

THURSDAY, JULY 27, 1933

I SAW GOD WASH THE WORLD

I saw God wash the world last night
With His sweet showers on high;
And then when morning dawned
I saw Him hang it out to dry.
He washed every tiny blade of grass
And every trembling leaf;
He hung His showers against the hills
And swept the billowy sea.

The white rose is a cleaner white;
The red rose is more red,
Since God washed every fragrant face
And put them all to bed.

There's not a bird, there's not a bee
That wings along the way,
But is a cleaner bird and bee
Than it was yesterday.

I saw God wash the world last night;
As would He wash me
As clean of all my dust and dirt
As that old white wash tree.
—William L. Strider.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

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At the Lower School examinations of Acton School all the pupils passed and all but one secured honors.

A proposition for establishing a shoe factory in Acton has been before the citizens. Mr. C. W. Dunford proposes to manufacture elk shoes. Messrs. A. E. Nicklin, D. M. Henderson, W. R. Kenney, H. P. Moore, George J. Wallace, John H. Kennedy, Fred Secord, Dr. Gray, N. Patterson and the Reeve were appointed a committee by the Council to make inquiry.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Donovan, of Moffat, were the victims of a terrible level crossing railway accident at Moffat within a few yards of their residence. They were driving home from picking berries when the accident occurred. Mr. Donovan was instantly killed and Mrs. Donovan died at midnight.

In a baseball game in the Park on Saturday, Georgetown—won from Acton by a score of 7-6. The Acton line-up was: Williams, c; McLean, 3b; White, 1b; Royder, 2b; Clark, cf; Holmes, lf; Smith, ss; Baxter, p; Durt, lb.

Workmen have been engaged this week in removing the engine, boiler and dynamo from the power house.

Acton Cricket Club won from Stratton on Saturday by a score of 81 to 55. The Acton team consisted: J. Woods, Captain; J. Precious, C. Oriskand, R. Hall, W. Wilkinson, W. Peirce, H. Gledhill, T. Alger, G. Cooper, F. B. Ruddle, and T. Morris.

MARRIED

BARNES-CHURCHILL—In St. Alban's Church, Acton, on Saturday, July 26, 1933, by Rev. H. H. Wilkinson, M. A., Sidney Edward Barnes, to Mabel Daisy, daughter of Mrs. Mary Churchill, all of Acton.

SOLMAN-FROCK—On Saturday, July 26, 1933, by Rev. John Morrow, of Dale Church, Toronto, Gwendoline Marie Frock, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Frock, 1439 Queen Street West, to Edward Solman, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Solman, Weston, Kent.

Mothers can easily know when their children are troubled with worms, and they lose no time in applying a reliable remedy—Mother Graves' Worm Expellor.

SEAWEED AS FERTILIZER

Seaweed is essentially a potassic fertilizer, but it also contains notable amounts of nitrogen and other elements of plant food, so that it might be termed a complete manure, says the Dominion Chemist. Analysis of many Canadian seaweeds, more especially from the Atlantic seaboard, have been made in the Experimental Farm laboratories at Ottawa, and it has been found that the manurial value of seaweed is greatly enhanced by its ready decomposition in the soil. It quickly decays, liberating its constituents in forms available for plant nutrition. It is quite unnecessary to compost it, but the weathering of seaweed alone is a wasteful process. On the whole, best plan is to apply the seaweed direct to the soil, with which it readily becomes incorporated. It is intrinsically of the nature of a quick acting, forcing nature.

BEST FISHING IN 30 YEARS

The best fishing in 30 years in many of the streams of Alberta is reported by the Provincial Director of Fisheries. The introduction some years ago of Loch Leven trout into tributaries of the Red Deer River has been successful to a marked degree. And there is reported abundance of trout of the various species, including Rainbow, Loch Leven, Brownie and Speckled in the Elbow and Highwood Rivers near Calgary. The opening of trout fishing in Maligne Lake in Jasper Park in 1932 soon proved an immense success, for fishermen since have been enthusiastic over the excellent sport to be obtained in the waters of this and connecting lakes.

The stocking of Maligne Lake, which prior to 1917 was barren of fish, offered proof of an amazing success in speckled trout culture. Maligne is the largest glacial lake in the Rockies, 18 miles long, and joined by Maligne River to Medicine Lake. Since the opening of the lake, angling has become so fruitful that in three or four hours one rod with barbless hooks took and returned to the waters more than 100 fish. Canadian Government biologists state that Jasper Mountain Park will become one of the great fishing places of the North American continent.

Another experiment in fish culture, is now under way in Alberta, with the introduction of speckled trout into Cold Lake, northeast from the City of Edmonton, from one of the mountain hatcheries. This month some 25,000 fry were introduced.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, JULY 30

GIDEON

Golden Text.—Jehovah is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?—Psalm 27: 1.

Lesson Text.—Judges 7: 1-7, 16-21. Study, also, Judges 7: 1-25.

Time.—1294 B. C. Place.—The Well of Harod.

