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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Time to order your Xmas cards for the Markdale Standard, and in a doorway, especially in an office or where there is a throng.

Mr. Jackson, of Weyburn, is a fortnight with friends in Markdale.

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## SERMONATE

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 138.

Let us read this Psalm thoughtfully and prayerfully. What we as a people have been and are passing through may be new to us, but it is no new situation for faith—men and women have often stood where we stand today, under the clouds of war and plague, trying to rally our faith in God and one another.

It is by no means the first time that the people of God have had to keep their feet from slipping and to lift their eyes above the dust and noise of the suffering, the sorrow and the loss of friends and things—to the eternal purpose.

The Psalmist, by itself, is a highly interesting study and the 138th Psalm in particular. The Psalmist looked out, as we to-day look out, upon a flooded world, flooded with sorrow and suffering, both on the fields of battle and in the homes of the people. The floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves, but it is well for us when we can do like the Psalmist, fall back upon the saving faith of God.

The Lord Reigneth; this is our great and grand witness of faith in spite of the loud assertions of the contrary, in spite of all attempts to ignore or deny the Divine Will. His throne is set and stable—he does reign supreme. This is the first article of our faith. He knows. He cares. He loves, herein lies our strength for whatsoever in His Will we may be called upon to suffer or pass through.

Let us read our Psalm again. Notice there is not only God's throne in our Psalm, but there is God's voice. "Mightier than the noise of many waters." That voice speaks to us. God tells us something of Himself of His purpose, reveals to us glimpses and hints of His, unending under it all. Have we ears for His voice, or have we been given to other voices around us? Voices lower and louder, voices that do not help but hinder—that destroy rather than build up.

We have been plagued and troubled by such voices during these weeks of heavy suffering and sorrow, but here the Lord is lifting up the witness, the Lord on high is mightier than the noise of many waters. It is a saving experience to have our ears open every day to the voice of the Lord, speaking to us of Himself, to nerve our wills, to encourage our hearts, and to check our godless passion and impatience—our strength and success are that we have a God who does speak to us, who lets us know something of what He is, and of the direction in which He is moving.

Once more, let us read our Psalm. What does it teach us—that GOD REIGNS. That means much to us to-day—that GOD SPEAKS, that also means much to those who know His voice and are willing to heed what God the Lord will say unto them. But GOD SHELTERS, surely that means more. The saving of life is in a God who is near, in fellowship with us—and such is ours. What does the last word of the Psalm say? "Holiness becometh Thy house O Lord, forever"—God provides sanctuary and shelter for us in His household when we are exposed to this rough and bleak world—we are with Him not only as those over whom He rules, not only as those for whom He speaks, but as those for whom He makes intimate provision. God's household is for you, for me, and for all who will say "Thy Will Be Done."

Help us, O Gracious Father, to make our likeness to Thy dear Son, and our growing conformity and effort the deepest desire of all hearts, and the very inmost meaning of all our prayers. Amen.

J. THURBURN-COON

Salt by the barrel at \$2.65.—F. Burnside.

See the new styles in Overcoats and Suits for Men, Young Men, and Boys, at Mercer's.

Call on H. Knott and order your International Stock Tonic before the price goes up.

The Zion branch of the Women's Institute are holding a box social in the township hall, Glenora, on November 15th. Admission 25c, ladies with boxes free. A good programme is being prepared. Proceeds for Red Cross purposes.

## COMPETITION, the LIFE OF TRADE

We were pleased on Monday morning to see a "bumper business" being done in the "Central Meat Market" by Mr. Harold Lever, who is the successor to Mr. A. Sims. It is a good stand, and Mr. Lever being an enterprising young man, will no doubt make it go.

Mr. T. Neely commenced his butcher business on Saturday last, and we understand his delivery cars were kept busy most of the day.

It is rumored that Mr. Fred Burnside is likely to conduct a joint grocery and meat store business on his new stand on the old McKennit property. Fred is a hustler, and being a young man of good taste and high ambition will no doubt receive the patronage he merits.

People will be pleased to know that Haslam & Johnston are still successfully conducting their butcher business in the old P. Sarjeant stand.

Mr. Wm. Rowe wishes to hereby thank his friends and neighbors for their assistance during his sad bereavement.

## LOSES LIFE ON STEAMER

### "PRINCESS SOPHIA"

Mr. James Austin Clark, aged 38 years, son of Mrs. Wm. Clark, Rocklyn and brother of Mrs. John Dillon, of Markdale, was one of the unfortunate passengers on the steamer Princess Sophia, which sank in storm off Reef in Lynn Canal, Monday, Globe of October 28, says:

Powered by mountainous waves and driven before a wind of terrible severity, the C.P.R. steamer Princess Sophia slid from the comparative safety of Vanderbilt Reef, in Lynn Canal, midway between Skagway and Juneau, early Friday evening, and carried 346 persons, passengers and crew, men, women and children, to their death in the raging northern waters. There were no survivors. It was the worst marine tragedy in the history of the Pacific coast.

The late Mr. Clark was on his way to Markdale to visit relatives, and the sad news was indeed a great shock to his mother and family. It is about thirteen years since he left this part, and he has been in Dawson City ever since.

The sympathy of the community is extended to the sorrowing friends of the late Mr. Clark. (Further particulars later.)

