

JONATHAN AND PREACHERS.

He Had an Experience and Knew When They Hit the Nail.

It isn't in the traditions of the Ozark country that old Jonathan Magness was ever converted, but stories are told to show that he had a certain kind of respect for religion. The Magness family came from Kentucky. On one occasion, it is said, the Rev. John Milligan stopped at Jonathan's house for the night. The arrival was unexpected. Mrs. Magness had made no unusual preparations for supper. As the family and the guest sat down old Jonathan surveyed the simple fare for a few moments and then said abruptly: "Help yourself, Mr. Milligan."

Breakfast brought an altogether different looking array of dishes. Old Jonathan looked it over. "Well, old lady," he said, addressing Mrs. Magness, "it looks as if you had something for breakfast worth thanking God for."

Turning to the preacher old Jonathan said: "Give us a touch, Brother Milligan."

And Brother Milligan promptly asked a blessing. Three young Methodist preachers on the way to conference stopped at the Magness house for the night. After supper old Jonathan produced a Bible and a hymn book. He handed them to one of the young preachers, asking: "Sir, will you pray in my family?"

The young preacher read and sang and prayed. As soon as they arose from their knees old Jonathan handed the books to another, asking: "Sir, will you pray in my family?"

The second preacher conducted service, and then the old man called on the third. This young man took the books and went at it in earnest. He read and sang and prayed. He opened with a general appeal for all mankind, and then generally narrowed down his intercessions until he got down to "poor old Father Magness, whose locks have grown gray in sin, and who is now stalking on the brink of hell."

He begged the Lord "to soften this old sin-hardened heart and turn the face of Father Magness Zionward."

Old Jonathan asked for no more prayers. The next morning the preachers asked what they owed. Mr. Magness said to the first: "Your bill is \$1." To the second he said: "Your bill is \$1." To the third he said: "Your bill is nothing. I'll be — if you didn't pray well for me."

HE MADE A GOOD BARGAIN.

The London Syndicate Bit Freely at His Very Modest Mining Property.

From the San Francisco Post: "It is the easiest thing in the world to sell a mine in London for almost any price, provided you have anything to show an expert," said Major Frank McLaughlin.

"There is also a right way and wrong way to go about it. Some time ago I went to London to negotiate the sale of some mining property. Of course the first thing I had to do was to let capital know what I was there for. Then, when inquiries commenced, I simply said: 'Gentlemen, I have mining property to sell. If you mean business and want to buy send your expert out to examine the property and make a report on it. You know then what you are buying.'

"A company was organized. An expert examined the property and reported favorably and a meeting was held to discuss the terms.

"Now, major," said the spokesman, "we have found that the property may be worth something. What is your price?"

"Two hundred and fifty thousand," said I.

"That is more than we expected to pay. We expected to pay about two hundred. There is not much difference between two hundred and two and fifty. If you drop the fifty we will take it."

"I had expected to get about \$100,000 for the property, so with a show of reluctance I agreed to accept their offer. When the papers were made out I was surprised to learn that they had been talking about pounds and I about dollars, but I was very careful not to let my surprise leak out, and that is the way I got \$1,000,000 for the mine."

Lightning Stroke Facts.

From the Rochester Herald: Certain facts about lightning strokes, the result of years of experiment by the United States weather bureau, have recently been tabulated. Thunderstorms reach their maximum in June and July, though reported in every month except in January, the region of winter thunderstorms centering about Louisiana. Forty such storms are the maximum average for any section. The average annual loss of life from lightning in the United States is twenty-four persons. Loss of property, over \$1,500,000. People living in cities and thickly built towns run little danger, the risks in the country or suburbs being five times as great. For the same reason the center of a grove or forest is much safer than its edges or isolated trees, the denser growth acting to distribute the current.

Very Remarkable.

Titt—You'll take part in the football game, I suppose, Mr. Tatt?

Tatt—Very sorry, but I don't know anything about the game.

Titt—Why, I thought you had taken a full college course?

"So I have, but I went to college to study, merely."

One to a Turkey.

By your strutting up and down, And your gobble, gobble, gobble all so gay:

But you'll sing a different tune When, a little after noon,

I gobble, gobble, gobble you Thank-giving Day.

A CAMPAIGN TRICK.

Getting the Best of an Abusive Adversary in Kentucky.

The following story is told by Edward McDermott in an article entitled "Fun on the Stump," in the Century: A few years ago a plain country doctor and a Mr. May, who was fond of jewelry, and wore a valuable diamond stud in his shirt-bosom, were running for the legislature in one of our counties. The race was close and hot. At one speaking the doctor made the following fierce and dangerous thrust at his opponent: "Fellow-citizens, don't you want an honest man in the legislature? Of course you do. Now what sort of man is my opponent? Why, gentlemen, look at that magnificent diamond he wears! It is almost as big and bright as the head-light on a locomotive. Your eyes can hardly stand its glare. It is worth hundreds—may be thousands—of dollars. At what valuation do you suppose he has put it for taxation in his return to the state assessor? Why, at the pitiful sum of \$20!" The crowd yelled for the doctor. Three days later the two met again in joint debate. Again the doctor took up his telling theme, and held forth eloquently and passionately in denunciation of dishonesty and diamonds and false assessments; and then he again told of May's false return to the assessor. "Look at that gorgeous pin, gentlemen! My eyes can hardly endure its dazzling rays. Solomon in all his glory—"

"Hold on there doctor!" said May. "Do you mean to say this pin is worth more than \$20?"

