

PEOPLE'S PULPIT...



Sermon by CHARLES T. RUSSELL, Pastor Brooklyn Tabernacle.

What God Winked At

"The Times of This Ignorance God Winked at; but Now He Has Commanded All Men Everywhere to Repent, Because He Hath Appointed a Day in the Which He Will Judge the World in Righteousness by That Man Whom He Hath Ordained" (Acts xv, 30, 31).

Toronto, Canada, January 9.—Pastor C. T. Russell of Brooklyn Tabernacle, New York, preached twice here today to large and very attentive audiences. We report one of his discourses from the above text, as follows:

The word "winked" in our text is used in a figurative sense to signify that God took no notice of, paid no attention to, that long period of time from the flood to the First Advent of our Redeemer. During those twenty-five hundred years the world of mankind lay in ignorance and weakness and vice, but, as our text declares, God took no notice of it as a whole. He gave his attention entirely to the little nation of Israel, the descendants of Abraham, with whom he made a special Law Covenant. Israel entered upon a great schooling period; first in a condition of penance in Egypt; and later, under the command of Moses, passing from Egypt to Canaan, with a wandering of forty years in the wilderness; still later under judges, and then under kings, etc. God did not wink at sin amongst the Israelites, whom he adopted as his "peculiar people" under the Law Covenant mediated by Moses. We read that every day obedience received a "just recompense of reward" (Hebrews ii, 2). Stripes, punishments, captivities, under Divine supervision and predicted through the prophets, was the portion of the chosen people of the Lord. Obedience on their part brought blessing and disobedience and idolatry brought chastisement—God winked at nothing as respects his chosen people.

At first glance this is perplexing. Not understanding the Divine Plan we would be inclined to expect that the favored nation would be excused more than others—that it would be the people whose imperfections would be winked at. But not so; Israel was chosen for a purpose. And in order to prepare them for their mission and to fit them to fill it, the Lord chastened and scourged them for their sins, and thus educated and assisted them more than others out of degradation. As a result, when our Lord came into the world to be man's Redeemer, Israel, under the chastising, scourging, instructing experiences of many centuries, was by far the most advanced nation in the world along religious lines.

Thus it was that when the Redeemer presented himself, some, "a remnant," were "Israelites indeed" and ready to receive him—five hundred during his earthly ministry and several thousand more at the following Pentecost season. It is but reasonable to suppose that no other nation in the world would have furnished any such numbers ready of heart for Messiah, and consecrated fully to him. Note, for instance, that St. Paul's preaching to the Athenians on Mars Hill apparently touched not a single heart nor head.

The Justice of the Wink.
The Almighty informs us that Justice is the very foundation of all of his dealings. He cannot be less than just, although through Christ he has provided to be more than just—that is, loving and merciful. There must have been a justice in this winking mentioned by the Apostle. What was it?

The Apostle explains that owing to a death sentence that was upon the world in general, and no provision having yet been made for a redemption from that death penalty and a resurrection deliverance, it would have been illogical for God to give laws to the world of mankind commanding repentance, etc. Why? Because they were already condemned to death, the extreme penalty of the Divine Law. No more could be done to them than to destroy them, however badly they lived. And nothing that they could do would make them deserving of eternal life. So long as that death sentence rested upon them and no prospect was offered even of release from it, God let them alone, and justly enough "winked" at their imperfection and did not lay it specially to their charge.

With the Jew it was different. God instructed that nation through the Law and the prophets and the chastenings for their wrong doings, and thus prepared in them a "little flock" of "Israelites indeed" ready for spiritual things. Additionally he wished to use them and their experiences as types or lessons for spiritual Israel yet future. These types, and the guidance of the holy Spirit through the New Testament, have constituted very helpful lessons to the Church of this Gospel Age—Spiritual Israel—"For the Law Covenant was a shadow of good things coming after it."

