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Appreciating Our Ministers

The current Literary Digest contains a splendid review appreciative of the work of modern ministers of the gospel. In part The Digest says:

"Breaking through tradition, which limited him to the pulpit and to pastoral calls, the modern minister has become more than a moral guide and a denouncer of sin and sinners, and, in turn, a higher education and a more varied training are required of him. And contrary to a very widely held opinion, the preacher today—if he is of the right sort—is a harder worker than his fathers.

"Whereas our fathers rode their circuits preaching the same sermon to four congregations in two or four weeks, as the same circuit might require, writes the Rev. W. C. Poole in the New York Times, 'The modern minister preaches to the same congregation twice every Sunday and holds a midweek service, requiring 150 sermons and addresses a year, besides those used in a month or more of evangelistic work, and one or more outside sermons and addresses a week to help churches not his own.'

"The writer submits this as 'a daily program

for thousands of ministers in the United States: 'Seven to 8 o'clock, clean up correspondence from desk; 8 to 9, research work; 9 to 12, study; 1 to 5, pastoral work, making ten to twenty calls; evening, church organizations, prayer meeting and special addresses.

"I know one minister who averages every year 3,000 pastoral calls, 300 sermons and addresses, 1,000 letters pertaining to church work, membership, etc., 30 evangelistic meetings in his own church, 200 changes in membership, 40 funerals, 50 baptisms, 100 meetings of various church organizations, \$20,000 raised for church benevolences, 1,000 telephone calls answered, 100 jobs obtained for members out of work. In addition, he acts as his chauffeur for his own flivver and keeps it in running order.

"More difficult tests are placed on the modern minister's mental equipment. The growing intelligence of the people, says the writer, 'will not permit repetition and triteness as in the days of our fathers.

"The old preacher was a strong negation. Thou shalt not, was his favorite text. The present generation of preachers has added the gospel of constructive religion. They use the Beatitudes and the life of Jesus as an example for others more freely than their elders. David's Psalms of wrath have given way to the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians.

"The minister of today is constantly building and constructing good that crowds out evil, planting institutions and organizations which are changing home conditions, social and government conditions. Where his father pointed out the evil, he has gone forward and supplanted it with good."

Answers to Questions

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Q. Just what is a minimum wage?

A. R. A. G.
A. This is a term employed to indicate the lowest level of earnings for a given class of laborers which will afford them and their natural dependents a means of existence adequate to maintain them in full physical efficiency and social decency.

Q. When was Howard university founded?

A. Howard university was founded in Washington, D. C., in 1867, and was designed for the higher education of the colored race, but is open to students of both sexes without regard to race.

Q. Is there a city named Candy?

A. N. O. E.

Q. There is a city in Ceylon named Candy, which also is spelled Candy.

Q. What is the origin of the expression "gone to the Devil"?—A. Constant Reader.

A. The Devil was originally the name of a noted public house located at No. 2 Fleet street, near the Temple Bar in London. When the lawyers in the neighborhood went to dinner they were accustomed to hang out a sign on their doors, "Gone to the Devil," so that those who wanted them might know where to find them.

Q. What is meant by "the millennium"?—T. A. N.

A. The millennium, according to a widely accepted system of Christian eschatology, is a period of 1,000 years preceding the final judgment, during which Christ and his saints will reign on earth.

Q. Isn't the Red Cross interested in the Evergreen School any longer?

A. S. S.
A. While the Evergreen School for the Blind has been taken over by the Veterans' Bureau, the Red Cross still co-operates with it, and there have been few changes in the personnel or policy of the institution.

Q. The foreign born children automatically become citizens when the father takes out naturalization papers?

A. V. V.
A. Foreign born children under the age of 21 automatically become American citizens when the father takes out naturalization papers.

After Dinner Stories

Brown had what he thought was a clever idea to stage off an unwelcome visit from his mother-in-law.

"My dear," he said to Mrs. B., "you have asked me to do two things. One is to give you a new fall suit and the other to send to your mother a check to defray her traveling expenses. I can't afford to do both. Which shall I do?"

Her reply showed him how foolish he was to match his wits against hers.

"Send mother the check, by all means," she said quickly. "I've already ordered the suit."

"Mother," said George, as he presented the office chum who had come to spend Saturday afternoon with him, "this is my friend, Mr. Specknoodle."

George's mother was rather deaf. "I'm sorry," she said, "but I did not quite catch the name."

