

THE BACK BEAT DRIVER

My wife is without any question, a discipline of auto-suggestion. A discipline we ride she sits by my side. And drives me through traffic confusion. She says, "To the left, to the right, to the left, to the right." Look out! Straight ahead is a lake, a lake! Have a care! You've stalled it, now there! What would you do if you would make a mistake? She tells me of motors behind me. Not headlights approaching that blind. I say, "Oh, shut up! Who's driving this thing?" But never have known her to mind me. This day she gets steadily worse. We get comments so needless and tiresome.

The Auto Club expect when she's dead to drink up. Who's driving this thing?

TWENTY YEARG AGO

From the issue of The Free Press of Thursday, August 29, 1907

The world is but a fleeting show. Things are not what they seem. The summer girl looks cool; you know, but she needs lots of ice cream.

Peaches and plums are both quoted at the market.

The local tomato crop is ripening well and is of good quality.

New pavements are in demand in various parts of the town.

Mrs. Thompson had been purchased from Mr. John Matthews Toronto, the residence on Mill Street she occupies.

Mr. Peter Sayers is asking for tenders for the re-building of his residence at the corner of Church and Frederick Streets.

Mr. Edmund Hunter of Toronto has purchased the double dwelling on Main Street, next to Knox Church, from H. T. Arnold.

The recently married brother and newly-wed sister, Atkins have caused many apples and other fruits to fall from the trees the past fortnight.

A sixty-foot windmill had been erected by Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith at the Dominion Hotel, to supply water for the new system to be installed there.

Contractor Cameron has the new plaza and balcony at Valemount Place about completed. It has much improved the appearance of that fine residence.

Mr. Johnson has opened his picture framing and general verger business from Main Street to the shop in Mr. Easton's building opposite Williams' Drug Store.

Fall plowing has begun almost an impossibility the past week.

One farmer said the other day that he had to go to ground so dry in twenty years when plowing.

Corn coast parties are now the attraction.

Mr. Peter Sayers has purchased from Mr. Henry Grindell the brick blacksmith shop on Mill Street, occupied by Mr. J. Robertson.

The rumor is again current that the Farmers' Bank is about to establish a branch in Acton.

Mr. John Harvey has disposed of his dry business, with his outfit and goodwill, and his beautiful residence, "Hillcrest," on Park Avenue, to Mr. James Torrance of Orton. The proprietor will take possession on November 1. For thirteen years Mr. Harvey has conducted his business.

The hour and feed and grain business of R. Noble is to be moved in a few days to the commissaries premises later occupied by Messrs. C. A. Goodwin & Co. Two hundred and ten acton years in the Arthur building Mr. N. F. Moore, manager, will appreciate their change to the more comfortable surroundings.

Schools re-open on Tuesday, with the following staff:

W. H. Stewart, Principal.

Mrs. E. Norton, Assistant in H. S. Department.

Annie L. Hudson, Entrance Room.

Minnie Z. Bennett, Second Department.

Mattie E. Smith, Third Department.

Minnie R. Holmes, Fourth Department.

Kate Kennedy, Primary Department.

1927 A BANNER YEAR FOR WESTERN FAIR

An exhibition time draws near, the Western Fair, making London, and rapidly being put in shape for what promises to be the biggest year in the history of the exhibition.

Many improvements have been made.

This year the 1927 Western Fair is being looked forward to with interest by everybody. There are now an unprecedented number of manufacturers, merchants, and dealers for space in the various buildings to display their products.

The leading manufacturers, building which is the finest of its kind in the country, will be filled to capacity with excellent exhibits, featuring Canada's industrial achievements.

The other manufacturers, Agriculture and Ladies' Work buildings have been torn down, and are being replaced by a modern brick building with greatly increased floor space.

Exhibitors are busily engaged erecting, painting, and decorating, sparing no efforts to make their exhibits attractive, artistic, and artistic of its kind. Entries have been received from all parts of Canada and the United States, a certain indication that the Western Fair's general popularity is being received with enthusiasm.

