

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Prayer Meeting Topic For the Week. Beginning Dec. 30. By REV. S. H. DOYLE.

Topic.—Reaching forth.—Phil. III, 12-14. There are times and seasons in our lives when we cannot but take a view of life and be filled with desire at least to make the future better than the past.

One of these times is at the beginning of a new year. It is undoubtedly the season of all seasons when the heart of man is most inclined to make an effort to improve upon his past life.

The apostle Paul in the familiar words selected for our topical reference seems, as it were, to be taking stock of his life—of just how he stood in his relation to God and to life—and no words in Scripture are more suggestive for such an occasion as a new year than these words of the apostle written to the Philippians.

1. Paul was led to desire future advancement for the reason that he had not yet attained to the objects which he had in view. "Not as though I had already attained or was already perfect."

2. In Paul's desire to improve upon the past he determined to forget it. "Forgetting those things that are behind," he reached forth.

3. Paul had a single, definite aim before him. "This one thing I do." I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

4. Paul had a definite aim in his moral and spiritual life. And what a goal Paul selected toward which to aim!

5. Paul had a definite aim before him. "This one thing I do." I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. Definite aim is necessary to success in anything, and not less so in the moral and spiritual life.

The Endeavor Badge in Greece. Several of the foreign countries now have their Christian Endeavor badges. In the streets of Athens may sometimes be seen a simple device bearing the letter Z. This is the Greek Christian Endeavor badge, a symbol that is becoming more widely known every year in the land of Socrates and Demosthenes.

A Greater Mission. This is the white heat enthusiasm General Secretary Von Ogden Vogt puts into the closing paragraph of his account of a recent Christian Endeavor town in the Mississippi valley.

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Annual Benefit Column.

EDITED BY "AUNT MADGE" Its Motto: "Helpful and Hopeful"

The purposes of this column are succinctly stated in the title and motto—it is for the mutual benefit, and also to be helpful and hopeful. Being for the common good, it is for the common use—a public servant, a purveyor of information and suggestion, a medium for the interchange of ideas.

The days grow dark, and [yet, Oh! happy-hearted, I hear a sweet bird singing at the pane The leaves are dead, I know that we are parted, And yet I feel that we shall meet again.

The wind is drear; the snows are deeply lying, But yet I see the sunshine on the hill. Love, love, I hear your distant voice replying. Heart of my heart! I know you love me still.

You loved me once, dear heart, do you remember Our summer days, the autumn's purple bloom? And then our parting in the dark December, And what you whispered in the trembling gloom?

All, all is gone; those hours of golden glory! The flowers are dead you plucked for me of yore. I stand and listen; 'tis the old, old story. The winter comes, and you are here no more.

Dear Madge: I found the above in manuscript on my desk when I went to it to gather up material for the last M. J. B. column of 1906. I know not to whom it should be credited, nor whether it is original or selected, but there is something pathetic in its thought and appropriate to the farewell of the dying year.

Dear Madge: A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all, and also to the dear ones who read our column, for the readers are far more numerous than the writers; and may a ray of God's blessed sunshine cheer and gladden all our hearts.

My life has been very full of blessings for the past year, and although our Thanksgiving was a very quiet one with only my oldest son for a guest at dinner, I counted my mercies and was thankful. I think if we search carefully amidst the common-places of our everyday lives we shall find more to be thankful for than we have any idea of.

POTATO CAKE.—Four cups sugar, two cups sugar, two cups mashed potato, three-fourths cup butter, one cup cocoa, spices of all kinds, two teaspoons baking powder, one cup sweet milk, four cups flour, one cup chopped walnuts, one cup raisins, little salt.

INGEBREAD.—Beat together one cup thick (rich) cream with one-half teaspoon soda, till light. In another dish whip one cup of molasses to a foam with one-half teaspoon soda, a little salt, one teaspoon ginger. Mix and add two well-beaten eggs, two cups flour.

Many thanks for this fine collection of recipes. I can assure you, W., as I give you a cordial welcome to the circle, that these will be made use of by many. It has often been suggested that it would be a good idea for those who try recipes given in the column to report their success, or otherwise.

