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"TRUTH BEFORE FAVOR." — "PRINCIPLES NOT MEN."

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Circuit Convention

The convention announced to be held on the Maxwell circuit did not come off until the 17th on account of the storm. This was unfortunate, because it prevented Rev. R. S. Fralic of Ravenna and Rev. F. L. Farewell, B.A., of Toronto, from being present. However, a very profitable and enjoyable time was spent. Following is a very brief report of the session and papers given.

Just 21 persons attended the morning session; The first paper was by Miss A. Field. It was on "The Minister." He was dealt with as a preacher, a pastor, and as a public man. As a preacher he should present the whole truth, not do as so many do, "harp on one string." He should have a system, by which, in time, he could bring to light every phase of the Gospel. Then he must enter into the solemnity of the truth in its application to his people—have both them and God in mind and heart, thus bringing them together. Then his purpose in preaching must be to please his Master and not to please either himself or his people. As a pastor he comes into touch with his people, learns to know them and their needs, As a public man the minister's influence is extended to the whole community and his success as a preacher depends to a far greater extent than he thinks upon this influence. The minister should seek to give christian tone and direction to public institutions and affairs. He is too often prevented from doing this because of the dirt and annoyance attached. This paper was freely commented upon.

Miss A. Fenwick presented a paper on "The Minister's Message." He was to get this message from the Bible. Preach what his text proclaimed or justified. "Remember now thy Creator" did not justify a minister in insisting that now is the time simply because it was not in the text. The message is too often from the preacher and not from the Scriptures, This paper provoked a lively time and many good points were brought out.

Mr. Harold Spofford followed on "The Delivery of the Message." He declared that the minister should feel what he said and say it as he felt it. Some ministers stood perfectly still and talked like machines; some went to the other extreme; some took too much time to deliver the message—their sermons ought to be cut in two. All ministers should be able to say "I believe, therefore have I spoken." An animated discussion followed this address.

"The congragation": its reception and use of the message," was handled by Mr. A. N. Brownridge. The trouble with the congregation of to-day is indifference. It ought to receive the message thoughtfully; ought not to forget it, and to this end should have a book in which to make a record and then, at least once a quarter, the officials and others take it to study and examine, commend or condemn. They should accept the truth as it bears on conduct and make an effort to apply it in practice. Christianity is not a failure because it has not in so many centuries leyened the lump, but because the leven is left latent in christian lives. The people as a whole make no use of a sermon; don't even remember the text. They should not only accept it themselves but break it as living bread to others—make it their business to do so. A very profitable morning was brought to a close by a hearty discussion of this paper.

Papers along Sunday school lines took up the afternoon, The first was by Mrs. Down on "The Superintendent." He is an assistant pastor; first and last a soul-winner. His sphere of action is among the children. He should teach them their duties, habits of obedience, to speak the truth, to read a portion of the Word every day, to pray. He is a missionary; ought to be well informed along missionary lines; ought to talk missions with his school; ought to gather missionary literature and teach his children to contribute. Three superintendents were present and entered into the spirit of the paper quite freely in their comments thereon.

Miss Eva Inkster followed with an excellent paper on "The teachers." They must know their pupils individually, visit them in their homes, go home with them from Sunday school. They must know their lesson—take time to know it; time for study; take time for prayer. Then get the attention of the pupils; come into conformity to the rules of the school and insist on pupils doing the same; and finally, refuse to be discouraged. There was no dissent from any of the teaching of this paper, except as to going home from Sunday school with your scholars.

A sort of round-table on the relation of the home to the Sunday school and the school to the church was next in order. It was decided that the home and Sunday school were so closely related that when the Sunday school is in session the homes interested, so far as possible, should be closed, the family being at Sunday school. The Sunday school is the nursery of the church, and as such should be supported by the church, but the funds should come through the agency of the little ones.

Miss MacKenzie gave a paper on the relation of the League to the Sunday school, which declared the League to be a spiritual college from which the Sunday school pupil graduated with command of himself.

A thoroughly enjoyable and helpful afternoon closed with a paper on "An indispensable commodity for all—Perseverance," by Miss A. Anderson. In this paper it was deliberately asserted, and maintained in discussion, that it was perseverance that accomplished things.

Some two-score friends from a distance were served with tea in the hall.

After devotional exercises and a solo each from Mrs. Down and Miss A. Anderson, Miss N. Wiley presented a paper on the purpose of the League, to a full house. This paper declared that the purpose was to escape from every burden imposed by the constitution. Nine out of ten came to League when it was more convenient or enjoyable to go or stay elsewhere This paper stirred up some feeling and opposition, to what purpose the future will tell.

"The League's opportunities," was then handled by Miss MacKenzie. These were, to take stock of itself; to find out what needed to be done, and then go at it and do it.

Mr. W. L. Kerton put on the cap stone by reading a paper on "An indispensible virtue for all—Prudence."

After a short address by Rev. Mr. Mills the meeting closed with a purpose to repeat its efforts next year, D.V.

Ceylon

Too late for last week.

Wedding bells are ringing. By the time The Advance reaches its readers two of our young people will be twain no longer. More anon.

Miss Jean Collinson is home again.

Miss Harris, now teaching near Heathcote, accompanied by Mr. H. Thompson, spent Sunday with Mrs. R. Rutledge.

Mrs. J. T. Chislett spent part of last week visiting with her brother, Mr. S. Irwin, and other friends near Flesherton.

Mr. S. Rands spent Sunday week with his sister in Toronto.

Mr. James Sargent is at Priceville loading logs for the Durham Furniture Co.

Messrs. R. Brodie and N. McLeod have taken the contract of painting and papering the Queens hotel here.

Mrs. Angus McLeod met with a very painful accident on Monday evening. She slipped on the kitchen floor and broke her arm near the wrist.

