

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 5, 1926

EDITORIAL

A Curse to the Dominion

Events of the past few months, and disclosure after here are some of them. disclosure, prove that the whole Dominion has been caught in the meshes of the traffic. Its ramifications ean be traced from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and runs through affairs at Ottawa in bewildering maze."

The Quest of Youth

During the last few weeks the young people in our universities, colleges, high schools and public public streets, shouting and cursing and fighting. schools have been writing on examinations with a view to attaining steps higher and higher in the along the street, frightening the children and makscale of education, which is to fit them for their ing the air hideous with his vile and filthy language. respective activities of life. Youth desires much. It dreams of fortune, success, glory, power; longs and ily by the drunken husband and father. struggles for them in these preliminary undertaklongs to get out of itself; and perhaps that longing pass along the street. is at the base of all the others. When we begin to open our eyes, we see all round us a world of ing drunkards out of your sons. shadows, creatures fashioned like us in the outer istence we can never touch. That longing is the er the O.T.A. is a success or not depends upon friendship and life for what they are, which is much, Press. and not ask for what they are not. In time we come to find that we can be surprisingly busy for. others, even if they are only phantoms and shadows. In the rush and press of living for those souls which are hidden our souls cease to be so obtrusively manifest; and, in the end, if we think about the matter at all, we see that the true way to get out of ourselves is to forget ourselves altogether. But in these later years let us try not to lose sight of what we were in the earlier; let us understand the eternal quest of youth and sympathize with it and forgive it not treat it with impatience or contempt scorn. For after all, youth's passionate desire and effort to get out of itself are the most ennobling things in life.

The Bootlegger's Trail of Death

In certain circles for some time past it has been the fashion to treat the matter of the bootlegger with good-natured tolerance, if not with an actual connivance a the nefarious traffic in which he was engaged. That time has gone. The list of lives wiped out during the past week should give the death-blow to the bootlegger and his business, and arouse every citizen who respects law and order and feels his responsibility to safeguard the lives of his fellow-men to aid the Government in its effort to end forever the traffic in this poison. In the face of the facts that have been produced during the past week or so, the bootlegger is at last seen in his true colors as a menace not only to the stability of society, but to human life as well. There is death in the pot. It must go.-Globe. For more than fifty years the bootlegger has been plying his nefarious trade, under all systems of license and prohibition. His lust for gain and easy living has stunted all his moral fibre, and through all the years, under all governmemnts, he has continued his hellish business. The revelations of the past week, with the dire results following, is no evidence of any change in the character of this outlaw. Through all the years he has sold his product for gain, irrespective of the consequences to his purblind customers. Homes have been broken up, children have been starved, lives have been shattered physically and morally, and these results have been of no contern to the bootlegger. The results all as the Globe has stated: "It has been the fashion to treat the matter of the bootlegger with goodnatured tolerance." The penalties of the law have a first offence, the bootlegging business would soon Mr. Lowe will be the next member for Poel County. Ask any drugglat for McCoy's Cod

Concrete Betterment to the People

In the past few months the Government in power gave the people of Canada: (a) Reduction in income tax; (b) reduction in sales tax; (c) lowering of tariff on agricultural implements, motor cars, lighting plants, saw milling machinery, well drilling machinery; (d) Restoration of penny postage; (e) Abolition of receipt tax. These things stand out, like the sun at noon day—they are unavoidablethey find a reflex in every person's pocket.

Lend a Helping Hand

The citizens of Acton and surrounding district should this year rally to the help of our Agricultural Society and do all in their power to make the fair a financial success. It is only by co-operation and lending a helping hand that this can be accomplished. If willing workers will come forward on our fair garden party to be held at the home days, and make their assistance and time their donations to this splendid cause, the officers and direc- Stephen's Church, Hornby. tors will feel much encouraged and the future success of the Annual Fair be assured. The FREE PRESS has no authority to speak for the Board of Directors, but we do know that they always welcome suggestions and help, and if you want to "do your bit," and lend your assistance, if you will speak to either ciety will hold its annual flower and President Johnstone or W. J. Akins, Secretary, you | Hall on Wednesday, August 18th. will at once realize how pleased they will be to receive your aid. Oakville and Rockwood Fall Fairs Toronto, who have been visiting their have closed their doors because of the indifference mother at Appleby, have returned of the people. Acton has always had the confidence, support and personal efforts of the community. If this spirit continues the future will be a repetition of

Is the Ontario Temperance Act a Failure?

