

CAN A CHRISTIAN MAN GO THROUGH BANKRUPTCY AND RETAIN STANDING

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We are having a great variety of questions coming to us of late, says Wallace's Farmer, which are not strictly agricultural and yet of interest to agricultural people. One correspondent writes: "Can a Christian take the benefit of the bankrupt law? Can he even believe it to be right to take the benefit of it, and remain a Christian?"

To which the Farmer replies as follows: It is never right to make an illegitimate use of the bankrupt law, in other words, to unload on others who have trusted us obligations which we are morally and legally bound to pay, and which can be done at some sacrifice. It is impossible to frame a bankrupt law of which dishonest men will not take advantage.

There are, however, many honest failures, where unforeseen calamities come upon honest people, and when it is impossible to pay at the time, and would continue to be impossible so long as they are harassed by importunate creditors. Under these circumstances we believe it is perfectly legitimate for a man to take advantage of the bankrupt law.

The bankrupt law, however, does not relieve from the moral obligation, although it does re-

lieve from the legal obligation. For instance, a man fails for ten thousand dollars, and fails honestly. He is able to pay 60 cents on the dollar, and would be able in time to pay 100 cents, provided he is allowed to manage his own business without having to put himself execution proof and having to do business in some other man's name, or see every little accumulation that he makes gobbled up by some importunate and perhaps not always too honest creditor. By availing himself of the bankrupt law he may be able later on to pay 100 cents on the dollar. Taking advantage of the bankrupt law does not take away the moral obligation to pay his creditors; but if an honest man avails himself of this law, he may be able to pay in full, and if a Christian man he should do this. If he fails to take advantage of it, he may be crippled for life, and what he makes may be gobbled up about as fast as made by some avaricious creditor, who would take even the bread out of the children's mouths if the law permitted it.

In short, the bankrupt law does not absolve any man from the moral obligation. It was intended to aid men to fulfill their moral obligation by protecting them from greedy creditors.

Digging Their Own Graves.

Many people are not even aware that they are digging their own graves. Watch them eating and drinking and you will soon acknowledge that they are ruining their health. Intemperance, irregularity of meals, poor cooking, improper selection of food, imperfect chewing, all this leads to a premature grave. You should never neglect even the slightest indisposition, because it always may leave some weakness in some part of the body. Use at once Triner's American Elixir of Bitter Wine. It cleans out the stomach and keeps it clean; it cleans out the intestines and does not allow the food to ferment there. It strengthens the digestive organs, rebuilds the depleted blood, gives new strength to nerves and muscles. It cures indigestion, constipation, headache and backache, relieves rheumatic and neuralgic pains, colic and cramps. At drug stores, Jos. Triner, 1333-39 So. Ashland ave., Chicago, Ill.

On Their Tour to Europe.

The young ladies forming the World-Herald European tour departed from Omaha last evening over the Rock Island on their trip, starting in a Pullman. Many parents and friends of the young ladies were present to bid them farewell and wish them success and a pleasant voyage to and fro. Cass county will be represented by Miss Lillian Tighe of Manley, who is accompanied by her sister, Miss Agnes, who goes as chaperon. The party will sail from Montreal Saturday morning. While the Journal wishes all the young ladies a grand treat, we particularly desire to wish the Misses Tighe a grand good time and safe return home, feeling that they have been greatly benefited by the trip.

Walt Thacker of Union was in the city today looking after business matters. Walt has sold his farm and may leave Cass county.

Postoffice Building Enclosed.

The contractor, Mr. Pelton, finished putting on the sheeting at the government postoffice building yesterday afternoon. Inside of the next ten days the building will be enclosed. Emil Walters commenced the lathing last week, and the basement and part of the ground floor has been lathed. This part of the job was discontinued for a short time owing to the work on the side walls by the carpenters not being out of the way. The work all along the line is progressing nicely and Postmaster Schneider will occupy the new building with the postoffice and postal savings bank before many moons.

