LESSON XI — December 13

John's V's'on on Patmos. — Revelation 1:4-18
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THE LESSON IN ITS SETTING TIME — Toward the close of the life of the apostic John, probably about 96 A.D.
PLACE — The island of Patmos, in the AEgean Sea, twenty four miles southwest of Asia Minor.

"John to the seven churches that are in Asia." Asia refers to the proconsular province of that name, in Aria Minor, consisting of Phrygia.

Mysia, Caria, and Lydia, at the western close of Asia, and Laodiese. Christ himself in verse 20 tells us that these lampstands are the seven churches are those enumerated in chapters, 2 and 8.

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earth." (See Psalm 89:27, Rev. 19:16) Christ has the right to sovereignt; over all the kingdoms of the earth; some day he will exercise that right and take all the kingdoms unto himself to rule forever. "Unto him that loveth us." Notice the present tense here: the love of Chirst for you and me is just as great and deep today as the day when he died for us on the cross. "And loosed us from our sins by his blood." The love of a parent for , child, the love of a wife for a husband, would undertake to do every thing for the loved one's happiness and welfare, but it can never emanci-

pate from sin. This only Christ can do in his redeeming sacrifice for us. "And he made us to be a kingdom, to be priests unto his God and Father and to him be the glory and the dominion for ever and ever." Christians reign in conquering their spiritual enemies and then in possession of the victory that overco meth the world. "Amen." This is a Hebrew word that literally means "to lean upon," and from it comes the word "to believe." By saying "Amen" in prayer, we do mean that the prayer offered by an-

other is our prayer also. "Behold, he cometh with the clouds. What a contrast between the humiliation and obscurity and poverty that attended his First Advent, and the glory and universal visibility that will characterize his Second Advent! "And every eye shall see him, and they that pierced him." (See John 19:37: Zech. 12:10) The persons intended in this expression ar, beyond doubt, those who were his murderers "And all the tribes of the earth shall mourn over him. Even so, Amen." (Cf Matt. 24:30) There will then be two kinds of mourning, the one due to the terror of an enemy, the other to the terror of the peniten.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, saith the Lord God." These two words "Alpha" and "Omega" are the names of the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet, as though we should say the A and the Z. Christ is the beginning and the end.
"Who is and who is to come, the

poses as stupid in 1936 as it was next fifteen years.

High praise is due Mr. Durant, as he has used a clear, lucid, sim-Almighty." He is almighty in sustaining his people, yet equally alconstitute the firm of Man, Inc., preserve the virginal bloom of primitive stupidity, while intellimighty in judgment on his enemies.

"John, your brother and partake with you in the tribulation and kinggence goes on accumulating in individual men and women."

This is one side of the question, then he gives us hope by declaring—

"Today a great nation which has made ground the dom and patience which are in Jesus was in the isle that is called Patnios." Patmos was a little island in the AEgean Sea twenty-four miles south west of the coast of Asia Minor, and "Today a great nation which has made momentous contributions to civilization, has sunk into sheer, unmitigated barbarism—if it be not an insult to the barbarian to compare him to Nazi Germany. But it is unlikely that mankind as a whole will have to pass through such an ordeal."

Mr. Briffault gives his reason for this hope by stating—"It is which and the statement of the same about ten miles long and six broad, barren, and for the most part very

rocky. "For the word of God and the testimony of Jesus." This phrase pro-bably indicates that John was banished to the Island of Patmos becau f preaching of the gospel of Christ "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day." This is the only time in the New Testament that we have the phrase, "the Lord's day," and we may easily believe that it refers to the day we now call Sunday. And I heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet. (See also 4:1). Possibly

Mr. Briffault gives his reason for this hope by stating—"It is unlikely because human intelligence is unmeasurably better equipped more widely diffused, more secure and more resourceful than it was when the first European civilization fell."

One may not agree — on first reading — with many statement character known as "The Saint." We fear that there was a tendency to slip from the paths of right-eousness in this latest escapade, but he stands by the law, at the end. Quick, alive narrative, carries you along to a smashing climax, and you can't lay the book down until you have finished this latest "Saint" adventure. this was not the actual voice of the Lord, but of some messenger of the

"And his feet unto burnished gras as if it had been refined in a furnace.

