EMALL DOY GOOD REASONER

Present-Day Conditions Applied to Biblical Incident Showed Power of Deduction.

The Sunday school class of an Indianapolis church, which was made up sof small boys, was discussing Lot and how he came to be in Sodom. The iteacher told how Abram and Lot had decided to separate and take their Mocks and servants in opposite direckions and how Lot, probably in his welfishness, had taken what he regardied as the best land, which lay in the idirection of Sodom, which was afterward destroyed by fire. The teacher, a man, did not believe in clothing the talk concerning biblical characters in mystery or phrases that the small boys could not understand, but tried to make them realize that the men of biblical times were subject to the same conditions and influences as are people of today.

'Now, boys," he said, "Lot was not a real bad man. He didn't plunge into the wickedness of Sodom immediately. After he left Abram he, no doubt, lived with his family and servants in his tents far outside of the wicked city of Sodom. Then he began to go to the city occasionally. Then he went oftener, until he came to believe that it was a good place to live in. When the city was destroyed the angels of the Lord led him out of the city.

"Now, James," said the teacher, "I want you tell me in your own way how you think Lot came to be in

"He he lived in the country at first," replied James, "and didn't come to town at all. Then he got to coming just once in a while-on-on Satarday nights, when everybody got paid. And then he got to coming through the week, to the ball game, or things like that. And one day, maybe. he came home and said: 'Wall, I saw a nice vacant house in Sodom this afternoon and I told the transfer man to come out tomorrow and get our stuff.

"That's the way I think Lot came to live in Sodom," concluded James, as he gave a long sigh and sat down.

SEVERE ON HIS OWN WORK,

Artist Critic at Least Proved That He Was Above Suspicion of Playing G Favorites.

Granville Redmond has arrived in The foremost ranks of California's ar-Mists. Being recognized himself, after years of striving, he feels competent sho pass upon the merits of his contemmorary artists.

Recently he left a picture on exhibition at a San Francisco gallery. In the course of the week he went to the place to see how the sale was pro-Fressing.

In company with Morcom, the picwhere dealer, and a few art students, Every artist therein represented fell

under the stroke of his hammer-*Keith, Hill. Yard, Judson, Burgdorff, Short, Best, Peters, Latimer, Hansen -all came in for their share of cutting eriticism. A word or two at most sufficed to finish them. Redmond made Bis comments the more substantial by % writing them on the margin of the cat-

alogue.
"And this," said Moroom, pointing at last to the picture painted by Redmond, "what do you think of this?" Redmond was game.

He seized his paper and, quick as a flack wrote down his criticism;

"Damaed rotten."

Sounded That Way.

Miss Brown was giving an elaborate Sescription of a blackwinth preparafory to teaching Lengisllow's poom to ber pupils:

"Now children, we are going to Fearm a poets today about some one who works very hard. He is very starge and has great arms that can lift such heavy things! His face is blackened with soot that comes from his great blasing fires! And he wears a dirty black apron and he has a fire that glows, oh, so red, and whenever me makes anything he put it into his Are and then pounds it with a great big hammer, which makes the loudest clanging noise and makes the sparks fly about in every direction. Now, who ean tell me what I have been describ-

A little maid who had listened to, these vivid details with eyes twice their natural size sprang to her feet and said in an awed whisper: "The devil."-Housekeeper.

Composite Work.

Throughout the ten years of their existence the Leggitt twins had invariably shared joys, clothes, and gifts of candy or toys. Apparently their mother, the brisk and capable guardian of seven half-orphans, never thought of them separately.

"What are you planning to do this miternoon, Martha?" asked a visiting sunt, who had witnessed a strenuous morning. "Rest, I hope."

"Resti" said Mrs. Leggett, in a tone of scorn. "I guess not! "Tve got to take the twins to the dentist to have that tooth out, and then to the oculist to get a pair of glasses fitted, and then to the shoemaker's to see if he stretch one of their boots so they can wear it without making such a Sees and saying it hurts every time they put it on."—Youth's Companion.

