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LET TODAY TEACH A LESSON

To-day belongs to our soldier-dead.

From every flag-staff Old Glory should be unfurled to Democracy's breezes. And every American heart should beat with joyous rythm for the sacrifices made by those who have stood for the freedom that makes these United States of America the most sought after land on earth.

Place a wreath upon the graves where sleep our unnumbered dead. Brush away a tear when thoughts of what our soldiers died for well up within our breasts. Sound the bugle and fife; let the tramp of footsteps resound over the world as America parades today in honor of those for whom Decoration Day was founded.

Then lift your face toward the skies and pray for all the goodness that fills the world, and resolve that "these dead shall have died in vain" if we today do not learn from the sacrifices made by those we honor that WAR is a terrible thing to foist upon the human race.

To be beloved, to be kind, ought to be the goal of every person in this world. To apply to our daily lives the simple tenets of the Golden Rule is the ONLY thing that will avoid future strife between the nations of the earth. Decoration Day ought to be but a strengthening reminder of this fact.

To be honest, to be kind, to earn a little and to spend a little less, to make upon the whole a family happier for his presence, to renounce when that shall be necessary and not to be embittered; to keep a few friends, but these without capitulation; above all, on the same condition, to keep friends with himself; here is a task for all a man has of fortitude and delicacy.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

YOU TELL 'EM, SILO

"With all this here dissenshun in politicks, a feller hardly knows what to think or do," declared Silo Subdivision last week, after reading over the split between Congress and President Coolidge on the bonus question. "Peers to me that Washington, D. C., ain't the most quietest place in Amerikee. Believe I've heard more real horsesense spilled 'round the stove in Klegg Sugarbarrell's store this winter than the hull of all the politishuns that's eatin' up the taxpayin' publick's money in our nashunal Capit'l."

To me it seems as if when God conceived the world, that was poetry; He formed it, and that was sculpture; He varied and colored it, and that was painting; and then, crowning all, He peopled it with living beings, and that was the grand divine, eternal drama.—Charlotte Cushman.

RELATIVE MORALITY

Our conventional ideas of morality would be absolutely ludicrous if they were not so absolutely tragic. That is a bold statement, but let us for purposes of illustration, suppose a case of not uncommon occurrance:

A young man, apparently a "fine fellow," a church worker, called a "model boy" by all his teachers, liked and respected by all who knew him, commits a highway robbery and is sentenced to a term in prison. Immediately he becomes a social outcast and his former friends speak of him in shocked whispers as if he were guilty of all the crimes of Nero. But what was his offense? He took money that wasn't listed among his own belongings. Why? Perhaps he himself does not know. It may have been the impulse of an unguarded moment; the reaction of rejected affections, that "fatal slope down which the firmest and noblest are drawn as well as the weakest and most vicious, and at the bottom of which lies one of two pits: suicide or crime." Or it may have been deliberately planned and cold-bloodedly executed. But regardless of all this, isn't he still a human being? We place him on the moral black-list for stealing a few dollars; but we do not ostracise people for stealing our time, blackening our good name, robbing us of our joy in performance or for destroying our budding ambitions. What the legal code may require is one thing, but morality is something else.

Most of us are thieves in one sense or another, and from a moral viewpoint the theft of money is not the greatest of robberies. Yet when a man is most in need of friends to aid him in recovering his lost balance, to show him that men are not his enemies, and to prove to him that his life is worth salvaging and that mistakes can be rectified, is the precise moment that they fall him. Oh, sweet Christian morality!

Material possessions, when destroyed by fire, flood or calamity, are salvaged and reclaimed by mankind. Isn't a soul far richer than a piece of wood or iron?

SPRING VISION

I caught a pear tree unawares
With all its arms out-flung,
Staggering up the high hill side
Into an orange sun!

I saw a tree, a fragrant cloud,
With branches bending low,
All starry blossomed was its hair
Like newly fallen snow.

A beauty poignant, drenched my sight!
Struck dumb my very sense,
"O God!" I cried, "How can you make
Such perfect loveliness?"

—J. W. W., Birmingham, Mich.

THE FLAG STILL WAVES!

