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Hard Job to Unhonor Paul Revere

One of those fiscal men who insist that facts are facts only when riveted down by spot witness affidavits and vouchers of identity from generation to generation says that Paul Revere must "move on" out of history into tradition and take Longfellow's epic with him. If it must be tradition gains a star and Boston's "ragged rebel" won't be lonely touching elbows with the men of Sempach, Ivry and Thermopylae and other heroes in that twilight land. However, the ride has been ridden in imagination by millions of boys and girls who became fathers and mothers and even grandfathers and grandmothers to more riders. One and all, they took it for "true or it wouldn't have been printed," so it boots little whether that midnight trip to Lexington happened or Longfellow invented it. Paul Revere is in saddle to stay.

That charge into a hot place at Bala- klaya never occurred as the poet describes it, but the rendering of Tennyson's classic on recitation days was the battle rehearsal for thousands of schoolboys who in the sixties really charged with Lee's "Jeb" Stuart and Grant's "Little Phil." War is always what Sherman found it, but the spirit to "fight on horseback, footback and every other back" when naggered too far makes for peace as much as a big fleet and in the same way. Also, if Paul Revere could be unbossed by collision with a little thing like "historical truth," "Horatius at the Bridge," "Arnold Winkelried" and "The White Plume of Navarre" must go too. The new thought has it that to believe an idea is fact hard enough makes it fact regardless. For certain purposes, notably sidestepping dry rot in a nation's backbone, this gospel bubbles with common sense.

It was not laziness nor decline that kept Mark Twain from launching a new joke on his seventy-third birthday. He knew that seventy-three for him was a joke on Dr. Osler that the whole world would appreciate.

Londoners have the big head because plants have been put in their subway. Some of our subways have been planted and replanted and not a few same people are kicking to have them transplanted.

That pugilist who has "gone into literature" is probably getting ready for the inevitable to give Editor Roosevelt a choice of weapons.

So marvelous is our climate that one may step from summer into winter and not be aware of doing a stretch.

The Uplift in the Mountains.

Lincoln university, for the support of which money will be solicited in connection with the Lincoln centenary, is not merely another educational fad nor is it a useless competitor with other institutions. It is maintained for the practical training of mountainers who but for its open doors will live without half a chance in case they stay in the mountains and fight against enormous odds if they leave the hills for crowded marts. Its ambition the university may be called an experiment. But the mission proclaimed is not farfetched. There is need of uplift work in those very mountains.

Farther south in the mountains of Georgia a young society woman of St. Louis established a pioneer "settlement" a few years ago which has proved that the idea of carrying culture to the poorest soil is worth while. Beginning with five boys in 1902, she now conducts an establishment comprising a laundry, truck farm, school and library and dairy, the work being done by pupils, some of whom pay their way by labor. However ignorant and ragged at the start, the material of the wild hills is good. Not alone native ruggedness, but native honesty, is the heritage of those children, whose forbears were in the main Scotch-Irish immigrants.

Haiti once belonged to France, but the natives revolted and slaughtered all the Frenchmen found on the island. Napoleon made believe to befriend the blacks, but the regime he instituted ended in tyranny. Yet in spite of the national hatred of the French flag the rulers of the little republic take cover under it to protect them from the fury of their own people.

Back country farmers will be glad to have the uplift commission make dates this winter providing the advance agent brings along a steam snowplow as pilot for the steam roller.

Calling that egg corner a shell game may be a poor pun, but the last laugh will be the punster's when the egg trust lawyer tries to make a jail of trust out of it for libel.

A Sunday newspaper printed in the evening is all right for Washington, for that is just when the Sabbath dawns upon our overworked ruling classes.

In order to remove cruel war from his native shores Castro carried Venezuela's navy to Europe in his money chests.

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DON'T FORGET US.

The Junior Choir of Allen Chapel will give their first Junior rally, Sunday, Dec. 20th, at 3 p.m. The following program will be given:

Processional.....

Song hymn.....

Prayer.....

Solo and Chorus, Jesus lover of my soul

Recitation..... Katie Hapen

Paper..... Mattie Brewer

Solo—Redemption..... Margaret Smith

Chorus..... The Welcome Sound

Address..... Rev. C. W. McColl

Solo—Show me the Way..... Ada Colbert

Recitation..... Martha Goodall

Instrumental solo..... Arlene Megee

Recitation..... Lillian Harper

Closing Chorus..... Holy City

Collection.....