But before having this dealing with Israel, God made a Covenant with them, promising them life-eternal if they would obey. They gladly accepted the proposition and strove to live righteously, strive to keep the Law. They did not gain eternal life under the Law, because they could not keep it; not that the Law was defective, but that they, like all other members of Adam's fallen race, were imperfect. God knew of their weakness and allowed them to be disappointed in the outcome of their Covenant, but nevertheless he made it a great blessing to them—a means of instruction, which, as we have seen, ultimately prepared several thousand to be of so ripe a condition of heart as to be ready for the Savior and become

his disciples. The Jew then had this advantage over the Gentile up to that time. He had God's promises. He knew the Law of God. He was profited by striving to do the impossible thing of keeping it perfectly. Had God not chosen the nation of Israel to bring them under the schooling processes of the Law Covenant (Galatians iii, 24) he would have "winked" at their ignorance, etc., as he did with the transgressions of other nations up to that time.

"Now Commandeth All Men."
What is the secret of this change on God's part—from winking at the sins and imperfections of the world to commanding them to repent? If it was just to wink at their sins for thousands of years, why did not God continue to wink at them? The Apostle answers the question, telling us that this change in God's dealing which sent forth the message that the world should repent was based upon the fact that his eternal purposes had by that time reached the stage of development which justified such a message. The Son of God had left the glory of the Father which he had before the world was; he had humbled himself to become a man. As the man Christ Jesus he had been obedient to the Heavenly Father's wish and had laid down his life sacrificially—that it might first benefit consecrated believers during this Gospel Age; secondly that it might bless the world of mankind during the Millennial Age.

For a time these good tidings were confined to the Jewish nation, but three and a half years after the crucifixion the limit of Israel's favor respecting the message came to an end, and then the good tidings of great joy was permitted to go to all the Gentiles on the same terms that the Jews had enjoyed.

The Gospel or "good news" consists of the information that God in his mercy has provided that the death sentence upon Adam and his race shall not be perpetual; and that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and of the unjust; that the provision for this has already been made in and through the death of the Redeemer. Is it inquired what advantage would there be in a resurrection of the dead if therewith all were to be placed back just where they are at present? The answer is that there would be no advantage in such a resurrection. If the Jew could not keep the Law, and if the very best-intentioned of the Gentiles have found themselves to be imperfect and their efforts to stand approved before God in the present life to be failures, what good could result from merely awakening them from the sleep of death? Would it not be wiser and better every way to let them perish like the brute beast? We answer that God's Word reveals a very grand outcome to his Plan of Salvation. The word *resurrection*, as Scripturally used, signifies much more than to be merely resuscitated. It signifies awakening and more—uplifting out of all sin and death conditions, up, up, up to perfection—to all that was lost by Father Adam and redeemed in the Calvary sacrifice.

"God Hath Appointed a Day."
This, then, is the meaning of the Apostle's argument. By providing the Lord Jesus Christ as the Redeemer of the Church and the world God has made possible a fresh trial or judgment for Adam and his race. Adam's first judgment or trial day was in Eden. There he lost everything by his disobedience and brought upon himself and all of his race Divine sentence to death. Christ has appeared that he might redeem Adam and his race, for the very purpose of giving them individually another full, fair trial or judgment for life everlasting or death everlasting.

That general judgment day mentioned by St. Paul in our text is neither a damnation day nor a twenty-four hour day. It is the thousand-year day of Christ—the period of his mediatorial reign, in the which Satan will be bound, all evil influences be removed, and the light of the knowledge of the glory of God be made to fill the whole earth. St. Peter reminds us, "Beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day with the Lord is as a thousand years" (II Peter iii, 8). This is the key to the expressions, "The day of Christ," "The day of judgment," etc. The Millennial day will be a day of judgment or trial in the sense that all mankind, the living and the dead, will then be brought to full knowledge of God and to full opportunity to be complete uplift from all weaknesses, imperfections, etc., which have resulted from our share in Adam's sin and our own weakness and ignorance. Sins to the extent that they were willful will to the same extent be punishable and receive a "just recompense of reward" (Hebrews ii, 2). Every good endeavor will be rewarded and every shortcoming will be punished.

