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STERLING DISCOURSES.

Subjects: "Gideon's Battle with the Midianites."

Text: "And the three companions blew trumpets, and brake the pitchers, and held the lamps in their left hands and the trumpets in their right hands to blow withal..."

The lessons of this subject are very spiritual and impressive. This seemingly valueless lump of quartz...

I learn in the first place from this subject the lawfulness of Christian strategem. You are well acquainted with the greatest victories raised by Washington or Napoleon...

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So God's way, in the redemption of the world, is different from ours. If we had our way, we would have Jesus stand in the world of heaven and beckon the Nations up to light...

O thou father of all iniquity! If thou couldst hear my voice save the crackling of the flames, drive on thy projects, hasten thy enterprises, build thy temples and forge thy chains, but know that they fall from heaven...

I learn from this subject that the overthrow of God's enemies will be sudden and terrific. There is the army of the Midianites down in the valley of Jezreel...

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A-BIG-FEE.

A Lawyer Gets \$200,000 Out of the Cherokee Award.

The Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat writes: "The old settler Cherokee Indians are to receive in payment from the Government \$600,000 by the last of next month..."

The money to be paid the old settlers comes from interest on old accounts due them from the Government. They date back to 1835, when a treaty was made with the Cherokees...

While the Indians receive only \$600,000, the entire claim is \$800,000. This \$200,000 is taken up by attorneys' fees, which are paid direct to the attorneys...

In addition to this \$200,000 given to attorneys and for other purposes, \$10,000 is taken out of the fund for ex-Congressman Heard, of Missouri, by an act of Congress...

And the Cat Went Back. There is a park guardian patrolling a section of Fairmount, near Strawberry Mansion, Philadelphia, whose zeal in the performance of duty will probably hereafter be tempered with an unwonted degree of moderation...

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be caught from the first shower that falls after 12 o'clock on the night of May 31. An old lady of Hingham tells a writer who sends an account of "June water" to the Transcript that it is bottled and used for folk folks mostly. "You oughtn't to give 'em medicine in ordinary water, didn't you know? Why, I've had my son's wife send up from Boston for a bottle or two when the boys was sick. Then if I feel as if I can spare it I use it for preserves. They'd never spoil done in June water if you'd kep' 'em a hundred years. Why, there ain't a speck or a mite of dirt in it. It's real different from other water when you come to look."

HORSELESS CARRIAGES.

A Consul's Report of Recent Experiments.

C. W. Chancellor, United States consul at Havre, France, says, in a recent report to the State Department regarding horseless carriages in France, that the "time seems approaching when automatic road carriages, propelled by steam, electricity or petroleum will come into general use and take away from the patient horse the worst part of his daily toil..."

The winning conveyances were propelled by gasoline, and the rate of speed was about fifteen miles an hour, which is regarded as an extremely creditable performance, the long lines of hills being taken into account. These hills appear to have proved too much for the carriages propelled by electricity, of which only one got through, the others having abandoned the contest...

The ordinary feeder used for short distances contains less than four quarts of oil, which will last over a journey of twenty miles, or two and one-half hours. For long distances, a receptacle capable of holding enough petroleum for a run of at least twenty or twenty-four hours is provided.

"We hear also of bicycles propelled by petroleum, in which great interest has been exhibited, and half a dozen of such machines started in the race to Bordeaux, one, at least, holding its own among the larger vehicles. It is believed that light petroleum bicycles, tricycles and even four-wheelers will soon come into general use, which will tend to relieve lady cyclists from the necessity of wearing short skirts. Altogether, it seems that petroleum is destined to become the popular agent for solving the problem of traffic and conveyances without horses in the streets of great cities and on smooth country roads."

The Hardest-Headed Man. Alexander Jones, of San Diego, Cal., the hardest headed man in the world, is dead. Jones had furnished amusement to thousands by allowing them to break canes, chairs and clubs over his head. Many San Franciscans will remember the butting bout he had with a big colored man from up the coast and how the colored man was worsted. He had bested the hardest headed Africans ever put before him.