We happened to interrupt a discussion on the O. T.A. the other day. It was contended on the last Sunday at both services, when plaining because they lack food. Now one side that "you temperance cranks don't know vices. Rev. Mr. Tilton, on behalf of the hunger for material things is what is going on outside your town among the young vices. Rev. M. Tilton, on behalf of an empty stomach should demand people. The amount of drinking on the sly by the young men would open your eyes." It is an old and come over from, Christ's Unfeed the body is not properly fed. God The Halifax Herald, a strongly Conservative favorite saying but indefinite argument. There is Church.-Gazette. newspaper, says: "This is the curse of the liquor an old saying that "what you don't know won't business. It ramifles in every direction. People who hurt you." . There are a few facts, however, in scorn to break other laws, break the liquor law and connection with temperance reform, and temperance regard the breach as a matter of light comment, legislation, that are outstanding and definite, and

You no longer dread the open bar-room and its attraction to your son. You no longer hear your son, your husband and at Palmeraton.

his home late at night. You no longer hear of "the drunkard's home".

father, staggering and cursing, as he comes into

with all its miseries and its neglected family. You no longer hear of drunken brawls on the

You no longer see the drunk man staggering You no longer hear of the abused wife and fam-

You no longer see the ragged, pinched faces and ings. Yet more than for all those things youth bare-footed children of the drunken father as they

Moreover, the bar-room is no longer manufactur-

with all possible speed .- Herald. These are only a very few outstanding accomgesture and carriage of living, yet whose inner ex- plishments in the way of temperance reform. Whethfoundation of society and friendship. For with age your point of view, and those who pronounce it a week on a holiday trip to Assinibota. we learn to accept facts and to make the best of failure wish it to be a failure, because they desire them. We must live and die alone. We cannot a return to old conditions with its accompanying spending her holidays in Milton and Little flower-but if I could undertouch the souls of others. We must take love and debauchery, misery, crime and poverty.-Winchester

EDITORIAL NOTES

The promised good harvest in the west will enable the entire Dominion to make enormous strides forward in the recovery of abounding national prosper-

If the real facts were known, it is very probable nights hideous with their caterwaul- may send as best for us. "Though He that our Canadian politicians are much less concerned respecting "our constitutional rights," than Stanley Exard and family were in they are about being on the winning side in the to pick berries. At the Martin Street

Mayor Martin, M. P., of Montreal, made a strong appeal to Edmonton business men for a return to cealed by the passenger. He put on the two-party political system. Mr. Martin's viewpoint would be more consistent if Quebec prayince abandoned the one-party system.-Red Deer Advo-

There is more food for thought in the following expression, by the philosopher, Henry Detouche; than a casual reading would indicate: "It is an alarming thing for a people when decent folk show less energy in attacking evil than criminals show in

The Canadian National Railways showed a gain of 296 per cent. in net earnings for the first six months of this year, as compared with the same period last year. There are excellent prospects that similar gains in earnings will continue, and if so the National railways will soon be self-sustaining.

There is no occasion in Canada, with its eighthour working day and its many holidays, for any of us to expropriate the Sabbath Day for aports and such features as are usually incident thereto, says the Oshawa Sons of England Record. Canada has received no small amount of favorable notice. foreign parts because of the generally quiet and orderly observance of the Sabbath Day by her people. Is Your Child

. The Georgetown Herald says: "It is possible that E. A. Harris, editor of the Burlington Gazette, formalong have been just as harrowing as the results or mayor of the town and warden of Halton County, reported the past week, only they have been more will be chosen as the candidate in the Liberal inprolonged usually, and wider in their influence. The terests for the coming general elections for the bootlegger is no new product, his character is no House of Commons. If Mr. Harris refuses, Mr. blacker than it was fifty years ago. The trouble is, Waldbrook, of Trafalgar, will likely be asked to contest the constituency.