By George Rodgers Averill

Decoration Day were futile
And the men who gave their lives
When their country called to duty—
Leaving mothers, sweethearts, wives—
Shall have died in utter folly
If the flag unfurled today
Does not stir our selfish bosoms
With a wish to rise and say:

"Sleep, ye faithful lads of Lincoln,
Of Grant or Robert Lee;
Think no more of Harper's Ferry,
Or of slaves that you set free.
Let your thoughts be calm and peaceful—
For the flag you bore in fray
Waves above you still—we'll keep it
So until the Judgment Day!"

Let the stars of dear Old Glory
Twinkle in their field of blue;
They are shining in the sunshine
For us all, for me and you.
And the stripes of white that shimmer
With their sisters colored red
Tell the world that Uncle Sam
Has not forget his Soldier-Dead!

FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS—of Long Ago

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

43 Years Ago.

Julian Leets' house, near the depot, is approaching completion.

The average wagon has gone into retirement at the blacksmith shop this dry weather.

Robert Reynold's old yellow nag gave up the ghost last week and we hope has gone to rest.

Everybody get ready for a regular old-fashioned fourth of July celebration; greased pig, rag-tag-and-bob-tail, etc.

Every hitch post and railing in town was occupied on Saturday evening last. There was a big crowd in town which fully made up for the dull days of the past week.

Joseph Phillips, our efficient street commissioner, has sunk a drain below the street level and made even the crossing of Mill street with Saginaw street, besides working at other places making equal improvements.

The Supreme Court of New York has granted the order to change the name of the corporation of "Scribned & Co., to "The Century Co." the order to take effect on June 21. The July issues of Scribner's Monthly and St. Nicholas will have the new corporate imprint.

A substantial new walk in extra size boards graces the front of Mrs. Trowbridge's premises on Troy street.

Never (since the great famine) has there been heard such an agonizing wail for corn. "Give us corn that hath life in it," is the cry that has echoed throughout our borders.

Samuel Jarvis took a day last week, pounded well and whipped—the Masonic Brussels carpet until it looked like new. Sam says he entirely used up a whalebone whip in the operation.

Misses Georgia and Lena Blakeslee went into ecstacies last week. The commotion was caused by a present by their father of a fine new Boardman & Gray piano, from the music house of Whitney & Currier.

The wheat crop in this vicinity will not come up to the average of other years. The corn is almost in the ground, potatoes also, and all that is wanted now is a little rain.

Mr. Williams, an artist of some note, has made from photographs some very handsome portraits for Mrs. John Benedict of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis B. Adams.

25 Years Ago.

The officers and members of the Arthur Jessup-Wager Memorial Association wish to thank their friends for their kindly assistance in bringing success at the dedication of the monument to Arthur Jessup-Wager, Company D-3d Michigan, upon Boardman & Gray piano, from the music house of Whitney & Currier.

Somebody's darling canine was electrocuted and trolley-carred Monday of last week, in front of Mrs. E. F. Peabody's residence on Saginaw street, much to the good lady's horror and sorrow. After a good long time to mourn its fate, the marshal called around with a bushel basket and carefully removed the fragments.

Seems as if there were about 500,000 men at work on the electric railroad between Pontiac and Detroit, building the new double track. We are sure that when it is completed we will have the greatest suburban electric railroad in the world.

Charlie Shain has begun to learn the profession of pharmacist at the drug store of Whitehead & Mitchell.

Mrs. N. T. Shaw and daughter, Helen, are spending a week with relatives in Dawn Mills, Ont.

There was a phenomenal arrival in the poultry kingdom under the proprietorship of Raynale Whitehead, Monday morning, in the form of a quadruped chicken, each pedal extremity being in perfect condition when the bird was hatched. The prodigy's earthly career was brief, much to the sorrow of its young owner, who might have become famous as a traveling showman had the freak lived to attain the full stature of chickenhood.

The recent return home of A. P. Brush, one of the brave 31st Michigan volunteers, was a most pleasant event for his many friends in this vicinity, and we are so delightfully rattled at seeing him that we even forgot to mention his arrival in our midst, in the personal column last week. He is surely welcome home.

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Your Garden Beautiful

USE OF EVERGREENS

By Ralph I. Coryell.

Evergreens may be planted in two general systems of planting, the individual or specimen system, or the group or massed system.

A number of years ago all trees, shrubs, and evergreens were planted as individuals or specimens. The theory of this planting was to provide specimens of such beauty of form and color as to attract attention. There are still many places in which one may utilize this manner of planting.