Exactly. "Do you believe that poverty is com-

"It must be when a girl complains that she counct afford to have more than one diamend necklese for all cos-

PUTS BLAME ON PUBLISHERS

Scholar Points Out How They Are Responsible for Literature in "Cold Storage."

Publishers complain that people do not buy serious books. An experienced scholar retorts that publishers will not let them. Here is a new and rather important historical work of six hundred pages. It is printed in large type on heavy paper, with wide margins, to make is as bulky as possible. The price is \$5, "postage extra." This is considerable money; but there are some eight hundred public and collegiate libraries that feel bound to buy any new historical work which can claim importance, no matter what the price.

The publisher would rather have the sure thing of eight hundred copies at \$5 than take the chance of selling several thousand copies at \$2. Theoretically, books in the library circulate; but it is notorious that people seldom go to a library for a new serious book. A reader whose habits or tastes would attract him to a new biography, say, wants the volumes on his shelves. If it is really worth the trouble of reading he will almost certainly wish to refer to it again. He cannot trot down to the library for every reference. A reader of such habits or tastes wishes to possess the books in which he is really interested. If he cannot afford to own the book he probably will not read it at all. What circulates from the library, besides fiction, is Taine's English Literature, Macaulay's England, Gibbon's Decline and Fall, Bos-

well's Johnson. It is clear consequently that a large part of our new serious literature is automatically canned and moved into cold storage, and so there is a world of pains and expense for nothing!-Saturday Evening Post.

TRY GIVING JOY TO OTHERS

Shedding of Sunshine Will Be Found to Have Good-Effect on Those Who Practice It.

It was Mr. Barrie who quaintly said: Women who bring sunshine into the lief of others cannot keep it from themselves."

That is a recipe to learn and apply. If you will not try to be a spreader of joy for the joy it gives do so from selfish motives.

Girls may think this farfetched. Their one thought is to snatch at joy for themselves. It takes experience, perhaps bitter experience, to learn that the joy that counts most is the one with a rebound. Like a rubber ball, the harder you throw it the quicker it returns.

The girl who starts on a joy quest for herself cannot say: "I'll be nice to poor Maria, she has had such a stupid time," and then go about her sunshine may give joy, but the chances are that her patronage will be felt and resented. The sunshine that counts glows

in the heart and must come out. One need not go into sunshine societies to bask in the rays of joy giving. Nor need that sunshine be for outsiders. Sunshine-shedding, like charity, can profitably begin at home. It is not so exciting, perhaps, to try to brighten the lives of mother or small, brother or sister as it is to be a Ledy Bountiful, but the reflex action is quite as strong.

Try shedding sunshine wherever you are. Do not let a day pens without doing some little thing to brighten that day for some one else, and you will find your day more joyful.

Value of a Chevaller.

A Parisian court has just decided as to "the value" of a chevalier of the Legion or Honor. Injured in the Aveane de l'Opera by an automobile, a former dealer in merchandise, decorated with the Legion of Honor, died in 1911, following the accident. His heirs brought suit for damages against the chauffeur and the owner of the auto. Maitre Gondinet, the advecate of the owner of the auto, maintained that the ex-dealer in merchandise, old and without occupation, furnished no material to his heirs for damages. Maitre Nogueres, the advocate for the plaintiffs, said he had no difficulty in recognizing the damage, though unable to produce any document to establish it, and that Maitre Gondinet for the defense was himself a member of the Legion of Honor and in default of any other evidence that itself was an indication of value to the beirs. The court held with Maitre Nogueres and allowed 25,000 france damages to the beirs of the former chevalier of the Legion of Honor.

"A Pie in a Poke."

A pig poker is a dealer in pigenot the large and portly fellow whom you meet now and again at the country market with a cargo of a hundred or more pigs of all ages, shapes and sizes for sale, but a little man, who for the most part carries his wares upon his back, or occasionally perhaps in a wheelbarrow. A "poke" of course is a pocket or each, and a pig poker therefore is one who deals in pigs carried round from place to place in a poke. The old proverb anent the foolishness of "buying a pig in a poke" has its origin of course in this timehonored method of pig purveying.-London Globe.

