

THE REAL AND THE IDEAL

We Need to Learn for Ourselves What Is the Work That Endures.

"Set your affections on things above, not on things on earth."—Col. iii., 2.

It is probable that from the age of 16 up to 39 Jesus of Nazareth spent His life in mechanical toil; He made wooden plows, axe handles, and yokes; He served as a carpenter. Then for three years He gave Himself to the ministry of ideal things, exclusively to the service of the spirit.

There is a wonderful satisfaction in making things, in looking over some concrete piece of work accomplished when the day ends. It is a satisfaction that belongs to the artisan. Is it not probable that many said that it was a great pity when Jesus gave up so useful a trade as His? To them He seemed to be but chasing the rainbow.

But to-day who possesses a single one of the things that young carpenter made? And did we possess them all what better off would the world be? Yet, on the other hand, how ill could this world afford to lose what He gave it by those three years of the service of the ideal.

In our age of things we so easily forget how large is the place of the ideal and the spiritual. Ever estimating our assets in the concrete, we fail to recognize that our real wealth lies in thoughts and things abstract. The permanent possessions of humanity are spiritual.

NOT ACRES NOR ARMIES,
not banks nor business make a nation,
but mightily, compelling ideals and traditions.

Jesus, Shakespeare, Browning, Lowell, Emerson left no goods and chattels, no bonds and mortgages; they left inspirations; they bequeathed ideals; living first for the soul, their souls survive and remain to us all. The truly great who still stand after the test of the years are those who have lived for the spirit.

This is as true of the worker and the warrior as of the philosopher and poet. All were inspired by glowing visions; they set their affections on things above the trifles for which we struggle and spend ourselves. They endured as seeing glories to us invisible; therefore their names endure.

The great undertakings of our own day are possible only under spiritual

inspirations. No rewards of money only can induce a man to steadfastly conduct affairs of great moment and enterprise; he is buoyed up by a great hope; often the very greatness of the task and the sense of serving great ends carry him on; always he sees the work in the ideal rather than the wage.

We must learn to measure life with the sense of the infinite. We must not think that a man has failed because he has not left burdened warehouses and bonds. We must cease to think that we can tell whether work be high or lowly by the size of the wage. We need eyes to see the glory of the least act in the light of the glowing motive.

A new estimate is placed on every act when it is measured not by bread alone but by the things of the soul. The mother's care of the children, the father's steady humble toil for them, the faithful watching over the sick,

THE MINISTRY OF THE LOWLY,
all have a new glory in the light of the love that leads the way and the spirit that guides those who do the least of these things.

It is a good thing to lay a course of bricks so that it shall be true, but of greater value to the world than the wall that stands firm is the spirit that forces the man to build aright. No man can do even this without an ideal set in his heart, and when the wall shall have fallen the world shall still be enriched by his ideal.

Too many of us are fretting because we are not getting on in the world. Seeing the apparent ease with which some acquire fortune, we become discontented with our small gains. We talk as though fortunes and follies, money and lands were the only things worth while. Yet we know better, for we all find our real joys in other things. Life is the business of learning to use things as tools, the real as the servant of the ideal, to make conditions ever better that character may grow the more, to serve in the making of things and the enduring of things under the inspiration of the full and glorious purpose of life, the realizing of the best for ourselves, the rendering of our best to others.

HENRY F. COPE.

of an hour. The records of the men were read out by Captain Althill and Captain Woodwork. King Edward shook hands with each man, and surprised them by his extensive knowledge of their exploits.

"You were one of the 'Fighting Fifth,' were you?" he said to a veteran, and added, "A grand regiment."

"You were at Lucknow, my man," he remarked to another. "Then you had an exciting time of it." And to yet another, "You were under Havelock—a wonderful soldier!" Proceeding along the lines, his Majesty paid special attention to Thomas Mann, who served under William IV.; William Skoyles, who was in the Kaffir war of 1818, and James Oiley, who took part in the Balaclava charge. As his Majesty spoke to them of their battles their eyes glistened, and they pulled their worn limbs together as though in readiness for the fray once more.

HAPPY AS SCHOOL BOYS.

His Majesty was deeply moved by the heartiness with which he was received by the veterans, who, after having been entertained at lunch, climbed into the brakes like a lot of school boys. It was, indeed, a happy party that was driven around the estate on Saturday afternoon. Not only had the old soldiers been received by the King, but friends who had fought in company many years before met again to compare notes and to recall their youth. As they talked with the freedom of veterans of former times, the horrors of the old wars were brought home to their privileged listeners. Loud were they in praise of his Majesty, and many honestly wished they were able to actively serve him. During the proceedings, his Majesty conferred the Royal Victorian Order of the Fourth Class upon Captain Althill. In awarding the honor, the King said it gave him great pleasure to do so in recognition of his services in connection with the Royal Norfolk Veterans' Association.

