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GOD REIGNS AND THE GOVERNMENT LIVES.

A young officer of the Union army mounted the steps of the treasury building in New York one morning in April, 1865.

That simple sentence from James A. Garfield carried conviction to those troubled citizens who heard him.

Just now the hearts of men are sorely tried, their minds bewildered and perplexed.

Our country has withstood other shocks. Civil war once divided the nation, and strong men contended in the fercest of conflict.

Nor has the moral nature of the American people suffered to a degree where it may be said we are lacking and no longer fit to govern ourselves.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASSES.

The movement to stimulate the attendance of men at Bible school is one to be encouraged.

No other book offers to the seeker after right living, the seeker after uplifting thought, the seeker after a knowledge of human nature, a harvest equal to that offered by the Bible.

One reason why the Bible schools, or Sunday schools as they are more often called, are not more largely attended by adults is that a general impression has been cultivated that they are for children.

IF A MAN STEALS, LET HIM PAY.

That Lincoln item with reference to the man who is trying to repay \$14,000 at the rate of \$50 per month is interesting.

This may strike some as too severe punishment, but examination will show that it is but simple justice.

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a year or so to pay the bills for repairs, his punishment would more snugly fit the crime.

So it is with other cases. A widow testified that a stock swindler had wheedled her out of all she possessed.

Moses attached restitution as a part, in fact the chief penalty. If a man stole an ox, he was required to put back two, one that was stolen, and one to pay for the use of the other.

STERN ORDERS, WISE PRACTICE.

Henry Beal, county attorney, repeats this advice to Omaha police. It may sound harsh to some of tender sensibilities, but it will have a responsive "Amen!" in the hearts of most people.

The thug who goes forth to hold up people in daylight, who breaks into a home at night, has no regard for human life.

Any doubt on this point may be dispelled by considering how Frank Aughe came to his death, or how Paul Haze got his head filled with shot.

The police do not have an even break in dealing with those men, as has been proven many times.

Yet another point must be considered. Douglas county juries have of late been entirely too lenient in dealing with persons accused of murder.

Let us have a sterner conception of duty. Murder is murder, and murder done in pursuit of any other felony is punishable by death or life imprisonment.

What Omaha needs is a check to the prevailing carnival of thievery and thuggery with its attendant murders.

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Nebraska has shared in this growth, and has met it fairly. At the University of Nebraska the registration has mounted to a total more than double the prewar figures.

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Senator Magnus Johnson invaded the senate press gallery to verbally abuse a correspondent. Goodby, Magnus; take keer o' yerself.

Detroit police have raided one gambling joint 186 times. The take-off in that game must be something fierce.

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SUNNY SIDE UP

Take Comfort, nor forget That Sunrise never failed us yet

LIFE'S SUNNY SIDE.

Thou' trouble comes and things go wrong, I'll waste no time in groaning.

I'll do no vain repining. In time the clouds will pass away To show the bright sun shining.

And so I look on life with zest, Content, whatever betide me, Tho' clouds a little while may hide.

Thou' rough the way and hard the load, I'll waste no time complaining, But persevere and walk betide me.

While at life's work remaining, My work to do as best I may, Each duty done with pleasure.

And at the end of every day Content in fullest measure, No doubt so dark that it can hide, From me and mine life's Sunny Side.

We find ourselves, this bright Sabbath morning, here among the high mountains, the left those of our own staff, and on the right those of many papers and pulpits.

There was a young fellow in Laurel, Who with his girl's dad had a quarrel, At the end of the fight The young man was slight,

One of the funniest things about politics is the candidate who can not realize what a joke he is.

A Lincoln man reports that some happened drained the motor of his car just to get the stuff they bootleg in Lincoln must be awfully bad if men prefer the stuff drained from auto radiators.

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Out of Today's Sermons

An excerpt from the sermon today of C. A. Segerstrom, pastor of First Swedish Baptist church, entitled "Where the Voice of Jesus Shall Be Heard and Obeyed," follows:

Often during past ages has God come calling on human souls to hear Him and leave their sinful ways. This very hour He is standing outside, knocking and pleading.

The prophets of old spoke: "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son."

But is His voice heeded? Yes, by some, but seemingly very few in our time. To hear Him and obey Him means simply to surrender one's life to Him.

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My Mother's Bonnet

Like a sweet and sacred sonnet That, in its lines soul depths are traced,

And only my heart understands The halo that it made above her hair.

I see again the tired, wrinkled hands That had so often placed it there. Laid away in lavender, carefully,

Oh, how tenderly do I lift to kiss That bit of faded scented blue, And oh, how bitterly does my soul miss.

I place it back again so carefully Within its sacred spotless nest,— With lips a-murmuring prayerfully,— In eternal peace, may thy soul rest.

THE PHANTOM BIRD. It comes in the night when I'm sleeping; In the midnight hour of the evening,

When all the mortals are dreaming; And with a voice strange and delicate, It chants through the hour without leaving.

It comes in the stillness of evening, And a peace comes over my soul, Like a touch of a hand on my soul, And I am aroused from my sleeping.

By a far-off and distant control; And a poor soul that knows no releasing, Seems to chant to a bell's distant toll.

And knowing there is no releasing, Its voice sounds like a bell's distant toll.

Dear Father, what is it that's speaking, With a voice like a bird's at my door,

And, dear Father, what is it seeking, When I hear a soft step on the floor?

Like a spirit's that cares not for leaving, When it comes with the wind's mournful roar,

And seeks a warm hearth, before leaving— Before joining its voice in the roar?

'Tis the phantom bird that comes creeping, And it comes from the long, long ago,

From the land of the long, long ago; It is a lost soul that is speaking, Of the land where departed souls go.

And because it is lost it is weeping, And is telling me of its woe, And on the night wind it is weeping, And is asking my prayers in its woe.

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