Left Him Out. "George," she said sweetly, "I'm almost through housecleaning. But I'm up against a terrible problem now."

What's the matter?" "I can't find any place to hang your

TRUE COURTESY IN GERMANY

Little Incident That Caused English Traveler to Revise His Opinion of Young Officer.

The German has not only been taught the other courtesies, but he has been born with a kindness of heart and instinctive consideration for others which make his formalities of real value. The man who appears to have a fund of "small change and valueless attentions is the same man who will go miles out of his way to do you

a favor tomorrow" Only a few weeks ago I was traveling in the same train with a young lieutenant, whose smooth and graceful manners had more than once aroused suspicion in my English soul.

He was got up in his newest and finest uniform; he had on spotless white kid gloves, an eyeglass thrust in his eye; he looked, in fact, the verlest dandy, who would not soil himself

to save a life. The train was very full, and presently ar old peasant fellow came in with his basket of vegetables, and looked about helplessly, treading on everybody's toes in the meantime. I looked on my military neighbor and waited for the storm. The dandy arose, saluted gravely, offered the weary old peasant his seat, and went and stood outside.

If there is anything in thought telegraphy, that young officer must have heard me apologizing to him all the rest of our journey together .- "My German Year."

CARRIED FIRE FROM POWDER

Bravery and Presence of Mind of British Soldiers That Averted a

On the taking of Siudad Rodrigo, ta 1812, by the British army under Weilington, Captain William Jones of the 52nd regiment, having captured a French officer, employed his prisoner in pointing out quarters for his men. The Frenchman could not speak English, and Captain Jones a flery Welshman, whom it was the fashion in the regiment to term "Jack Jones" -knew no French; but dumb show supplied the want of language, and some of the company were lodged in a large store pointed out by the Frenchman, who then led the way to a church, near which Lord Wellington and his staff were standing. But no sooner had the guide stepped into the building than he started back, crying, "Sacre blue!" and ran out in the ut most alarm. The Weish captain, however, went on, and perceived that the church had been used as a powder magazine by the French; barrels were standing round, samples of their contents lay scattered on the pavement, and in the midst was a fire, probably lighted by some Portuguese geant entered the church, took up the burning embers brand by brand, bore them safely over the scattered powder, and out of the church, and thu averted the most terrific disaster.

Woodchuck's Name. One of the most noticeable traits of Awoodehucks is the throwing up of Taxes plies of dirt in front of their (burrows. It is from this practice that the woodchuck got his name. In olden times-probably to the time of Aesop -the lower animals used to live in one happy country with a judge over them, the dog. One day a rabbit whose burrow adjoined that of a marmot complained to the latter that the rabbits' eyes were continually filled with the dirt which he threw out of his burrow. The marmot paid no heed to this remonstrance, and the rabbit was compelled to appeal to the judge. His honor immediately sent word to the offender that greater care must be taken in the future. But the insolent marmot, notorious for his incivility and indifference, replied to the messenger that he "would chuck"

That settled it. The dog has been hunting for the gross offender ever since, and the name "woodchuck" has stuck to the whole tribe of marmots -Bipolitya Standard Union.

his dirt just where he pleased.

First Encyclopedia.

The most ancient attempt at what is called in these days an "encyclopedia" was Pliny's "Natural History." This old work, a very high authority throughout the Middle Ages, is really a remarkable production and well deserves the fame that for so many ages belonged to it. Pliny, who died in 79 A. D., was not a naturalist, a physician or an artist, and did not pretend to be the wisest man of his time, yet such was his interest in knowledge that he devoted the leisure hours of a busy public life to compiling the work which did a vast amount of good in the world and paved the way for the comprehensive encyclopedias of the present time.

The process known as enameling is not of modern origin. On the contrary, it goes back to a venerable antiquity. If you will read up on the subject you will learn that excellent enamel is still preserved on some of the bricks that have been found among the ruins of old Babylonic and Assyria, which have been placed back as far as the seventh or eighth contury B. C. Beautiful glases were made by the Egyptians as early as the sixth dynasty. The Orecks and Ro-

mans were acquainted with the art of

enameling, as the museums of the

world clearly show. It would pay you

to visit such institutions in our own

Enameling.