Exposition.—I. The Three Hundred Chosen of God, 1-7.

In order that the lesson be properly understood, verses 1-8 should be read. It is therefore included in our Scripture passage. Why it should have been excluded is not clear, for surely the setting of the scene in which Gideon played so conspicuous a part should be understood by the scholars. The Scriptures furnish a straightforward account such as no teacher could excel in the same limited space. Gideon was now eager for the battle; he rose up early in the morning. The place where they camped was called, "the spring of trembling," probably from the fright in Gideon's army (cf. v. 3, R. V.). There were thirty-two thousand men in Gideon's army (v. 3) and one hundred and thirty-five thousand in the host of Midianites (ch. 8: 10). Israel's danger seemed to lie in the smallness of their army, but Jehovah said that it lay in the largeness of their army. Their real danger was of pride, self-confidence and boasting (v. 2). Individuals and churches usually think that their danger lies in their weakness, but it really lies in their strength. If we desire God's strength we must be weak in ourselves (2 Cor. 12: 9, 10; Is. 40: 29).

Jehovah would not deliver the Midianites into the hands of so large an army lest they "vaunt themselves" and say "Mine own hand hath saved me." God always saves men in a way that leaves no room for boasting (Eph. 2: 8, 9; Romans 3: 27). The Lord can save by few as well as by many (1 Sam. 14: 6), and He commonly chooses to save by the weak and despised things (1 Cor. 1: 27, 28); in order "that no flesh should glory in His presence" (1 Cor. 1: 29). We ought never to look at or be discouraged by the smallness of the numbers on our side. We should only look at God, and be sure that we are right before Him (Romans 8: 31). It is His good pleasure to give the kingdom to a little flock (Luke 12: 32). God is on the side of the one who sets his faith and love upon Him (Ps. 91: 9, 10, 14). God will have no one without faith, or who is frightened, to fight His battles (Is. 12: 2; Deut. 20: 2-4, 8). God wants men of faith, fearless men. He cares far more for quality than for quantity. There were a lot of cowards in Gideon's army, twenty-two thousand out of thirty-five. Is the proportion any better in the Church today? Gideon had less than a third of his army left, but his army was stronger than ever. Churches are not weakened when a sifting process takes place and the unbelieving go out. Possibly Gideon felt a momentary sinking of heart when he saw two-thirds of his army marching home. It was God Himself who was trying the men (v. 4). It is a great thing when God will try our men for us. Gideon was to choose those to go with him, and those only, of whom God said, "This shall go with thee." The next test was peculiar. It was a seemingly little thing, but it was a significant thing. It is by the little things that God is always testing us (Luke 16: 10; Matt. 12: 36). The men had no thought that they were being tested. And God is testing us by little things in which we have no thought that we are being tested. The significance of this test was, that those who were so eager for the battle that they just scooped up the water, those who could not stop to kneel and drink and the ones whom God would have fight for Him. There were only three hundred chosen to fight out of the whole army. It is a small part of God's professed army that really does the fighting. God knocked away all human props that they might rely on Him alone. It was certain that this mere handful would save Israel, because Jehovah Himself, said so. The army was stronger than ever. All we are told that this very little army took was food and trumpets. The only essential needs of Christ's army are the Word of God for food (1 Peter 2: 2) and the voice of prayer for a trumpet (Num. 10: 9, 10; 2 Chron. 13: 14).

II. Gideon's Victory, 16-21.

That very night the command came to Gideon to attack the Midianites, and with the command a promise of victory (3). Gideon's strategem to produce a panic in Midian was nearly shrewdly devised, but it took much faith and courage to carry it out. They were all to look at Gideon and do as he did, and in our battle for God we all should look at "the Captain of our salvation" and do as He does (Heb. 13: 2). The account is minutely accurate (v. 19), and clearly no legend; it is the careful report of an eyewitness. The trumpets were a call to God and a type of prayer, the torches the light of the Gospel, and the "pitchers" ("earthen vessels") our frail bodies in which we have this treasure of the Gospel truth (2 Cor. 4: 6, 7; Matt. 5: 16). The inner light of God's grace which burns in a man's heart is the impelling force, through and by which he is enabled to get the victory, both over himself and the enemies which threaten his spiritual well-being. He that is for us is more than all that is arrayed against us, and He is ever to be depended on for overcoming grace.

Canada was again the largest single supplier of foodstuffs to Jamaica last year.

RENOVATING OLD STRAWBERRY BEDS

The most satisfactory results with strawberry plantations are obtained when only one full crop is gathered. If for instance, plants are set out this spring, the plantation should be ploughed up after the fruiting season of next year. By this system, much better fruit is obtained as the plants are not so thick in the row, and the soil can be kept freer of weeds.

However, if the land is free of weeds, it is quite possible to obtain good results by keeping a plantation longer than one year. This usually entails a certain amount of renovation at the end of the first fruiting season. The experience at the Central Farm, Ottawa, has shown that weeds give very little trouble when the ground has been manured the year previous to planting and popondage placed on fertilizers for subsequent applications of plant food. Under such conditions it is comparatively easy to renovate the beds.