From this standpoint we see the force of the Apostle's argument, that it is the Divine intention to grant to every member of Adam's race another trial, another judgment, to determine afresh and individually the worthiness or unworthiness of each to have eternal life. But why should this fact make any difference to the world in the present life? Why did not God wait until the Millennial Age and give them all a surprise? Why did he send them the message of his love and a

revelation of this knowledge of his future dealings? Did he not know what the past eighteen centuries has proven, namely, that few of mankind would have the "hearing ear," and that fewer still, after hearing, would so love righteousness and so hate iniquity, as to sacrifice the interests of the present life by espousing the Gospel message, repenting of sin, and seeking to live a saintly life, in opposition to all unrighteousness?

Yes, we answer, it is written, "Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world" (Acts xv, 18). God surely knew that the message of his grace would generally fall upon ears that were dull of hearing. That we might know this he caused it to be written in the prophecies in advance, that few would have the hearing ear for his message of love and mercy. Why, then, did he send the message? We answer that there were two reasons for his so doing.

(1) He intended that a witness should be given so that those comprehending would have an incentive to a reformation of life. He wished all to know that their responsibility in life would be proportionate to their knowledge of this fact of redemption. This principle is stated in the Scriptures by our Lord. He declares that he who knew not and was disobedient would be punished with fewer stripes and a lighter punishment for his transgressions, while those who knew better and sinned with deliberation would be punished with many stripes—in that Millennial day.

(2) Another reason for the promulgation of this good tidings of the Millennial Day of the Lord's Judgment is that God wishes to use this message as a primary lesson to do a primary work of instruction for a special class of "elect" characters, whom he is seeking in the present time before the inauguration of the Mediatorial Kingdom. He calls these his "jewels," the "Bride of Christ," his "members."

This class is specially called out of the world now, in advance of the Millennium, that they may eventually be God's Royal Priesthood, or priestly kings, in association with their Redeemer. These, according to the Scriptures, are to be associate judges of the world with Christ. St. Paul asks, "Know ye not that the saints shall judge the world?" (I Corinthians vi, 2). We do know it, thank God! And we know that they will be thoroughly competent for that work. Their experiences in the present life, in battling against the world and the flesh and the devil and coming off conquerors through the assistance of the great High Priest, will make them competent judges of the world; competent priests to assist and to bless the world; competent under-priests to govern the world from the Spirit plane.

"Building Up Yourselves."
To this special class I particularly address myself. I am glad to warn all men everywhere to repent, and glad also to give them the good reason why they should repent—to tell them of God's appointed time, the Millennial Epoch, in which all shall have a full opportunity of gaining eternal life through Christ. I am glad to assure them that every endeavor for righteousness put forth now will bring large returns of character development and better position then. I warn them that every wilful transgression, all wilful ignorance, will react upon them to their disadvantage and make for shame and lasting contempt on their part, under the glorious sunlight of that Millennial day. It will search out and expose to all humanity their weaknesses, their sins, to the extent that these have been accepted or approved or have not been resisted.

But as I said before, I trust that amongst the ten million readers reached by my sermons every week there are some who are of the saintly class, "called, chosen and faithful"—some of this Jewel class, whose judgment or trial is in progress now. I trust that these are striving with might and main to make their calling and election sure through faith in the Redeemer's sacrifice and obedience to his Law of the Spirit of life—the Law of Love. Now is our judgment day, our day of testing or trial. We will not stand or fall as congregations and denominations or lodges or societies. Our testing is an individual one and nothing short of loyalty of heart to the Lord, to his Truth and to the brethren, will make us as the Lord's jewels, "beirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ our Lord; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together" (Romans viii, 17). Such have my special sympathy, my special endeavors, my special love and my special prayers. And the prayers of which I solicit on my part that I may continue faithful to the end of the journey and with you all hear the Master's precious words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things; I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joys of thy Lord" (Matthew xxv, 21).

