

Sunday School Lesson

SUBJECT

THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST, AND BEGINNING OF THE NEW WORLD.

INTRODUCTION—On the third day after the Resurrection, extraordinary experiences occurred, witnessing to the fact that the crucified Messiah had been raised from death by the power of God. From this time onward everything in the history of the followers of Jesus confirms the same truth, and exalts it till it becomes the keystone of the arch of Christian faith. Our earliest account of the resurrection-appearance, namely, that which is given by Paul in 1 Corinthians 15: 1-8, mentions that the first of the visions giving the assurance that the Lord had risen from death was granted to St. Peter. Peter's experience became the rallying ground upon which the scattered flock of Jesus came together, and the church of Christ takes its rise on the basis of this faith in the Lord's victory over death.

But along with the appearance to Peter the gospel history records an experience which certain women, followers of the Master, had on the morning of the third day, when they went to visit the grave of Jesus. The tradition concerning this experience forms the first part of our lesson today.

Vs. 1, 2. It was impossible for the loving hearts of these women to carry out their cherished desire until the Sabbath was over. The Sabbath ended at 6 p.m. on the day after the crucifixion, and as soon as that hour arrived the women procured the spices necessary for their purpose, intending, for it was now dark, to set out early next morning for the grave of Jesus.

Vs. 3, 4. The great question troubling their hearts at this moment was whether they could obtain access to the vault where the body of the Redeemer was laid. The great stone placed at the mouth of the vault interposed its formidable barrier between them and the accomplishment of their purpose. Yet to their wonder and surprise they find the stone removed, and the grave standing open.

Vs. 5. At this moment a vision comes to the three women. An angel in the form of a young man clothed in white is distinctly seen by them to be sitting in the tomb to the right of the doorway, and they almost swoon at the sight.

Vs. 6, 7. Now comes a voice, which also belongs to the vision-experience. It is the voice that Jesus is risen. He is not in the tomb, as they supposed, but alive and abroad. While they still tremble, not now from fear, but from joy, they hear the divine messenger reiterating the words which the Master had earlier spoken to his disciples when predicting their dispersion at the time of his arrest, Mark 14: 27-28. He had said: "All ye shall be offended because of me this night; but it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered. But after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee." This promise the divine messenger now recalls to the minds of the women, and charges them to repeat the words to Peter and to the other disciples. Notice the opening words of the message: "Be not terrified. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen." Visions such as this can only come to loving hearts that seek Jesus. The indifferent world of those who esteemed Jesus lightly saw no visions and heard no angel voices. No tidings came to them that Jesus was risen and alive for evermore. No unmistakable sense of the presence of the glorified One fell on their gatherings. All such experiences were reserved for those who were spiritually attuned to them. In other words, for those who loved Jesus and were now inconvertible over his death.

Vs. 8. Startled and terrified by this amazing change in their thoughts and feelings the women fled from the grave. The grave had no longer any significance for them. But the evangelist states that they did not at this time say anything about their experience, "for they were afraid." What followed upon this is the original narrative of Mark is not known to us. The original ending of Mark is lost, verses 9-20 being added by another hand at another time to supplement the missing portion. (The proof of this is that our best and most ancient manuscripts stop at v. 8.) We should judge, however, from v. 7 that the original narrative went on to describe an appearance of Jesus to Peter and to the other disciples.

Vs. 19, 20. These closing verses of the added section report briefly the ascension of Jesus to the Father, and his enthronement as Messiah at the

right hand of God. This represents the final glorious certainty in which that life so holy, so triumphant, and so pure eventuated for the faith of Jesus' followers. The church of Jesus is the church of the risen, ascended, and everliving Lord. He who died to save us is now throned in glory, and will come as Judge of the living and the dead. In this faith the followers of Jesus went forth, v. 20. As they preached the gospel, the power of Christ was with them, and proofs of his supernatural presence were for ever being granted to them.

Farm Notes

Growing Flax for Fibre.

The slow progress that has been made in the growing of flax in Canada for fibre has been due to a considerable extent to the old idea that the flax plants have to be harvested by pulling. Experiments in harvesting at the Experimental Farm at Ottawa indicate that flax that is harvested by cutting can be made into a high grade tow. By harvesting the crop in this way one of the most expensive items of culture is largely overcome. The significance of this conclusion is that flax may be grown over a very wide area of Canada and not confined as it has been largely in the past to districts where Indian labor could be secured cheaply to pull the crop.

Grain Mixtures For Hogs.