There was Boys Bible Study Class

organized at the colored Y. M. C. A.

evening. The meeting was opened by

the general secretary, Mr. Taylor, who

gave the boys a very interesting talk.

The attendance was very good for a

gathering of this kind, as this was the

first meeting, but we expect to have a

large attendance next Tuesday. All

boys are welcome, as it will do them

good to come and do us good to see them.

Class opens 7:30 p.m. sharp, every

Tuesday. Come early.

Officers elected: Albert Booth, Pres.

Jas. Perry, Sec.; Edward McWilliams,

Treas.; Jas. Bailey, Correspondent.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH.

Snow white and the Seven Dwarfs,

A Juvenile cantate, in four scenes, will

be given at this church Thursday eve,

Dec. 24, 1908.

The cantata is under the direction of

Miss Mae Butler and the Sunday school teachers. The characters to be represented are:

Princess Snow White..... Augusta Small

Queen..... Bella Pettra

Arbutus..... Lillian Cohnly

Daffodil..... Ethel Alexander

Violet..... Rebecca Graves

Prince..... Harry Parker

Carl, the huntsman. Lincoln Thomas

Seven Dwarfs..... Small Boys

Max..... George Martin

Hans..... Roy Pettra

Charms of forest children

Little Chorus..... smallest Children

Full Chorus..... All Children

Scenes.

1. Our doors, Snow White meets

the forest children who gather to cele- brate her birthday. 2. An open space in the forest. 3. Interior of dwarf's house. 4. Grounds near the young King's palace.

This cantata promises to be a grand affair. Programs will be furnished at the church. Admission 10cts. Rev. G. A. Martin, Pastor.

Flanner Guild Notes.

A mother's meeting was permanent-

ly organized at Flanner Guild last

Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Minnie

Scott, Pres.; Mrs. M. A. Clark, Vice

Pres.; Mrs. Braban, Sec.; Mrs. Turge- son, Asst. Sec.; Mrs. Kittie Minter,

Treas. An interesting meeting was

held and light refreshments were served.

These meetings will be on Friday

afternoon of each week. Opening at

3 o'clock.

We are arranging for a Xmas cheer

for the unfortunate children. We ask

for donations to aid us in this effort.

Any one having something to give, call

4249.

An orchestra is being organized

and will play special music for our Sunday

meetings, which will begin the first

Sunday in January.

Dr. Ward will address the boys' club

Thursday night.

Services at Wayman Chapel Sunday

with preaching at 10:45 and 7:45 by

pastor, Rev. A. Jackson. David Adam

class leader and Mr. Comer, Supt. of

the Sunday school at 2:30. Tuesday

night Official board and Class with W. B. Clemons leader. Thursday night

Prayer meeting and Trustee Board.

Thanksgiving Report Alpha Home

The ladies of the Alpha Home Associa-

tion wish to thank the principals and

their assistance at the various

schools for the great effort they made

in collecting Thanksgiving offerings

for the Home. Great credit is due No.

40, as she took the lead in sending the

largest donations this year: Five bars

soap, 4lbs of coffee, 4lbs rice, 1 roll of

muslin, 1lb dried peaches, 2 lbs of flour,

1lb of hominy, 2 pecks of dried beans,

4lbs of sugar, 1 gallon maple syrup,

94 bars of fruit, 2 cans baked beans, 1lb

baking powder, 32 glasses of jelly, 12lbs

bus Irish potatoes, 35 pumpkins, 2/2

bus apples, 1 bus turnips, 1 1/2 bus

sweet potatoes, 2 bus onions, 1 peck

mixed fruit, 1 barrel cabbage. We

bring your donations to the church, Thursday night.

Santa Clause is coming to the church Xmas evening in an airship

Admission, free.

Alice Frazier.

Preaching at Allen Chapel Sunday

at 10:45 a.m., and 8 p.m. Sabbath

school at 1:30 p.m., and C. E., at 7 p.m.

The first piano rally by the Junior

class at 3 p.m. Rev. Sampson pastor

\$165.55.

Rev. A. D. Jimerson preached at night.

Two additions. Special services Sun-

day, Dec. 20th, beginning at 7:45. We

hope to see all young men and ladies

present. There will be Christmas can-

ta Thursday night, Dec. 24th.

The E. B. Delaney Missionary Soci-

ety will hold open house, Jan. 1, '09,

at the residence of Mrs. Wm. Poach,