Church Federation Discussed.
On next Sunday Pastor Russell will address a Mass Meeting of Christian people at Brooklyn's largest auditorium on "Church Federation: Its Cost to Congregationalists, Presbyterians and Methodists." Those desiring extra copies of this journal for their friends should place orders at once.

College Sentiment.
Dr. Blank, about twenty years a professor in a certain college, was on the eve of a trip to Europe, to be absent two years. In pathetic and rather harrowing tones he made his farewell address to his class:

"Yes, I am about to part with you. This is more than distressing to me. Would that there was a window in my breast, my dear boys, that you might see the innermost recesses of my heart."

A striping in the rear, seized with a happy thought, shouted:
"Professor, would a pane in the stomach do?"—Lippincott's.

Phone Men to Meet in Omaha.
Omaha, Jan. 15.—The Nebraska and Iowa Independent Telephone associations will hold their annual conventions in Omaha and Council Bluffs January 18, 19, 20 and 21. There will be joint sessions on the 19th at Omaha and on the 20th at Council Bluffs.

INDIANAPOLIS BANK CLOSES.

Citizens National of That City Had Several Bad Loans.
Indianapolis, Jan. 17.—The Citizens National bank did not open for business this morning. After a meeting of its directors last night a notice was posted on the front doors that the bank was closed, but it was believed its depositors would be paid in full.

The affairs of the bank are now in the hands of J. C. Johnson, a national bank examiner. Johnson came here several days ago and after an examination of the books found several apparently bad loans of long standing. The statement of the bank made on November 15 showed the deposits to be \$1,169,000. Its capital is \$200,000. S. P. Gillett has been president of the bank since 1883.

BROKE WALDORF WINDOWS.

The Sight of Luxurious Diners Crazy a Hungry Man.

New York, Jan. 15.—Henry Westberg threw two Indian clubs crashing through a window of the Waldorf-Astoria dining room, at 1:30 o'clock the other morning. Westberg was very hungry, if not actually starving. The sight of people eating in the luxurious surroundings of the hotel almost crazed him. His resentment was expressed by breaking the windows.

Magistrate Kernochan, before whom Westberg was arraigned, sent out and bought a good square meal, which the man ate in his cell.

Westberg is a carpenter. He says he is a good one. He lives in Brooklyn and in the last four months has tramped all over the five boroughs of the city seeking work.

"I couldn't get anything to do," he said to Magistrate Kernochan.

"This morning I was desperate. My money was almost gone, and I didn't see any more coming. I decided to try something new. I used to be a pretty good club swinger when I was younger—I am 34 now—and I thought perhaps, if I could get some clubs, I might pick up a few cents in saloons."

"On my way across town I passed the Waldorf. I looked in the window and saw a lot of people eating. It didn't seem just fair to me—they had all they wanted, and I was starving. 'I didn't mean to throw the clubs—but I must have done it, and someone came up and grabbed me.'

Then Magistrate Kernochan held the man for trial in \$500 bail, but fed him.

There was almost a panic in the Waldorf dining room when the clubs crashed through the window. They landed in the middle of the table at which several men were eating, broke china and startled the party. No one was injured.

No More Fines for Firemen.
No more fines will be imposed on firemen who fail to get to a fire hereafter, neither will their dues be charged against them, according to the by-laws which were adopted by hose companies No. 1 and No. 3 at their meeting at the city hall last evening. The companies will now work on the honor of the firemen about getting to fires and doing their duty in every way as firemen. The meeting was well attended by a large number of enthusiastic members of both hose companies, and there is no doubt but that they can be depended upon to do their duty in every way.