Everything points to a record year, and the Fair is now making frantic efforts to care for exceptionally large crowds.

Great care has been taken to engage the very best head amusements and the way to the largest popular seen here. Half-a-dozen acts have been engaged for the in-front-of-the-stage performances, and special arrangements are being made to make the regular fireworks display unequalled.

Special attention has been paid to the music this year, and all lovers of good music will appreciate the programme studies.

The Secretary, Mr. W. D. Jackson, is giving careful attention to all attractions and imported acts will supply the public with interest and enjoyment.

On the whole, the Western Fair promises to be an outstanding success and will be the one big "outing" of the year for all the people of Western Ontario.

NOT LOST, BUT GONE BEFORE

Two farmers met in town a few days after a cyclone hit the countryside.

"Yes, it did quite a bit of damage, and our way," said one, reflectively. "In the way, though, was that new barn of ours was gone."

"I can't say rightly," he answered, slowly. "I don't find it yet."

Its Quality Sets It. The fact that so many thousands of intelligent people continue to use Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil speaks volumes for its quality and efficiency. Ever since it was first introduced it has won its place in public favor, owing entirely to its manifold usefulness in relieving and healing aches. "A specific for the burns, scalds, and various inflammatory pains its record is beyond compare."

For Study and Discussion

How did Nathan awaken David's conscience? Do you ever look at yourself as you would look at others?

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

Lesson 13.—Lesson Three: Nathan Leads Israel to Recovery. Lesson 2.—Lesson 13: 1-10.

Golden Text: "A broken and a contrite heart God doth, who will not despise." Job 31: 15. The Biblical Reading: Job 31: 17-23.

The Text Explained

In determining the meaning of text we often consider the coincidence of the prophet that he felt himself to be absolutely God's spokesman. There were two men, however, that is, two Biblical persons to be a religious teacher or ethical teacher.

A very vivid picture of the treatment of a favored son in the home of a kind and benevolent father.

A traveler. A stranger stopped at the inn of a man's home, and in accordance with the law of hospitality, he was welcomed. He took the poor man's coat, and the owner of the house, the master of the inn, was very angry.

Immediately David's sense of justice was outraged. He condemned the man to death, and ordered four-fold restoration of the stolen property. He annihilated the rough-and-ready arbitrary justice of an ancient dispensation.

No man can complain of the treatment of a judgment which he has earned upon himself.

The master's wife—David, as Saul's successor had the right to all the wealth and power of the kingdom.

Heb. 13: 18-19. David, the Hittite soldier, prominent in David's army. (The account of David's great sin against him is given in 2 Samuel 2-21.) He was a leader of the tribes of the great nation of antiquity.

His empire at the height of its power about 1050 B.C. included most of the land between the Mediterranean and the neighboring regions. Apparently, at one time, maintained a large garrison in Southern Palestine in the vicinity of Hebron, and demolished a city that David remained to David's day.

They adopted the language and religion of their neighbors, and ultimately merged with the tribe of Judah.

The sword shall never depart.

