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SOME interest has been aroused by the records made by different men in the number of hours they have worked during the past year, as they have been published in the PRESS. One reader objects to the conclusion in the issue of two weeks ago, that the health of the workman stands as evidence that steady work will not kill a man. Our reader says that no one ever said that a year of steady work would kill a man. God does not balance accounts necessarily at the end of a year. He refers to a certain express driver who at a certain time was off duty for the first time in thirty-two years. During that time he had not missed more than a week of time having worked on all holidays. At the time in question, however, he was paying for it all. He was off duty, unable to work, and did not know when he would be able to take his place again.

Is not the contention well based? We believe it is. The whole plan of the universe indicates that the Creator intended that man as well as beast should rest a part of the time. It is one of the laws of the universe. When man violates a natural or spiritual law he is bound to suffer at some time or other. It may not be within a year or several years, and as far as we can see it may not be in a life time, but the penalty is inflicted all the same.

ALL sorts of remarks have been made during the last week to the effect that more hunters have been shot than rabbits. Editors have been suggesting that hunters should be more careful, and citizens in general have been horrified as one report after another has been heard. Warnings, however, have apparently been of no avail, for by the end of the first week of the season fifty hunters had been killed in the United States. Four of these were in Pennsylvania and in addition ten or a dozen others were wounded. At present, the laws really protect the game animals a

part of the year and to a certain extent during the hunting season while the hunters roams the fields and is in danger, at any time, of being the mark for a careless gunner.

What is to be done? When the citizens of the country came to realize the enormous life loss on the Fourth of July the "sane Fourth" was instituted. Can not some Solon draw up a law which will really protect the hunter?

ONE definite step, however small, will do more to set a good thing going than any amount of desultory contemplation.

Losing Yet Achieving

I WAS yesterday I dreamed, or in a vision

Was borne to life's sublimest,
loneliest height,
Enlapped with airs which in that land
Elysian
Had teased the asphodels in shy de-
light.

I dreamed I kissed the stars unhidden,
And breathed the Infinite with hungry
breast,
And Godlike powers arose in me un-
bidden

To urge me onward to some Godlike
quest.

Till breathless, anguished by the soul's
expansion,

The pushing at her mortal prison
bars,

I cried, "Be still! this clay hut is thy
mansion;

Content thee with but looking at the
stars."

'Tis given to each soul, in some hour
ecstatic,

A vision of the yearned-for Promised
Land;

A dream of youth sublimely sad, pro-
phetic,

To beckon like some angel's guiding
hand.

So over stones of life's sharp, vexing
trifles

We try to starward climb on earthly
peaks,

Each to his own ideal weak disciples,
Each losing, yet achieving that he
seeks.—E. CRAFT COBERN.

The Uses of Sand

ALWAYS keep handy a pailful of clean sand. Nothing more useful around the house, as you will find.

It cleans rust; just plunge a rusty knife or tool into the sand several times and see for yourself.

Then, if a pan of grease on the stove gets cantankerous and starts to blaze, as frequently happens, don't douse the stove with water and run out of the kitchen scream for Ben, or Joe, or Bill. Use sand. Smothers the blaze quickly, dissipates the smoke, and, instead of mussing up the stove, as would water, it really cleans it.

Don't throw away a punctured water-bag as being useless. Try filling it with sand heated in a pie-plate or shallow pan. The sand will retain heat a long time, and for every practical purpose will be found as good as hot water.

And when you get the old-fashioned earache, or the new-fashioned faceache, and there's no water-bag nearer than three miles to town, and life seems an eternal weight of woe, just heat up a little sand and fill your boy's marble-bag with it, and after you've applied this to the seat of the disturbance you'll forget all about your troubles and the tariff.

Good for scouring, too, is sand, especially when mixed with soft soap—three parts of the latter to one of the former.

But if only as a protection against fire—a blaze from any source—you ought to keep a pail of sand handy about the house all the time.

WHAT TAFT THINKS OF FARMING.

President Taft in a southern speech said, "If I were advising a young man as to his future profession I should say to him that there was probably greater opportunity for real reward in assiduity, industry, attention to business and scientific investigation in the profession of agriculture than in any other profession this country affords."

Palmyra Bank Declares Dividend

MONDAY the Palmyra Bank declared a semi-annual dividend of ten per cent., making that institution's earnings equivalent to twenty per cent. a year. Five thousand dollars was added to the \$105,000 surplus fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zentmeyer Surprised

A SURPRISE party was given Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zentmeyer on last Saturday evening, it being Mr. Zentmeyer's 73rd and Mrs. Zentmeyer's 70th birthday. Those who composed the party were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zentmeyer, Mr. Amos Jones and family, Mr. Frank Zentmeyer and family, Mr. Harry Keeney and family, and Mr. John Davis, all of Hershey; Mr. Charles Zentmeyer and family, Mr. and Mrs. White, Mrs. Dick, Mrs. Dunbar and John Gilbert, all of Harrisburg; Mr. George Zentmeyer and family, Mr. Harry Zentmeyer and sons, Russel and Paul, of Palmyra; Mr. and Mrs. William Longenecker, Miss Amanda Greene, and Miss Ethel Buridge, of Hummelstown. Refreshments were served and the evening was spent with music and conversation after which all went to their homes wishing Mr. and Mrs. Zentmeyer many more happy birthdays.

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