A Great Outside Remedy. Most pains are of local origin—a "crick" in the back, a twinge of rheumatism, a soreness all over arising from a cold—are cured by outside applications. The all-quick, safest and most certain method is Alcock's Plaster, known the world over as a universal remedy for pain.

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often enough to not be forgotten. I think I had as lief face a snow storm as the sand storm that Susan wrote about. How strange it would seem to us to sit down to Thanksgiving dinner amid a bank of roses. It does not seem to me that the roasted spare-rib and chicken would taste just the same as they do here, and Santa Claus would not have to wear his fur coat there.

I would like to ask if any of the sisters ever tried to keep a yeast cake in a cup of cold water. When my family is small I only use half a cake, and put the rest in a cup of water. I have kept it a week in that way, and found it as good as when first opened.

Indeed, you are not forgotten, and we are glad to hear from you whenever you can find time to write. I never heard of putting the yeast cake, or half of it, in water—that will be a new idea to some of us. I have "hid it" in the flour sometimes.

Dear Aunt Madge and M. B. Sisters: How are you all this bright, cold morning—full of Christmas work and thoughts? Dear friends, let me tell you how much I have enjoyed all your letters, and how faithful you have been. It makes me feel very small, I tell you, when I think how little I have done.

Dear E., I think of you often; with the care of the dear invalid ones, your time must be limited for other work, and yet a nice letter finds its way to the M. B. column quite often. Aunt Maria, the mention of your cats occupying the rocking chairs aroused my sympathies.

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Among the Grangers.

This column is devoted to the Grange, especially to the granges of Hancock county. The column is open to all grangers for the discussion of topics of general interest, and for reports of grange meetings. Make letters short and concise. All communications must be signed, but names will not be printed except by permission of the writer.

Friday, Jan. 11—Meeting of Hancock Pomona at North Sedgwick.

Hancock Pomona will meet with Sedgwick grange Friday, Jan. 11. The programme will include the following: Address of welcome, Ada Allen; response, Andrew Grindle; paper—Annie G. Allen; Topic: "In what way has the grange helped this town financially, morally or socially?"

Lamoine grange held its regular meeting Tuesday, Dec. 18. Grange opened at regular time, Bro. Wesley Cousins in the chair owing to the absence of Master J. E. Young, who was in Augusta attending State grange.

Rainbow grange, North Brooksville, met Thursday evening, with a large number of patrons present. The grange voted to buy fifty new books for the grange library.

Penobscot grange. Owing to the storm, Penobscot grange did not hold any meeting Friday evening.

Schoodic grange, No. 420, held its regular meeting Dec. 20. In the absence of the master, G. B. Scammon, who went as delegate to the State grange, Worthy Overseer J. D. Perkins filled the chair.

Harvest Home grange, West Ellsworth, held its regular meeting Dec. 22, with forty-four members in attendance. After the routine business, the third and fourth degrees were worked on three candidates.

Alamoosook grange, East Orland, held its regular meeting Saturday night. The third and fourth degrees were conferred, after which a short programme was enjoyed by all.

Arbutus grange. At the regular meeting of Arbutus grange, Surry, Friday evening, six candidates were instructed in first and second degrees.

Mariaville grange held its regular session Saturday evening, twenty present. One application for membership was received. A literary programme was well rendered.

Halcyon grange held a regular meeting Dec. 22. About sixty were present, including visitors from Penobscot, Highland and Medway granges.

Schoodic grange held its regular meeting Dec. 20, with Past Master A. E. Small in the chair. After the usual business, the first degree was conferred on one candidate.

New Century grange, Dedham, met for its regular session Dec. 22, with a smaller number than usual present. Readings were given by Effie Phillips, E. A. Thompson; story, T. R. Phillips; remarks on "New Cure of Epilepsy."

Officers will be installed Jan. 12, G. W. Brewster installing officer.

Cushman grange held its regular meeting Dec. 19, with a small attendance on account of the icy condition of the roads. After regular business, one candidate was instructed in the third and fourth degrees.

