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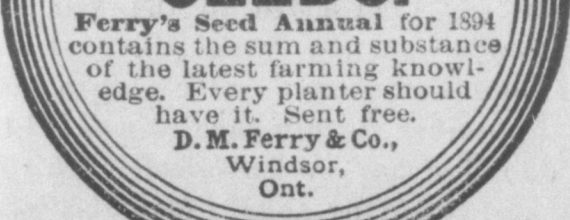
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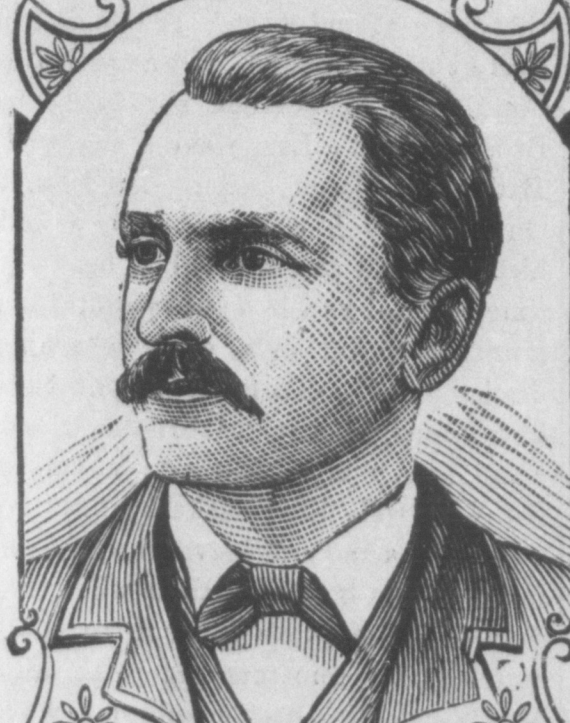
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INTERNATIONAL LESSON.

Second Quarter—Lesson IV.—April 22.

JOSEPH RULER IN EGYPT.
—Gen. 41:38-48.

GOLDEN TEXT.—*Them that honor me I will honor.*—1 Sam. 2:30.

THIRTEEN YEARS OF PREPARATION. JOSEPH IN "THE SMELTING FURNACE" OF LIFE.—Ten years of service and of trial. Joseph, when he reached Egypt, was sold to Potiphar, the captain of the guard. The military caste in Egypt ranked next to the priesthood; and the entire force consisted of 410,000 men, a thousand serving, each for a year as the king's body-guard. Potiphar as captain of one of these thousands, was a man of great honor and influence. Joseph was so wise, so faithful, that he was soon raised to a high position in Potiphar's household, and had control of his affairs. Even now, a slave brought up in the house is admitted to all the family councils; he is allowed to trade, or to engage in any business on his own account; and he may, in fact, do just as he pleases, if in return he be ready, in case of emergency, to wield a sword in defence of his master.

Three Years in a Prison. At the end of ten years another bitter trial was sent to Joseph. His very goodness and truth are made the occasion of an unjust accusation, and without trial he is cast into prison. Prison here probably implies a portion of the official mansion, mostly subterranean. It is called, in chap. 41:14, the dungeon. Such dungeons are still used in the East. The imprisonment was at first severe. But God favored him, and he afterwards had a freer and better life in waiting upon the other prisoners.

Steps in Joseph's Training and Preparation. His discipline was severe. His prison life was hard to endure. He was practically a martyr. He clung closer to God, and became acquainted with God. Wherever Joseph was, and in whatever circumstances, he did what was right. He made the best of everything. The way to reach a wider sphere is to fill full the narrower. Faithfulness, truth, courage, honor, are no more noble on a throne than in a factory or on a farm; love, gentleness, self-denial, are as blessed in the kitchen as in the parlor.

LINKS IN THE CHAIN OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE, by which Joseph was delivered from his misfortunes. The story of the dreams of the butler and baker and Joseph's aid to them is given in chap. 40. Joseph continued in prison for two years after showing kindness to the released cup bearer, who ungratefully forgat all about his young prison friend. Then God sends two strange dreams to Pharaoh. None of the wise men of Egypt could interpret them. Then the butler remembered Joseph, and he was called out of prison, and, declaring the interpretation to come from God, told Pharaoh that the two dreams had the same meaning. Seven years of an abundance, extraordinary even for fruitful Egypt, were to be followed by seven years of still more extraordinary dearth. Joseph went further, and counselled Pharaoh to give some discreet person authority over all the land, that he might store up the surplus corn of the seven years of plenty against the seven years of famine.

