the elders of Israel are cailed up into the mountain, given a vision of God, and given to eat and drink in his presence, symbolizing communion (Ex. 24). After this Moses and his servant Joshua leave Aaron and Hur in charge of the people and go up again into the mountain. On the seventh day Moses entered the cloud and remained for a period of 40 days during which time he received the pattern of the tabernacle and the order of worship. It was during this period of time that the people sinned. The first part of this chapter tells us the fact of the casting of the calf. vv. 1-6. God's righteous anger and Moses' prayer of intercession, vv. 7:14. Israel's boast, 19:8, 24:3, 7, 18 now revealed as being but utter weakness and illustrates the worthlessness and unreliability of human nature. The drunkard's promised sobriety, the unclean man's promised purity, alike melt in the fierce heat of temptation. Their sin was a direct, positive violation of the first commandment, and in it they also broke the second. They did not want to substitute but rather sought a similitude of God. Aaron here appears in a poor light; he did not like their proposition (vv. 7, 8), but did not have strength of character sufficient to stand against it. Aaron is like those in the church and out of it who prefer to control a movement which is bad rather than to combat

## Human Fickleness

the movement in its entirety.

Notice Aaron's attempt to link old ideas with this new-fangled religion, this "modern expression," "tomorrow is the feast of Jehovah," v. 5. Men and women are today attempting to gloss evil teaching and open sin by associating with it the name of Christ. To call such an association scientific is a travesty. The fact, however, that Aaron gave the Israelites what they farm." birth the elder Altscheler was not asked for, shows that he had some

Now comes the famous astronomer Professor Worthington, to support Professor Lowell's idea that Mars is inhabited by a superior race of beings; that they are far ahead of the human race that people the earth. They must be entirely different, for all the physical conditions are wholly unlike those on the earth. Water there boils at 110 degrees, and the atmosphere is less dense and both are slowly disappearing. This fact, according to the evolutionary idea, will, cause the physical natures of the people there to change or it will soon be a dead world. Its destiny is very interesting to us, for what will become of the Martian people will become of us. This whole universe started with mind. Its first objective force was light; and then on to every form of matter. Mars is going back to its first estate, and its dwindling material forces are being succeeded by spirit. The recealing air and water have excited their intelligence to the utmost to provide physical conditions in harmony with their needs. This very effort has lifted htem up to a absolutely unreliable, unstable, nay, higher intellectual plane. So Mars teaches the doctrine, from matter to spirit, and probably, some day, the

earth will learn the lesson.

Candles in birthday cakes is a German custom adopted into this country. The candles are equal in number to the years of the celebrant. A thick one in the middle is called the "lebenslicht" (the light of life). Only he or she who celebrates his birthday may put out the "light of life;" it is unlucky if done by any other member of the family. We see in the lights the symbols of life and its portions the years; and what sign for them could be more beautiful than light? Death was represented by the ancients as the genius with a turned down torch. When we refer to a man living too last we say "he is burning the candle at both ends." One of the folktales collected by Bechstein shows death introducing a man into a cavern and showing him a number of candles burning, some nearly burnt to the end. These candles represent the lives of men. Macbeth, speaking of life, says: "Out, out, brief candle." Undoubtedly light being taken as the symbol of life was the suggestion of candles for the hirthday cake

#### In the Stone Age.

"Here are sign words, professor, on the walls of this cave."

"So 1 see.' "They tell, no doubt, a tale of great historical value."

"Not exactly. This is just the lease of the cave. Says the tenant must pay forty clamshells per month in advance and isn't allowed 'to keep dinosaurs, pterodactyls or sabretoothed tigers."

What Can Be Done About This?

"Here's an item," observed Rivers, who was looking over the newspapers, "to the effect that the king of Sweden raises prize dogs on his

"I suppose he uses them," suggested Brooks, "to drive his Stockholm.

SCOTT TRIB By SUSANNE GLENN. The girl stood motionless until the

two young men disappeared round the bend in the road. "Oh, I hate him, I hate him," she sobbed angrily, dropping the rusty tin pan she was hold-

ing. "But I suppose you thought Mark Hermon was perfect. You're so everlastingly standing up for him." observed her mother, astonished out of her habitual lassitude.

