

A serious hold-up on the Oakwood road was reported in town last evening. It seems that a man named Richardson, who had occasion to drive out towards Oakwood last evening was held up on a dark stretch of road by two or more masked men. A sum of money was taken from him, it is claimed, but the amount could not be ascertained. Richardson could not be located to-day, and it is probable that nothing more will be heard of the affair.—Post.

Mr. Richard Lees, public school inspector, has been recently through the townships of Dummer, Methuen, and Belmont, where disastrous fires have ravaged woods and fields over an area of 125 to 130 square miles. They started at the east end of Stony Lake and spread rapidly in an easterly direction to the eastern boundary of Methuen. From there they stretched northward from Sandy Lake to the south end of Round Lake, leaving a wide belt of smoked and charred ground and trees, causing thousands of dollars loss.—Post.

INTERNATIONAL NEWSPAPER BIBLE STUDY CLUB

THE GAZETTE'S BRANCH.

Prizes for Answers.

The Gazette has secured the right to publish the International Sunday School Lesson questions by the Rev. Dr. Linscott, which have aroused so much interest elsewhere, and they will appear weekly. One of these questions each week is to be answered in writing, and upon these answers prizes will be awarded. This paper is also authorized to form a Local Newspaper Bible Study Club for its readers, and guarantees to all who join and fulfill the conditions, that everything herein promised shall be faithfully carried out.

Persons may join the club at any time during the year, but must, of course, answer the 52 questions hereinafter explained, to qualify for the prizes. It is, however, desirable that the questions be answered as the lessons are studied.

The International Newspaper Bible Study Club, which had its origin last year at Brantford, Ont., is for the purpose of promoting, in an unfettered way among the masses, a wider study of the Bible, the basic truths of Christianity, and the problems which enter into every man's life. It is composed of all those who join a local club and take up the simple course outlined herein, barring only ordained clergymen. We have the sympathetic co-operation of the latter, but it is not considered fair to have them compete for the prizes. Sunday School teachers, Bible class scholars, and churchgoers generally may belong to this newspaper club, also non-churchgoers of all shades of opinion. All such are warmly invited to join and compete for the prizes.

CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST.

1. Each contestant, or his or her family, must be a paid-up subscriber to this paper during the continuance of the contest in order to qualify for membership in the International Newspaper Bible Study Club and this Local Club.

2. Each contestant in this Local Club must answer each of the written questions for 52 consecutive weeks, commencing for Sunday, July 26th, and the answers must all be in the possession of this paper within two weeks after the close of the contest.

3. Each question must be answered separately, and the paper written on one side only. No answer must exceed 200 words, and may be less. If possible, write on letter paper, size about 8½ by 11 inches.

4. Each answer must have the name and address of the writer at the bottom of the answer, so it can be identified, given a number, registered, and then the name cut off so the examiner may know it by number only.

5. Students should be careful to understand the question before answering. To do this the lesson text must be read, and especially the verse or verses upon which the question is based.

6. The answers for this local club must be delivered at this office, and they will be collected at the close of the contest and forwarded to headquarters for independent examination by competent examiners. The prizes will then be awarded according to the highest number of marks won by members of the International Newspaper Bible Study Club, and prizes which may be awarded to members of this Local Club will be given out from this office.

THE PRIZES.

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All who can write, and have ideas, are urged to take up these studies regardless of the degree of their education, as the papers are not valued from an educational or literary standpoint, but from the point of view of the cogency of their reasoned ideas.

Rev. Dr. Linscott's Suggestive Questions on the Sunday School Lesson for Nov. 1st, 1908.

Absalom Rebels Against David.—II Sam. xv.

Golden Text—Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. Ex. xx: 12.

Verse 1—Is it ever right for a man, in any station, to put on style, or to display his wealth?

Verses 2-6—What bad qualities did Absalom show, in trying to dethrone his father and to capture the throne for himself?

Is it always wrong to desire, or to court popularity?

Should we consciously strive to secure the good will of people, or should we be regardless concerning it, and depend wholly upon our right conduct?

Is it ever right for a man to seek to obtain a position occupied by another?

In our ordinary greeting of our friends, should we ever affect an interest in them which we do not feel?

What can you say for or against the man who, when running for office, is very cordial to every person, and to those whom he rarely speaks to at other times?

Should we ever attempt to capture the love of any person at the expense of turning him against some other person?

Which is the more contemptible, to "steal the hearts" of men or to steal their money?