This Week's Items

Mr. Ernie Sproat is visiting at his brother Fred's at Durham and also his father and brother Andrew at Neustedt.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert McConley of Keldon are at her mother's, Mrs. Jas. Sproat.

Mrs. Archibald is still very weak.

Mr. R. P. Legate visited his father and other friends at Dromore and Duham.

Mr. John Ferguson of Caledon is visiting at his brother Malcolm's and other friends in this vicinity. He spent several weeks in this locality last winter. It was then reported that he paid very special attention to some of our ladies, but it is now rumored that he purposes to take back one of our Ceylon ladies to comfort him in his declining years. He seems a very kindly and genial old gentleman, and wish him much success.

Mr. Wm. Ramage, postmaster at Thistle, called on the postmaster here last week. He was visiting friends in town.

Mr. D. L. White of Toronto is visiting at W. C. White's here, and at his daughter's Mrs. Fleming, near Protch Station. His many friends are pleased to see him around again.

Miss Jean Collinson is visiting at her sister's, Mrs. A. B. Balfour of Port Dalhousie.

Kimberley Budget

Miss Rachel Hutchinson is visiting friends in Proton.

Miss Eliza Manarey of Beaverdale was the guest of her friend, Miss Kinross Boyle, during the past week.

Miss Hodgins of Collingwood is visiting friends here and is the guest of her friend, Miss Verna Wallace.

Miss Amy Lawrence of Clarksburg is the guest of her cousins, the Misses McGee.

Mr. R. P. Fawcett has recently purchased from Mr. John Smith his farm, being the front half of lot 6, con. 2, Euphrasia.

Two of our prominent farmers, namely Messrs. G. H. Walter and Fred Stuart, were recently elected to the executive of East Grey Agricultural Society, the former as Second Vice President and the latter as a member of the Board of Directors.

The Orange concert held here on Friday night last under the auspices of the local lodge, No. 1340, was largely attended and was a decided success. Co. Master J.W. Patton of Rocklyn presided.

Mr. Benjamin Knoot of Clarksburg is visiting friends here and is the guest of his sister, Mrs. R J. Stuart.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brooks of Clarksburg spent Sunday last the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Burritt.

Principal Johnston of thn public schoool is on the sick list at present.

Mr. Victor Ellis returned to Hamilton on Saturday last to resume his studies at the Normal school.

While cutting saw logs during the past week Messrs. G H. Walter and Thomas Hall came across two bee trees and were successful in securing some fifteen or twenty quarts of excellent honey. A sweet find, indeed.

Court Kimberley, C.O.F., No. 555, recently elected the following officers for the ensuing year: J P R, Thompson Allen; C R, R. P. Fawcett; V C R, Robert McMullen; Rec Sec, Ernest Proctor; Fin Sec, J. H. Johnston; Treasurer, T. J. Reid; Sr Woodward, Harold Ellis; Jr Woodward, Gerald Wallace; Sr Beadle, Harold Proctor; Jr Beadle, J H Thompson; Auditor, Jasper A. Stuart.

A sleighload of young people from Vandeleur enjoyeda pleasant evening's skate on our rink Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Proctor of Redwing spent Sunday last the guest of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Wallace.

Mr. W. H. Stuart of Guelph is the promoter of a company known as the Farmers' and Consumers' Co. of New Ontario, Limited, which has been recently incorporated, with head office at North Bay. The company will carry on a general mercantile business in the chief towns throughout New Ontario for the disposal of their products, which they purchase direct from the producer and dispose of direct to the consumer. At a meeting of the shareholders Mr. Stuart was elected President and General Manager. There is, perhaps, no man in Ontario better informed as to the needs and possibilities of New Ontario than Mr. Stuart, who, by the way, is an old Kimberley boy, and son of Mr. and Mrs. James Stuart. Mr. Henry Ellis, who is also an old Kimberley boy, is also one of the original incorporators of the company and is a large shareholder in the same.

Mr. George Proctor has buff orpington pullets just six months old that have commenced laying. Who can beat that?

The prices of the products of the farm are certainly soaring sky-high these times, which is only a natural consequence on account of the very rapid development of the country.

The oldest man in South Ontario died at Whitby Saturday in the person of Thomas Wray, in his 102nd year. Mr. Wray was singularly bright and alert up until a few months ago. On Sept. 21 last he voted at the Dominion election. Mr. Wray was a poet of considerable ability.

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Feversham Items

The roads are in rather bad condition, as they blow in with snow as fast as they get broken out.

Messrs. John and Hugh Osborne of Nottawasaga spent a few days with their brother, William, of this village, returning home on Monday last.

Mrs. Johnston of Bladworth, Sask., is visiting with her aunt, Mrs. A.J. Conron.

The concert given by the schools on Friday evening last was a success. The recitations and dialogues given by the scholars were rendered in first class style. The chair was filled by Mr. Will Kaitting in his usual good style. The musical part of the program given by Mr. James Sayres on the violin and Mrs. C. Hawton on the organ was encored again and again. Great praise is due the teachers for the trouble they went to in drilling the pupils.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Walter Kerton under the doctor's care at present

While Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weldrick of the 12th line were away from home on Thursday last their house took fire and was burned to the ground. Their children noticed smoke issuing from the attic and gave the alarm in time for neighbors to save most of the household goods.

Here is a message of hope and good cheer from Mrs. C. J. Martin, Boone Mill, Va., who is the mother of eighteen children. Mrs. Martin was cured of stomach trouble and constipation by Chamberlain's Tablets after five years of suffering, and now recommends these tablets to the public. Sold by all dealers.

James Jamieson of West Luther was killed while working in a gravel pit by gravel falling upon him.

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