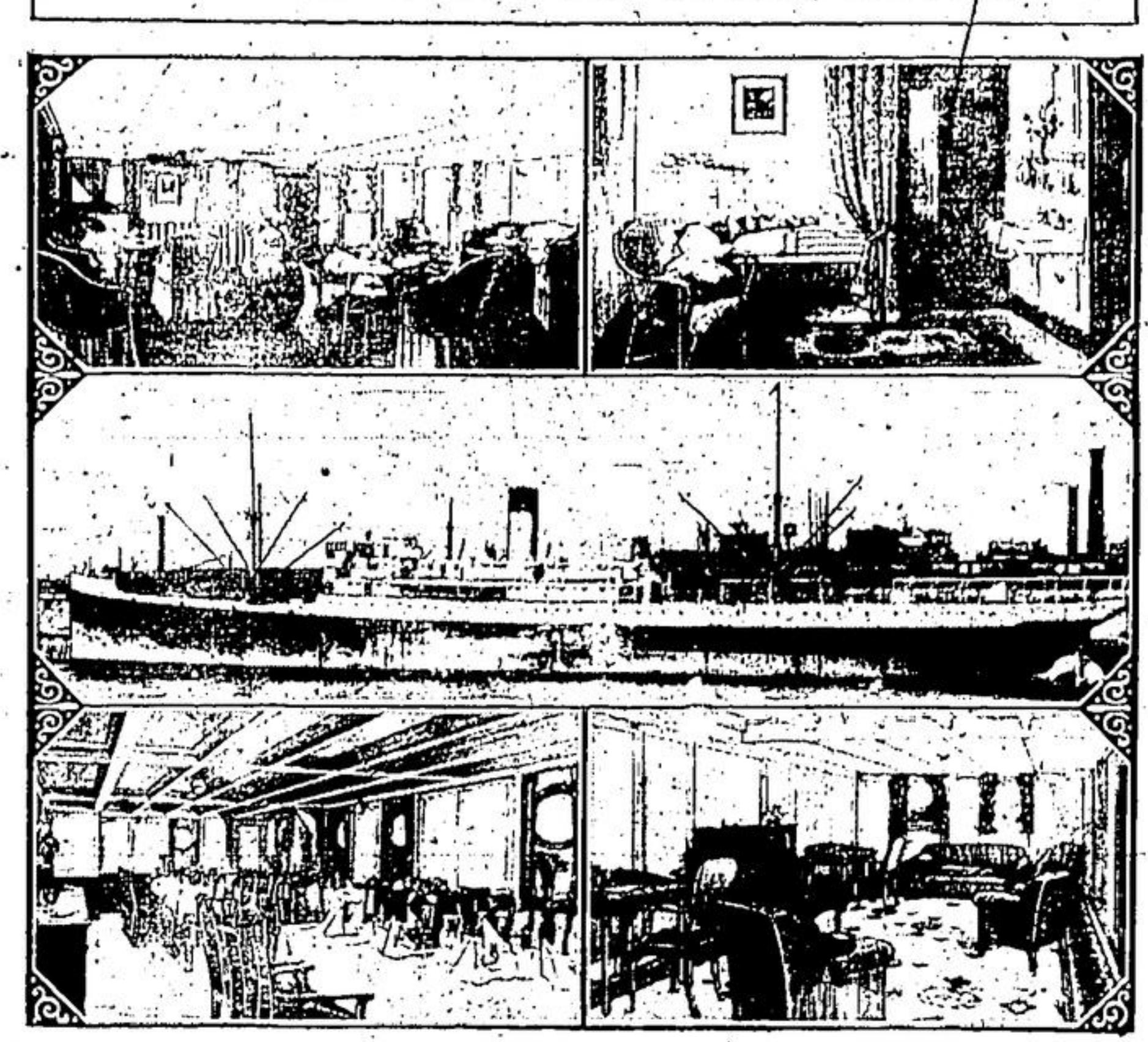
I have shamed David's prompt confession and repentance are noteworthy. He was a man of iron, but he was a man of flesh, too, and his sin shone very brightly in the darkness of a savage age when kings were expected to be gods, and when Jehovah also had put on the sins—God's forgiveness, given to the truly penitent. Then shall not die—he will not suffer the sentence which he has passed upon himself.