The method is as follows: as soon as the picking is over, the straw is raked up and carried to one side of the plantation. After this, each row is ploughed or cut down to a width of about 18 inches. The plants thus ploughed up are then gathered up and destroyed, and the cultivator run through the rows. The few weeds growing among the remaining plants are pulled by hand. As soon as this cleaning has taken place, an application of sulfate of soda is made to the plantation at the rate of 200 pounds or more to the acre. Sulfate of soda is very difficult to broadcast it over the plants without serious burning. If used it should only be put between the rows. Frequent cultivation throughout the balance of the year will usually result in the plantation going into winter quarters in very good condition.

When the old bed is grown up with grass and weeds, more drastic measures are necessary. In such instances, after the removal of the straw the whole plantation is mowed and the mowings burned as quickly as possible. After this the rows are narrowed down to about 1 foot in width and the ploughed-out plants raked up and destroyed. This leaves a narrow row of plants and weeds that can then be hoed to leave clumps of plants every 8 or 9 inches. In narrowing the rows it is always well to work from one side of the plantation so that the old row is split down the centre leaving the newer plants on the outer edge as they hoe, an application of nitrate of soda is given, followed by frequent cultivation.

Some growers after narrowing the rows, do the cross-tilling by a harrow or drag, and then finish off with the hoe and cultivator. In some parts of the Maritimes where plantations fruit for many years and where the rows are a little further apart, the practice is simply to plough between the rows so as to leave a wide furrow, which is filled with manure. A cross-harrowing then covers this furrow with earth. This is followed up with hoeing, hand weeding and cultivating.

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CANADA'S LESSER KNOWN MINERALS

Recognition of the importance to Canada of its non-metallic mineral industry was given recently by the Council of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy when at the 1933 annual meeting the formation of an Industrial Minerals section of the Institute was sanctioned.

The fact is apt to be overlooked that mineral production in Canada includes in addition to coal and metals very substantial quantities of a number of non-metallics which are as indispensable as the metals. There is a wide range of non-metallic minerals and mineral products in Canada and large surpluses of many of the more important non-metallics available for export. Canada is the leading producer of asbestos, has the largest talc output in the British Empire and is one of the three mica-producing nations. The Dominion is an exporter of feldspar, gypsum, salt, arsenic, diatomite and grindstones, and a producer of sodium sulphate, natural and artificial abrasives magnesite, silica, moulding sands, soapstone, phosphate, and many others. Minerals known to occur rather extensively include barite, chromite, sulphur, (pyrites) volcanic dust, and garnet. Development of these minerals is largely in the initial stages.

To the foregoing should be added structural materials, which include clay, sand and gravel, limestone, granite, marble. Occurrences of these are abundant in Canada and in the main are of excellent quality. They together with such artificial products as cement, lime, bricks, and tiles form the basis of an important industry.

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NO HURRY

They stood on the edge of a crowded platform on the Underground Railway. It was obvious that the young man was very much in love with his pretty companion. As a matter of fact, he was pleading with her to marry him. The girl could not make up her mind. A train came in sight. The young man was desperate.

"If you won't listen to me I'll throw myself in front of the train that's just coming in!" he cried.

The girl was frightened.

"For goodness sake give me time to think," she said anxiously. "In any case, there'll be another train in a minute."

AS PRESCRIBED

The cottager opened her front door in response to the timid knock. On the doorstep stood a tramp.

"Spare a little for a hungry man, ma'am?" he asked.

The kindly woman took pity on him and parted with sixpence.

"By the way, my man," she asked, "what caused you to become a tramp?"

"The family physician, ma'am," he said.

"But how could he have brought it about?"

"True as I stand here," replied the tramp. "Years ago he advised me to take long walks after my meals, and I've been walkin' after 'em ever since."


DIFFERENT KINDS

Danish dairy farmers are rigidly culling the herds as a means of eliminating over-production. Already they have destroyed some 10,000 cattle (burning the carcasses so that they will not add to the surplus of meat) and will do away with approximately 50,000 more cattle this year. — Dairy News, Letter, Dominion Department of Agriculture.

SMALL SON

Small Son: "Daddy, what is a chauffeur?"
Father: "It is what they call a man who drives a motor car."
Small Son: "But Daddy, that is not what you called the man who nearly knocked us down yesterday!"

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Sunday only 6.34 p.m.
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Going West
Daily, except Sunday 8.55 a.m.
Daily, except Sunday 2.23 p.m.
Daily, except Sunday 7.00 p.m.
Sunday only 10.28 p.m.

TRAVEL BY BUS
EFFECTIVE JUNE 9th, 1933

Eastbound	
Daily	6.00 a.m.
Daily	10.05 a.m.
Daily	1.00 p.m.
Daily	4.30 p.m.
Daily	6.40 p.m.
Daily	9.00 p.m.
Westbound	
Daily	9.45 a.m.
Daily	12.45 p.m.
Daily	2.15 p.m.
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