A number of experiments in feeding hogs have been conducted at the Nappan, Nova Scotia, Experimental Station. Based on observations made during these tests, the superintendent recommends several grain mixtures for hogs of different ages. From weaning time to three months of age sifted or hullless oats 1 part, middlings 1 part, and 5 per cent. of oil meal may be profitably added. For hogs from three to five months old, oats 2 parts, shorts 2 parts, barley 2 parts, bran 1 part and oil meal 5 per cent. For summer feeding hogs of this age when on green feed the grain mixture might be oats 2 parts, shorts 2 parts and barley 2 parts. For the finishing period a good grain mixture is oats 2 parts, barley 2 parts and shorts 1 part with 5 per cent. of oil meal. In all these rations the grains should be finely ground.

Feeding Young Turkeys.

Some good advice on the feeding of poults is given in a Dominion Experimental Farm bulletin on Turkeys. According to the bulletin, the baby turkeys should not be fed at all until they are at least 48 hours old, and even sixty hours without food is not too long. The first feed, given in the morning, should be chick size oyster shell scattered on a small board, and sour skim-milk. Towards the end of the afternoon they should be given some hard boiled eggs chopped fine. Regular feeding should be started the next morning with hard boiled eggs and bread crumbs mixed together and given three times daily. After one week the egg may be gradually discontinued and the feed consist of bread alone. After the second week a little moist shorts are added, discontinuing the crumbs until the shorts alone are used. All these changes should be made gradually. Sour milk, grit and oyster shell should be given daily from the start. Never over feed or offer anything that has been mixed for previous feeding. As the poults grow they will travel over a wider range until very little feeding is necessary. The bulletin, which deals with the care and management of turkeys, may be obtained from the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

Lime Good For Clovers.

The value of lime for clovers under certain conditions has been strikingly demonstrated at one of the Dominion Illustration Stations in the Province of New Brunswick. A field which had produced a crop of potatoes was given an application of three tons of ground limestone over part of its area when being seeded to oats, grasses and clovers. The following year where the lime had been applied there was harvested a clover yield of 3.2 tons per acre, whereas on the other portion of the field, that is where lime had not been applied, the yield was a little less than one ton per acre.—Issued by The Director of Publicity, Dom. Dept. of Agriculture.

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FLOWERS and VEGETABLES No. 7

A Worth-While Risk.

Vegetable seeds cost but a few cents. It is a good plan to plant a few short rows of the hardy varieties, such as spinach, ridish, lettuce, carrots, and beets as soon as possible. If they come through, a considerable gain has been secured in earnestness; if frost cuts them down, the loss is really trivial.

The Lawn.

Lawn work should be done early. This is the only time of the year to use a roller on the ordinary plot of grass. Later on it does more harm than good. A good rolling in the spring, however, is of great value, as it firms the earth, pushes the plants back into the soil, and smooths out uneven places. A roller is a fairly expensive implement, but one can usually be rented from the nearest hardware store or two or three neighbors can club together to make a purchase. It is also a good plan at this time to go over the lawn with a rake. Wherever patches of bare ground are showing the rake and grass seed sown thickly. Cover these re-seeded spots with a piece of poultry netting or rough trellis work to keep away the sparrows. It is also advisable to feed the grass with a good fertilizer early in the spring. Many experts advocate pulverized sheep manure, although the claim is sometimes made that this introduces weed seeds. An application of nitrate of soda—one ounce dissolved in a gallon of water and sprinkled with the ordinary watering can—is sufficient for four square yards—will give the lawn a good start and the grass that dark green color which is so desirable. Repeat every ten days early in season. It is very important to keep the sward in healthy condition as vigorously growing grass will crowd out most weeds.

Beets and Carrots.

No garden is complete without a few rows of these old stand-bys, beets and carrots. These may be had in a variety of styles to suit different purposes. Thus for canning the small round beets are considered the best and for early baby carrots the shorter types of the vegetable are advisable. Both can be sown just as soon as the ground is ready, and further plantings for later use put in at intervals of two weeks up to the 1st of July. They should be sown in rows from twelve to sixteen inches apart and about one inch apart in the row. When the plants are up well, thin to three inches apart, and later take out every other one of these for early use, the beets for greens or pickling and the carrots to be used in the ordinary

way. Soaking the seed over night before planting will hasten germination. In planting, do not cover with more than about one-half inch of soil. The later plantings can often follow such early crops as lettuce, spinach and radishes.

Just as soon as the water clears away, get the sweet peas in. Plant them in a shallow trench. Heavy clay soils can be loosened up by heavy applications of straw manure and the digging in of a few ashes and plenty of garden refuse.

Most gardens, especially those which receive heavy applications of commercial fertilizers every year, should be sweetened up with a dose of hydrated lime. About one pound to every two square yards is sufficient.



He—"I hope to become a king some day."
She—"For pity's sake, how?"
He—"Well, if you'll marry me—you're a queen."