An Early Pioneer in Town.

Simon Gruber of Union and John Clarence of near Union were in the city today on business. Mr. Gruber is one of the old settlers and a pioneer in the community in which he lives, he having been a Cass county citizen for the past fifty years. Although Mr. Gruber was a mere lad when he crossed the ocean, he has not forgotten the experience of the voyage, and the effect a storm, which rose in mid-ocean, had on the voyagers coming over. Some swore, others cursed, while still others wept. Mr. Gruber says the corn crop in the vicinity of Union is looking fine.

Passes Eightieth Mile Stone.

Our old friend, Captain Enyart, of Nebraska City, recently celebrated his 80th birthday. Captain Enyart is one of the early residents of Nebraska City, coming to that city immediately after the civil war. He served in the confederate army from the beginning to the close of the great unpleasantness, and has been a very prosperous and successful business man of his home city from the very date he landed there. The Journal hopes he may live to reach the 100th mile post and several miles ahead of this if possible.

Paint Front of Building.

Ofe & Andrews, the popular garage firm, have caused the front of their place of business to be decorated with a new coat of paint, changing it from a barn red to a beautiful silver gray. Messrs. Ofe & Andrews are staying right along with the procession.

Filed for Nomination.

W. Kelly Fox filed for the nomination for county treasurer on the democratic ticket this morning. Thus far for this office one democrat and one republican have filed.

Mr. L. Boedeker of Louisville was in the city today looking after business matters for a few hours.

LOCAL NEWS

From Thursday's Daily.

Attend the county convention next Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. McGinnis Churchill of Murray was a Plattsmouth visitor today, transacting business at the stores.

Harry Barthold and family departed this evening for a three weeks' visit at their old home at Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Pribble returned from Louisville this morning, where they visited a short time with Mr. Pribble's parents.

Mrs. P. H. Tritsch drove in from the far mand looked after the shopping this morning, while Mr. Tritsch was busy with the threshing.

Miss Florence Dovey departed for Burlington, Iowa, on the morning train today, where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Solman for a few days.

M. Fanger, the department store merchant, returned from Omaha on the afternoon train today, where he has been on business for a few days.

Mrs. Arthur Troop was a passenger to Omaha on the morning train today, where she met Mr. Troop, who went to South Omaha with cattle this morning on the M. P.

Mr. W. A. Tulene and wife returned from Vilisca, Iowa, on the morning train today, where they had been to attend the funeral of J. M. Dalton, Mrs. Tulene's grandfather.

Dr. C. A. Marshall was an Omaha passenger on the morning train today, where he went to bring Mrs. Marshall home from the hospital, where she has been taking treatment for some time.

Fred Spangler was in this morning to get some repairs for the threshing machine, which has been running near Murray. Mr. Spangler says the wheat where they have threshed averaged about 20 bushels per acre.

County Attorney Taylor went to Avoca this afternoon, where he will appear for the state in a preliminary hearing before Judge Orlando Tefft, in a case of too much Fourth of July cheer, resulting in a stabbing affray.

Mrs. John Dreamer of Elmwood and daughter, Nell, of Lincoln, came down Tuesday for a visit with Mrs. C. E. Cook and family. Mrs. Dreamer is the mother of Mrs. Cook, and they expect to spend two weeks at the Cook home.

Mr. Ed Whelan, who has been a guest of the Pierson home for a few days, was an Omaha passenger this afternoon, where he was called on business. Mr. Whelan has purchased the Glenwood opera house and will put on vaudeville during the summer.

Mrs. Nelson, mother of Mrs. Charles Martin, came to Plattsmouth yesterday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Martin, and was seized with illness while at her daughter's home. A physician was called and Mrs. Nelson was later able to go to her home.

Matt McQuinn, one of the hustling farmers of Liberty precinct, came up from Union last evening to look after some business matters, remaining over night and going to Omaha this morning to look after some business matters. While here Matt called on the Journal, as usual.

