The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 1924

THE EASTER MESSAGE

Sweeter grows the Easter story
As I hear it o'er and o'er;
Dearer grows its tender meaning
As I dwell upon it more.
For the years have brought me sorrow,
And I scarce can bear the pain,
Save that I have caught the vision
Of the risen Christ again.

I can hear His gentle whisper
As He tarries at my side,
Speaking, as He spake to Mary,
In the first glad Eastertide.
Breathing words of hope and comfort,
Till my heart grows staunch and strong;
And my grief is turned to gladness,
And my sighing into song.

O Thou risen Christ! I pray Thee
As the Eastertide draws near,
Unto hearts bowed down with sorrow
Grant the Vision may appear.
Though their eyes be blind with weeping,
Touch them, Lord, that they may see;
Hear to them the gracious message
Thou hast spoken unto me.
—Edith Virginia Bradt.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, April 21, 1904

London had 18 inches of snow last Saturday morning.

The marble season is about over and baseball and lacrosse are looming up.

Bell's saw mill commenced last week. There is quite a stock of logs in the yard.

Mr. Gilbert Creemore has rented the 200-acre McGregor farm from Mr. Peter Sayers.

Mr. J. B. Mackenzie has commenced the erection of a new house on Agnes Street, near Elgin.

In all probability Acton will have a good band the coming summer. Mr. Charles Mason has now a number of beginners under his instruction, and much of the success of the band will be due to his efforts.

The property of William Melvin, on Bower Avenue, who moved to Stratford some time ago, has been purchased by Mr. Robert Scott, glove cutter, for $850. Auctioneer Hamstreet sold the vacant lot on Mill and Little Streets, belonging to Charles Lasby, London, on Saturday, to J. F. Lawn, for $150.

Last Friday evening the boys of the High School and of the First Department organized a football club. Harold Nicklin very gracefully presided over the meeting. The following officers were elected for 1904: President, Harold Nicklin; Secretary-Treasurer, Freeman Coleman; Caretaker, Harry Frankum.

In the far-off days a generation or two hence, the boys and girls of to-day will be recounting to the grandchildren at their knees stories about the great winter of 1904. It will certainly seem like a fairy tale to be told that winter came with splendid sleighing on November 16, 1903, and that on April 16, five months later, there was six or seven inches of snow on the ground, and the sleighs were running and the merry sleigh bells jingling as they were in mid-winter.

Mr. J. Kerr Brown, who was prescription clerk in Morgan's drug store, Montreal, for some time, left on Saturday morning for Winnipeg, where he will take the management of a new drug store.

The heart of the wholesale district of Toronto was swept by a most disastrous fire yesterday. The fire swept the area from the Telegram office, on the corner of Bay and Melinda Streets, to the waterfront and east on Front to the Bank of Montreal. Fifty-six wholesale houses were destroyed. Loss $10,000,000.

BORN

WILSON—At Knox Church Manse, on Saturday, April 9, 1904, to Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson, B. A., a son.

MARRIED

FISHER-LASBY—At Knox Church Manse, Acton, on Tuesday, April 12, 1904, by Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., Robert Fisher, Jr., of Erin, to Catherine, second daughter of Joseph Lasby, Acton.

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DIDN'T COMPREHEND

While visiting the South recently, a traveller chanced upon a resident of a sleepy hamlet in Alabama.

"Are you a native of this town?" asked the traveller.

"Am I a what?"

"I asked you whether you were a native of the place?"

At this juncture there appeared at the open door of the cabin the man's wife, tall, sallow, and gaunt. After a careful survey of the questioner, she said:

"Ain't you got no sense, Bill? He means was yo' livin' hear when you was born, or was yo' born before yo' begun livin' here. Now answer him."

An Oil of Merit—Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil is not a jumble of medicinal substances thrown together and pushed by advertising, but the result of the careful investigation of the healing qualities of certain oils as applied to the human body. It is a rare combination and it won and kept public favor from the first. A trial of it will carry conviction to any who doubt its power to repair and heal.