The new bylaws will be sent to the city council for approval, after which the fire department will get a chance to pass on them. These bylaws include all the laws for the entire hose department and do away with the conflicting laws which heretofore have been an obstacle in the department for harmonious work.

The two companies voted to hold a social meeting and a smoker thereafter, on the second Friday in February. This meeting is called by the hose company members to get in closer touch with each other.

Hurt While Coasting.

Omaha, Jan. 15.—Florence Wade, 13 years old, daughter of Secretary B. C. Wade, of the Omaha Y. M. C. A., was seriously injured, and Florence Jenks, daughter of Rev. Hart Jenks, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, was painfully bruised when the sled on which they were coasting collided with a delivery wagon at Twenty-seventh street and Capitol avenue.

CORN SHOW TO INDIANAPOLIS?

Indications are That Omaha Will Lose Big Exposition.

Indianapolis, Jan. 15.—Information from every source is to the effect that the concerted effort of the last few days will result in landing the national corn exposition in this city. The Indiana corn dealers' association at its closing session in the board of trade building adopted resolutions to spare no endeavor to bring the next national corn show to this city.

DOUBLE INSTALLATION.

Woman's Relief Corps and Grand Army of Republic at Dinner.

After a double installation, the Woman's Relief Corps entertained the members of the G. A. R. at a 6 o'clock dinner at the G. A. R. hall.

Mrs. R. J. Lucas; color bearers: first, Mrs. W. P. Dixon; second, Mrs. C. Hills; third, Mrs. Thomas Long; fourth, Mrs. A. D. Howe.

Following are the officers installed by the G. A. R.: J. F. Pfunder, commander; H. C. Matrau, adjutant; Dr. W. H. Hagey, post surgeon; R. W. Mills, chaplain; A. N. McGinnis, quartermaster; H. R. Roberts, officer of the day; George Priestly, officer of the guard; J. W. Boyce, sergeant major; J. S. Morrow, quartermaster sergeant.

E. P. Weatherly acted as installing officer. C. F. Elsieley, who has been elected senior vice commander, and C. P. Byerly, junior vice, were not present at the installation. They will be installed later.

SATURDAY SIFTINGS.

Mrs. Frank Twiss returned to Pierre, S. D.

Dr. H. T. Holden returned from Pierre.

Mrs. Mendenhall of Pierre was in the city.

Mrs. William Leu of Hadar was in the city.

C. E. Burnham went to Omaha on business.

W. A. Witzgman returned from Battle Creek.

Sheriff C. S. Smith of Madison was in the city.

Mrs. Carl Wolf of Pierre was here visiting friends.

O. A. Krueger of Hoskins was in the city visiting friends.

Mrs. August Reblow of Hoskins was here visiting friends.

D. Mathewson returned from a business trip to Gregory.

William Hills of Hadar was here visiting with friends.

County Attorney James Nichols of Madison was in the city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Weston of Pierre county were in the city visiting friends.

The parents of Mrs. Hammond from Creston, Ia., are here for a few days' visit.

Miss Ruth Rohrke of Hoskins is in the city visiting with her uncle, E. W. Zutz.

A. H. Viele goes to Chicago and Grand Rapids, Mich., Monday on business.

Miss Mabel Steichen of Eyota, Minn., is in the city visiting with her cousin, Miss Emma Schoregare.

Herman Mahler of Oklahoma City, Okla., is in the city making a short visit with his uncle, P. J. Fuesler.

Harry Morgan, who has been spending a week's vacation with relatives at Warraville, returns here tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Davenport, who have been at Lancaster and Atehon, Kan., visiting relatives, have returned.

Miss Florence Holden, who has been here since the holidays visiting with her brother, Dr. H. T. Holden, has returned to Omaha.

Miss Emma Schulz is ill.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. James Montagne, a son.

Mrs. Edward Fix, who has been quite ill, is now reported rapidly recovering.