Brass is invariably the type of the strength and the furnace of fire a symbol of purity.

the energies of the Holy Spirit. "The seven Spirits betoken the completeness and universality of working of God's Holy Spirit, as the seven churches typify and indicate the whole church.

"And girt about at the breasts with a golden girdle." (See Isa. 11:5; Dan. 10:53 Girt loins tell of readiness for action, but girt breasts of the repose of sovereignty and of intense affection.

"And the Living one; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive for evermore." Every man could at one time say, I was living and alive. but this one had lived and had died and was alive again. And not only again, but he was alive again. And not only again, but he was alive for evermore. He was of sovereignty and of intense affection.

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BY MAIR M. MORGAN

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christ was faithful in that he never adulterated or weakened or hid any part of the truth which God sent him to proclaim, being faithful unto his mission even to death. "The first-born of the dead." (See Col. i:18) He is first of all those who will rise from the dead, especially as regards rank. "And the ruler of the kings of the earth." (See Paulm 88:27. Rev. 19:16)

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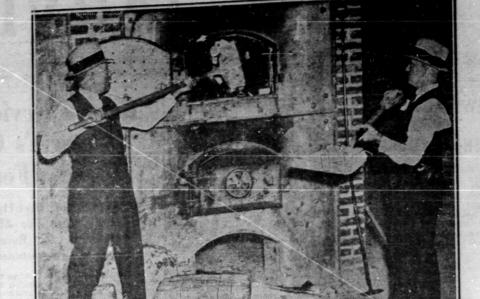
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to whom the proper study of mankind is man.

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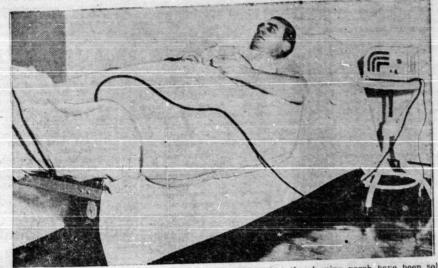
gence goes on accumulating in in-dividual men and women."



It's The Right Dope

Dr. T. E. Walker, (left) of Treasury's drug disposal division, and J. W. McDonald shovel heroin into furnace in Washington. Seized drugs valued at \$10.000,000 were fed to flames.

Cools Hot Debates



those squappies about who should use the cold bedroom or the sleeping porch have been solved with the development of this electric blanket which maintains a constant degree of warmth. It's good for "sweating out" colds.

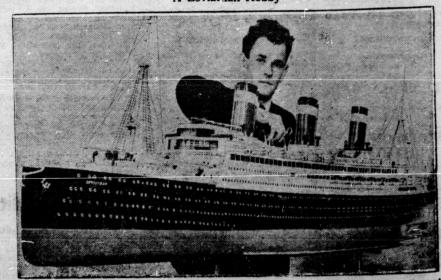
Habit Isn't Hidden Behind Smoke Screen



It's just one of those things, is the philosophical attitude of Mrs. Joseph Francis Noon, 2nd, of Fairview, N.J., rs she lights pipe for Joe, her 2-year-old son who is an inveterate smoker. He must have his pipe or parents can't do a thing with him. He started by imitating daddy.

BETTER! Pictured above is an afternoodress of black silk duvetine wit a crepe scarf that ties in the back. Note horizontal silk sationals at bottom of jumper.

A Leviathan Hobby





Alleged

Postman's Wife - "Why pa, yo Postman - "I sure am. I've been t

thing like it.

The fisherman saw what looked to be a likely looking a on and turned to a man lounging or the bank. Fisherman — "Is it a crime catch fish here?" Man - "Crime. If you catch any it'll be a miracle."

Life is never free of troubles

ses has the thorns with which to

Many extravagances begin under

magazine ad. Well, every man thinks the woman war says "yes" to him has brains, but after she has lived with him a while the woman is sure she didn't ave any when she said it.