ON THE WRONG SIDE

Young Jack was talking to the new visitor soon after her arrival. He eyed her critically for a few moments, then looked up and said:

"So you're my grandmother, are you?"

"Yes, dear. On your father's side," remarked the old lady, smiling.

"Well, you're on the wrong side; you'll find that out," replied Jack.—Practical Druggist.

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"MR. FUGIT"

Of the girl who drew an inference The Pacific has this story to tell:

A young man went into a store to buy a fountain-pen. The girl in charge of the counter supplied him with a sheet of paper, a bottle of ink, and several of the pens; and in trying them, one after another, he covered the sheet with the words, Tempus fugit (Time flies) the girl looking on with a kindly interest.

"If you buy one, and it doesn't suit you, Mr. Fugit," she remarked, "you can bring it back and change it."

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 1924

THE RISEN CHRIST—Mark 16: 1-15.

Golden Text—But now hath Christ been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of them that are asleep—1 Cor. 15: 20.

The Text Explained

Verse 1.—Bought spices—The embalming on Friday evening had been done hastily, and only sufficiently for the preservation of the sacred body, as was naturally considered necessary. Now there was time for more tender care at the tomb.

Verse 7.—There shall ye see Him as He said unto you—"Howbeit, after I am raised up, I will go before you into Galilee."—Mark 14: 28.

Verse 11—Disbelieved—A distinction is drawn between "disbelief," which means intellectual discredit, and "unbelief," which implies indifference and opposition of the heart as well. Overcome with grief at the reality of his death, the minds of the disciples could not grasp the fact of his living presence which Mary's testimony brought. "It seemed incredible to them, a thing too good to be true."—The New Century Bible."

Verse 12—In Another Form—The Gospels record Jesus' appearance after his resurrection at various times: to Mary Magdalene, John, the Women, Peter, Two Disciples, Apostles and others except Thomas, Apostles with Thomas, Apostles at Sea of Galilee Apostles in Galilee, ("above 500 brethren in all), James, All the Apostles (Ascension), Stephen, Paul, John. The reference here is to the fact that to Mary He seemed to be the gardener (John 20: 15), while to the two disciples on the way to Emmaus (Luke 24: 35) He seemed to be a stranger pilgrim at the Feast (Luke 24: 16-18). The facts that Jesus did not always appear the same and that "the doors being shut" He stood in the disciples' midst (John 20: 26) indicate that of the resurrected Christ we can only believe with Paul that His was a spiritual body.

Verse 15—Go ye into all the world—During our Lord's earthly ministry the Twelve had been especially commissioned to redeem the lost sheep of the house of Israel, Gentiles and Samaritans being both excluded, (Matt. 10: 5, 6). Jesus must have felt the first essential to be the establishment of a strong constituency among the race who first understood Jehovah. Jesus had intimated, However, a larger duty in the future when He said, "Wheresoever the gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world" (Mark 14: 9).

Lesson Themes

The Events of Easter Morning—The events on resurrection morning occurred probably in the following order: (1) Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, having come early to the tomb, saw the angel and the empty sepulchre; and at the command of the angel hastened to inform the disciples, especially Peter. (2)—Peter and John visit the tomb and depart. (3). Mary Magdalene having returned, left alone at the grave, meets Jesus, whom at first she does not recognize. (4) Shortly afterward Jesus appears a second time to Mary Magdalene, now in company with other women.

The Best Evidence of the Resurrection—The most significant evidence, and the best fruit of the resurrection, is the Christian Church, the most influential of all "world movements," with its living Lord. All agree that it would never have come into existence if the disciples had not believed that Christ arose from the dead. It has made immortality a commonplace belief of men. Without it there would be little justification for the moral world; nor could a social order worth while exist. Harnack says: "Whatever may have happened at the grave, and in the matter of appearances, one thing is certain: this grave was the birthplace of the indestructible belief that death is vanquished, that there is a life eternal. The certainty of the resurrection and of a life eternal, which is bound up with the grave in Joseph's garden, has not perished, and on the conviction that Jesus lives we still base those hopes of citizenship in an eternal city which make our earthly life worth living and tolerable."