"He had no right to say that! I don't care if we are poor and shiftless and if Ben has made a mistake-he chance. So I had to make an opporhad no business to call us that 'Scott

tribe,' and to a perfect stranger!" "I don't know as you have any call to get so excited over it-what folks say doesn't make much difference one

way or the other." And the woman bent to gather up the dandelions that had been spilled in the hasty descent of the rusty pan.

Eliza Scott's pretty, girlish face held a new question. Was her mother right -this doesn't-make-any-difference sentiment she had instilled into her all her young life, was it right? "Oh, it | does make a difference," she whispered cheerfully. passionately. "I'll show him, somehow, that there is more to 'that Scott

tribe' than he ever dreamed!" But how? It is not a simple matter for a mere girl to counteract the results of generations of shiftlessness. It's easy enough to be prosperous when you have a fine farm to hand

down from father to son and each generation leaves it increased in value," thought Eliza, as see sat in her window that night looking across the Scott's scraggy fields and delapidated fences to the big white house and red barns that bespeak prosperity in every trim line. "What has he ever done more than I have? And it's true, I have always taken his part when the boys called him snobbish and overbearing, I thought he wasn't that way, or, I guess I wanted to think he-was not." she admitted, flushing painfully in the darkness. "I've been a little fool.

Now I'll show him I amount to something even if my name is Scott." But young Mary Hermon evidently noticed nothing unusual with his easy-going neighbors. He was exceedingly busy, during every spare moment, over a patch of fine garden ground where he was patiently coaxing his choicest seedlings into the "blue-ribbon" vegetables which it was his pride to display each autumn at the great convention of all the coun-

try-side, the county fair. He did pause in amazement one day when Eliza Scott passed him with a crisp little nod. "Why, whatever," he asked himself wonderingly, "has come over that little Scott girl? She has al ways looked like a neglected wax doll. but I'm blamed if she isn't getting to be a mighty good looking girl! It takes something beside a pretty face George Helms, at Ansley, went out to be good looking. I didn't suppose one of that Scott tribe had it in her to

Mark was complacently putting out his team after taking his finest load York celebrated their sixticih, wedding on record to the fair ground. "There was nothing there to compare with mine," he thought with satisfaction. ate to get

Orville Hanning, Walton.

Victor Boyd, Lincoln, 97.6; fourth, Maurice Doyle Frazier, Waco, 97; fifth, Edward Arthur Clark, Friend, 96.7.

Girls 12 to 24 months-First, Nellie Frances Blakely, Beatrice, 98 per cent; second, Milostine Cejka, Valparaiso, 97; third, Ruth Evelyn Bender, Yutan. 96.5; fourth, Floris Marie Finks, Bennet, 96; fifth, Irene Mae Blackburn, as he attempted to cross it on a trac-Ord, 95.

Girls 24 to 36 months-First, Sylvia Naomi Hanson, Ceresco, 97.5 per cent; second. Mary Elizabeth Capwell, Elmwood, 97.4: third, Edith Oesterreicher. Shelby, 96.9; fourth, Dolores Jackman, Greenwood, 96.5; fifth, Alta Cecil. Lincoln, 95.

#### Lot Two-City.

Boys, 12 to 24 months-First, Del pert A. Reid, Lincoln, 98.7 per cent; second, Donald Alfred Petersen, Oma ha, 98.5: third, Francis James McCul lough, Lincoln, 98.5; fourth, Melit Fornbaugh, Lincoln. 98.5; fifth, Car S. Bingham, Lincoln, 98.

Boys 24 to 36 months-First, Frank Willard Jackson, Lincoln, 99 per cent: second, Donald Leroy Glasson, Omaha 98.5; third, Walter Mason Bridges Lincoln, 98.5; fourth, John Henry Ames, Lincoln, 98.1; fifth, Miltor Henry Wright, University Place, 98, Girls, 12 to 24 months-Mary Fran

cis McReynolds, Lincoln, 98.5 per cent second, Donna Marle Dybbro, Omahr 98.5; third, Helen Louise Baker, Lin coin, 98; fourth. Martha Lucile Hac! man, Lincoln. 98; fifth. Ellen R. Ive: son, Lincoin, 97.5.

