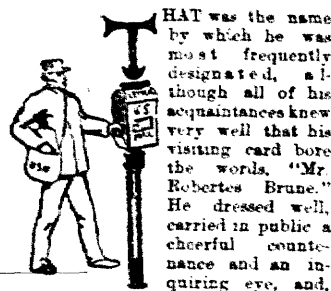


HACK AND HEW.

Hack and Hew were sons of God. In the earlier earth the now: One at His right hand, one at His left, To obey as He taught them how.

EVERYBODY'S GOOD FRIEND

BY JOHNSON BURT.



HAT was the name by which he was most frequently designated, although all of his acquaintances knew very well that his visiting card bore the words, "Mr. Robert Brune."

their liking than most of the city youths with whom, through his kind offices, they became acquainted. He had so much of what women call "style," and he knew how to say nice things, and to suggest new ways of killing time, and to occasionally provide pleasant surprises that cost money—a faculty which is quite as rare among city youths, in proportion to their numbers, as in any country village.

But Brune seemed provokingly blind to all intimations that there were hearts at his feet, waiting only to be picked up; even when rallied on being a bachelor he would escape by laughing and saying that he was really too poor to marry and do justice to a wife. This appeared strange to many who saw how freely he spent money when he wished to entertain a party; but he was always able to say truly that a bachelor's personal expenses were comparatively trifling, while to maintain a home in good style in the city cost a great lot of money—a statement which heads of families, whether new or old, were always ready to verify from the depths of personal experience.

and we are so desirous of feeling about it that we would be glad to give a competent person a third of the entire income for his services. I suppose it would be presumptuous to hope that you could afford to give up your business here for something that would bring you not more than twenty-five thousand a year—a sum which would gladly guarantee you; but if you could entertain the idea, I assure you that you could easily spend a large part of your time in the East.

"My dear Mrs. Moorhart," said Brune, trying to keep his heart out of his mouth, "I am more flattered by your offer than words can tell. But really, I'm afraid you overrate my business ability. Were I to fail, I would feel unacceptably unhappy; I would be terribly humiliated should Miss Moorhart find it necessary to dispense with my services, and, worse still, to be found faint with by her, of all women in the world."

Corrosives of Stone.

Among the recent arrivals at San Francisco was Professor T. H. Marshall of the Nebraska State University, who has just completed two remarkable scientific expeditions in search of fossils. One was to Pine Ridge, the famous scene of the recent Sioux Indian outbreak, where he and others discovered myriads of a strangely curious fossil, called by them 'devil's corkscrews.' The other was to Phillips County, Kansas, where Professor Marshall discovered a wealth of rhinoceros, elephant and mastodon remains, of whose existence nobody hitherto had dreamed.

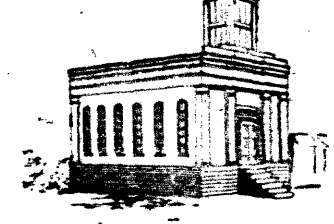


GIANT DEVIL'S CORKSCREW, EIGHT FEET HIGH, DISCOVERED AT PINE RIDGE.

of them, yet, strange to say, notwithstanding the vast number of scientific expeditions hitherto, none of them has been discovered before. The corkscrews are silicate, and they are found in a silicious sandstone. In many places they stick through the sand top of the hills, the stone being worn off by the elements, and the silicate spiral, being harder, having remained. It is no trouble, the professor says, to strip the sand away from them. It is rather soft, and the men can work fast. Some of the strange spirals are coiled about a central spine, like a vine about a tree. Then at the bottom or root of the spine are curious protuberances, each way, and rising toward the surface of the ground at something like thirty-one degrees. They are often quite as long as the corkscrew spiral.

Historic Church.

The honor of being the oldest Methodist Episcopal Church in China belongs to Fong An Dou, or the Church of the Peace of Heaven at Fochow. It was built in 1858.



CHINA'S OLDEST M. E. CHURCH.

have come. Scores of Christian churches may now be found within the bounds of the Fochow province with an aggregate attendance of about 6000 members and probationers at their regular Sunday services. From Fochow went out the men who founded Central China and North China M. E. Missions, and there are now connected with them over 2000 Chinese Christians. Fong An Dou at Fochow is the mother of all the churches in which these thousands now worship. Fochow is the chief center of Methodist work in South China. They have there an Anglo-Chinese college, theological school, boys' boarding school, girls' boarding school, women's school and women's hospital. The numbers of Christians connected with these institutions has increased so that the Chinese cities will not accommodate them. Last year a gallery was added, but even now this is too small. Efforts are now being made to raise a fund for rebuilding the Fong An Dou edifice with twice the present capacity. —Mail and Express.

SABBATH SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON FOR OCTOBER 8.

Lesson Text: "Redemption in Christ." Romans III, 19-28. Golden Text: Romans III, 24—Commentary.

19. "Now we know what things cover the law, it saith to them who are under the law; that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. He has been proving both Jews and Gentiles all under sin, and that there is none righteous (verse 9, 10). But what about the law that is holy and just and good (chapter VII, 12), and those who conscientiously try to keep it like Paul himself, who said that as touching the righteousness of the law he considered himself blameless (Phil. III, 6). This verse in our lesson says the law is to stop man's mouth and prove every one guilty, for until we are ready to plead guilty before God there is no hope of our redemption. In Math. 23, Jesus teaches that a sinful look breaks the seventh commandment, and in I John III, 15, we learn that hatred breaks the sixth, while in Jas. II, 10, we find that "whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point is guilty of all."