What is the difference between the sin of Absalom and that of the men and the newspapers that are constantly speaking evil of those in authority, so that they may be turned out, and that the grumblers and their friends may occupy their positions?

Verses 7-9—Can a cause which requires cunning and duplicity for its success ever be a good one?

If a man uses pious phrases and the name of God, and professes to be religious, to cover up his crime, is he worse or better than an ordinary criminal?

Verses 10-12—What qualities did Absalom have to so successfully organize such a revolt?

IS REBELLION AGAINST PROPERLY CONSTITUTED AUTHORITY EVER JUSTIFIABLE, AND, IF SO, UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES?

(This question must be answered in writing by the members of the club.)

Verses 13-18—To what extent was David responsible for the character of Absalom?

When our interests, or our family, or our character is attacked, should we ignore the enemy, or run from him, or face him in the open?

Did David show wisdom or courage in fleeing from Jerusalem, and is it likely he would have acted in this way if the revolt had been headed by a stranger?

Verses 19-22—David's favorite son was in rebellion against him, and this stranger, Ittai, was David's true friend. Is it not this a suggestion of a fact that parents generally get more real help from strangers than from their grown-up children?

Verse 23—What lesson may we learn from the fact that David lost his courage, and the people wept?

May we ever expect to win in any battle when our hearts are filled with fear?

Lesson for Sunday, Nov. 8th, 1908.—David Grieses for Absalom. II Sam. xviii.

FENELON FALLS MARKETS.