C. H. Groesbeck will leave Monday for a week's business trip to La Crosse, Wis.

H. J. Morris has received notice of the death of his brother, which occurred at Central City.

Grover Mayhew has gone to Lynch to visit his sister, Mrs. Daisy St. Johns, who is reported seriously ill with appendicitis.

Frank McWhortery, who has been ill, suffering from appendicitis, is reported recovering rapidly. No operation will be necessary.

The infant daughter of Mrs. August Arniko recently scratched her arm, with the result that blood poisoning set in.

The wound had to be opened three times by her physician. The little one is now reported quite well.

The W. C. T. U. will hold a special meeting at the home of Mrs. Ballantyne Tuesday afternoon. A large attendance is desired.

The masquerade ball at the railroad men's hall at the Junction was a decided success. A large crowd of masqueraders danced to the music furnished by Howe's orchestra.

A large number of Norfolk's young people attended the farewell assembly dance at Marquardt's hall last evening. Howe's orchestra furnished the music.

From Grand Island comes the report that Miss Nora Flynn of Norfolk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Flynn, and Dennis A. Maher will be married Sunday.

Owing to the fact that such a small attendance was present at the meeting of the race horse association which met at the city hall Friday evening, the meeting adjourned until this evening. A large attendance is necessary.

Mr. and Mrs. John Messerli of Tekamah are expected to arrive in Norfolk this evening to make their future home. Mr. Messerli is in the employ of the Sugar City Cereal mills. Mr. and Mrs. Messerli have just been married.

Usually when a man is talking about hard luck he has the same old story about how much money it costs for groceries and other eatables. Nowadays it is very common for a man to say, "You see, it costs lots of money for coal."

John Krantz has gone to Neligh, where he will endeavor to organize a branch of the Nebraska Live Stock Owners Protective association. For some time a number of the Neligh live stock owners have wanted an association organized at that place.

Sioux City Journal: Harry LaCour, of the Ernest Fisher Stock company, who was taken suddenly ill at the end of the second act of "When We Were Twenty-one," at the New Grand theater Tuesday night, is slightly improved but his condition is still serious.

Miss Nellie Howard, who returned from Carter, to which place she accompanied Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas, says it was necessary for them to stay in town until Thursday evening on account of the heavy snow and im-

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passable roads to the homestead.
The Ekhnor river bridge on the Stanton-Madison county line, four miles southeast of Norfolk, has been closed to all traffic, by order of County Commissioner Burr Taft. The bridge was found to be in very dangerous condition and the wonder is that no body has been killed in going over the structure.

The bridge was found to have shifted six inches within the past week. Piling were rotted off and but a very slight jar would have been required to drop the bridge into the river.

The county commissioners will meet and determine what to do with the bridge. It is possible that new tubings will be sunk for the old platform to rest upon.

Winnetoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Long are the happy parents of a big eight-pound girl that arrived at their home Sunday.

McIll Hooper, the registered pharmacist who has had charge of the McGill drug store, departed Tuesday morning for Iaunsa, Mo., where he expects to go in the drug business for himself. For the present Mr. McGill is without a registered pharmacist.

H. J. Crandall has charge of the Updike grain elevator since his brother's departure to Carter, as county treasurer of Knox county. Harry is a hard-working, industrious young man and will certainly make good in the elevator.

Mrs. J. H. Van Horn was here from Norfolk visiting at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pearce. P. C. Sandoz made a business trip to Sparta and Carter.

Mrs. Seth Jones is home from her Omaha visit.

A. Hansen and A. G. Johnson each shipped a carload of cattle to Omaha Tuesday both gentlemen going into the city with them.

The Winnetoon women will give their second annual ball in the M. W. A. hall Saturday evening, January 15.

Nebraska.

Frank Tracy has been reappointed postmaster at Wayne.

Ex-Judge D. C. Stinson has reopened his general store at Dakota City.

