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A Glorious Opportunity

The same energy that Premier-elect Mitchell F. Hepburn displayed in his successful election campaign is being shown following his election in his getting into the harness and making right the wrongs of which the electors of Ontario had become tired. Too often election promises are given glibly and without thought of fulfilment. The Liberal Government, under its young and energetic leader, has been given a mandate from the electors. There is no uncertainty of the mind as expressed at the polls and the promises made and the new deals promised must be fulfilled in reasonable measure to satisfy the voice that has been heard. We believe Mr. Hepburn and his associates have the courage and ability necessary. It is a big task and one that will bring about many circumstances not easily or pleasantly arranged. By the fulfilment of its task the new administration will be judged and the length of its occupancy decided. The new administration has a glorious opportunity to be of service to the Province and its people, and it is to be hoped the incoming Premier will be given strength to meet his tasks and be loyally backed by his supporters in a spirit of helpfulness for the good of all and not the individual. With loyal support in this spirit we predict a successful and lengthy period for Ontario under Liberal rule.

Opportunity in the Rural Field

One lesson that the depression has taught a lot of people is that life in a big city has not all the advantages. The young man who left the rural acres a few years ago for the bright lights, found that unemployment was a bitter dose indeed. Those who stayed on the farm have had hard sledding, it is true, but they never had to worry about food, clothing and shelter. Even the so-called successful men who have migrated from the farm to the big cities, have left something behind of which they must feel the loss. To-day the big executive with his salary running into five or more rows of figures, and a dignified title for his job, is nothing more or less than a glorified hired man. The economic independents still live in the rural centres and townships. They have been experiencing a more or less tough time of it. But they are still in business and must realize that being "on your own" has certain compensations. Why should young people head to the city for a career? To-day the smaller places have all the home and community advantages of the city and the benefits of country life besides. A life can be developed here under fewer distractions than amid the rush of a great population. It is still true that if you make a better mousetrap, the world will find its way to your door. In art and industry many of Canada's leaders have found success far from the maddening crowd. The first appendicitis operation in the world was performed in the village of Fergus where Dr. Groves still carries on his hospital and has made history. The young person with ability and initiative can find opportunity and a chance really to live to-day, if he will discard false values, and seek his fortune at home rather than in the glitter of the distant bright lights.—St. Marys Journal-Argus.

A Dangerous Proposal

A request was made to Halton County Council at the meeting last week by representatives of the Town of Burlington which, if sanctioned, will form a very dangerous precedent. It was requested that the County guarantee a \$120,000 debenture issue for waterworks extension in Burlington. In other words the County is asked to become responsible with Burlington for its debenture issue and in case of that municipality not paying, the County as a whole would have to meet the default. If this favor is extended to Burlington the same may, and in all probability will be, asked by every other municipality and demanded with equal right. We have heard a great deal lately about "paying as we go." It is advocated in Provincial circles and must be carried into effect. The Burlington proposal is a dangerous overture for the County Council to entertain and while it is splendid to be of assistance to a municipality the guarantee of this issue, we predict, will form an entanglement detrimental to every other municipality in the County.

Those Who Stay at Home

A trip back to a section of the country not visited often since boyhood days brought the thought that often those who stray to other fields do not give due credit to those who remain in the home community and maintain these places. Not only do they maintain these communities loyally but they are often the source of all historical information regarding families and the days of other years which are such a favorite topic with most all. Sometimes the wanderer returns successful and at other times in adverse circumstances. His energies have been used to promote his own or other activities in another community. Always, however, comes the urge to return to the boyhood scenes. Just supposing all the boyhood friends had left the home community for other fields. Who would be there to welcome the wanderer? Who would be there to point out the changes and give the family connections? Wouldn't the return visit fall flat? Pioneers are always needed. Not all can stay in the home nest, but a visit to former scenes and friendships of other days does bring a deep appreciation of those who remained and furthered the interests and welfare of the community and kept it in step with advanced conditions.