20. "Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin." David recognized this when he said, "In Thy sight shall no man living be justified." (Ps. 143, 2). The law, although so holy, cannot give life because of man's sinfulness or weakness of his flesh (Gal. III, 21; Rom. VIII, 3). Only one Man ever kept the law perfectly. He came to fulfill the law and the prophets, even to fulfill righteousness (Math. 5, 17, 18). He is the only one who knew no sin. He did not sin (I John III, 5; II Cor. V, 21; I Peter II, 22). He could truthfully say, "I delight to do Thy will, O my God—yea, Thy law is within my heart" (Ps. 40, 8). He was and is "the righteous one of God." All our efforts to keep the law, seeking thus to obtain righteousness, are like Adam and Eve's fig leaf aprons, which had to be laid aside and give place to the robes of sinners of God's own providing. If righteousness are as filthy rags (Isa. 64, 6).

21. "But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets." To Him give all the prophets witness that through His grace we are justified in His blood, not by the works of the law, but by His grace through faith. He said, "I have preached the gospel, and have not sought for glory, seeking thus to obtain righteousness, for righteousness are as filthy rags (Isa. 64, 6)."

22. "Even the righteousness of God, which is by faith of Jesus Christ, unto all, and upon all them that believe." God hath made Him to be for us, who know as we have seen, that might be made the righteousness of God in Him. He is made unto us righteousness (II Cor. V, 21; I Cor. I, 30). By Him all that believe are justified from all things from which we could not be justified by the law of Moses (Rom. III, 29). Therefore the soul that truly receives Him can say, "I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, for He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation. He hath covered me with a robe of righteousness (Isa. 61, 10). But how many are great and are not willing to receive His own righteousness, either wholly ignorant of, or utterly despising the glorious righteousness provided for them in Christ Jesus, who is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believes (Rom. X, 4).

23. "For there is no difference, for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." In Adam, all die (I Cor. XV, 22). There is not a just man upon earth that doeth good and sinneth not (Eccl. VII, 20), or as verse 10 of the chapter. "There is none righteous, no, not one." Such is the description of all men by nature, and while all are equally great sinners alike, without exception, sinners, since Adam was driven out of Eden, all have sinned from outside the garden, there is no difference. We have sinned in the act, all the rest except those who have sinned out and perished, there was no difference.

24. "Being justified freely by His grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." All redemption is in Christ, out of Him and apart from Him there is none. It is the blood that makes an atonement for the soul. Lev. XVII, 11, and none but His blood could do it (Heb. IX, 12). But by having His blood, which was in His heart, as a result of eternal redemption of His blood, He bestows it, or rather Himself, for it is in Him, upon whomsoever will receive Him (John III, 16; Rev. XXII, 17; Rom. VIII, 7). As He died for us, He has purchased us, but in His great love, He gives us a ransom, the price of our sinners as such as they trade turn to Him, so that even such as are described in I Cor. VI, 9-11, could receive in saving because of His blood washed, sanctified, justified.

25. "Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God." The word here translated "propitiation" is found only elsewhere in Heb. IX, 2, where it is translated "mercy seat." In many of these verses in the N. Y. it is in the margin "propitiatory." The mercy seat of the ark, thus designated, was never to be removed, it was sprinkled with blood and beneath it in the ark were the tables of testimony containing the Ten Commandments, that holy law, the manifestation of death (II Cor. III, 7). Christ is our mercy seat, who by His own blood still the condemning voice of the law. And because of this blood, which was in His heart, and on Calvary, God in former days, granted remission of sins, all bloodsprinkled on the mercy seat being typical of this precious blood which was shed once for all.

26. "To declare, I say, at this time His righteousness, that He might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus." He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they, both are abomination to the Lord (Prov. XVI, 15). But what shall we say when the Lord Himself, in order that He may make righteous the abominable wicked, takes the place of the condemned, suffers and dies in the sinner's stead, becomes a curse for us, is made a sin offering (I Pet. III, 18; Gal. III, 13; II Cor. V, 21), all to enable Him to justify the greater of sinners who will receive Him.—Lesson Helper.

Said one shopper: "Oh, I saw just the loveliest, sweetest, prettiest baby a minute ago." Said the other shopper: "What? Do you mean to tell me that stupid nurse has dared to bring my little darling out such a day as this?"—Rehoboth Herald.

THIS closed season for seals includes May, June and July. The closed season for sealings this year also includes nine other months.

A WARM - WEATHER VERMOUTH. — "Drink me with thine ice."—Boston Transcript.

Send Them About Their Business.

Ferdinand Hasler, the father of the United States coast survey system, was once waited upon by a committee of Congress sent to inquire into the progress of the work. The committee reached New York and wended their way upstairs to the room where Hasler was drilling his classes and preparing them for work. Hasler, who allowed no intruders, met them at the door and inquired their business. They answered that they had come to investigate. "What part of the work do you wish to inspect?" inquired the two-way mathematician. Congress had no definite idea on the point. "Then you had better go and find out," returned Hasler, as he shut the door in the face of the astonished committee. The committee looked at each other, and on second sober thought, concluded that Hasler was about right, and quietly wended their way downstairs and back to Washington.

DUDELY—She said I looked like a very smart man. Miss Payot—Dear me! Did she say who the smart man was?—Harper's Bazar.

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