The Triumph of Jesus—Our Triumph—In His triumph Jesus is our example and the inspiration of our worthiest endeavor. He triumphed over self, selfish ambitions, and sin; over fear, suffering, and death. He triumphed early in life and at its close; amid discouragements and when the multitude applauded; in apparent defeat when all forsook Him, and when they would make Him king. He triumphed because of what He was as a man dwelling among men, sharing their limitations, subject to like passions, tempted in all points, even as they were tempted. His character accounts for His life, His death, and His resurrection, and these in turn interpret His character and reveal the secret of His abiding influences over the lives of men. In His life the highest spiritual forces of the universe were focussed. In Him that which was spiritual triumphed over the carnal, life and imortality over death, the eternal over the temporal, the divine over the human. In His triumph lies the secret of victory for every life and the way of escape from sin and self and failure.

For Study and Discussion

On what day of the week did the resurrection occur? How should this fact affect our regard for the Sabbath? Give the order of events on Easter morning. What expectations of the disciples were shattered by the death of Jesus? Did the resurrection revive their hopes? Did they immediately set about the establishment of the kingdom? What assurance does the resurrection give that the Kingdom of the Risen Christ can be established on earth? In what way does the Easter triumph of Jesus assure our triumph in living the Christian life?

Daily Readings for Next Week

Monday, April 21—Amos 6: 1-6.
Tuesday, April 22—Amos 5: 10-17.
Wednesday, April 23—Hos. 4: 6-10.
Thursday, April 24—Hos. 6: 1-6.
Friday, April 25—Hos. 10: 9-15.
Saturday, April 26—Hos. 11: 1-9.
Sunday, April 27—Isa. 55: 6-13.

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My doctern is to lay aside
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Jest do your best, and praise or blame
That follows that, counts jest the same.
I've allus noticed great success
Is mixed with troubles, more or less,
And it's the man who does the best
That gits more kicks than all the rest.
—James Whitcomb Riley.

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COUNCIL OF EDUCATION PLANS PROGRAMME

1.—Sir Robert A. Falconer, K. C. M. G., President, University of Toronto.
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3.—Sir Arthur Currie, G. C. M. G., Principal, McGill University.
4.—Mr. E. W. Beatty, President, Canadian Pacific Railway, Chancellor, McGill.

The recent announcement that the third triennial conference on Education and Citizenship to be held under the auspices of the National Council of Education will take place in Montreal in 1926 recalls the invaluable work this organization is performing.

Under the Honorary Presidency of His Excellency the Governor-General and the Presidency of Mr. Vincent Massey, President of the Massey-Harris Co., Toronto, the Council includes many of Canada's leading citizens, among them Sir Robert A. Falconer, K. C. M. G., President of the University of Toronto; Sir Arthur Currie, G. C. M. G., Principal of McGill University, and Mr. E. W. Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway. It has as its principales: (1)—That education should concern itself with the development of character and should provide a full preparation for life; (2), That education is a spiritual process; (3), That education is imparted by personality—its success or failure rests with the teacher; (4), That education is everybody's business; and (5), That Canada's education must be Canadian in its ideals.

The principal activities of the Council are two-fold. The National Lectureship Scheme is a plan under which distinguished men and women—both Canadians and visitors from Great Britain and other countries—are engaged to speak on education (broadly interpreted) throughout Canada. The Bureau provides an organization for the exchange of information between the Provincial departments of education, for the reception and diffusion of ideas from outside the Dominion and for dispensing data concerning education in Canada to the outside world. Until the Council established this bureau, Canadian educational authorities were dependent upon the American Bureau of Education at Washington for all educational information.