Girls, 24 to 36 months-First, Genvieve Chapman, Ceresco, 99 per cent second, Edith Wilson, Madison, 97. third, Ruth Elizabeth Currier, Unive sity Place, 97.3; fourth, August Emma Anderson, Lincoln, 97; fifth. Janet Caroline Cain, Lincoln, 95.6.

A statue of Paul Revere, purchased from the proceeds of a play given last spring by the students, has been placed in the high school at Beatrice. The family of Charles Cowden at

Lincoln are much worried over his disappearance a week ago. He left home to look for work and all trace of him is lost.

The three-year-old-daughter of Mrs. Harlan of Havelock was badly scalded when she overturned a kettle of bolling water that had just been lifted from the stove.

Minnie Ashloy was severely injured at the track on the fair grounds at Lexington by being thrown against a post during a quarter-mile dash following the ladies' race.

Mrs. Fred Kuhlman, near Tecumseh, was bitten by a rattlesnake, but contrary to established belief, suffered no inconvenience therefrom.

The school board of Rockford has decided to erect a new \$4,000 school building to take the place of the one

cently destroyed by fire. C. A. Pruner had a narrow escape from death when a bridge gave way tion engine near Superior.

The new athletic park at Beatrice will be dedicated September 26, when Aurora and Beatrice high school teams will meet on the gridiron.

A Ponca Indian powwow will be held at Niobrara September 17 to 20. Ceremonial dances, Indian parades, steer killing and other attractions will make up the program.

Henrietta and Lillie Dejuml, aged 13 and 9, got into deep water in the Blue river at Wilber and were rescued after desperate struggle by Stanley Tachovsky, a 12-year-old boy.

The general store of P. Martin & Co. at Grand Island was burglarized and \$600 in cash taken and an unknown amount of clothing and jewilly, including gold watches. The enire loot may run to \$1,000.

D. B. Houtz, living near Shubert, is probably the oldest school teacher in Vebraska in point of continuous service. Mr. Houtz has just commenced his fiftieth year as a teacher.

Mis. A. White of Fairbury choked on a chicken bone. The family was unthe to get a doctor by telephone and in automobile was pressed into ser rice. The bone was removed.

Thousands of birds are said to have een killed in Johnson and Nemahs ounties this summer by thirst. The rying up of ponds and streams has de troyed the source from which the birds secure water.

ting most of the blue ribbons in my department for five years. Well, by Jove," he broke off, as a thin team drawing a ramehackle old wagon passed by in the dusty road, "It certainly looks as if the Scotts were going to make an exhibit! I'm blamed if I'm sorry, for it just means another disappointment for them. I'll bet that is Eliza's idea, and it is just a shame. Wish she'd said nothing to me about it; there is something about that girl-" He left his thought unspoken while he gazed after the retreating wagon.

For the first time in his life, Mark dreaded approaching the fair grounds. "I did not suppose anything could make me dislike seeing blue ribbons in my stuff," he admitted whimsically. "I don't know what has got into me. I suppose it is because I hate to see a girl disappointed."

Eliza Scott and her mother were just before him as he entered the hall. What was this? He paused bewildered before his early potatoes-they were "seconds;" beside them was a basket of beauties bearing the coveted blue ribbon. His professional heart warmed

at sight of them in spite of his chagrin. "Just look, mother, I have first on my potatoes," he could scarcely credit his ears with hearing Eliza saying in subeverything. I'm simply too overjoyed for words."

In the crowd Mark found it easy to keep near without being observed. It seemed perfectly marvelous that Eliza could have raised those vegetables "under his very nose" without his having suspected it. "Oh, and I've first on my jelly, and second on both cakes andtruly, truly, mummy-first on my bread; I didn't dare hope for that!"

"I should think you would want to go in and look at your fancy work. Eliza," observed Mrs. Scott. "Some of your embroidery was fine. You are a funny kind of girl to be more interested in all this garden truck and baking than you are in that."