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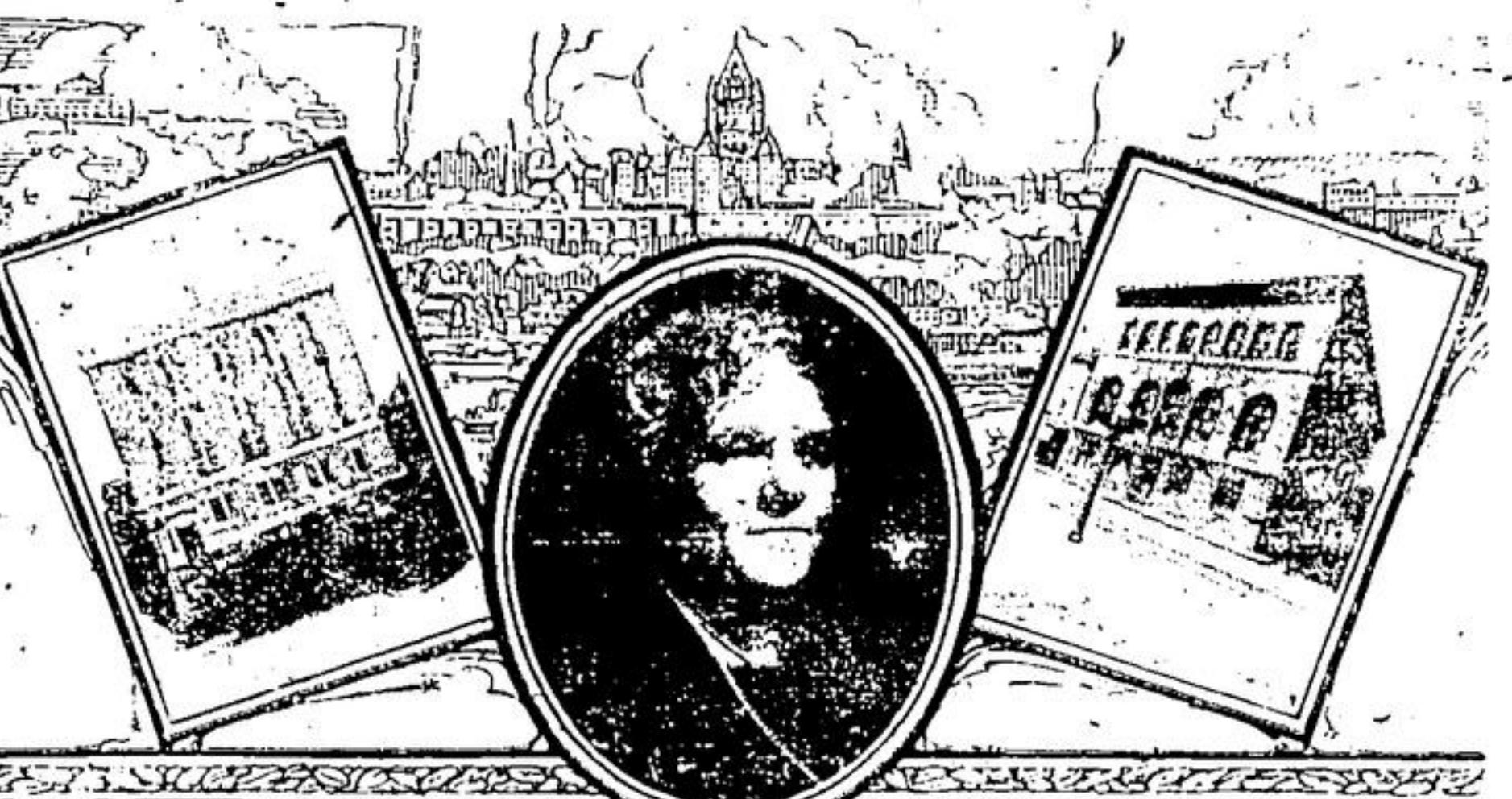
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These vessels now have accommodation for 50 first-class passengers. First-class accommodation is tastefully appointed, up-to-date rooms being luxuriously appointed. The ships have 15 two-berth and 6 three-berth cabins in this section. Accommodation is provided for 32 second-class passengers whose quarters are tastefully laid out.

Photographs show, top, left, Longship, right, Two-Berth Cabin; center, the Canadian Skirmisher; bottom, left, Dining Saloon; right, Music Room.

A Lady Wins Long Service Emblem



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