Liberals of Peel gathered to nominate a candi- are suspected they are especially valunever been of sufficient severity to deter the species date for the Federal elections and never in the hisfrom a return to their inhuman exploits after the tory of the association was there a better attended fines imposed have been paid or the brief sentences or a more enthusiastic meeting called for this pur- kind that help all feeble, underweight adjudged have been fulfilled. If a five-year sentence pose. They selected William J. Lowe, Snelgrove, and men, women and children. in penitentiary, without the option of a fine, or the if the Liberals and Progressives of the sounty get days and if your frail, puny child don't allowing of clemency through the influence of some behind Mr. Lowe, work for him from now until sreatly benefit get your money back. friendly politician, were imposed as punishment for election day, and see that every vote is cast, then 12 pounds in 7 months. -Brampton Banner.

Neighborhood News--Town and Country

The crops of winter wheat harvested in this section this year is magnificent. Rarely have the farmers of this section seem finer yields. At a mosting of representatives of Omagh, Hornby and Boston Presbyterian Churches yesterday, it was de-Rev. 2: 17:--clded to extend a call to Rev. Mr. Innes, of Saskatoon, Sask., to become

Trafalgar Township last Wednesday night, Miss Lucy Peel had her shoulder broken and Miss Ella, her sister, suffered severe cuts and bruises. The softball game capsized in the ditch. The Reid . concert Co., of Toronto, miraculous. These birds, in their anwill give the programme at the of Mr. W. J. Lindsay, base line, Es- ling on the ground when exhaust quesing, on August 5th, in aid of St. by long flight, are easily caught.

BURLINGTON

The cutting of fall wheat has commenced in Nelson Township. It is said the sample is very good. The Burlington Horticultural So vegetable show in St. Luke's Parish Mrs. R. L. Hursey, of New York City, and Miss Katherine Pascott, of

son, Curtis, and Mrs. Knowles, of the and sheep during their wander-Minneapolis, U.S.A., are the guests of his mother, Mrs. Andrews, Nelson Lesson Thomas Mrs. King and Mrs. J. Cameron

C. F. Coleman. Trinity United Church was crowded

GEORGETOWN

Lawson are holidaying at Bigwin Inn. Muskoka.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Goldhom and Toronto, spent Sunday with friends Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Castell Mrs. H. Herbert are spending a couple and that the spiritual side is upperof weeks visiting relatives in Kent most. We must be masters over ma-County and Detroit.

Mr. R. D. Coutts, of Assinibola, the week-end. in Sunderland, England.

progress toward recovery. to make an exhibition of themselves marvel of the God-given germ of life on Main Street, when Chief Jackson in the seed, and the mystic power

warning they were given a limited

time to leave town, which they did

Miss Evelyn Earl, of Windsor, don, Man., is visiting friends in this neighborhood. Mrs. Geo. H. Dawson is in Guelph General Hospital, where she under-

went an operation last week. Since always ready to accept the blessings then her condition has been very which God bestows upon them; but serious, but it is hoped that she will the matter of meeting His condition Milton has a dog by-law and there raelites were entirely willing to be fed are no vagrant canines in town. upon the manna; but they wanted to

nuisance. They scratch up gardens, it is with us. True faith trusts Him kill insectivorous birds and make the absolutely and accepts whatever God ing. Let us have action. - On Tuesday morning Mr. and Mrs. their car on their way to the country the 5.55 train for the east passed and Exard saw a west-going fast freight rain coming which had been con-

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Burlington	_ Sept. 21 and 2:
Caledon	Sept 23.and 3:
Cooksville	Oct. 5 and
Duraam	Sept. 23 and 2
Erin	Oct. 7 and
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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

GOD'S GOOD GIFTS General Lesson Title .- The Giving of the Manna. Scripture Lesson.-Exod., 16: 1-36. Reference Material .- John 6: 22-68;