Differences Between East and West Are Remarkable in Their Wide Variety.

The differences between the eastern and western elevations in this country are curiously striking. Colorado has 40 peaks that are more than 14,000 feet about sea level. Mount Washington, in New Hampshire, and Mount Mitchell, in North Carolina, the highest peaks in the Appalachian system north and south, respectively, are considerable less than half as high as

this above the ocean. Several transcontinental railway lines in the west pull their main line trains over greater elevations than that reached by the cog railroad up New Hampshire's above-mentioned peak. These western elevations are, of course, reached gradually.

Most large cities lie low. Chicago is only about 600 feet above sea level, and Pittsburgh but 100 feet higher. Philadelphia ranges from sea level to a height in its suburbs of some 300 feet. Minneapolis, near the head of the Mississippi, has an elevation of less than 1.000 feet, and various parts of New Orleans at the mouth of the great river are recorded in the government tables as having elevations of from one to fifty feet. St. Louis lies about half way between these terminal cities.

Montana is away up, with its leading city perched at the elevation of the highest peaks of the Adirondack mountains. In Denver there is a mark, near the State Capitol, which is just one mile above the sea level.

CHANCES FOR THE STUDENT

No Reason Why Their Opportunities Should Not Be Extended in Many Directions.

We have student mechanics in all the large factories and student miners in all the great mines. There are student trainmen on all the trains and student superintendents in all the of-Aces.

Soon we shall have student senators in the senate and student representatives in the house. A student judge will sit on every beach and student attorneys will assist every lawyer.

Student social learners will attend every function and student soldiers will accompany the troops. The White House will have to be enlarged to make room for about 1,000,000 student presidents, for nearly every mother in the United States will want to send her son to the White House to learn how to be president.

Student brides and student grooms will attend every wedding ceremony and student ministers will accompany the minister on his parochial calls.

It might be interesting to know just be, but there is no doubt that a few lessons are sadly needed by some young persons.

Student poets would with advantage learn the gentle art of standing off the landlady and student bill collectors would find it advantageous to learn how best to land at the bottom of the stairs.-Chicago News.

Neatly Evaded Apology. One day, Beckmann, the comic actor, was induced to take off a wellknown newspaper editor, Frankel by name, in one of the characters he was representing in Berlin. He performed his task so cleverly that at the close the audience broke out into lond calls for Frankel. The journalist brought an action, and Beckmann was condemned to go to the house of the insulted party and there beg his pardon in the presence of witnesses. At the hour appointed Frankel sat in the circle of his family, together with a number of relatives and friends whom he had convened for the occasion. waiting the arrival of the delinquent. He tarried long, and half an hour had passed in weary suspense, when, at last, the door opeend, and Beckmann, put his head in and asked: "Does Mr. Meir live here?" "Oh, no," answered Frankel, "he lives next door." "Ah, then I beg your pardon," said the actor, and hastily withdrew, having thus acquitted himself of the imposed penance to the great annoyance of Frankel, and the intense amusement of the assembled witnesses.

Borrowing Books.

The practice of borrowing books is essentially an evil one in those who can afford to own books, and public libraries serve to encourage and foster the evil, though they are of very great value to the poor student. We think that, upon general principles, people should own the books they read. We believe heartily in buying books, reading books and keeping books. As a reference a public library serves an admirable purpose, and is many instances it is of undoubted advantage to the people. But one that would be surely profited by books should own them if he can, and should have them for companions continually around him.—Eugene Field.

To Study Resuscitation Effects. The American Medical association is to make a study of methods of respecitation from electric shocks. Many eminent physicians and electrical engineers are to co-operate in the lavesdigation, which it is hoped will have Emportant practical results.

Immence Fleating Dryde A Souting drysock with a littles onpacity of thirty thousand tons has been built for the British admiralty.