KEEP BABY WELL.

Ask any mother who has used Baby's Own Tablets and she will tell you there is no other medicine so good. We pledge you our word there is no other medicine so safe—we give you the guarantee of a Government analyst that Baby's Own Tablets contains no opiate or poisonous soothing stuff. The Tablets speedily relieve and cure all the minor ailments of babies and young children. Mrs. L. F. Kerr, Greenbush, Ont., says: "Baby's Own Tablets are the best all round medicine for babies and children I know of. I can strongly recommend them to mothers from my own experience." Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

BEER DRIVES OUT ABSINTHE.

France Takes More of the Former and Less of the Latter.

The consumption of beer in France has increased by more than 40 per cent. during the last five years. In 1906 it reached the imposing total of 317,040,000 gallons.

It does not appear that the increased use of beer has diminished in the slightest degree the consumption of wine and cider. But Consul Mason is quoted in Bonfor's Wine and Spirit Circular as saying that, as the consumption of beer increases, that of alcohol, especially in the perilous form of absinthe, is slowly but steadily decreasing.

The statistics of 1904 show that during that year the amount of absinthe sold for drinking purposes in France fell off more than 130,000 gallons, or 2.8 per cent. This is not a sweeping or conclusive reform, but statistics seem to show that the maximum danger point has been passed.

Much of the beer is imported (or purports to be so) from Pilsen and Munich, though most of the leading breweries in other German cities have Paris agencies and distribute their beer to retailers. This entails high prices to consumers, as there is a heavy import duty. Under the stimulus of this protection the brewing industry of France has developed rapidly both in respect to quantity and quality of its product.

ANOTHER MAGISTRATE CURED BY ZAM-BUK.

Magistrate F. Rasmussen of 211 Marquette St., Montreal, has just been cured by Zam-Buk of a skin disease which for years had defied all remedies. Interviewed on the subject Mr. Rasmussen said: "It is quite correct. For years I was troubled with a serious skin disease, and not one but several doctors in turn failed to do me any good. Zam-Buk seemed to act like a charm; and a few boxes healed the sores and cleared my skin completely."

All stores sell Zam-Buk at 50 cents a box, or post free from Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, for price. 6 boxes for \$2.50.

TO CATCH A BURGLAR.

A Well-Known Detective Tells How it May be Done.

"There are only ten persons in a thousand who, when they hear strange noises in their houses, do not immediately strike a light to find out the cause," said a well-known detective. "This is the most absolute piece of folly a sane person can commit, and yet it only seems natural. But let me tell you that when you hear any noise that indicates the presence in your house of a person who has no business there, first take the precaution to put out your light. Then, if you want to search, do so in the dark.

"Of course, you know the house better than any stranger, and the chances are that if you keep quiet the in-

Imperial Bank of Canada

Proceedings of the Thirty-second Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders Held at the Banking House of the Institution in Toronto, on Wednesday, 22nd May, 1907

THE REPORT.

The Directors have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders their Thirty-second Annual Report and Balance Sheet of the affairs of the Bank for the year which ended on 30th April, 1907.

The net profits for the twelve months, after making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts, for interest on unmatured bills under discount, for the usual contributions to the Pension and Guarantee Funds, and providing for Provincial and other taxation, amount to \$719,029.04, which has been applied as follows:—

(a) Dividends have been paid at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum for the first three-quarters of the year, and at the rate of 11 per cent. per annum for the last quarter, amounting in all to \$453,217 58
(b) Bank Premises and Furniture Account has been credited with 116,391 47
(c) Profit and Loss Account has been increased by 149,420 29
The Premium, amounting to \$846,206.94, received on an equal amount of New Capital Stock, has been transferred to Rest Account, which now amounts to \$4,773,948.44.

There has been a satisfactory increase in the business of the Bank in all Departments.

Branches of the Bank have been opened during the year at Brantford and Fort William, and a sub-branch on Bank street, Ottawa, all in the Province of Ontario, and at Athabasca Landing, in the Province of Alberta. The branch at Trout Lake, B. C., has been closed.