Fenelon Falls, Friday, Oct. 23rd, 1908

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Wheat, spring	75	80
Barley, per bushel	45	50
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Oats,	35	36
Pease,	75	80
Rye,	65	70
Potatoes,	20	24
Butter, per lb.	17	18
Eggs, per dozen	12.00	14.00
Hay, per ton	4.00	4.50
Hides (live)	5.75	6.00
Hogs (Dressed)	7.00	8.00
Beef	5.00	6.00
Sheepskins	50	90
Wool	8	14
Flour, Brandon's Best	3.00	3.20
Flour, Silver Leaf	2.70	2.90
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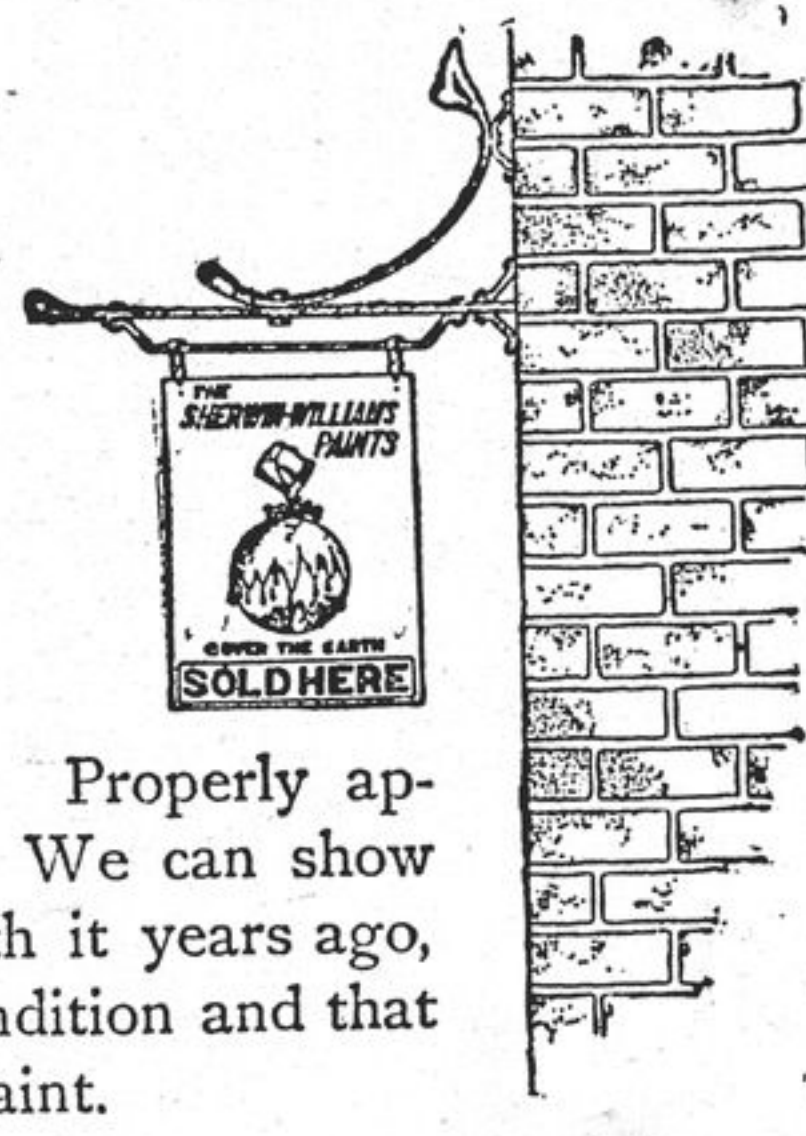
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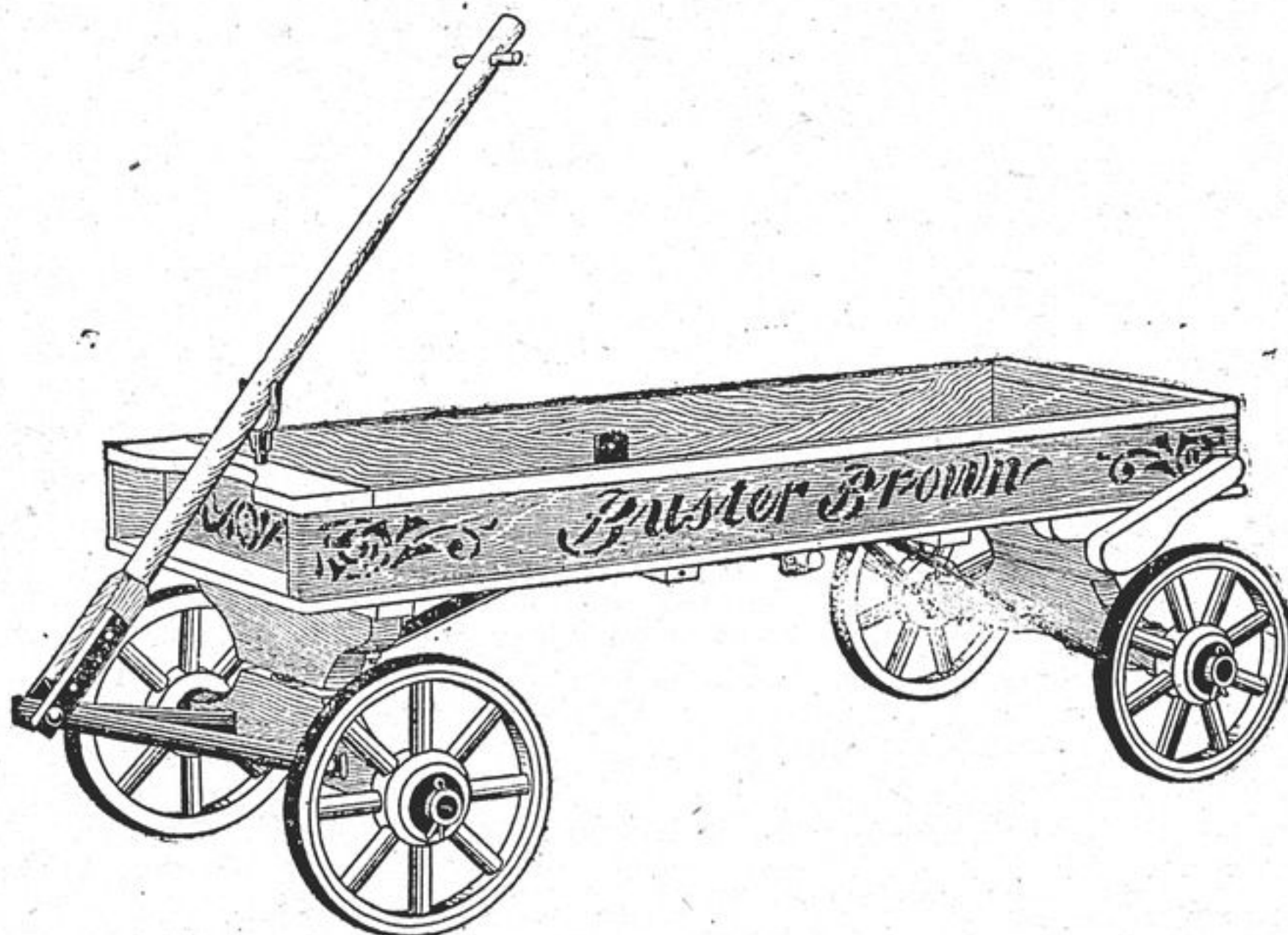
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