The council was stormed as a result of a conference held in Winnipeg in 1919 and attended by over 1,200 persons from all over Canada. The second conference was held in Toronto in April of 1923, and was attended by about 1,500 persons, representing the nine provinces. This conference, through many brilliant speakers on the programme, among them Sir Michael Sadler, Sir Henry Newbolt, Lord Robert Cecil and Sir Robert and Lady Baden-Powell, sought to set forth the Council's conception of the role of education as a citizen builder.

The plans for this third conference now pending were laid at a meeting held in Montreal, presided over by Sir Arthur Currie, in the absence of the Chairman, and attended by several of the leading officers of the Council in the persons of Mr. Vincent Massey, President; Mr. S. B. Gundy, Chairman of the Finance Committee, and Major F. J. Ney, Executive Secretary.

At present, the Council is engaged in preparing a programme for the second triennial period. It has secured as Educational Secretary Professor J. A. Dale, of the Social Service Department of the University of Toronto, whose duties will include the editorship of a series of small volumes on educational problems. The success of the National Lectureship Scheme inaugurated last year, which established important contact with the leading minds of Great Britain, will be followed up, beginning in September, by contributions from Dr. Finley, Editor of the New York Times and once a Commissioner of Education for the State of New York, from the Stratford-on-Avon Shakespeare Fellowship Players, under the direction of Mr. Bridges Adams, and from a number of other distinguished speakers.

THE FIRST DAHLIA

Not long ago there appeared on the table of a lady who is an enthusiastic gardener a dish which puzzled her palate. She could not decide whether it was singularly turnipy potato or a remarkable potatoey turnip; and which ever it was, she did not like it. She summoned the cook, and inquiry presently revealed, to her dismay, that it was neither, but some of her choicest cactus dahlias, innocently mistaken for a vegetable.

The error was less disastrous than the famous one of the Dutch housekeeper who, during the prevalence of the historic tulip mania, accidentally boiled for onions, a handful of tulip bulbs worth a fortune; but it was certainly vexatous, as well as funny.

According to historic tradition, the original introduction of the dahlia into England occured an error exactly opposite in character. It was imported for a vegetable and turned out to be a flower.

A little over a century ago, so the story runs, Lady Holland, travelling in the south of Europe, was regaled upon a soup of delicious flavor, which her hostess informed her was called "Palestine soup," because its chief ingredient was the Jerusalem artichoke.

Lady Holland, always on the alert for interesting novelties, ordered a root of the artichoke to be sent to her gardner at Holland House. This was done, as everybody supposed; but when the strong shoots, thrusting up bodily into the vegetable-garden, and tended under the watching eyes of the gardner, cook and great lady, arrived at maturity and bloomed, they bore a new and splendid flower, inedible but glorious.

The plant was transferred to the parterre, and became the pride of the garden, although at first Lady Holland's feeling were mixed, for she did not like to lose her "Palestine soup." But when a London seedsman came to look at it and offered thirty guineas for the root, her last trace of disappointment vanished; and her husband's graceful tribute, which was soon passing from lip to lip through the fashionable drawing-rooms of London, added the final touch to her satisfaction. Lord Holland, who had a pretty taste in verse, wrote gallantly:

The dahlia you brought to our isle
Your praises forever shall speak,
In gardens sweet as your smile
And colors as bright as your cheek

Strangled With Asthma is the only expression that seems to convey what is endured from an attack of this trouble. The relief from Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy is beyond measure. Where all was suffering there comes comfort and rest. Breathing becomes normal and the bronchial tubes completely cleared. This unequalled remedy is worth many times its price to all who use it.

TALK AND HEREDITY

There is a strong fibre of common sense and shrewdness in the negro character which often helps the old colored people to keep the too ambitious young folk within bounds.

General Nichols of Louisiana told the other day of the return to a plantation of a young fellow who had just completed his college course. He aired his opinions on various subjects for a day or two, surrounded by awe-struck, silent negroes. At last Uncle Jacob, a gray old negro, interposed, solemnly:

"'I've been listenin' to yoh, Odolphus foh two days, an' it's my opinion dat yoh talk an' yoh talk, but yoh doan' reach into de stomach ob yoh subject; an' yoh argufy an' yoh argufy, but yoh doan' locate!"