There are two elements in every life, the Divine and the Human, God's providence and man's free choice. Our success in life depends upon both. All the open doors in the world are of no use if we have not prepared to enter them. What are libraries to one who refuses to learn to read? Joseph was what is usually called a self-made man. Yet all through his life there was a providence and guidance as much beyond his control as the march of the stars through the sky.

JOSEPH EXALTED TO BE GOVERNOR OF EGYPT.—Vs. 38-45. And Pharaoh said. In response to the wise advice Joseph had given. Can we find such a one as this is, for the carrying out of the proposed plans? Joseph, by his past life, as well as his present wisdom, they saw clearly was especially fitted for the proposed work. A man in whom the Spirit of God is. He attributed Joseph's wisdom and fidelity to the true source, as Joseph had done in their presence. One in whom God's Spirit dwells, he will be faithful to all his duties; God's blessing will attend his plans and deeds. Forasmuch as God hath showed thee all this. It God had shown Joseph so much he would also give him wisdom in the future. Such a man would be invaluable as a ruler. There is none so discreet, "intelligent," having a clear insight into matters. Thou shalt be over my house. My palace, including all the officers and ministers of the kingdom. The chief over the palace was in ancient times next in power to the sovereign. According unto thy word shall all my people be ruled. This refers to the edict granting official power to

Joseph, and to the usual Eastern mode of acknowledging obedience and respect for the sovereign. And Pharaoh took off his ring. The ring was undoubtedly a signet, or seal-ring, which gave validity to the documents to which it was affixed. These rings were not always finger-rings, but were often used for bracelets. People in the East do not sign their names. They have seals in which their names and titles are engraved, and with which they make an impression with thick ink, on all occasions for which we use the signature. This was necessary since many could not read and write. Arrayed him in fine linen. A dress of honor, still conferred as a mark of high favor by the sovereigns of the East. Herodotus says that sometimes each thread was composed of 360 strands. And put a gold chain about his neck. A badge of high office, as now in England mayors have jewelled chains as a badge of office. Made him to ride in the second chariot. Thus arrayed Joseph is placed in Pharaoh's second chariot (next to Pharaoh's), and in the midst of a splendid procession conducted through the city. Bow the knee. The heralds that went before him cried, "Abreck!" rendered, "bow the knee." I am Pharaoh. That is, I, by my authority as the Pharaoh, or Emperor, raise thee to this position. And without thee, etc. Joseph's authority was to be absolute and universal. And Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zephnath paneah, and he gave him to wife Asenath, daughter of Potiphar priest of On, or Heliopolis, i. e., city of the sun. The two obelisks called Cleopatra's needles, one of which is now in London, and the other in New York, came originally from this city.

JOSEPH'S GREAT WORK.—Vs. 46-48. And Joseph was thirty years old. By this note of time we learn how many years Joseph was in servitude, for he was seventeen years old when sold into Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh. He did not remain among the novel delights and pleasures of the court, but immediately went forth in the performance of the new duties of his office. And went throughout all the land of Egypt. To issue the proper orders, and to see their execution. The earth brought forth by handfuls. That is, in vast abundance; one kernel yielding a whole handful. And he gathered up all the food of the seven years. According to Joseph's advice that Pharaoh gather up a fifth part. This was the government tax, or was brought up at low prices such as would prevail amid such abundance. Doubtless the people also stored up grain for themselves, according to their faith. This continued during the seven years of plenty. True Success. The wealth and power to which Joseph attained, were not his success, but only outward signs of success. His success consisted in his worthy character, and fitness to serve God and man. In his great work for helping a great number of people, and his thus proclaiming the true God to an idolatrous people. The blessings he brought upon his father's family. The wealth, honor, and position which came to him.

W. C. T. Union.

OUR MOTTO.—If God be for us who can be against us.

