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James Bassberger

We miss you Jim.

Though you no longer will walk in person ong us, the sweet memory of you will linger

with us all our days.

No longer will we sit in an earthly lodge with you, Jim. Last Sunday it was; you left us. The Grand Master of all things has called you to "that House not made by hands, eternal in the Heavens."

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Four children have lost a devoted father; a woman has lost a kind and loving husband; and Birmingham has lost a respected citizen.

But the soul of you will live on. We met you but a few days ago and you smiled; you always smiled, Jim—though burdened with pain the last days.

As time is reckoned, we, too, shall join you in a little while. You have but preceded us the space of a moment in eternity. You have experienced life's Greatest Adventure, Jim; God speed you on your pilgrimmage beyond the farthest stars! farthest stars!

A man asked to define the essential characteristics A man asked to define the essential characteristics of a gentleman—using the term in its widest sense—would presumably reply, "The will to put himself in the place of others; the horror of forcing others into positions from which he would himself recoil; the power to do what seems to him to be right, without considering what others may say or think."—John Galsworthy.

ROTARY

Wednesday night of this week over 150 men, from southeastern Michigan and nearby points in Canada, met at the I. O. O. F. Temple and, with befitting ceremony, witnessed the charter presentation to the Birmingham Rotary Club. The occasion was impressive to all present. Rotary Club. The occasion was impressive to all present. It bespeaks the actual application of the Golden Rule to what might otherwise be mere prosaic life. It invests the ordinary doings of a person with a deeply spiritual motive. Rotary International was founded 19 years ago; to date over 1700 clubs, with a membership totaling over 100,000, in 30 countries on this earth, comprise the organization. Any man who belongs to a Rotary club cannot help but become a better part of society.

Give me the money that has been spent in war, and I will clothe every man, woman and child in an attire of which kings and queens would be proud. I will build a schoolhouse in every valley over the whole earth. I will crown every hillside with a place of worship consecrated to the gospel of peace.—Charles Sumner.

WHAT DO WE KNOW?

That which is nameless is always mysterious. Once given a title it becomes commonplace. We accept the designation as a definition and confuse our knowledge of terms with the knowledge of created causes. We confound the apparent with the actual. To separate and classify the ingredients of matter makes them of more use to us, but they are actually not a whit less mysterious. We perceive their structure and their action, but of their motive we are ignorant and shall always be. The spirit that animates is forever beyond our comprehension.

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We talk glibly of that about which we know nothing. "What makes a leaf green?" asks the teacher. "Chlorophyll." answers the pupil. "What is an electron?" "One of the corpuscles of which atoms are composed." "How is the dissolved sugar in plants reconverted into starch?" "By the action of small corpuscles called leucoplasts." And so ad infinitum: Certain algae are colored by a bluish substance called phycocyanin. On the under side of fern fronds we may sometimes find sort, each sorus protected by an indusium. How instructive!

— Chlorophyll means "green leaf"; corpuscle: "a minute particle"; protoplasm: "first formed"; leucoplast: "white molded"; phycocyanin: "seaweed blue"; sorus: "a heap"; indusium: "a covering." How much, then, haye we learned? Only to translate English into Greek! Some people are great sticklers for superficial explanations which they call "reasons." If you say you don't know, they will insist that there must be a reason for it. Yes, there is a reason—a chemical reason, of a mathematical reason, if you choose—but beneath all such "reasons" as man can decipher, lies the one firequilable and Supreme Reason which makes such has seen the construction and supreme Reason which makes such —but beneath all such "reasons" as man can decipher, lies the one inscrutable and Supreme Reason which makes such reasoning as ours appear puerile. Back of every reason lies a "Why?" and to answer it reveals but another mes a wny; and to answer it reveats out another "Why?" We say that the tympaqum of the ear vibrates under sound and thus we hear. Is hearing less a mystery for that? Does anyone know what causes color? Electricity? Light? Life? No! We drown ourselves in "thought waves" and quiver under our ocean of learning, surrounded by monstrous word-fish that grin at us from the details. ing, surrounded by mo from the depths!

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ON DECORATION DAY By George Rodgers Averill

Unfurl the flag! Blue, white and red Shall glorify our Soldier-Dead. From every freeman's heart should pour A hatred born to hate all war.

O'er this broad land, from sea to sea, Today there reigns real Liberty; The flag that flutters in the air For years was nursed with tender care.

Brave men have died on land and sea To save this flag for you and me. Unstained, unsullied, it has won The highest flag-staff 'neath the sun.

Where human hearts are filled with love, Where earth is green, blue sky above, Whe'er the paths of men have trod Old Glory's on the side of God!

Blare forth the trumpet, sound the fife! Places wreaths of flowers; let the life That breathes the air of Washington Pay tribute to the vict'ries won.

May men and women, girls and boys, Born to a life of sorrows, joys, Their thoughts to peaceful yearnings stray On every Decoration Day.

FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS of Long Ago

Bits Of News Gleaned From Old Files Of The Eccentric-Items That Make Up the Historical Background Of the Birmingham Of Today

Post and Raynale have i more than 900 people gham and vicinity.

The postoffice building has re-ceived a new cement roof at the hands of R. Carter.

re pleased to learn that Miss cost, who has been teaching at Wahoo, Neb., for the past ill return home in about six

Beer, the baker, has turned over a new leaf in the manufacture of ice cream. This year it is pure cream and no milk or corn starch in it.

Mr. and Mrs. Pinder Worth hospitably entertained a Birmingham company last evening, who one and express themselves as delighted with the entertainment and host and hostess. A most enjoyable time was passed in playing croquet, music and a social visit.

nd a social visit.

Merritt Randall left for Denver,
oloo, last week. He shipped a car
at week a sugar from Nashville
at week to sell in the western martis. It was the first car load of
is merchandise ever shipped to
olorado. It takes our Birmingham
ys for enterprise after all.

Messrs. Thorne and Carlon.

igan trotting circuit.

Last week one day William Brown was made a very much surprised person on the anniversary of this fitty-fourth birthday. All his children were present at garden to the control of the control of

hair by John T. of Pontiac.

General Grant has written a letter to Senator Jones in which he atter to Senator Jones in which he atter to the President for his actions
the New York nominations.

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The lilacs, honeysuckle and chokecherries in the cemetery been one mass of blossoms due past few weeks. All seed and fruit were removed after year's bloom.

It will be pleasing to many thow that the waterworks plant in now running the whole 24 hours This new departure took effect las Friday.

A full two ounce package of chewing tobacco can now be had— the same weight and price as before the war.

Oh that supper! Furnished Mrs. Hattle McBride and Miss Be Smith at the home of the latter the benefit of St. James' chur last week, was beyond our powe of description.

Miss Jeanette Beattie and Ralph Tibin of this village were married in Windsor, May 17. The occasion of such a private ceremony was due to the recent death of the bride's cousin, Miss Winnie Daines.

Liman Hood, the returned soldie of the 19th regiment, has his head all bandaged up and looks like is San Juan hero, but sad to say the damage was done since his return while looking at the wheels ground at the power house.



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