Many brutors with lighter skins and more pretensions than Adolphus could apply these homely hints to their arguments with good effect.

Another wise old "uncle" lately listened in silence to a discussion on the divers social claims to distinction of several educated men and women of his race. The members of one family boasted of descent from wealthy merchants in the West Indies; others claimed kinship with a well-known negro politician; still others asserted that their ancestors never had been slaves, but alwhys were free.

At last he spoke. "Chillun," said he, with a rap of his cane, "I doan' know nothin' 'bout yoh ancestry, as yoh call it, but I do know that when I'-was' to spend weeks in de maple woods a-b'illin' down de serrup, when marse he come an' 'spect de row ob kettles, he neber say, 'Uncle Gargo how high was de tree dat dis come out ob?' or eben, 'Whah is de tree dat dis come out ob?' but just, 'What kine ob sugar is it?'"

Some of our educated sons might without personal detriment heed the words of this humble preacher, and consider the value of the sugar, rather than the height of the tree from which it flowed.

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The memory of Theodore Parker is beloved as that of a good and wise man, but few of the present generation realize how highly he ranked as a scholar. In his pleasant volume, "Contemporaries," Col. T. W. Higginson recalls an instance of Mr. Parker's almost infallible knowledge:

It happened to me many years ago to wish for fuller information in regard to the barbarous feudal codes of the middle ages. The common historians gave me no satisfactory information or references, and so I applied to the most scholarly lawyer within my reach—a man who is now a leader in the Senate.

He regretted his inability to give me any aid, but referred me to a friend eminent for legal learning. The friend, however, owned, with some regret, that he had paid no attention to that particular subject, and did not even know what books to refer to; but he would at least ascertain and let me know. I may add that, although he is now a justice of the Supreme Court, I never heard from him again.

Stimulated by ill success, I aimed higher, and struck at the supreme bench of Massachusetts, breaking in on the mighty repose of his honor with the name of Charlemagne. "Charlemagne?" responded my lord judge, rubbing his burly brow. "Charlemagne lived, I think, in the sixth century." Dismayed, I retreated; but sure of one man to whom law meant also history and literature, I took refuge with Charles Sumner. That accomplished scholar, himself for once at fault, could only frankly advise me to apply to Theodore Parker.

I did so. "Go," replied Parker, instantly, "to alcove twenty-four, shelf one hundred and thirteen of the college library at Cambridge, and you will find the information you need in a thick quarto, bound in vellum, and lettered, 'Potgiesser De Conditione et Statu Servorum.'"

I straightway sent for Potgiesser, and found my fortune made.

A GREAT SUCCESS

The Judge tells how Mr. Doolin met Mr. Casey, and about the conversation they had.

"I heard ye were on a shtrike," said Mr. Doolin.

"I was that," answered Mr. Casey.

"A shtrike for what, Casey?"

"For shorter hours."

"An' did ye git 'em?"

"Sure we did that! It's not wurrkin' I am, now!"

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NOT THAT BIRD AT ALL

They were discussing ways and means of getting down off an elephant.

"Well, how do you get down?" asked Bob.

"You climb down, of course."

"No," replied his friend Tom.

"Well, you grease his sides an slid down," suggested the other.

"Wrong again," insisted Tom.

"Then you take a ladder if one is handy and slide down," was the next suggestion.

"Well, you slide down his trunk."

"No, you donkey! You don't get down off an elephant. You get it off a duck."

FORGOT

"Remember not to forget" is an injunction familiar to every age and walk of life. A writer in London Opinion gives the following as a specimen of what even the most cautious may come to:

"What's that piece of cord tied round your finger for?" asked Mr. Church.

"My wife put it there to remind me to post her letter," answered Mr. Chapell.