"But I'm not trying to 'beat' anyfirst-born children were the strongest. one at the fancy work, mother, and I but he proved that the opposite was true. A medical authority states that not only tuberculosis but "insanity and am here. I set out last spring to get the blue ribbons away from Mark Hermon, and I've done it. He will know criminality show a preponderating in this once, anyway, what it is to stand cidence among the eldest children." back for one of the 'Scott tribe!'" and quotes Professor Pearson's state-"Why, Eliza Scott! I never dreamed ment that the earlier members of a

to disease.

you had such a disposition." gasped family are more likely than the youngher astunished mother. "I'm glad I have a little spunk," re-

torted Eliza, walking away, Mass Hermon stood still in consternation. Yes, he had called them "the

hostilities began, but his southern as Federals, infested the vicinity of the Kentucky-Tennessee state line. One starless, moonless night in the

summer of 1883, a neighbor came with the word that the bushwhackers were on their way to kill Mr. Altsheler and another resident of the vicinity, who had been outspoken in his approval of secession. It was not certain, the messenger said, which road of two the marauders would take to reach the homes of their proposed victims; but it was certain that they would be

along soon. Mr. Altsheler and the other threatened man gathered up a blanket apiece and went into the woods to hide. In the darkness they speedily lost all sense of direction. For an

hour they wandered about, seeking a suitable camping-place. Finally they came to a spot that was free of trees and where the ground felt smooth under foot. So they spread their blankets and went to sleep, secure in the belief that no bushwhacker could find them there.

The rising sun, shining in their faces, waked them. They sat up and looked round. They had been asleep all night at the only place where the dued excitement. "And my corn-and raiders could not have failed to find them, had their plans been carried out-at the forks of the county road.

-Exchange.

First-Born Are the Weakest.

Primogeniture has just received an other hard knock. It is several years since Dr. W. C. Rivers of London, in studying the statistics of a great sanatorium, observed that among consumptive patients the first-born provide a larger number of subjects than

any of the other children. Prof. Karl Pearson and Professors Brehmer and Riffel collected a vast mass of statistics in England and Germany and fully confirmed River's observation. Brehmer had been teaching that the

er to inherit constitutional defects. It adds that a tendency to coddle, pam per and indulge the first child may account for a part of its vulnerability

his people. We have here presented sympathies made him obnoxious to also the fickleness of human gratitude. a group of bushwhackers who, posing Moses is with God on their behalf (Heb. 7:25), yet they forget him and God who had performed such mighty signs on their behalf, and demand new new leadership (v. 1 and Ps. 106:21). Art has a place in religious life, but a spiritual worship alone is acceptable to God, John 4:24.

> It was a sacrifice (vv. 2, 3) of gold to make possible this calf which was doubtless a representation of the Egyptian god Apis and may or may not have been life-size, and may have been solid or only veneer, but neither such earnestness nor sacrifice saved them.

#### God's Word Immutable.

Moses' prayer of intercession, vv. 11-14, is wonderful. It centers about the idea that Israel is "Thy people" (v. 11), and that God's word is immutable, "Remember," etc. (v. 13). Moses was moved with pity and had a passion for the honor of God's name. As Moses and Joshua approached the camp they heard music, v. 17. What a commentary upon the debasing use of one of God's noblest gifts to man, the gift of music. Reaching the camp, they beheld the fullness of iniquity and depravity which was the development of this disobedience, v. 25. See also Rom. 1:21-25, Rom. 6:23, Jas. 1:15. Moses' passion also manifested itself against their sin by breaking the tables, grinding the calf to powder and compelled them to drink the water into which it was flung.

In order to complete this story we should call attention (vv. 30-35) how Moses returned into God's presence, made a confession for the people, truly taking the place of intercession when he desired to be blotted out rather than have their sin go unforgiven. Go on into the next chapter, vv. 13, 14, and read his great heart cry and God's answer of grace.

The Teaching. We have here a story of the frailty of human nature and the feebleness of human resolutions. We see in Aaron the weaknes of a religious leader who attempts to compromise or to yield to the clamor of a mistaken people. There is also present in this lesson the possibility of prostituting right things. The Israelites made a proper request in their desire to go forward. They lacked patience, and made the mistake of desiring something that appealed to their senses. We thus see the disaster of disobedience, even though the end desired be a good one.

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