Highland grange has extended an invitation to Alamoosook and Penobscot granges to meet with them Jan 2, when officers will be installed.

John Dority grange. On account of storm Friday the fair and sale by John Dority grange, East Sullivan, was postponed till Saturday afternoon.

A Flirtation. "She wasn't one bit like the girls who indulge in public flirtations; she was so tall and cold and stately," began the conductor who observes things.

Cuckoos and Cowbirds. With all its vagabond ways the cowbird is scarcely as bad as the English cuckoo. It has all the sins of the cowbird, to which is added the worse one of turning the legitimate birds out of their nest.

What a lovely cow, Uncle James," said a Boston girl, the morning after her arrival, and how funny she shakes her head. "Yes; but don't get too near that cow," cautioned the uncle, "he's an ugly critter."

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Suspicion. Distrust appeared! I saw a person engaged in talking with a maid apart, and every little while I glanced to notice. He lightly laid his hand upon his heart.

I thought, of course, it was a declaration, a passage tender with the maiden fair, but found out later that the frequent gestures were just to see if still his purse was there!

There are some hoary who turn gray but do not grow hoary, whose faces are furrowed but not wrinkled, whose hearts are sore wounded in many places but are not dead. There is a youth that bids defiance to age, and there is a kindness which laughs at the world's rough usage.

Weak Kidneys Make Weak Bodies. Kidney Diseases Cause Half the Common Aches and Pains of Ellsworth People.

As one weak link weakens a chain, so weak kidneys weaken the whole body and hasten the final breaking down. Overwork, strains, colds and other causes injure the kidneys, and when their activity is lessened the whole body suffers from the excess of uric acid.

Doan's Kidney Pills act directly on the kidneys and cure every kidney ailment. Nelson R. Jellison, veteran, living on Water St., Ellsworth, Me., says: "Whenever I hear anybody complain of kidney trouble or backache I always advise them to get Doan's Kidney Pills at E. G. Moore's drug store and use them exactly as directed."

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MOON'S PHASES. Third Quarter 8 5:45. Full Moon 22 1:43.

This week's edition of The American is 2,250 copies. Average for the year of 1905, 2,313.

Get Together. The time is ripe for a determined effort on the part of Ellsworth to help herself. There is every prospect now that work on the long-mooted power plant on Union river will begin in the early spring.

sizes, and that at postoffices of like class, in the same vicinity, equipped with similar boxes, rents are collected at widely different rates. In order to remedy these conditions an attempt is being made to provide a definite rule for the collection of box rents, a schedule has been prepared based (1) upon the size of the boxes, and (2) upon the gross receipts of postoffices—the larger the box and the larger the gross receipts, the higher the box rent rate.

COUNTY GOSSIP. A "fake" news story was sent out from Deer Isle last week to the effect that a man who at one time was supposed to know something about the Robbins murder, had made a death-bed confession, clearing up the mystery.

LEGISLATIVE OUTLOOK. Politics Will be a Factor at the Coming Session. The session of the State legislature, which opens Wednesday, Jan. 2, promises to be the most important of any for a long period.



Here is a good, generous armful of Hancock county activity. Despite the limitations and defects of a "snap-shot", the photograph is an interesting one.

The Kennebec Journal. In a notice of the Kennebec Journal printed last week, the price of the daily edition for the session was given as \$1.25, instead of \$1.

IN THE PERSIAN DESERT. Curious Way in Which Water is Procured For Yeard. Almost in the center of Persia lies Yeard, a city of perhaps 40,000 people, on the great caravan route.

Advertisements. SAFE Millions are Expended Annually. SAVINGS DEPARTMENT Next Quarter Begins January 1, 1907. FIRST NATIONAL BANK, ELLSWORTH, MAINE.

THE AMERICAN has subscribers at 107 of the 217 post-offices in Hancock county.

COUNTY NEWS.

Additional County News, see other pages

SOUTHWEST HARBOR. Mrs. Joanna Lurvey, Southwest Harbor's oldest resident, is in feeble health, incident to old age.

