

THE HOPE OF ISRAEL.

MARION, IOWA, TUESDAY, JUNE 12, '66.

LOCAL ITEMS.

WE designed to have inserted the words "Present Series" in the heading of our paper, which, through mistake, was omitted in the first Number. We correct in this issue.

FOUND.—A wallet, or pocket-book, on the road between Marion and Cedar Rapids. The owner can have it by calling on A. ALDRICH, of this city, proving property and paying charges.

WEATHER.—The weather has been, in the main, cool and dry here for some time, but yesterday, (5th,) we were visited with a bountiful shower, which imparts new life and vigor to vegetation.

The May number of *The Christian* came duly to hand, and, as usual, is filled with choice matter. We always welcome its arrival. It is a large and well executed sheet, and is published monthly at the Scriptural Tract Repository, No. 19, Lindall street, Boston, by H. L. HASTINGS, for the small sum of 60 cents per year. We can heartily commend it to the consideration of all.

We commence with this No. the publication of a series of articles from the pen of Bro. B. F. SNOOK, on the "Law of God." We commend them to you, and hope you will investigate this subject carefully. We are publishing a pamphlet on this subject, and as we shall not issue a very large edition, those who wish a copy should send soon.

BRO. CARVER'S articles on the Thirteenth chapter of Revelations, are written in an excellent spirit and are calculated to develop light upon that subject. Read carefully.

The article we have selected from the writings of H. L. Hastings, "Why Not Now," is written in that peculiar, yet impressive manner for which his writings are noted, and is calculated to awaken the mind to a sense of duty. If you are not a servant of the Lord, and obeying his word, let this thought, "Why not now," have its application.

THAT dreadful disease known as "Trichinosis," which has been claiming its victims in Germany and in different parts of the United States, has made its appearance in the midst of our own beautiful city, and at present writing, (June 4,) two have fallen beneath its destroying power, and six others are suffering from the same disease.

Through the kindness of Dr. BARDWELL, we examined, by the aid of a microscope, a portion of muscle in which Trichinae in large numbers were easily discovered. There is no known remedy for this disease, when once it fastens upon its victim. The only manner in which we can be certain to escape its ravages, is to abandon the use of swine flesh entirely, and those who have not been in the habit of eating pork in the past, will now have no fears. For full particulars see the 7th page of this No.

STATUTES OF MAINE AND MASSACHUSETTS ON SABBATH-KEEPING.

We present with this issue, from "Archbold's Criminal Pleading," the exemption clauses relative to Sabbath-keeping, favorable to those who conscientiously observe the Seventh day. And while the moral element of our Government is full of corruption, yet the tendency is not to bind down the conscience by legal enactments, nor to speak with the voice of the DRAGON, or, as Pagan Rome spoke. We will continue to publish, from time to time, the Statutes of the different States on this question, that those who wish the extracts can preserve them.—[ED.]

MAINE.

"Revised Statutes of Maine, C. 160—Page 688.

"SEC. 30.—No person who conscientiously believes that the Seventh day of the week ought to be observed, as the Sabbath, and actually refrains from secular business and labor on that day, shall be liable to the said penalties for performing secular business and labor, on the Lord's day, or First day of the week, provided he disturbs no other person."

MASSACHUSETTS.

"Revised Statutes, Chap. 50—See 10.

Exemption clause the same as that of Maine.

SEEDS OF THOUGHT.—One thief in the house is worse than ten in the street.

One sin in the heart is worse than many outside faults.

Your one sin will hurt you more than your neighbor's hundred.

What God cannot bless he will surely curse.

If you boast of blessings they may prove curses.

If God's mercies make you proud, his rod will humble you.

Proud hearts and high mountains are cold and barren.

If your works lift you up, your sins will bring you down.

Humble souls and lowly vales are fruitful.

God and Heaven are often seen best through tears.—*Christian*.

RECEIPT FOR MAKING EVERY DAY HAPPY.—When you rise in the morning, form a resolution to make the day a happy one to a fellow creature. It is easily done; a left off garment to one who needs it, a kind word to the sorrowful, an encouraging expression to the striving—trifles in themselves, light as air, will do it, at least, for the twenty-four hours. If you are young, depend upon it, it will tell when you are old; and if you are old, rest assured it will send you more gently and happily down the stream of time. It is too short for a sermon, too homely for ethics, and too easily done for you to object to it.—SEL.

PROCRASTINATION says, "Oh, it will be pleasant to do your work by and by; wait a little while." The Bible declares, "Do with all thy might, whatsoever thy hand finds to do." Which do you mind?

EVIL THOUGHTS.—Beware of evil thoughts. O, the mischief that they have done in the world! Bad thoughts come first, bad words follow, and bad deeds bring up the rear. Strive against them. Watch against them. Pray against them. They prepare the way for the enemy.

Bad thoughts is a thief; he acts his part;
Creeps through the window of the heart;
And if he once his way can win,
He lets a hundred robbers in.—SEL.

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