"And did you post it?"

"No; she forgot to give it to me."

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MANY TOURISTS VISIT CANADA

It is estimated by the Dominion Parks Branch of the Department of Interior, that tourist traffic last year was worth $136,000,000 to Canada, and it is expected that this figure will be exceeded during the present year. Among the provinces British Columbia leads in the tourist "industry," with earnings of $36,000,000. Ontario and Quebec show $30,000,000 each. Over nine-tenths of last year's tourist traffic was from the United States.

CANADA'S MINERAL WEALTH

Canada is the world's greatest producer of nickle, asbestos and cobalt, and the British Empire's greatest producer of copper, zinc, arsenic, gypsum, feldspar and talc, according to an address broadcast by Mr. C. Price-Green, of the Colonization and Development Department of the Canadian National Railways.

Mr. Price-Green points out that the per capita value of the Dominion's mineral production had increased in thirty-five years from $2.23 to $26.49.

TELLTALES

Pussy-willow had a secret that the snowdrops whispered her,
And she purred it to the south wind while it stroked her velvet fur;
And the south wind hummed it softly to the busy honey bees,
And they buzzed it to the blossoms on the scarlet maple trees;
And these dropped it to the woodbrooks brimming full of melted snow,
And the brooks told Robin Redbreast, as they chattered to and fro;
Little Robin could not keep it, so he sang it loud and clear
To the sleepy fields and meadows, "Wake up! cheer up! spring is here!"

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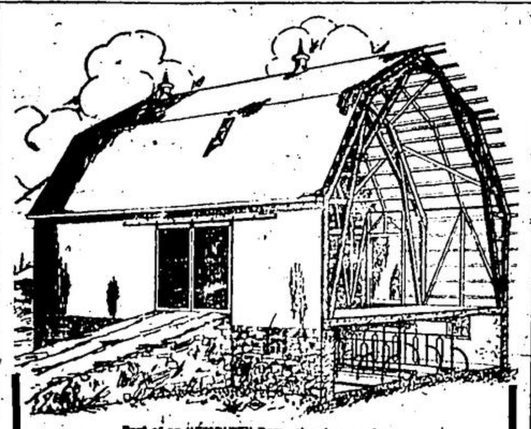

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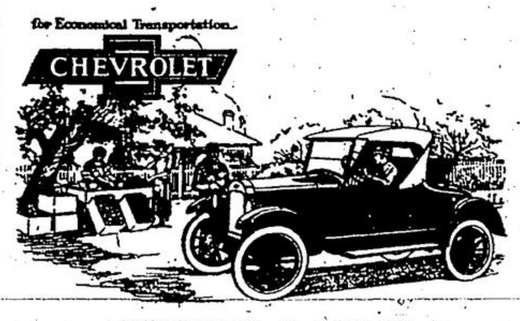

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No. 31	10.35 a.m.
No. 33	3.29 p.m.
No. 35	5.09 p.m.
No. 39	8.39 p.m.
No. 25 Sunday	10.30 a.m.

Going East

No. 26	7.08 a.m.
No. 30	11.18 a.m.
No. 34	3.35 p.m.
No. 36	6.17 p.m.
No. 38	8.13 p.m.
No. 24 Sunday	7.08 p.m.

TORONTO SUBURBAN ELECTRIC RAILWAY

Westbound

No. 53	8.40 a.m.
No. 55	11.40 a.m.
No. 57	2.40 p.m.
No. 61	5.40 p.m.
No. 65	8.00 p.m.
No. 69	11.40 p.m.

Eastbound

No. 54	7.42 a.m.
No. 56	10.42 a.m.
No. 58	1.42 p.m.
No. 62	4.42 p.m.
No. 66	7.42 p.m.
No. 70	10.42 p.m.

SUNDAY TIMETABLE

Westbound

No. 55	11.40 a.m.
No. 59	3.40 p.m.
No. 63	6.40 p.m.
No. 67	9.40 p.m.

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