ALTITUDES IN UNITED STATES , FAILS TO WED: LOSES WEALTH

Charles F. Corbin Refused to Marry Within Year and Loses Big Share of Father's Estate.

Meriden. Conn.-Given the preference between single-blessedness and marriage with a large financial reward, Charles F. Corbin, son of the late Philip Corbin, president of the American Hardware Corporation. chose the former state and sacrificed \$75,000. The last opportunity for Mr. Corbin to decide whether he would agree to a clause in his father's will and take \$150,000 in cash, or remain single and worry along on half that amount came when the executors met in the New Britain probate court to distribute the elder Mr. Corbin's es-

tate, estimated at \$1,850,000. A year ago, when Mr. Corbin died. his will was found to contain this

"If within one year from my death Charles Corbin, my son, shall be legally married he shall receive \$150,000 in cash. If he is not legally married

he shall receive \$75,000." This clause held up the distribution, of the estate and directed much public attention to young Mr. Corbin. The fact that a divorce had been obtained from him by Mrs. Lillian Blakeslee Corbin in 1908 was commented upon, and rumors were started that a reconciliation might take place and that before the expiration of the year a second marriage ceremony might be performed. Many assurances were conveyed to Mr. Corbin that if he had other matrimonial plans he would not have difficulty in finding a life partner among Connecticut's fair daughters.

But Mr. Corbin dashed many budding hopes when he announced fiatly that the financial inducements were not sufficient to make him take another chance at matrimony.

Up to the last moment friends of Mr. Corbin were hopeful that be would marry within the time limit. When the executors met they learned that Mr. Corbin had failed to win the additional \$75,000 and they added this amount to the total, which was distributed among the other beneficiaries.

WILD FOWL RACE WITH TRAIN

Flock of Geese and Ducks Show Their Speed for Ten Miles, Then Return to Starting Point.

Clarksville, Tenn.-A flock of wild geese and ducks raced ten miles with a fast passenger train on the Louisville & Nashville railroad west of this city, being easy winners in the contest.

The geese rose from the backwater at the head of Palmyra island and started with the train. A few miles further on they were joined by the ducks. Mile after mile they chased the train, holding their own with case, morently nausing when the train stopped at Hematite and Steel's

The passengers and train crew were much interested in the race, watching the feathered racers as they winged their way at 35 miles an bour. The race was not given up by them until the train neared the Cumberland river bridge. When in sight of the city they paused, then turned and started back.

LYNCH LAW THEIR PROTEST

Missouri Judge Calls Courts Only a Place to Win the Game Justices Are Merely Umpires.

Columbia, Mo.—Speaking to a mass meeting of students, Judge John D. Lawson, who announced his retirement as dean of the law achool of the University of Missouri, said that lyach law had become our national disgrace, but that it is "the protect of a people ordinarily law abiding against a condition that, because of lax enforcement of the criminal laws, has become intolerable.

"In America we still cling to technicalities," he said, "and court procedure has become not a place to secure justice but a place to win the game. Our judges become mere umpires, who cannot search independently for truth and justice. The same conservatism. if you please to call it that, in other practical affairs, would mean that we should be using the sedan chair instead of the automobile."

RODY IN COFFIN NOT WIFE'S

Last Look at Dead Brings Jdy to Malden (Mate.) Heme-Similarity of Names Caused Mistaks.

Maiden, Mass.—Abraham Levine and his three children were weeping over the coffin bought for Mrs. Lavine, the wife and mother, when Abraham, opening the coffin for one last look at his wife, discovered that the body was not hers.

Mrs. Levide had been a patient at the Tewksbury hospital and Abraham had received word that she was dead. Investigation showed that his wife is alive, and that the mistake had been. due to the fact that the name of the dead weman was somewhat similar.

* Town Owns His Wooden Lag. Manchester, Conn.—The selectment of this town after much discussion, have purchased a wooden leg for Wilham Armstrong, a pauper, and on it have placed this inscription: "This leg is the property of the town of Manchester, leaned to William Armstrong. and is not to be hocked, sold or exchanged without a majority vote of the board of selectmen." The selectmen say that they have had a great deal of trouble from paupers who pawned their artificial limbs.