Fishing Not All for Fun

To a great majority of the people, fishing is merely fine sport, but to almost 15,000 persons in Quebec it provides a means of livelihood. According to an advance report of the fisheries of the Province of Quebec the amount of capital invested in that industry during 1933 was \$2,839,351, a gain of \$14,351 over 1932. Vessels, boats, nets, traps, piers and wharves, etc., used in the primary operations of catching and landing the fish represented \$2,380,063 of the capital investment, and fish canning and curing establishments, \$459,288. The total value of Quebec's fisheries in 1933 amounted to \$2,128,471, an increase over the preceding year of \$312,927, or 17 per cent. This total represents the value of fish as marketed, whether sold for consumption fresh, or canned, cured and otherwise prepared, and covers the sea fisheries valued at \$1,601,470 and the inland fisheries valued at \$527,001. Cod fish valued at \$863,913 was the most important catch. Other important kinds were lobsters, \$27,476; herring, \$207,415; salmon, \$154,159; and eels, \$131,440. The total quantity of all kinds of fish caught during the year was 933,361 cwt., an increase of 13,642 cwt. over the catch in 1932.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Baseball and vacations are the main diversions now.

Almost time again to consider seriously the plans for a new swimming tank for Acton. The facilities are readily available.

The longest days of summer are with us now and the longest hours of sunshine to accomplish the out-of-door tasks.

And now with the long summer vacation immediately ahead for the school children, the days of boyhood are envied by many a man.

The repaired drinking fountain at the Post Office is appreciated by all. Much more appreciated than when it was merely under consideration.

A partial improvement on Ontario's roughest railway crossing—the one on Mill Street in Acton—is noted, but there's still room for improvement.

And still the election stories continue to come to light. It is said in one neighboring town the party that hired the band wasn't able to use it.

The asset of splendid tennis courts and bowling greens is being appreciated these days by Actonians who enjoy the facilities of the Lawn Bowling and Tennis Club.

In every contest there must be losers as well as winners and in Acton both were very good in the section in which they happened to fall as a result of the election.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, JULY 1st, 1934

AHIJAH AND THE DIVIDED KINGDOM

Golden Text.—Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.—Prov. 16: 18.

Lesson Text.—1 Kings 11: 26-14: 31. (Verses printed, 12: 12-17; 26-30.) Study, also 2 Chron. chs. 12 and 13; Is. 44: 9-20; Prov. 1: 20-26.

Time.—975 B. C. Place.—Schem. Exposition.—I. Rehoboam's Folly and Punishment, 12-17.

The kingdom of Israel had reached the zenith of its glory under Solomon. But there were internal elements of decay at work. With increase of wealth and power had come, as always, luxury, laxness, oppression of the poor, lust and decay of regard for God and "liberality" in religion. Rehoboam was wise in "taking counsel with the old men" (v. 9). The counsel of the old men was good (v. 7). The road to real greatness is service (Matt. 10: 43-45). "If we serve others they will in their turn serve us. There was never more foolish counsel given than the young men gave to Rehoboam (vs. 10, 11). It was full of boasting and bravado and was bound to bring Rehoboam to grief if followed. The advice of the young men pleased Rehoboam because it appealed to his pride and was along the line of his own desires. It never pays to answer people roughly, no matter how confident we may be of our own power (v. 13). Back of all Rehoboam's folly lay the purpose and word of Jehovah (v. 15). God's purposes in it all was "that He might establish His Word." God's reason for His purpose to turn away the kingdom from the house of Solomon was because Solomon had turned away his heart from Him (ch. 11: 9-11, 31, 33). Notice how many things had worked together to fulfill God's Word. When a true prophet speaks, it is God who speaks, it is His word (v. 15). The outcome was in exact accordance with what God had spoken by the prophet Ahijah (ch. 11: 31, 32). God always fulfills prophecy literally. There are a great many in our day who are saying, "You must not interpret prophecy literally," but the only way in which we can judge how the unfulfilled prophecies are to be fulfilled is to look at how the fulfilled prophecies have been fulfilled, with most exact and minute literalness, and so it is certain that the unfulfilled prophecies in due time will be fulfilled with the most exact and minute literalness. If his father's example had been as good as his teaching, doubtless Rehoboam's history would have been different. Solomon's own sin was the prime cause of the division of Israel (ch. 11: 9, 13). None the less, the division was the direct outcome of Rehoboam's own pride and folly. He had one tribe still left to him (v. 17), and this was due to his grandfather David's faithfulness. We have here a very striking illustration of the advantage of a godly ancestry and the disadvantage of a wicked ancestry in Rehoboam's case. Blessed for his grandfather's faithfulness and cursed for his father's unfaithfulness, but grace in this case abounds above judgment.