Lathered Language.

Two women met while down at the corner shopping. Said one: "I made an awful mistake this morning. I gave my husband a dish of Lux by mistake for cornflakes!"

The other was properly horrified. "Was he mad?" she asked. "Was he mad?" repeated the first: "I'll say he was mad. He foamed at the mouth."

Sedentary Hero.

Don't despair if your boy is lazy. He may become the world's champion flagpole sitter.

Farmers Make Success In Barren Iceland

Reykjavik, Iceland.—Icelandic agriculture is entering a new phase.

Rational cultivation of the land is now a national slogan, while formerly there was little cultivation of the soil.

The surroundings of Reykjavik afford a striking example. Land reclamation has gone on for five years. Bogs have been changed into green meadows, and all kinds of agricultural experiments have been undertaken, some with great success.

Things that Icelanders themselves had sworn would never be able to grow, thrive wonderfully well.

Eggactly!

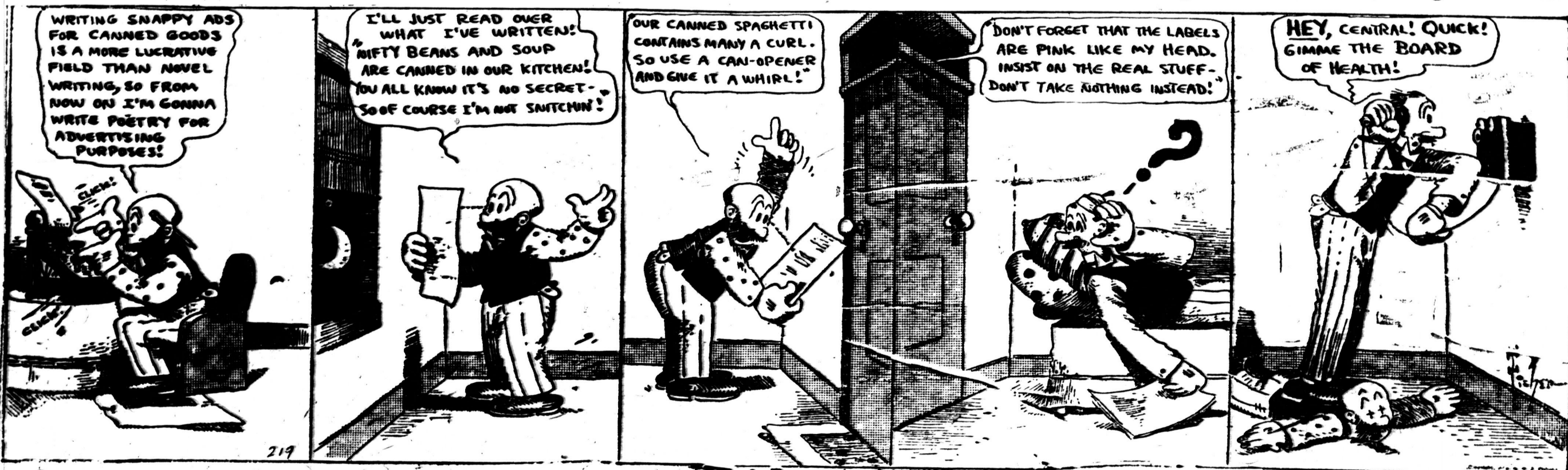
Canadian Hens Lay 115,123 Miles of Eggs

A Canadian statistician who eats the bread of our Government has figured out that if 3,039,326,724 eggs credited in 1927 to the working hens of the Dominion were placed end to end they would form a line 115,123 miles long and would "girdle the universe four and a half times." This authority must have a new system of measuring universes, but this is unimportant.

In fact, it is as unimportant as the mileage of the eggs produced by the Canadian hens. Until eggs are sold by weight the ultimate consumer must be content with what the dealer delivers to the housewife. The length, breadth and depth of eggs are of only academic interest to the man who makes the market. To their author, eminent contributor to human welfare, the linear extension is of incidental consequence; only the superficial area of a setting of eggs is of enduring importance, and a better statistician than the most competent ever put on the payroll of a Government has worked this out with satisfactory exactitude. The superficial area of a setting of eggs is one hen.

MUTT AND JEFF—Bud Fisher.

Evidently Mutt Isn't Much of a Judge of Literature.



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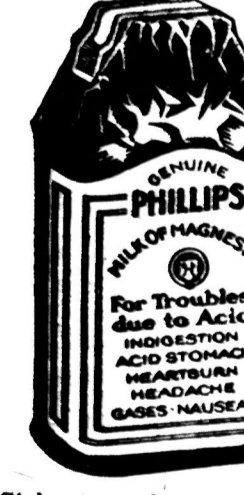
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