Mr. George P. Meisinger and wife drove in from Eight Mile Grove precinct this morning and looked after business matters in the city. Mr. Meisinger says the grasshoppers have not injured him much, but on some of the farms where late oats are in the field they are doing considerable damage.

Republican Candidate.

C. E. Heebner, from near Nehawka, and Torrence Fleming, from near Murray, were in the city Tuesday evening, driving in from Mr. Fleming's home for a few hours' visit. They paid the Journal office a brief call. As will be seen by the announcement, Mr. Heebner is a candidate for the nomination of county commissioner on the republican ticket. Mr. Heebner is one of the finest men in Cass county and we believe that the republicans would make no mistake in giving him the nomination.

School Enumeration Made.

The enumeration of children of school age within the district is completed. The number is slightly below last year, being for the present year 1,381.

HUNDREDS DEAD IN ONTARIO

Fourteen Mines and Several Towns Are Devastated.

PROPERTY LOSS MANY MILLIONS

Charred Bodies Lie Along the Road-sides and Other Corpses Are Among the Ruined Villages and Fire-Swept Shafts in Porcupine District.

Toronto, Ont., July 13.—The loss of life in the Porcupine district from forest fires is known to be several hundred and the property loss will reach several millions of dollars. Only three of the eighty-four employees of the West Dome mine have been accounted for and 266 miners, muckers, etc., in the Dome mine have been suffocated. The mines burned include the Dome, North Dome, Preston, East Dome, Vipond, Foley O'Brien, Philadelphia, United Porcupine, Eldorado Porcupine, Standard Imperial, West Dome and Success.

Among the dead are Robert Wetas, manager of the West Dome, and his wife and child.

All reports give but a vague idea of the loss of life as well as property in Porcupine camp, which probably will total millions of dollars and hundreds of lives.

In four hours the fire swept from the Standard mines through to the shores of Porcupine lake, where it destroyed South Porcupine, Pottsville and part of Golden City, as well as many small buildings along the lake front. While some loss of life occurred in the vicinity of Porcupine lake, the greatest havoc was wrought around the main mines, notably West Dome and Big Dome.

Here the entrapped miners, cut off from escape, were forced to take to the shafts for safety, and perished by flames.

Streets strewn with dead. The streets of South Porcupine are strewn with dead persons, horses, dogs and cattle. Along the mine roads are the charred bodies of those who come trying to escape.

Of the staff of 300 at the Dome but a few were saved, and at West Dome but three out of eighty-four employees are known to be alive. Along the highways between East Dome and South Porcupine, over a comparatively open section, were found six charred bodies.

In the ruins of South Porcupine were found the bodies of William Cohn and his clerk, Mac Smith, Captain George Runbar and Tom Geddes.

FOOD AND SHELTER PROVIDED

Thousand Homeless Survivors of Fires More Comfortable.

Detroit, July 13.—With food at their disposal and tents provided for shelter, the thousand or more homeless survivors of fire-swept Au Sable and Oscoda breathed easier.

The known dead remain three in number, with Samuel Rosenthal, a tailor, the only one yet identified. The bodies of the others are charred beyond recognition. The wind has subsided almost entirely and it would need but a little rain to smother the smoldering fires through Otsego, Cheboygan and Presque Isle counties.

The village of waters is reported burning, together with the Stephenson Lumber company mills and yards.

TRY TO CAPTURE CASTLE

Stronghold in Lisbon Attacked by Large Body of Men.

Lisbon, Portugal, July 13.—A mysterious and daring, though unsuccessful, attempt was made to penetrate and capture St. George castle, now a strongly fortified fortress on the top of a hill in the center of the city.

The sentinels at the castle were surprised by a large body of men, who fired volleys. The whole garrison quickly turned out and charged with fixed bayonets. The invaders disappeared in the darkness. The attack has caused a sensation and the garrison of the city has been reinforced.