"My friend, Mr. Specknoodle!" shouted George.

"I'm sorry," said his mother, "but I can't hear distinctly!"

"Specknoodle!" George fairly belabored.

"I'm afraid it's no use," said the old lady, as she shook her head. "It sounds just like 'Specknoodle' to me."

Lessons in Correct English

Don't Say:

The coachman holds the LINES.
You may BANK on him to pay you.
I TAKE STOCK in his honesty.
He sold the BALANCE of his corn.
I drew out the REMAINDER of my money from the bank.

Say:

The coachman holds the REINS.
You may RELY on him to pay you.
I HAVE FAITH in his honesty.
He sold the REST (or remainder) of his corn.
I drew out the BALANCE of my money from the bank.

Germans walk on the other side of the street when passing a house cleaned with Blue Devil.—Advertisement.

TODAY'S TALK

By George Matthew Adams, Author of "You Can," "Take It," "Up"

THE WINDS

As I write the wind is running about my windows and the room in which I work. I stop to listen to what it has to say. It seems almost human to me. Now it whistles. Now it roars. Now it just whispers.

I wonder about its beginning. Where did this wind come from—where is it to end its run?

The tallest trees yield to its power—as though wanting to go with it. Great buildings away at its beck. Leaves are carried away in its arms. And mammoth seas are made angry through its force.

Then again, how gentle it often is. On some tropical coast, how soft is its every movement.

I like to sit upon the bank of a stream at night time, when Summer is full of fragrance, and listen for hours and hours to the talk of the winds.

How laden with voices the winds of the world are—personalities let loose to become a part of the roving waves of the air.

With what monotony we would walk out into the days were there no winds to wash about us.

I like to get up into a tall building when the wind is high in force and become fascinated with its power, contrasting it with the great latent power in the minds of people walking the streets far below.

Some of our greatest thoughts are given us while we watch the silent forces of Nature.

We are reminded that silence is a wonderful asset to power.

The wind does not tarry. It is always passing. It is busy. It has a purpose. It leaves its benefits by the way.

Who is not able to recall the delight occasioned by many a fresh wind?

The poets say that God travels by way of the winds!

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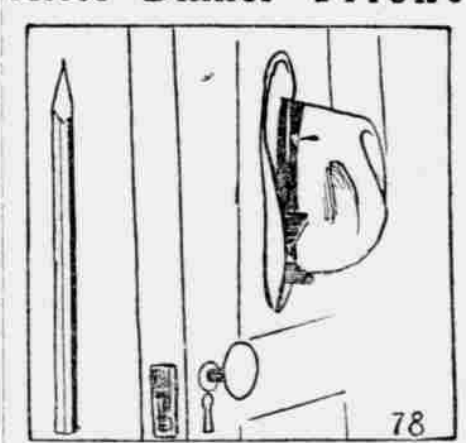
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Movie of a Man Waiting on Himself



After Dinner Tricks



No. 78—Adhesive Lead Pencil

How can a hat be hung on the smooth surface of a door? It sounds an impossible question, but it is not. Simply take a six-sided pencil, and rub it heavily along the door, a few times. The friction will cause the pencil to stick to the door, and so firmly will it be attached that a hat may be hung on the pencil with no fear of its falling.

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Rippling Rhymes

By Walt Mason

ON FOOT.

On aching feet I pace the street,
And find the labor shocking; with fear
And dread I look ahead—I'll spend the
long years walking. Some other men
will drive my van and kick up dust
and gravel; some other cuss will tool
my bus, while on my legs I travel.
No more, alas, I'll press the gas and
keep the speed cops busy; the sheriff
came and played his game, and took
away my Lizzie. In times remote I
bought that boat and I could well af-
ford it; I had the mon my toll had
won, and I had learned to board it.
But every cent and kopeck went to
keep my bus a-chooing; day after day
I went my way, with creditors pursu-
ing. The motor boob must buy a
tube, a spark plug or a casing; for
some blamed part to store or mart he
is forever racing. My good long green
bought gasoline and tires and oil and
greases; I grind my teeth—I can't be-
queath two nickels to my nieces. A
few brief years of gas and gears, and
down the road I dusted; a few gay
trips before eclipse, and now you see
me busted. Oh, other jays, may ze

whoever to remark that the senate
has needed Pepper for some time; or,
if you prefer, pep. Also that the new
senator probably will be a hot
member.

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