II. Jeroboam's Fear and Apostasy, 26-30. The fear of man drove him to the enormity he committed (Prov. 29: 25). The fear that the people would depart from him seemed reasonable, but it was utterly unfounded, for he had God's Word for it that he would obey, God would be with him and build him a sure house and give Israel to him (ch. 11: 37, 38). Unbelief lay at the root of all Jeroboam's mistakes; it lies at the root of all sin. If men believe God, they will obey Him and leave all difficulties with Him. It was "in his heart" that Jeroboam gave utterance to his unbelief and his fear (v. 20). May for a man say a thing "in his heart" that he never says openly. It was all right for Jeroboam to take counsel (v. 28), but he took it with the wrong persons. He should have taken it with God (Jas. 1: 5; Is. 30: 1). We are not told whether he took counsel with his own heart or with the world; in either case the counsel he got was thoroughly bad, he violated the express command of God (Ex. 20: 4, 5). He got the idea of the calves and what he said about them from Aaron's action in the wilderness (Ex. 32: 4-8). The sin of one is quite likely to show itself in another quite a long time afterward.

The destructive critics to-day are simply following the footsteps of errorists of former days, quite as regardless of the barrenness and judgment that overtook them as Jeroboam was of the judgment that overtook Aaron and his accomplices in the wilderness. Both Aaron and Jeroboam had gotten their ideas of calf worship originally from Egypt (cf. v. 2). The professing church to-day often goes down into Egypt for "improvements in the mode of worship." The excuse that Jeroboam made to the people for his changes in the mode of worship was that it was too much for them to go way up to Jerusalem. People are constantly seeking some easier way than God's. Jeroboam's way turned out to be a much harder way before they got through. Jeroboam pretended that he was simply concerned for the welfare of the people but in reality he was wholly concerned with his own interest. When the devil and evil men try to get men to do wrong, they always pretend they are working for the interests of the tempted one. Solomon himself had prepared the way in the hearts of the people for all of Jeroboam's abominations (ch. 11: 4-8). It was not ostensibly the worship of a new god that Jeroboam was intro-

ducing but a new way to worship the God of their fathers. When the devil undertakes to introduce a new religion, or the new theology, he always tries to hoodwink the people by getting them to think that it is the same religion as that of the Bible only with a modernized way of stating it. Jeroboam sought to clothe his calves with the glory of Israel's redemption from Egypt (v. 28). The modern innovators seek to clothe their man-made religions with the glories of Christian history and the advancement of human knowledge. What we have ever to remember is that such things are not of the Spirit. The way to the throne of heavenly grace is not through the gates of learning, but along the pathway of an earnest and a seeking heart.

ONTARIO SALAD WEEK

Streaming rains of the past two weeks, accompanied by the finest brand of June sunshine, have given a cheerful appearance to garden crops throughout Ontario. So much so that the growers are today faced with their annual problem—the disposal of great quantities of perishable green crops... lettuce, cabbage green onions, green beans, radish, etc.

This year an organized effort is being made to move the early green crops into quick consumption by staging Ontario Salad Week, June 25th to 30th. During the week, Ontario women are urged to serve a salad every day—made, of Ontario's gardens.

Ontario Salad Week has the hearty endorsement and co-operation of the Provincial Department of Agriculture and of the Ontario Growers' Markets Council. Fruit and vegetable dealers, both wholesale and retail, are joining in, planning displays of local green vegetables and various salad accessories, also advertising Salad Week to their customers.

Ontario-grown hot-house tomatoes and cucumbers, will also share in the displays. Dominion Day picnickers are urged to include the old-fashioned salad bowl in their preparations, for with a supply of fresh vegetables and prepared dressing, it is easy to prepare a crisp, tasty salad right when the sandwiches are unpacked.

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Picnic SARDINES 10c

Chase & Sanborn's Coffee 2 1/2-lb. tins 38c

Chipso 1-lb. pkg. 19c

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PALMOLIVE CALAY SOAP 5 cakes 23c

PRINCESS FLAKES 2 pkgs. 25c

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