The only after dinner speach tha assured of a big hand is: "put it one one cleck please." Lard Wot's the ma?"

ome guy hadn't been writing with a after trying for seven years broke the tie to win the cup for the first The new minister was calling upon

members of his flock. RADIOS \$10 AND UP

Says James Stewart—

Last winter was one of the

most severe ever known. Weeks of sub-zero weather

tested fuels to the utmost and found many wanting.

One fuel came through that

CONFIDENCE TO BURN

One fuel came the testing triumphantly. That was D.L. & W. Scranton Anthracite which is trademarked—coloured blue to protect you against mixing or substitution. The 'blue coal' dealer will tell you more about this great fuel. Order a ton today.

number three, only 4 points below Ferris John had won this event twice before as had also George the win of Richmond Hill and will have to dry again next year if h wants to break the all-time players' record. Ji mie Daniels of Toronto Beaches was only 3 joints behind Simons on the total, but played a very bad game against him. The finals were run in one round-

having at least one loss registered against them. Geo. Craggs, defending champion, was eliminated by Feris in Group 5 by only 2 points. Dean McGlaughlin of Oshawa was crop of players. One is always interested in those from a distance, and Jas. Rose of Saskatoon was closely watched. He lost all his 4 preliminary

THEY SAY ITS do AL

"Oh yes." said the mother, "she's Troop Leaders attended the Junior Leaders' training week-end confer shop at London made a generous bulk

When a bit of sunshine hits you.
After passing of a cloud; Nero is credited with once having having spent \$150,000 on flowers for a banquet, which is about \$150,000 on flowers for a banquet, which is about \$150,000 more than some men have spent on flowers for their wives in the past define the minute that you fling it, It's a boomerang to you. When a fit of laugher gets you,

Small our applied for a job at a the fellow who lives on a bed of business office.

"Do you smoke?" asked the Loss. No. sir, but I don't ming having an e cream cone.'

Colombia will require that 80 to 96 per cent of employes and labor-Do men like brainy women? asks ers in all established shall be citizens.

The Open Shoe

When a shock comes a person s..ould be prepared, but who was to know that there would be four Horseshoe Pitchers all with over 60 per cent. ringers, who would be prac-

Robert "Lefty" Ferris of Toronto

ers. from Melbourne, Ont., fini

group of six players with all

EVERYWHERE ary ary games, by such close scores that you just had to wonder how it was

Manufacturer wants to introduce quickly.

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— Miss Ward said she believed that there was no state in Great Britain either from threat in Great Britain ei

British democracy would outlive the concussion of the blast

surmise that Horseshoe Pitchers do not bother will "ris you better he on band for 1937.

Thus endest he year when the players pitched so many ringers that at least 4 pers societies were smacked off their your Meaford pitch in the leaves and told them that British denorary would outlive the dictatorships would not be the dictatorships would not be the part of the dictatorships would not be the part of a consistent to provide a suggested the following out the part of a consistent to provide a dictatorships would not be the part of a consistent to provide a dictatorships would not be the part of a consistent to provide a dictatorships would not be the part of a con



Thirty Scouts of the 26th Hamilton | will not require the wolf head totem

Thirty Scotts of the 26th Hamilton will not require the wolf head totem (Chalmers') Scott Troop spent a week-end in Buffalo as guests of the 198th Buffalo (Kiwanis, Troop. The Hamilton boys took with them and presented a Union Jack to the American Scotts, reciprocating the gift of an American flag presented them a month ago by the Buffalo Scotts.

What a cute little girl he gallantly remarked upon viewing one of the children. And this sturdy little urchin in the bib belongs to the contrary sex

Mosels 150 Petrol (caders and CS). in the bib belongs to the contrary sex | Nearly 150 Patrol Leaders and

ences held simultaneously at Chat shipment of toys to the Scout Toy It is the thinkable things of one generation that become the workable things of the aex.

Speed, Paddon and Jones of Provincial Headquarters. All troops in the control of the speed because the speed of Grocer's Delivery Man — You certainly have some wonderful chickens Mrs. Stillrich. Do they lay well?

Mrs. Stillrich. — "Oh, they could, you know, but in our financial position."