"Yes, I do—twenty times or fifty times \$20!"

"Would you give \$20 for it, doctor?"

"Of course I would."

"Well, you can have it for that."

"All right!" said the doctor, and he hurriedly counted out the money, and took the pin. Then May rose to speak, and the crowd cheered him. He was undoubtedly "game" and honest. He was willing to take what he said the pin was worth. He was elected. A week after the election he called on the doctor and said: "Doctor, I don't want to rob you of your money. Here's your \$20. That pin you bought was paste. I got it in Louisville after your first speech. Here is my real diamond. If I can ever serve you, let me know."

ROMANCE OF A WEDDING RING.

Lost for Many Years and Restored on the Golden Wedding.

The fourth year of my residence at the palace was marked by a family event—the "golden wedding," or fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of the Comte and Comtesse de Tascher de la Pagerie, which was celebrated at Baden-Baden in the presence of all their children and grandchildren.

A curious circumstance occurred on this occasion which is worthy of mention. The (Princesse) Comtesse de Tascher had lost, many years before, her wedding ring, to her great distress, and it had never been found. Shortly before the festivities of the golden wedding, the Duchess of Hamilton, on looking over the jewels left by her mother, the Grand Duchess of Baden, whose death had occurred during the preceding winter, found a small packet labeled, "The wedding ring of Amelie von der Leyen, sold by a Jew peddler as having belonged to the Empress Josephine. To be returned." It was evident that the grand duchess, who was the most forgetful of women, had put this away carefully and entirely forgotten it. The Duchess of Hamilton, seeing the inscription engraved inside, "Louis de Tascher de la Pagerie—Amelie von der Leyen," with the date of their marriage, sent it to the count with the above explanation. He kept the matter secret till the "golden wedding," when the ring which had been lost for so long was again placed on the finger of the Princess Amelie von der Leyen on the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage which had taken place under the sad circumstances already related.—"Life in the Tuilleries Under the Second Empire," by Anna L. Bicknell, in the Century.

The Permanence of Religion.

It is not uncommon to hear speculation on the permanence of religion. It would be just as reasonable to talk to the permanence of the intellect or the conscience, the permanence of the imagination or any other constituent element of human nature. The vocabulary of religion, its forms and ceremonies, have all their perishable elements; but the source of religion is inseparable from the nature of man. We do not mean that religion is the utterance alone of a single faculty. Intellect, imagination, conscience, emotion, the love of the beautiful and sublime, may all enter into it; but this only shows from what varied sources of our nature it is derived. As long as there is anything in the universe to worship, man will be a worshiper. So long as God speaks, so long will man answer. It is strange, then, that religious authority should have been made so often to depend upon some perishable external incident of religion rather than upon the spiritual consciousness of mankind.

The Figures Correct.

Railroad Official—I must say you put rather a high value on that trunk. What's in it? Passenger—I don't know. My wife packed it. Official—Hum! Perhaps your estimate is correct. If a woman did the packing, everything in the house is in it.

New Bear in Town.

A good-sized bear was killed in the city limits of Montesano, Wash., last week. The animal strayed in from the near-by forest and got within four blocks of the courthouse before anyone appeared with a gun. Then a 14-year-old boy killed it.

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The Monroe doctrine is to be upheld by a strong resolution. That has been formally decided upon by Senate committee on Foreign Relations, and a subcommittee appointed to draft the resolution.

Secretary Olney took part in the second meeting of the Venezuelan boundary commission. As matters pertaining to the plans to be followed in the work of the commission were discussed the meeting was not a public one. Secretary Olney's relation to the commission is merely that of an adviser. The commission will, of course, make use of the knowledge Secretary Olney has acquired by a long study of the case, but its actions will be entirely independent of either Mr. Olney or the President.

The House and Senate Foreign committees have referred all the resolutions which have been offered concerning Cuba to subcommittees, which indicates that no hasty actions will be taken, not withstanding the clamor in and about Congress for the reporting of a resolution for the recognition of Cuban belligerency. The only thing that would bring about has action on the part of Congress would be the capture of Havana by the insurgents.

We have received from C. A. Snow and company, Solicitors of United States and Foreign patents, of Washington, D. C. a Pamphlet recently published and copyrighted by them, entitled:

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The length of a sentence is to be measured by the number of letters it contains, and each contestant must indicate by figures at the close of his sentence just how long it is. The sentence must have some meaning. Geographical names and names of persons cannot be used. The contest closes February 15th, 1904, and the results will be published one week later. In case two or more prize-winning sentences are equally short the one first received will be given preference. Every competitor whose sentence is less than 115 letters in length will receive Wilkie Collins' work in paper cover, including twelve complete novels, whether he wins a prize or not. No contestant can enter more than one sentence nor combine with other competitors. Residents of Omaha are not permitted to take any part, directly or indirectly, in this contest. Piano now on exhibition at Hayden Bros. Music Co., Omaha, Neb.

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