The Legal Disabilities of Women.

A PAPER READ BY MISS JESSIE C. SMITH BEFORE THE W. C. T. U. PUBLIC MEETING IN Y. M. C. A. HALL ON MONDAY EVENING 29TH JAN. 1894.

(Continued from last week.)

Now let us see what rights a woman has to her own property. By act of marriage all that she owned became her husband's. He might use it as he pleased, allowing her, if he chose, but the bare necessities of life therefrom, and if she incurred debt for what he might choose to consider superfluities, he was not by law compelled to pay therefor. In case of disagreement it was an easy thing for a man to put his wife in an insane asylum for life, or to convert all her property into cash and leave her to poverty.

And not in a man's life only had he power to punish continually the woman whom he had vowed before God's altar "to love and to cherish," "to endow with all his worldly goods." From the grave his cruel hand can still hold her helpless and wronged. A husband, even if himself a minor, can, by will in event of his own death beforehand, leave his unborn child to the guardianship of anyone whom, without even telling his wife, he may select. This awful thing was done on this side of the world six years ago. A husband not twenty one years of age, conceiving a violent grudge against his young wife did so actually will away her coming child, and at its birth it was taken from her, and she never knew what became of it. At once she was widowed and childless.

That a law like this could be made fills us with horror of barbarism; that it remains un repealed, on our Revised statutes this day,—what shall we say!

A further injustice that may be indicted on the living woman by the dead husband is that he may will entirely away from her the property which she owned at her marriage. An impecunious youth in Boston recently married a fifty thousand dollar bride. Dying in six months from date of marriage, he left a will, the chief provision of which was that his widow should enjoy the use of her own property so long as she remained his widow. If she married again the \$50,000 was to go to his relatives.

Also, by marriage, a husband becomes "Tenant by Curtesy," that is in plain English, owner of his wife's estate, and so remains after her death if she leaves a child. About thirty years ago a wealthy young married woman died early, leaving one little newborn daughter. The husband passed into possession of his wife's estates as "Tenant by Curtesy," and married again. As soon as his eldest daughter became of age, he turned her out of his house. To-day this man, on money so acquired, lives in ease and splendor. His eldest daughter, the natural heir to her mother's estate and now a widow, earns a pitiful living for herself and her child, as a house to house seamstress. How different is the case of a woman. Marriage with however wealthy a man, gives her no legal claim to anything but the meaneast support if her husband so choose, and after his death, unless by will disposed, or provided for, she receives but one-third of her own property it may be, or, if she has no children, half the other property going to her husband's relatives.

It would be impossible to point out half the abuses possible under these hideous un repealed laws of ours. One of the worst abuses is that of trusts and executorships, into which a woman, through custom, naturally falls. Fifteen years ago, a resident of this country was seized with mortal sickness away from home. In view of death, thinking, no doubt, to relieve his wife of care, he made a will, leaving all his property unreservedly to his wife in care of two executors. His property consisted of a house and lot in another county, valued at \$2,000, in good repair, and free of debt. He with his wife and family, resided on a farm on which lay a mortgage, not very heavy. Immediately on this man's death, the mortgagee foreclosed, and the executors set about meeting his claim. Without consulting the widow or any of her friends or relatives, they sold the unincumbered property for about a third of its value. The farm they sold for less than amount of mortgage. On the day six months that his father was buried, a posthumous child was born,—the eighth child. On that day the sale of the farm stock, the implements, and the household goods was effected,—all without advice taken, or consent asked of the widow. Can you imagine that woman's feelings on that bitter day? Who but herself could taste its bitterness?

Now, what did this woman do? After every debt was paid she had about \$260 left. Managing her own property, she could not possibly have done worse with it than her executors did. Her life since has showed plainly that she could and doubtless would have done better. With those few dollars, and her many children this brave woman came here to Truro, and with a needle, a little needle, she fought for her children a battle that no man has ever yet attempted, nor could successfully attempt. She fed her family, she clothed and educated them; she did her own housework, and all their sewing besides, and to-day those seven dear children—one died long ago—are her crown of rejoicing, seven upright, affectionate, intelligent and altogether estimable young persons, all winning now their own way in life.

(Continued next week.)

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