MRS. ELMIRA L. WALLS. After a long and painful illness, Mrs. Elmira L. Walls entered into rest on the morning of December 17, welcoming death as a friend bringing sweet relief.

feeling well paid for the hours spent with Omaha tribe and wishing this order a long and prosperous life with ever increasing numbers.

BLUEHILL. Miss Maria Wood has gone to Dedham, Mass. Will Snow and wife left Thursday for their home in Portland.

MANSET. Franklin Smith, from Bucksport seminary, is at home for the holidays.

ATLANTIC. Alec Staples and Bert Stockbridge are camping out on Orme, digging clams.

RED MEN ENTERTAIN. Thursday evening Omaha tribe extended hospitality to their wives, members of Elline council, a few friends, it being the second anniversary of this order.

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INDIAN POINT. Charles Ahlblad has been doing some inside painting for Capt. L. R. Walls.

Wellington Salisbury has purchased the hay from the Fenelon Higgins farm, and has been hauling it.

Miss Koch, pastor of the Salisbury Cove church, has held two interesting meetings at the schoolhouse here.

Miss Annie Ahlblad, who had the misfortune to break both bones in her left forearm six weeks ago, has so far recovered as to have the splints removed from it.

Harry Gilbert, of Bar Harbor, is a guest at E. Lally's.

Rufus Webb is spending the holidays with relatives in Bangor.

Everett Higgins, of Lamoine, has moved his family here to the Lewis Jordan place.

Miss Laura Lally, who has been very ill with typhoid pneumonia, is now out of danger.

Miss Gertrude Lally went to Eddington Bend last Sunday, for a few weeks at W. T. Warren's.

Miss Nancy Jordan received a fine deer a week ago, shot and presented by her brother, Ed. Jordan, of Clifton.

Miss Isabelle Jordan, of Waltham, was in town over Sunday, a guest at Arden Young's.

Jed Salisbury visited relatives in North Mariaville last Sunday. His niece, Miss Vivian Philbrook, of that place, returned home with him, to attend school here this winter.

Bar Harbor is to have a new savings bank, which is to open its doors for business shortly.

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WEST SULLIVAN.

Milton Arey and Dr. A. W. Cleaves, of Bar Harbor, were in town last week.

Among those who are at home to spend Christmas are Oscar Hysom, Helen Thomas, Ralph Moore and Mrs. Carl Reade.

Miss Josephine Urann was a guest of Mrs. George Pettingill Friday. Miss Urann has been teaching school in New Hampshire the past year, and came home for the holidays.

Dr. S. E. Phelps attended the monthly meeting of the Penobscot county medical association at Bangor. Dr. E. G. Abbott, formerly of this place, was a guest of honor, and read a very able paper on "Orthopedic Surgery".

Preparations are being made for an entertainment which promises to be unique and interesting.

In Portland, Ore., recently Miss Vida Moore, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James S. Moore, was married to Walter E. Gray, of Nashville, Tenn.

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substantial figure representing "Foxy Grandpa". The presentation address was by Rev. J. A. Lawrence. The society thanks all who helped in making the affair a success.

FRANKLIN.

Miss Esther Dweiley is teaching at Cranberry Isles.

Miss Della Bragdon, returned home from Portland Thursday after one week's visit with relatives.

The winter term of high school will commence Monday, Dec. 31, in district No. 2, C. E. Dodge, of Clinton, teacher.

The hardwood floor and other recent improvements at the Baptist church vastly change its appearance for the better.

Mrs. Emery Smith came home from Ellsworth, Thursday, leaving her aunt, Mrs. Morgan, much improved in health.

Our little community is sorrowful on account of the death of an esteemed neighbor, Mrs. Nancy Dodge, which occurred this morning.

In the death of Gilbert Briggs Davis, the town has lost one of its enterprising farmers, a young man respected greatly by all his acquaintances.

A. G. Blake has bought a new horse. Ed Smith caught 160 pounds of smelts one day last week.

There was a concert and Christmas tree at the Baptist church Christmas eve.

Capt. N. J. Kane, in schooner Mineola, arrived at Bluehill Thursday with freight.

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