Shortly after our last meeting the Bank suffered and we were much grieved through the death of our much-respected colleague, Mr. William Hendrie of Hamilton, who was elected a Director on 19th May, 1899, and died on 27th June, 1906.

The vacancy on the Board occasioned by Mr. Hendrie's death has been filled by the appointment of Wm. Hamilton Merritt of St. Catharines, nephew of our late President, Mr. T. R. Merritt.

A by-law will be submitted for your approval authorizing an increase in the Capital by the sum of \$5,000,000, to be availed of in such amounts and at such times as the Directors may determine. The rapid development of the country necessitates increased banking facilities which can be most economically and at the same time profitably supplied by the Banks which are now in existence. It is intended to allot the new shares from time to time as the business of the Bank may call for additional capital, but no immediate allotment is in contemplation.

A further by-law will be submitted for your approval authorizing an additional contribution by the Bank to the Officers and Employees' Pension Fund, with a view to placing that Fund on a more substantial basis.

The Head Office and Branches of the Bank have all been carefully inspected during the year, and your Directors have much pleasure in again bearing testimony to the zeal, efficiency and faithfulness of the staff in the performance of their duties.

D. R. WILKIE, President.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Dividend No. 64, for three months at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum (paid 1st of August, 1906)	\$ 98,567 30	Balance at credit of account 30th April, 1906, brought forward	\$ 276,895 02
Dividend No. 65, for three months, at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum (paid 1st of November, 1906)	109,846 42	Profits for the twelve months ended 30th April, 1907, after deducting charges of management and interest due depositors, and after making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts and for rebate on bills under discount	719,029 04
Dividend No. 66, for three months at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum (paid 1st of February, 1907)	114,325 33	Premium received on new Capital Stock	846,206 94
Dividend No. 67, for three months, at the rate of 11 per cent. per annum (paid 1st of May, 1907)	130,478 21		
Transferred to Rest Account	846,206 94		
Written off Bank Premises and Furniture Account	116,391 47		
Balance of Account carried forward	426,316 31		
	\$1,842,132 00		\$1,842,132 00

REST ACCOUNT.

Balance at Credit of Account, 30th April, 1906	\$3,927,741 50
Premium received on new Capital Stock	846,206 94
	\$4,773,948 44

D. R. WILKIE, General Manager.

LIABILITIES.

Notes of the Bank in circulation	\$ 3,315,497 00
Deposits not bearing interest	6,120,881 52
Deposits bearing interest (including interest accrued to date)	25,807,217 89
Deposits by other Banks in Canada	31,928,099 41
Balance due to Agencies in the United Kingdom	73,211 60
Balance due to Agencies in the United Kingdom	126,040 55
Total liabilities to the public	\$35,442,848 46
Capital Stock (paid-up)	4,773,948 44
Rest Account	4,773,948 44
Dividend No. 67 (payable 1st May, 1907) for three months, at the rate of 11 per cent. per annum	130,478 21
Rebate on Bills discounted	93,717 49
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward	426,316 31
	\$45,641,257 36

ASSETS.

Gold and Silver Coin	\$1,104,686 49
Dominion Government Notes	5,595,875 00
Deposit with Dominion Government for security of note circulation	6,700,561 49
Notes of and Cheques on other Banks	168,089 16
Balance due from other Banks in Canada	1,516,964 97
Balance due from Agents in the United Kingdom	743,042 32
Balance due from Agents in Foreign Countries	12,742 60
Balance due from Agents in Foreign Countries	2,023,297 25
	\$11,641,697 79
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities	538,266 98
Canadian Municipal Securities and British or Foreign or Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian	2,689,728 65
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	945,876 77
Call and Short Loans on Stocks and Bonds in Canada	4,173,872 44
	\$18,898,042 21
Other Current Loans, Discounts and Advances	25,715,495 11
Overdue debts (loss provided for)	22,617 04
Real Estate (other than Bank Premises)	65,403 76
Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank	25,533 19
Bank Premises, including Safes, Vaults and Office Furniture, at Head Office and Branches	900,000 00
Other Assets, not included under foregoing heads	14,086 06
	\$45,641,257 36

E. HAY, Asst. General Manager.

D. R. WILKIE, General Manager.

In addition to the customary motions, which were unanimously carried, a by-law was passed authorizing an increase in the Capital Stock of the Bank by the sum of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000), to be issued as the Directors may hereafter determine, and also a by-law authorizing the Directors to make a special contribution of \$25,000 to the Pension Fund of the Bank.