A live wolf, captured as a cub in Northern Ontario and brought up by one of the young members of a new Wolf Cub Pack in the Mount Dennis. it has been announced that the

you know but in our financiel posi-tion of course they don't have to." Wolf Cub Pack in the Mount Dennis area of subruban Toronto, was the unique and excitingly interesting cen | Canadian Scout contingent to the In-Let's start the column today with these cheerful lines we found in the Christian Science Monitor:

BOOMERANG

When a bit of sunshine hits you

After a part of sunshine hits you

After a part of sunshine hits you

After a part of sunshine hits you

Let's start the column today with the horse of the council circle while the boys practiced their ceremonial "grand howl." As iong as they have a column of the Boy Scouts Asserties the part of the new pack societion. e wolf the boys of the new pack sociation.

> Behind the New Streamlines Of the Dominion's Steam Lines



Streamlining on locomotives, according to engineers, is only the outward symbol of the radical changes which are taking place in railroad colling stock as modernization programs proceed. With invaluation into the age of a loys, entirely new materials which give greater strength and rugge lness are being used. In this which give greater strength and rugge lness are being used. In this field, Canadian nickel as an alloying material with steel is being used in new railroad equipment throughout the whole world as well used in new railroad equipment throughout the whole world as well as in Canada. An interesting historical point is the fact that the discovery of Canada's nickel resources was originally made when the line of the Canadian Facific was being pushed through the Sudbury district. Now years later, the metal discovered then, is a vital factor in the development of better rail services. TOP, a trio of the giant C.N.R. 6400's, reported as the world's largest streamlined locomotives in which Canadian nickel is used extensively; BOTTOM, one of the new Canadian semi-streamined trains in service.

Will Outlive All The Dicialorships government and for centuries."

Queer Birds NEW YORK - Miss Irene Ward After all was over they just naturally had to have a dance, an if you one of the nine women members of the House of Commons spoke recent the House of Commons spoke recent the House of the League for the House of the House

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cage.

About 18 months ago two treestumps which had been hollowed out for the purpose were closed at both ends and provided with an entrance hole and a pecrh. These more or less natural Creeding boxes were placed in the hornbill cage without any immediate result.

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The PERFECT Chewing Tobacco

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Now Come in Cans

LIVERPOOL, Eng. - This is the

any immediate result.

The pair of yellow-billed hornbills referred to have now taken possession of one stump, the female have any in the usual ing been walled up in the usual manner. The entrance hole has been filled with clay, only a narrow slit having been left in the cenue, and through this the famels abtains to having been left in the cense, and through this the female obtains air and is fad by her mate. It is hoped that this domestie event will result in the rearing of progeny in due course.

LIVERPOOL, Eng. — This is the canning age. In 1930 the canni

Great Names On

Old Church Books

Most interesting and most successful experiments have been made. Today they are canning bread and cheese and beer; not altogether. of course, as a sort of mid-day 'snaek' but each in its airtight tin as victuals to deary with the necession. Great Names On

HALIFAX—Situated in what is now the heart of the business section of Halifax, St. Paul's Anglicar Church, the oldest Protestant Church in Canada, constructed in 1750, has ben visited by many noted people down through the years.

On the pages of the visitors' book placed in the vestry by the clergy, can be found the names of royalty, statesmen, poets and admirals of the years gone by. Among the dis-

of a pair" as modern business

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years gone by. Among the distinguished persons whose names are enscrolled are those of King Edward pour wanted—will buy F enscrolled are those of King Edward VII, then a prince, King Edward VIII, as Prince of Wales, Admiral Jellicoe, Commander Allenby, Sir Charles Tupper, Lord Willingdon, Biiss Carmen. Sir Sanford Flemming, and many others. To scan the pages of the book is to review the history of this garrison city.

St. Paul's has a memento of the Halifax explosion of 1917. The concussion of the blast splintered a

British democracy would outlive the dictatorships of Europe. Democracy. she observed, "is the best form of government and it's been tried out for special content of this historic church."

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TRAPPERS—Tune up now be ready with that remains in the first rector government and it's been tried out of this historic church. of this historic church.

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