Golden Text.-Jesus said unto them am the bread of life .- John 6: 35. pastor of the circuit. As a result of a motor accident i Devotional Reading .- Matt. 6: 25-32. The Text Explained 11. Jehovah spake-See note on Exodus 12: 1. (Lesson IV.). 13. The coming of the quails was car in which they were riding to a natural event; but, as the answer to

the prayer and assurance of faith, was nual migration, fly over the Sinaitic peninsula in vast numbers and, settling on the ground when exhausted 14-18. There have been many

theories concerning the manna: Somo biblical scholars argue that it was indeed wholly miraculous-literally "bread from heaven"-a special creation direct from the hand of God: Others have endeavored to identify it with some known vegetable product of the peninsula of Sinal-holding that the miracle was not in the manna itself, but in God's giving of it-as in the case of the quails (see above). 16. An omer-A measure equal to a

little over seven pints. 35. Did eat the manna forty years-This does not mean that it formed their exclusive diet; for we know that Mr and Mrs. Edward S. Jones and they had with them quantities of cat-

> Lesson Thomes Hunger for Material Things. In

this lesson we see the Israelites travel-Gain and daughter, Ethel, of Jet- ling toward the Promised Land. Far fersonville, New York, are visiting at behind them lies the Red Sea. They "Idlewild," the home of Mr. and Mrs. have seen, again and again, manifestations of God's loving care; yet McGillivray both took part in the ser- natural. It is perfectly proper that welcome to the Unionists who had cult to maintain the spiritual life if gave us our bodies; and it is entirely right and fitting that we take adequate care of them. The trouble with these people, however, was that Georgetown Business Men's pic-nic they seem to have no thought for any-Eldorado on Thursday, August 19. thing else except material things. Mrs. H. P. Lawson, Master Walter Their bodies were the masters. You and I to-day need bear in mind Saint Paul's example and "keep the body under"-not that Christianity calls for children, and Mr. Fred Edwards, of ascettelst, but, in the spirit that is typified in the triangle badge of the Y. M. C. A., recognizing three sides in our nature-spirit, mind, body-

terial things. God the Ever-Present. God always Sask, visited friends in town over provides for the needs of His children. The manna which He gave to hungering Israel was typical of His Georgetown last week for their home provision for all mankind. In the deepest sense, all our food is bread Mr. Herb. Cleave, who underwent from heaven. The thought of brendserious operation in Toronto a few dropping from the skies thrills us beweeks ago, was able to return home cause it is unusual. It is no more last week and is making remarkable wonderful, however, than the annual About twelve o'clock on Thursday and corn with which God feeds this evening five youths from Erin started fair land of ours. Here we have the arrived on the scene, cutting their an- which God has given to sunlight and tics short. With a severe lecture and rain. We must dismiss from our minds the notion that God is only in the unusual and spectacular and learn to see the Divine Hand in things that are familiar and near at-hand. As Tennyson has so beautifully expressed the thought:

I hold you here, root and all, in my Mrs. John F. Brownridge, of Bran- What you are, root and all, and all

should know what God and man is.

We Must Meet Conditions. Men are is something quite different. The Is-What about cats? The ownerless cats gather and eat in their own way. They ity on the eve of which we have been for some time. with which the town swarms are a had to be educated in God's way. So

> slay me, yet will I trust Him." For Study and Discussion -How many sides are there to our nature? Should a Christian consider things? In what sense was the coming of the qualls a miracle? The giving of the manna? Are our annua crops miracles? How complete must

our trust in Gad be? Dally Readings for Next Week Monday-Exod. 18: 1-12. Tuesday-Exod. 18: 13-24. Wodnesday-1 Cor. 12: 1-11. Thursday-1 Cor. 12: 12-31. Friday-Matt. 25: 14-29. Baturday-1 Cor. 3: 10-15. Sunday-Psaim 106: 1-5.

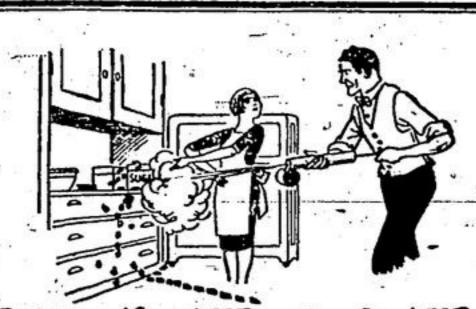
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