The Scrutineers appointed at the meeting reported the following gentlemen duly elected Directors for the ensuing year:—Messrs. D. R. Wilkie, Hon. Robert Jaffray, Wm. Ramsay of Bowland, Elias Rogers, J. Kerr Osborne, Charles Cockshutt, Peleg Howland, Wm. Whyte (Winnipeg), Cawthra Mulock, Hon. Richard Turner (Quebec), Wm. Hamilton Merritt, M.D. (St. Catharines).

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors Mr. D. R. Wilkie was elected President and the Hon. Robert Jaffray Vice-President for the ensuing year.

truder will expose himself either by showing a light or stumbling over something. Then you have the advantage of knowing his position without his knowing yours.

"There is many a murdered man in his grave to-day who would have been alive had this advice been followed. What can be more preposterous than the idea of a man in his right mind (knowing that if a burglar is in his house and is discovered he will take

desperate means) actually offering himself as a target by appearing with a light in his hand, which does no more good than to betray his presence, as it is only natural that he cannot see three feet beyond his rays?

"Take the records of murders committed where only burglary was intended, and you will find that three-quarters of them are due to the folly of searching for the burglar with a light."

A FAMILY MEDICINE.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills One Medicine Best Suited for the Whole Household.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are the greatest blood-builder known to medical science. They never fail to make rich, red blood—lots of it—the kind that brings health and strength to the sufferer. They are a family medicine—good for the grandmother or grandfather; the mother or father and for the growing children. Thousands have found new health and strength through the use of these pills. As proof of their being family medicine Mrs. Chas. Castonguay, Michipicolen River, Ont., says:—"My husband was ill for five months and was unable to do any work. He made several trips to the Soo to consult doctors and spent much money on medicine, but nothing helped him—in fact he grew worse. He could not eat much and the little he did eat would not remain on his stomach. His stomach was examined by X Rays and found to be in a terrible inflamed condition. After remaining at the Soo for some time under the doctor's care without finding relief he returned home discouraged and afraid he was going to die. It was then Dr. Williams' Pink Pills were recommended and by the time he had taken nine boxes he was perfectly well and able to go to work again."

Mrs. Castonguay continues: "I have also used the Pills for female troubles and found them a perfect medicine. My little one also owes good health and a rosy color to them."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure all the troubles due to poor blood or shattered nerves, such as anaemia, rheumatism, dyspepsia, neuralgia, St. Vitus' dance partial paralysis, etc., simply because they make rich, red, health-giving blood. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 50c. a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

The ancient Egyptians used a form of blast furnace in 2000 B. C. We have pictures of these ironworkers on the tombs at Thebes.

The wiser a man is the more certain it is that he prefers fishing to politics. No man would ever get into heaven if St. Peter demanded recommendations from his neighbors.

KING AND OLD BRIGADE

KING EDWARD INSPECTS BRAVE OLD WARRIORS.

Shook Hands With Each Man, and Surprised Them by His Knowledge of Their Exploits.

"I am pleased to see so many of you here to-day, looking so well and hearty. I hope that, although you are no longer young, you have some years remaining in which to enjoy this Norfolk air, and that I shall see you here on a great many future occasions. You will find refreshments awaiting you in the ball room, and I hope you will benefit by partaking of it."

These hearty words were addressed on Saturday by King Edward to forty-five benedicted old campaigners, who had seen active service in the Indian Mutiny, the Crimean war, and other campaigns. They had assembled at Sandringham for the purpose of being inspected by his Majesty. Although some of the number were well over eighty, they were, as a whole, a fine set of old men.

KING'S KINDNESS OF HEART.

The veterans, many of whom had been mutilated by shot and shell, stood erect, as his Majesty, accompanied by his guests, made his appearance in the direction of the terrace. John Woods, an old soldier who fought in the Crimean war, and wore a Turkish bar, made a great effort to stand, but was compelled to use the chair which had been placed in position for him. King Edward's kindness of heart on two occasions made a great impression on the warriors. When he made his appearance the veterans saluted by removing their hats, but his Majesty, after returning their salute, commanded them to cover their heads. Again, as they were marching into the ball room for lunch they had rather a difficult step to negotiate, and the King, noticing this, at once sent Sir Dighton Probyn and Captain Graham Woodwork to stand by and render any necessary assistance.

RECALLED THEIR DEEDS.
The inspection itself lasted a quarter

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It makes them plump, rosy, active, happy.

It contains Cod Liver Oil, Hypophosphites and Glycerine, to make fat, blood and bone, and so put together that it is easily digested by little folk.

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