BOASTING A POOR EXERCISE

It Loosens the Fiber of the Brain and Makes Men Soft and Flabby.

Boasting is a poor intellectual exercise. It seems to loosen the fibers of the brain and make them soft and flabby. When we read in the New York Medical Journal that card-playing is injurious to the mind, we remember what Dr. Edward Everett Hale said about it: "The bragging of a people used to playing cards," and then coupling the two observations, we get a standpoint from which to view the discrepancies of society.

The Medical Journal treats the matter scientifically and learns from paychology that the keeping the mind on exciting uncertainties renders it inefficient in the consideration of serious things afterward. Go, for instance, from an exciting game of baseball and pick up your Emerson. Ruskin, Sartor Resartus or Progress and Poverty, a...i see where you are. Stuck in the mud, that's certain. You cannot budge a barley corn. Now, keep that up, day after day, with any sort of sport and then take account of your mental condition.

We suspect the Medical Journal is: right, and Dr. Hale's illustration is pat. And if you want to make an effective thinker of yourself, it would be well not to get daft on any game. Takehold of it as an incidental, if you bother with it at all .-- Ohio State Journal.

COLONEL READY WITH BLUFF

Writer of Detective Stories Found Allmost at Home in Somewhat Trying Situation.

The late Col. H. K. Shakellord, who was a prolific writer of detective stories, had as much presente of mind on one occasion as was ever shown by any of his heroes. He was visiting in a western city, and, having spent, the evening with some friends, did not start back to his hotel until after midnight. As he was passing through on dark and desolate street, a footpad stepped out from behind a tree, leveled a revolver at the colonel, and told him to hand over his money: But the authority on detective law was equal to the demand of the moment. He said afterward be thought he had stolen some of his own stuff in extricating himself from the trouble.

What are you doing on Em avemue?" be asked the robber, in a threatening tone. "Confound you, I am working this street, and I want you to understand I'll have no other crooks butting in!"-The Popular Magazine.

Hate and the Man.

Why must women bear most of the burden for slavery to dress when man certainly has no more freedom than number of different ways, including collars that choke and are too easily soiled, but what is really in our mind is the bair-and-brain-and-comfort-destroying derby. It makes the head look like a peanut. It is worn in the spring long after the owner longs for the straw hat, and in the autumn when he wishes to continue with the straw, and in the winter when he desired a comfortable, pleasant, soft, warm covering. Perhaps the cap is gaining a little in popularity, and also the soft felt, but the progress is not enough to be noticeable. For what progress there is we can probably thank the automobile. We certainly cannot thank the intelligence of men.

Language of the Professions.

Scientific terms are ordinarily grammed without mercy into the medical certificates that are brought late courts of justice. These have always the effect of thoroughly frightening the magistrates, who hardly understand them more than do the good pub-

---Collier's.

At a recent court session M. Masse, the presiding judge, interrupted the reading of a medical certificate: "When will these doctors resolve to abandon their gibberish and speak k

French?" "Monsieur the president, the doctors remain as they were in the time of Moliere."

The presiding judge said with a pigh: "They are worse than in the time of Moliere. In that epech at least the doctors made use of a kind of Latin that one could understand. Today no one can understand them at all."

"Does Monsier the President believe that the gibberish of the lawyers is any more understandable than that of the doctors?"-Le Cri de Paris. -

Newsboy Pulled His Beard. If Frank Carlo, who has been described as the loudest mouthed newsboy in New York, had only stopped to reason that it is not the usual thing for a person to return to have his beard pulled a second time after once suffering that indignity, the newsboy might not be serving a 16-day seatence in the workhouse. Simon Marks, whose long, flewing beard Carlo had pulled, returned, but not unattended, for a short distance away stood Detective Keller, who witnessed the second pulling.—New York Evening Tele-

Modern Childhood. "I guess the good old days are gone

"Spring your plaint." "I saked my young niese if she knew who Cinderella was. She said Chderells was a character in a musieal comedy, but that it wasn't fit for eld people to pee."

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS