



The Northville Record.



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SATURDAY JUNE 7, 1873.

Thomas Jefferson and Daniel Webster  
on Sunday Schools.

In a letter dated June 15, 1852, Daniel Webster the great American Statesman wrote the following: "Once while spending a Sabbath with Thomas Jefferson at his house, we were engaged in discussing the beauties of the Bible, the sound of a bell broke upon our ears, when, turning to the page of Monticello, I remarked, 'How sweetly how very sweetly sounds that Sabbath bell!' The great man for a moment seemed lost in thought; and then replied, 'yes, my dear Webster, yes; it makes the heart throb, and makes us boys again.' Here I observed that man was an animal formed for worship, and that notwithstanding all the sophistry of Epicurus, Lucretius, and Voltaire, the Scripture stood upon a rock as firm, as immovable as truth itself; that man, in his pain, lofier breathings, turned the mental eye toward immortality; and that the fact only echoed the general sentiment of our nature in saying that 'the soul' secure in her existence, smiles at the drawn dagger and defies its point."

Mr. Jefferson fully concurred in this opinion, and observed that the tendency of the American mind was in a different direction; and that Sunday schools presented the only legitimate means, under the Constitution, of avoiding the rock on which the French Republic was wrecked. "Bark," said he, "never uttered a more important truth than when he exclaimed that a religious education was the best defense of nations!" "Raikes" said Mr. Jefferson, "has done more for our country than the present generation will acknowledge; perhaps when I am cold he will obtain his reward; I hope so, earnestly hope so. I am considered Mr. Webster, to have little religion, but this is not the time to correct my errors of that sort; but I have said, will always say, that the studious perusal of the Sacred volume will make better citizens, better fathers, and husbands.

I took the liberty to say, that I found more pleasure in Hebrew poetry, than in the best productions of Greece and Rome; that the 'harp upon the strings by the waters of Babylon' had charms far not beyond anything in the numbers of the blind of Syria.

There was a fine folio of the Scripture before me of 1658, which I opened and read aloud from some of the sublime passages of Jeremiah, that used to delight me upon my father's knee. But I fear, my dear friend, I shall tire you with a pralix account of what was a pleasant, a very pleasant sabbath spent in the company of so great a man. It is very gratifying to me to learn by the annual report of the New York Sabbath School Association received from you, that in a city where vice and immorality run riot with impunity, a few humble Christians are devoting their time and energies to the cause of religion, and I fervently pray that your labors may be crowned with abundant success. I regard the Sunday School as one of the great institutions of the day. It leads the youth in the path of truth and morality and makes them good men and useful citizens. As a means for religious instruction it is inestimable value; as a civil institution it is priceless and does more to preserve our liberties than grand statesmen and armed soldiers. Let it, then, be fostered and preserved until the end of time!"

Mr. Webster then appeals to men and women everywhere, who desire to preserve liberty, morality and a sound government, to rally to the support of Sunday schools and gives it as his firm conviction; from the knowledge gained by a long career of professional labor in prosecuting and defending criminals, that their crimes could usually be traced to a lack of early religious training and instruction.

WOOL.

We are informed that there are 25000 lbs of last years wool held by farmers within six miles of Northville and we are also informed that Mr. L. G. N. Randolph of our village, is now prepared to purchase these clips at the present value, which is from 37 to 40cts.

While we would not advise, any one to sell, we feel like saying, that if we were holding any wool we should certainly sell, as we cannot believe that very much higher figures will be reached this year. The stock of woolen goods in all the eastern cities is large, and the demand is certainly very light. Money is scarce and trade is generally quiet throughout the country and as there is plenty of wool on hand, it looks reasonable to us that the price must run low.

Some unknown person has increased the endowment fund of Hildale College.

DIVIDE ET IMPEDA!

How Does a Light Engine Draw a Heavy Train?

PROF. J. R. DODGE.

The first locomotive was patented twenty years ago. Driving only one car, it lightly loaded it did very well; but when the load it drew was heavier than its own weight, its wheels did not bite—that is, they would turn round and round, without advancing. Hence a cow-catcher was needed behind to guard against cattle running into it in the rear. It seemed at first impossible to make a less weight move a greater one in up grade; and, for 27 years afterward, no one invented an engine able to draw three times its own weight. At the present day, however, locomotives sweep along with ponderous loads 15 or 20 times heavier than they are themselves. One means of gaining this vast increase of power for the locomotive, was by dividing the load. It was found that an engine powerful to stir five times its weight of freight when concentrated in one car, could readily draw it when distributed in a dozen cars loosely shackled together. It was heavier than each single car, and it had overcome the inertia of each one, a moment before it encountered the inertia of another. It was thus more than a match for each car taken singly; and pulling them successively, it drew after it a train as long as a comet, and the further it ran the more strength it had to run further. Here was the story of little David over again. Ordinarily the stripling's weight, as he told Goliath, was one hundred and twenty, but whenever he got mad he weighed a ton. Moreover, the engine forced the momentum acquired by every car it had started, to swell its own potency in overcoming the resistance of all that remained still motionless.

"The railroad achievement (making a light engine draw a heavy train), is not so common as even intrinsically; and it is analogous to an expedient for securing a farin which is equally simple and equally efficacious. It is to divide your payments. Buying, as 4,525 settlers have bought of the Burlington and Missouri River Road in Iowa or Nebraska, within the last three years, on ten years credit, and at six per cent interest, you pay in eleven installments spread over half a life time—say six or seven years till the beginning of the third year. Besides, every year you improve adds to your paying power, as the heavy duty of moving car reinforces the tractive energy of the locomotive."

In a purchase made since 1852 nothing is due on the principal until the beginning of the ninth year, and then only one seventh annually.

"Divide and conquer" is the maxim of Satan which he uses even as among his children. It is a very good motto, if for your family, and especially if you control the material forces of his material and world-moving locomotives. "Divide and conquer" O my Lord and岩石 shall ever vanquish you. "Be your own man!"

Facts about the Bible.

A prisoner confined to solitary confinement, obtained a copy of the Bible, and, by three years careful study, obtained the following facts:

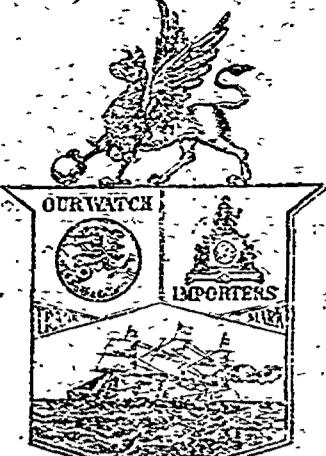
The Bible contains 3,566,479 letters, 77,302 words, 31,113 verses, 1,172 chapter and 63 books. The word Lord occurs 49,277 times. The word God occurs 1,035 times. The word Father occurs but once, which is in the 9th verse of the 11th Psalm. The middle verse is the 5th verse of the 118th Psalm. The 21st verse of the 7th chapter of Ezra contains all the letters in the alphabet except the letter J. The 5th chapter to read is the 26th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles. The 19th chapter of 11 Kings, and the 57th chapter of Isaiah are alike. The longest verse is the 9th verse of the 8th chapter of Esther. The shortest verse is the 35th verse of the 11th chapter of St. John. The 3rd, 15th, 21st and 31st verses of the 107th Psalm are alike. Each verse of the 129th Psalm ends alike. There are no words or names of more than six syllables.

Musie Boxes.

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A Boy across the Sea, Hayes  
Oh! Give me a Home in the South, Hayes  
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Only for You, Ballad, Hayes  
Our Little Pet, Song and Chorus, Hayes  
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### Curiosities of Suicide.

In regard to suicide, not a few superficial observers and especially those prone to theorize about the growth of society in depravity have lately been inclined to comment upon the increasing frequency of self-slaughter, and to "ascribe" it to the recklessness of life engendered by the hideous war. But the fact is, as is shown by the statistics referred to above, for the census year 1880, that suicide has not increased in frequency during the past decade. The total number of suicides in 100,000 persons was only 3.5 in 1870, against 3.2 in 1860 and 2.1 in 1880. This shows very favorably, and proves that while the absolute number is slightly greater the ratio of increase is 50 per cent less than it was in the previous decade. The apparent fact of a large increase in the number of suicides is probably due to the wider publicity such acts have gained, in common with all other news, through the increase of the press in enterprise and the growth of the people in cosmopolitan sympathies. The telegraph and the daily papers have made us all neighbors and given each one of us a sample of interest in the fortunes of all the rest. Another common opinion which we believe the statisticians themselves find set aside, is measurably exploded by these census tables. This is that the farmer class is most given to suicide, as to insanity. The tables we have com-

piled show that the number of suicides,

like the other more destructive diseases, tend to intensify themselves in and around the great cities and especially the centers of speculation. It is not rust bat wear and tear which produces the sort of madness which hurries a man forward to that doom whence no traveller returns. The suicide rates of New York, Illinois, California, Massachusetts, and Missouri, compared with those of Alabama, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky and the Carolinas, and taken in connection with the respective populations of these States, conclusively prove this.

The tables of monthly rates completely dispose of the old notion that the depressing effects of the weather tend to develop the suicidal mania. It is shown that the months of April and May are largely ahead of the other seasons in suicides, and that May especially has more than fifty in excess of any other month. This circumstance, in connection with the facts developed in the tables of sex and age goes to show how large a share love has in producing those forms of melancholy which predispose to self-destruction.

In the spring the fancies of both young men and young women lightly turn to thoughts of love, and if disappointment comes, as lightly glide off to contemplations of the bare, bodkin, the lascivious twirlings of the gentle rope, the double Dutch of the dancing, or the remedial virtues of the poisoned bowl. Yet gentle woman, with all her facility in loving, and her power to let the smoke of disappointment prey upon her damask cheek, is remarkable for tenacity of life. Care hurts but does not kill her. Men die of love, of business, of tertian fits, just as they die of smallpox or measles; but women live on, smiling at grief, perhaps because they are better acquainted with it, and have greater patience. Be this as it may, certain it is that for 1,000 men suicides there are only 250 women to wander with them in trans-Syrian solitudes.

The ages of suicides is a most interesting study. Strange as it may seem, in 1870 there were two boys committed suicide who were under ten years old, and nine boys and three girls who were under fifteen. Emphatically these were not living — "but a piece of childhood thrown

into the world," as the author of the

table says. In 1880 there were 20 boys and 22 girls between the ages of 10 and 12, and 22 boys and 32 girls between 13 and 15. At 16 there were 34 boys and 32 girls, and at 17 there were 34 boys and 32 girls. At 18 there were 34 boys and 32 girls, and at 19 there were 34 boys and 32 girls. At 20 there were 34 boys and 32 girls, and at 21 there were 34 boys and 32 girls. At 22 there were 34 boys and 32 girls, and at 23 there were 34 boys and 32 girls. At 24 there were 34 boys and 32 girls, and at 25 there were 34 boys and 32 girls. At 26 there were 34 boys and 32 girls, and at 27 there were 34 boys and 32 girls. At 28 there were 34 boys and 32 girls, and at 29 there were 34 boys and 32 girls. At 30 there were 34 boys and 32 girls, and at 31 there were 34 boys and 32 girls. At 32 there were 34 boys and 32 girls, and at 33 there were 34 boys and 32 girls. At 34 there were 34 boys and 32 girls, and at 35 there were 34 boys and 32 girls. 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