In late years the best landscape opinion leans toward the massed or group system of planting. The masses or groups are arranged in such a manner as to blend with the architectural features and to tone down the more severe lines.

In the massed planting one may use evergreens as a foundation planting for a home, for a border or windbreak, or for an important point in the landscape, such as the entrance of an estate or a curve in the road.

In planting the foundation groups for a home the dwarfer varieties are usually the more desirable. The taller varieties may often be used against a blank wall, but if planted close to the house they may later have to be moved. For the border plantings a mixture of tall and dwarfer varieties are used and should be arranged so that the smaller varieties are visible from the more important angles of vision.

There is a wide variation in the shades of different evergreens. Good harmony may be secured by a judicious mixture of the different colors, but care must be exercised not to use too many "bluey" and "yellows." The strong dark green color should be the dominant color note, and as this is the color of the darker varieties of evergreens, it will ordinarily prevail.

The evergreens are spaced according to the rapidity of growth. They are sometimes planted close together with the plan that later many of them will be transplanted and removed. This plan is often used in hillside planting where a quick effect is desired. After several years about half or three-quarters of the evergreens may be transplanted to another location and the present occupants will continue to grow unmolested.

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Southbound—Leave Birmingham 5:20 a.m., 5:35 a.m., 5:45 a.m., 5:55 a.m., 6:05 a.m., 6:20 a.m., 6:35 a.m. and every fifteen minutes to 9:25 p.m., 10:45 p.m. and every twenty minutes to 12:40 a.m.

Northbound—Leave Birmingham 6:05 a.m., 6:12 a.m., 6:25 a.m., 6:40 a.m., 7:00 a.m., 7:15 a.m., 7:35 a.m., 7:55 a.m., 8:10 a.m. and every fifteen minutes to 10:47 p.m. Leave Birmingham 11:05 p.m., 11:35 p.m., 11:50 p.m., 12:05 a.m., 12:20 a.m., 12:40 a.m., 12:50 a.m., 12:55 a.m., 1:20 a.m., 1:55 a.m.

Leave Highland Park—5:32 a.m., 5:44 a.m., 5:55 a.m., 6:10 a.m., 6:25 a.m., 6:40 a.m., 7:00 a.m. and every fifteen minutes to 10:00 p.m. Leave Highland Park 10:05 p.m., 10:28 p.m., 10:45 p.m., 11:00 p.m., 11:15 p.m., 11:25 p.m., 11:40 p.m., 11:50 p.m., 12:10 a.m., 12:15 a.m., 12:20 a.m., 12:25 a.m., 12:45 a.m., 1:25 a.m.

Extra Bus Service between Highland Park and Birmingham via Royal Oak and Berkley. Leave Highland Park for Birmingham 3:23 p.m., 3:38 p.m., 3:53 p.m., 4:08 p.m., 4:23 p.m., 4:38 p.m., 4:53 p.m., 5:08 p.m., 5:23 p.m., 5:38 p.m., 5:53 p.m., 6:08 p.m.

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MORTGAGE SALE—Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Charles Edwin Jones and Edith J. Jones, his wife, of Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan, to Lawson-Erb Lumber Company, a Michigan Corporation of Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan, which said mortgage was dated the 15th day of May, A. D. 1922, and was recorded on the 13th day of June, 1922, in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Oakland in liber 293 of Mortgages on page 221; on which said mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid for principal and interest, at the date of this notice, the sum of ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT and 40/100 Dollars and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover said moneys or any part thereof.

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and of the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of said mortgaged premises or some part thereof on Tuesday, the 15th day of July, A.D. 1924, at 12 o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time; that at the time last aforesaid, the undersigned will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the easterly or Saginaw Street Entrance to the Oakland County Building, in the City of Pontiac, Oakland County, Michigan, (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland is held) the land and premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to realize the amount due as aforesaid, together with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum, and all legal costs allowed by law and provided for by said mortgage, including an attorney's fee, to-wit:

Land situated and being in the Village of Birmingham, County of Oakland and State of Michigan, more particularly known and described as lots numbered twenty-eight (28), twenty-nine (29), thirty (30), thirty-one (31), thirty-two (32) and thirty-three (33) of Valentine Addition to the Village of Birmingham, according to the plat thereof duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Oakland County.