## A MILLION SUBSCRIBED

### WITHIN FIRST WEEK.

### Grey County, Makes Fine Showing in Victory Loan Campaign

In the first week of the Victory one million dollars were subscribed to the Victory Loan Campaign in Grey County. The official objective is \$2,500,000 of which it will be seen that the amount subscribed in the first six days is well over one-third the objective, two full weeks remain for the canvass.

Among the large subscribers on Saturday were the Kilbourn family of Owen Sound, Mr. J. M. Kilbourn, 50,000 dollars; Mr. Geo. S. Kilbourn, 25,000 dollars; and Mr. Frank Kilbourn, 25,000 dollars.

The response throughout the County is exceeding all expectations and the showing of the first week was so excellent that headquarters at Toronto wired Mr. Marshall, County Organizer, that they would expect to raise one-half million more in Grey County, making the objective altogether \$3,250,000. Mr. Marshall says that it is no doubt whatever that Grey County will come up to the additional call for this loan.

The response of the farmers is the most encouraging feature of the campaign so far. The people in the rural districts seem to understand the general situation a good deal better than last year, and the number and amount of subscriptions has surprised those in charge of the Victory loan.

50 bags of all at the E. B. B. side.

## PASTORAL MESSAGE

These are times in which we should realize the presence of God. The greatest fact to-day is God. The greatest need to-day is God. The wonder and marvel is not so much war, famine and plague, for these are as old as humanity, but the great need of the hour is God's presence. His hand is evident as never before. The ancient poet in his sacred Epic makes one of his characters say: "Alas! is born unto sorrow as the sparks fly upward," but the experience of Job shows that turning to God is comfort and consolation in distress, shelter in time of storm, and success in need. Because Job turned unto God his sacred poet concludes: "The Lord blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning." May we apply this Bible wisdom to our times. God is our stay and staff whatever comes. Jesus passed along the same way and to-day we rejoice in His victory for He turned the people's vision to God. He was Master of sorrow, suffering and death and we shall be like Him. There is an old story told of an infant who had hung upon the wall a motto in bold type which embodied his belief, or rather his unbelief, and it read: "God is nowhere." One day found him sick on his bed and a little child came in to see him. With childish curiosity she began to spell out the motto of large letters. She spelled it out aloud, "God is now here." In the simplicity of the child's faith that was the only way to read it and the sick infant did not object but in fact accepted the child's new reading of the motto. In these dark days the doubter and the pessimist will say, Alas! "God is nowhere," but the man of faith will say with child-like trust, "God is now here" with us in these times of need.

Being perplexed, I say, Lord, make it right. Night is as day to Thee. Darkness as light; I am afraid to touch. Things that involve so much; My trembling hand may shake. My skillless hand may break; Thine ear make no mistake. Being in doubt, I say, Lord, make it plain; Which is the true, safe way? Which would be ruin? I am not wise to know. Nor sure of out to go; My blind eye cannot see. What is so clear to Thee, Lord, make it clear to me. "Cast thy burden upon the Lord and He shall sustain thee."

Yours faithfully,  
A. P. STANLEY.

## FURNITURE FACTORY SOLD

At the meeting of the Markdale Furniture Co. on Friday night last, it was agreed to accept an offer from Mr. W. G. Lee, tutor for the factory will move to town and intends operating his right power. We extend Mr. Lee, and wish the measure of success.

The field crop committee in connection with the Agricultural Society on Monday, when Mr. S. G. Grierison, Jay Park, and Alex. Herd, T. H. Blaine, Smith.

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## NOTICE TO OWNERS ON HARVEST LEAVE.

Attention is directed to the recent announcement published in the Press by the Military Service Branch, Department of Justice, regarding exemptions to be granted to men EXEMPTED AS FARMERS. It is pointed out that this DOES NOT IN ANY WAY AFFECT MEN WHO HAVE BEEN ORDERED BY THE REGISTRAR TO REPORT TO Depot Battalions and who have thereafter received leave of absence from the Military Authorities. Once a man has reported to the Registrar he leaves the jurisdiction of the Registrar and is to be considered as a soldier. This applies to men of the 20 to 22 Class who have been ordered to report by the Registrar in virtue of the cancellation of exemptions by Order-in-Council of the 20th April last, and to those ordered to report in the usual way on refusal of exemption granted. All men, accordingly, who have been ordered to report, and who have subsequently been granted harvest leave, are NOTWITHSTANDING REFERRED TO, REPORT ON THE EXPIRATION OF THAT LEAVE, unless they are notified to the contrary by their Commanding Officer of the Department of Militia and Defence.

## REGULATIONS

106. Every person who employs or retains in his service any man who has deserted or is absent without leave from the Canadian Expeditionary Force, or who is in default in the performance of any obligation or requirement for reporting or for military service, imposed upon him by the Act or Regulations, or any proclamation thereunder, shall be guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction by imprisonment not exceeding six months, or by a penalty of not less than One Hundred Dollars, and of not more than Five Hundred Dollars, or by both such imprisonment and fine, unless such person prove that he made, due inquiry and that THE MILITARY SERVICE PAPERS ISSUED BY THE REGISTRAR, OR THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES TO THE MAN SO EMPLOYED OR RETAINED IN HIS SERVICE, WERE PRODUCED FOR HIS INSPECTION, and that it was reasonably established to his satisfaction by such inquiry that the man was not a deserter or absent from the force without leave, or in default in respect of any of the obligations or requirements...

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