Protests Against Parcels Post.

Washington, July 13.—Opposition to the passage of a parcels post bill was made before the house committee on postoffices and post roads by representatives of various retail merchants' associations. The argument was advanced that the government should regulate, but not compete with or try to aid private concerns engaged in interstate commerce.

Turkish Editor Murdered.

Constantinople, July 13.—Yekkibery, editor of the newspaper Sheba, was assassinated. The Sheba recently suspended publication owing to the hostility of the extremists of the Young Turks party. No arrests have been made.

Finds Son Dead After Long Search.

St. Louis, July 13.—The long search of Mrs. Minnie Grimes of Oklahoma City, Okla., for her son, ended in her identification of a photograph of a young man crushed to death in a box-car last April as that of her son.

Iowa Man Drops Dead.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 13.—William L. Tubbs of Santa Ana, formerly of Glenwood, Ia., with relatives in Council Bluffs, dropped dead in his garage, where he was found by his wife.

JAMES R. KEENE.
Financier Now In London Admits He Is Very Sick Man.



KEENE HAS RELAPSE

American Under Treatment in London Is Seriously Ill.

London, July 13.—James R. Keene suffered a relapse and was confined to his room at a hotel here.

Mr. Keene has lost considerable weight and admits that he has had "a pretty bad time during the last six months." He seemed better a few days ago, but caught cold and got a touch of rheumatism. The source of his most serious trouble, however, is his stomach.

M'NAMARAS ENTER PLEAS OF NOT GUILTY

Judge Bordwell Overrules Every Point Advanced by Defense.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 13.—In calm tones John J. and James B. McNamara, alleged dynamite plotters, answered "not guilty" to the nineteen charges of murder against them when, after ten weeks in the Los Angeles county jail, the time for them to plead arrived.

Judge Walter Bordwell overruled every point advanced by the defense for the quashing of the indictments. John J. McNamara was the first to be asked how he wished to plead. He firmly answered, "Not guilty." Hardly a minute later James B. McNamara made a similar response to the same charge.

Afterward they replied at the same time to the accusations, answering nineteen separate times the question as to how they would plead to the charges of murdering nineteen employees of the Los Angeles Times, when the plant of that paper was destroyed by an explosion.

When the nineteen murder accusations had been answered John J. McNamara stood alone and answered "Not guilty" to the charge of complicity in the explosion at the Llewellyn Iron works in this city.

The defense asked that the date of trial be not fixed until Joseph Scott, one of the McNamara attorneys, could return from San Francisco. The prosecution objected, but Judge Bordwell finally ordered a continuance until Friday morning, when the trial date will be settled.

SUSPEND CRIPPEN'S LAWYER

Conducted Defense With View of Making Copy for Two Newspapers.

London, July 13.—Arthur Newton, who was found guilty of professional misconduct in his defense of the wife murderer, Dr. Hawley H. Crippen, was suspended from the practice for one year and ordered by the divisional court to pay the costs of the inquiry.

Newton was alleged to have abused his privilege as a lawyer by aiding and abetting Horatio W. Bottomley, editor of a weekly publication and member of parliament, to publish false statements regarding the case and also to have aided the Daily Chronicle to give publicity to similar untruths.

Justice Darling, in announcing the decision of the court, said that the case had disclosed the gravest state of affairs, absolutely inconsistent with public advantage. Crippen, he said, was not defended as he should have been, with a view purely to his defense. The case had been conducted largely for the purpose of making copy for the newspapers, which subscribed money for the defense. That a solicitor should lend himself to such a practice was a grave offense, the justice said, and he added that in his opinion the newspapers connected with the affair deserve punishment.

Tetanus Kills Belvidere Boy. Belvidere, Ill., July 13.—Emory Helges, nine years old, died from lockjaw, the result of having shot himself in the hand with a toy pistol on July 4.

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