Mrs. Elsie Littell, county superintendent of schools of Wayne county, will make a trip to the Pacific coast, visiting Los Angeles, San Francisco and other cities on the coast.

Hard Fight With Insane Man.

Nebraska Democrat: Will Spilke, a young man about 30 years old who has been sent to the insane asylum a couple of times before, the first occasion being about six years ago, was again taken to Norfolk by Sheriff Mears last Monday morning. The patient was put in the sheriff's care Monday of last week and Mr. Meers had the time of his life with him. He is a big, stout man and it took shackles and thirty feet of rope to tie him up, he in the meantime tearing a leg of the sheriff's trousers off, backing his keeper's eye and durn near twisting one of Grant's arms out of the shoulder. After being made fast, he took a long fast, refusing to eat, drink or be merry. Dr. Williams was called to inject the poor man full of pills, etc., and before going to Norfolk William gave up, begged to be released and was as tractable as a child when enroute to the asylum.

Winside Doctor Burned.

Winside Tribune: Dr. McIntyre was fooling with some explosives out in front of his office Tuesday morning when some of the stuff exploded and burned the doctor quite badly in his face and eyes. Quick attention on the doctor's part with local treatment relieved him for the time being, at least, but the burn may prove more serious. It was a pretty close call.

Hunting Stolen Cattle.

Winside Tribune: Mrs. Ellen Grigg of Gordon, Neb., was an arrival last week and is a guest at the Mike Lyons home northwest of Winside. Mrs. Grigg had some cattle stolen from her herd a few months ago and has already traced them to South Omaha where they were sold, and now she is in pursuit of the stock, looking all over the country among cattle bought from the South Omaha man and shipped out in the state. It is quite likely that she will bring the guilty party to justice.

Witten Merchant Ill.

Tripp County News: J. J. Doward, the most prominent and popular merchant in Witten, was stricken Monday evening with a sickness which for a time came very near proving fatal, while playing a friendly game of cards at the hotel, and he was hurriedly taken to his room and Dr. Sweet summoned. After the doctor arrived he had another spell and the doctor had to spend the greater part of the night with him. At this writing he is much better, but naturally quite weak.

HOW MUCH MUST TRUSTS TELL?

Wide Interest in the Effects of the New Corporation Tax.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Are the returns made by corporations under the law imposing a tax of 1 per cent on their net incomes to be open to inspection as public records? The law says they are and a decision soon must be reached by Secretary MacVeagh as to the latitude to be given in the interpretation of the statute.

The attitude of the treasury department in this regard is being awaited with undisguised interest. Many in-

quiries have reached the internal revenue bureau on the subject. Some of them are expressions of satisfaction that an opportunity may be afforded to examine the operations of corporations in which the writers say, though financially interested, they have not been able to learn the extent of their transactions or ascertain other information of importance to stockholders.

Already corporations have complied with the law in numerous cases, according to reports from various collectors. In some cases, also, checks have been included for the amount of the assessments, as calculated by the corporations sending them. The checks are deposited with the collector's accounts. The assessments paid, however, are subject to verification by the commissioner's office and if deficient the difference will be collected.

The tax is not collectible before June, and it is expected that many of the larger corporations will defer making returns until the supreme court passes on the constitutionality of the law.

HAVE YOU—the "boss" of the store—spent more time lately attending to trivial things, your clerks could do pretty nearly as well as you, that you have spent in supervising and planning the store's advertising? "The advertising is worth big enough for the boss."

Madison News Notes.
Madison, Neb., Jan. 13.—Special to The News: Superintendent W. T. Stockdale of the Madison public schools, and County Superintendent N. A. Housel are in Lincoln to be present at the superintendents' and principals' meeting which convenes at that place Thursday and Friday of this week. Superintendent Stockdale is a member of the executive committee and Superintendent Housel is on the program to discuss uniform regulation for conducting eighth grade examinations.

Judge Bates united in marriage at the county court room Edward Rezn