

THE OLD MAN OF THE BIG CLOCK TOWER



NEIGHBORING

I remember when a boy that my mother used to say: "Mind the house a little while, for I won't be long away. I'm just going 'cross the street for perhaps an hour or two; Mrs. Smith is very ill and I'll see what I can do."

None of us had money then, so when trouble came about. Neighbors up and down the street had to help each other out.

I have watched her many a time stirring custard or a cake. For the dainty bit of food which some invalid could take.

And when sickness came to us so the neighbors rallied round; For the burnings we must bear many a helping hand we found.

But our fortunes rose and rose and we ceased to play the friend, And we ceased to look for help, having money we could spend.

When whatever people wish they possess the coin to buy. There is very little left for the neighbors to supply.

Kindly women on the street one another needn't nurse. Thus with wealth at every hand and with rising bonds and shares.

But we're back to simpler days, and the mothers more and more Will go slipping 'cross the street to some troubled neighbor's door.

And they'll help to nurse the sick, and they'll stir up custards, too. In the same unselfish way that our mothers used to do.

Oh, we've had our fling at wealth, now we're back to living plain. Back to all that friendship means, back to neighboring again.

joined partnership and Mr. Jas. Brown retained the Acton business. Mr. Hall took over the Berlin business.

A robbery took place at the G. T. R. station, and the till was relieved of about \$25. The young man who was learning the railway business was suspected of the theft but was not captured.

The 20th Battalion were granted new uniforms by the Department of Militia. They were Scotch tartan trousers and dark green serge tunics and Glengarry caps.

At the skating races held at Georgetown last Friday night, Mr. W. H. Spelght, of this village, won the first prize in a one hour go-as-you-please race.

The remains of the late Ransom Adams, Esq., were exhumed from the cemetery here last week and removed to Drayton by the friends of the deceased.

Mr. James Matthews has purchased the right of sale of the Stafford Acoustic Telephone for the County of Waterloo.

Another agitation was started in 1883 for the formation of a Hook and Ladder Fire Company. At that time there was no provision made for fighting fires in the village.

A committee of citizens was appointed by the Council to arrange for grand concert to mark the opening of the new Town Hall.

Well, folks, it looks as if I've come to my space allotment for this week. When I get going through these old papers and recalling the days of long ago, it seems the items I want to recall again fill up in quick order.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 5

JESUS GIVING LIFE AND HEALTH Golden Text. — Jehovah hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad. — Psalm 126: 3.

Lesson Text.—Mark 5: 21-24, 35-43. Study, also, Matt. 9: 27-35; Luke 7: 11-16; 17: 11-19; John 5: 1-9; 11: 1-46; 10: 7-18.

Time.—Autumn A. D. 28. Place.—Capernaum. Exposition.—I. Jesus Sought by the Sorrowing, 21, 22.

Sorrow brought Jairus to Jesus. It brings more men to Him to-day than almost anything else. Jairus belonged to a class that was largely hostile to Jesus; He never would have come to Him, if deep sorrow, that no human hand could help, had not entered his home.

He thought it a great misfortune that his sorrow came to him, but it was great good fortune, because it brought him to Jesus. The things that we in our blindness count our greatest misfortunes are oftentimes our greatest blessings.

II. Jesus Encouraging the Fearful, 35, 36. It seemed as if Jesus was now too late. It often seems so (comp. John 11: 21), but He never is.

III. Jesus Rebuking the Ostentatiously Sorrowful and the Scornful, 37-40. Jesus made no parade of His miracles; He rather concealed them (see v. 43).

IV. Jesus Raising the Dead, 41-43. And now comes the wondrous story. The scorner and the formal mourner are all gone, Jesus works. He approaches the bed. He takes the dead child by the hand. He utters two words, "Dameel, arise." It is done; she arises, walks.

O glorious Christ! And some sweet day He will speak the word to our sleeping loved ones, and they, too, shall arise to sleep no more (John 5: 28, 29). Note the taking by the hand. It was a frequent practice of our Lord (cf. ch. 1: 31; 8: 23; 9: 27; Matt. 14: 31), and there was always power in that hand grasp.

He is ready to take all by the hand to-day (Is. 41: 13). To the Jewish mind there was contamination in the touch of a dead hand (Num. 19: 11), but the Prince of Life will not be contaminated, but communicate life. And Jesus speaks — to what? To the spirit that still lives when the body dies (Luke 8: 55; 1 Peter 3: 18, 19). And that departed spirit could hear and responded to the call. The spirit returned to the body (Luke 8: 55; R. V.). Death is evidently separation of body and spirit. It was the voice of Jesus that had power to thus call back

LOSING YOUR HEAD

A girl was telling excitedly of some thrilling experience. "Why, I just lost my head," she declared. "I hadn't the least idea what I was doing." She stopped to laugh but some of her listeners could not see humor in the situation.

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the departed spirit and raise the dead. Who was He? There can be but one reasonable answer to that question—He was God in human form (cf. Heb. 1: 6; 1 John 1: 1, 14). Having completed His part, He commanded to give her something to eat. What they could not do, He had done; what they could do, they must.

When Jesus raises the spiritually dead, it is our business to feed them. In this lesson again the Deity of Jesus Christ comes out very plainly and unmistakably. Indeed, the entire Gospel narrative shows time and again that Jesus Christ had power over natural law—that He was no mere prophet or Oriental miracle-worker, but the divine Son of the living God.

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The Old Man

The Voice of Understanding

TWENTY YEARS AGO

From the Issue of The Free Press of Thursday, March 6, 1913

We've more snow now than at any previous date since winter opened. The first real old-fashioned blizzard of the winter came on Sunday morning.

Mr. George Soper is enlarging the business and is taking in the second floor, formerly used as a lodge hall. A central stairway has been created so as to give direct access. The china department will be removed upstairs and a stock of staple dry goods will occupy the shelves vacated.

Mr. Henderson, of the saw mills, informs us there are 39 teams engaged in teaming logs this week.

Mrs. Mary Wilds, who resides with her son-in-law, Mr. David Williamson, Guelph Street, celebrated her 85th birthday on Tuesday.

The Electric Chopping Mill on Mill Street is proving a great convenience to the farmers and a growing volume of business, satisfactory to Mr. Caldwell, the energetic proprietor, is being done.

DIED MANN—At his home, let 29, concession 3, Esquesing, near Acton, on Tuesday, March 4, 1913, Donald Mann, son of the late Alexander Mann, aged 57 years.

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