He was a phenomenon in his way, and more than one medical society and museum has offered to arrange with him for his head after his death, a subject on which he Alexander refused to converse unless in his cups. His picture has appeared in many of the sporting papers, but of late years he has dropped out of prominence, owing to his dissipated habits. Only a few days before his death he told an acquaintance here that, when ill in San Francisco, a medical college offered him over \$1,000 for his head, and was so earnest in its offer that he left the city before he was hardly fit for travel.

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FOURTH RACE PROTESTED.

Spruce IV. Objects To Awarding Victory to the American Yacht.

Center Island, L. I. Sept. 28.—The fourth race of the Seawanhaka's international challenge series for small yachts which was sailed in a tumbly sea in the open sound with a rattling northwest wind of fifteen knots' strength, resulted in a handsome victory for the American defender Ethelwynn by one minute and ten seconds, official time, at the end of the twelve-mile triangle. When the Ethelwynn reached the second mark of four miles and was two minutes and ten seconds behind, Mr. Brand on Spruce waived a protest flag. The committee on flagship Oneida responded 'and at the conclusion of the race Mr. Brand's formal protest was received. He claimed that his competitor had infringed sections three and seven of rule thirty-four of the Seawanhaka club's racing regulations, which are as follows: Rule 34, section 3—When both yachts are close-hauled, or both free, or both have the wind aft and have the wind on opposite sides, the yacht with the wind on the port side shall keep clear. Section 7.—Definition of an over-lap. An over-lap is established when an over-taking yacht has no longer a free choice on which she will pass, and continues to exist as long as the leeward yacht by luffing or the weather yacht by bearing away is in danger of fouling. The regatta committee will make their decision known to-day.

TO FRISCO AND RETURN.

Jack Witts Leaves Fall River for a Long Journey on a Bicycle.

Fall River, Mass., Sept. 28.—Jack Witts left here at 9:30 last night on a trip to San Francisco and return on a bicycle. Walter Smith, captain of the Fall River Bicycle club, accompanied him. On his return, if conditions are favorable, he will try to break the record, something over 48 days. He goes via Providence and New Haven and expects to reach New York Sept. 30. The route extends through Syracuse, Erie, Pa., Cleveland, Ohio, South Bend, Ind., and Chicago, thence to Kansas City, New Mexico and San Francisco, arriving Nov. 30.

WAR AGAINST PRIZE FIGHTING.

Populists May Defeat the Plans of the Governor of Texas.

Austin, Tex., Sept. 28.—The proclamation issued by Gov. Culberson convening a special session of the legislature next Tuesday to pass another law against prize-fighting is the popular topic to-day. It is said that populists and other political opponents of the governor may defeat his plans by enacting a law to go into effect in ninety days. Representative Ward said that the legislature undoubtedly would pass a law to go into effect immediately and that it would make prize fighting a felony. He thinks the law will be passed within a week after the legislature meets.

ANXIETY FOR THE EELS.

She Has the Crew of the Wrecked Meteor on Board.

Mobile, Ala., Sept. 28.—Several weeks ago the schooner Meteor, Capt. D. W. Davis, was wrecked off the coast of Mexico. The captain and crew made their way to land, where they were taken on board the schooner Lizzie M. Eels and started for Mobile. Nothing has since been heard from the Eels and much anxiety is felt for safety.

PRICE OF COKE ADVANCED.

And the Wages of 15,000 Men Goes Up.

Pittsburg, Sept. 28.—The price of furnace coke has advanced, to take effect Oct. 1 to \$1.60 per ton, and the C. C. Frick Coke company and other companies in which they are interested or control, have posted notices giving their men an advance of six per cent. in their wages to take effect Oct. 1. This will apply to thirteen thousand men.

Governor of Queensland.

London, Sept. 30.—Lord Lamington has been appointed governor of Queensland.