LAWSON-ERB LUMBER COMPANY, Mortgagee.

Dated at Birmingham, Michigan, April 18, 1924.
RACE, HAASS and ALLEN,
Attorneys for Lawson-Erb Lumber Company, Mortgagee,
1716 Dime Bank Bldg., Detroit, Michigan. 52-12

DONDERO, HOWARTH & HOXIE, ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW, ROYAL OAK, MICH.

MORTGAGE SALE

DEFAULT having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Liberty Ice Company, a Delaware Corporation, of Royal Oak, Michigan, to First State Bank of Royal Oak, Michigan, dated the 29th day of December, A. D. 1921, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Oakland and State of Michigan, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1922, in Liber 261 of mortgages, on page 466, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Fifty-two Hundred Nine and 2/100 ($5209.02) Dollars, and an attorney's fee of Thirty ($30.00) and no/100 Dollars, as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the money secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on Saturday, the Fifteenth day of March, A. D. 1924, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the undersigned will, at the Saginaw Street entrance of the Courthouse in the City of Pontiac, that being the place where the Circuit Court for the county of Oakland is held, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said mortgage, with seven per cent interest, and all legal costs, together with said attorney's fee, to wit:

The South One Hundred (100) feet of the East Fifty (50) feet of Lot number Fifty-three (53) of Truesdell's Addition to the City of Royal Oak, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, Oakland County, Michigan.

FIRST STATE BANK OF ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN, Mortgagee.

GEORGE A. DONDERO,
Attorney for First State Bank of Royal Oak.
Dated, Dec. 6, 1923.

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MORTGAGE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the above and foregoing mortgage sale is hereby postponed until Saturday, the 28th day of June, A.D. 1924, at 10 o'clock A. M. Eastern Standard Time.

FIRST STATE BANK OF ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN, Mortgagee.

GEO. A. DONDERO,
Attorney for First State Bank of Royal Oak, Michigan.
Dated May 3, 1924. 3-10

MORTGAGE SALE

DEFAULT having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Liberty Ice Company, Royal Oak, Michigan, a Delaware Corporation, to First State Bank of Royal Oak, Michigan, dated the 25th day of January, A. D. 1923, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Oakland and State of Michigan, on the 29th day of January, A. D. 1923, in Liber 261 of Mortgages on pages 572-573, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Thirty-six Hundred Forty-six and 31/100 ($3646.31) Dollars, and an attorney's fee of Thirty and no/100 ($30.00) Dollars, as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the money secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland in Chancery. Village of Birmingham, Plaintiff

Samuel L. Allen et al, Defendants.

At a session of said court held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, on the 27th day of March, 1924.

Present: Hon. Glenn C. Gillespie.

In this cause it satisfactorily appearing that the Defendants Samuel L. Allen, Henry Hutchinson, Mortimus Smith, Mortimer Smith, Jonathan Blumberg, George Bloomburgh, Birmingham Library Association of Birmingham, Birmingham Ladies' Library Association, and Ladies' Library Association of J. TenEyck, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, are necessary and proper parties to the above entitled cause, and that the said plaintiff has made and filed his affidavit showing that the present addresses or whereabouts of said defendants or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns are unknown.

On motion of Frank L. Doty, attorney for the plaintiff, it is ordered that said defendants cause their appearance to be entered herein within three months from the date of this order, or in default thereof that said bill be taken as confessed by said defendants, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns.

It is further ordered that within forty days said plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be published in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in said county, such publication to be continued therein once in each week for six weeks in succession.

GLENN C. GILLESPIE, Circuit Judge.

FRANK L. DOTY,
Attorney for Plaintiff,
202-4 First National Bank Bldg.,
Pontiac, Michigan.

TAKE NOTICE THAT THIS SUIT involves and is brought to quiet title to the following described piece or parcel of land situate and being in the Village of Birmingham, County of Oakland and State of Michigan, described as follows:

A lot on Hunter's Addition to the Village of Birmingham, on the northeast quarter of Section 36, Town 2 north, Range 10 east, according to the plat thereof, in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 5, Oakland County Register of Deeds Office, bounded on the north by Maple Avenue, east and south by lands now or formerly owned by Seeley Peck and Francis A. Peck, his wife, and westerly by Woodward Avenue, (formerly Saginaw Street.)

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