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EDITORIAL

Twenty Years Ago

Toronto witnessed, on August 4th of this year, an entirely different scene from that of twenty years ago on the same date. True, there was excitement on both occasions, but of different kinds. The young men—those who are left of them—who were enthused with the spirit of patriotism and adventure, gathered a decade later to view life in the richness of experience. Memories, sad and those also of the joyous occasions and friendships formed when friends were friends, were renewed. True, there was hilarity, and men of to-day were boys living again some of the joyous, care-free days of other years. Newspaper accounts record many amusing incidents. But what that re-union must have meant to all who attended! What recollections must have been stirred when friendships were renewed! And the years following have diminished the ranks. The next two decades will find a still smaller gathering. It is well that the re-union was planned. It gathered many who may never come together again. Twenty years makes a deal of difference in the lives of men.

Just an Opinion

On March first of this year we wrote editorially commending a new building for an office for Acton Public Utilities Commission. We stated in that article that THE FREE PRESS has always espoused any movement or enterprise that had been for the progress of Acton. We have no cause to repeat or retract our article of that time, but perhaps at the present it needs a little broadening. In the past few weeks a plan has taken definite shape for a larger and more commodious building on Mill Street, including also in its make-up the quarters desired for the smaller building we were pleased to advocate just five months ago. We favored the smaller improvement and we now give double that support to the larger improvement. Our motive in giving this support is exactly the same as that which supported the small office building. We believe in the progress and development of Acton and its facilities; in keeping with the opportunities that are presented, and the ability of its people. We have no quarrel with those who differ with our opinions and accord to them the same right which they allow us. It has been our opportunity to see many phases of the tangle which seemingly confronted those whose duty has been to carry out the terms of the will of the late J. A. Murray in respect to Acton's bequest. After viewing the matter from all angles, we favor the erection of this new and splendid Y. M. C. A. asset to the community life of Acton. We believe in the future of Acton and the good it will do to the young people, and we believe its maintenance will not be burdensome to anyone in consideration of the advantages to be secured. Our opinion is just our opinion, arrived at in the light of an opportunity to view the situation closely. We do not claim infallibility nor expect such from others, but we have the force of our convictions to give expression. We give our opinion in March, and we give it now, with the same motive.

Canadian Stability

Forbes Magazine, one of the well-known reputable magazines of the United States, pays tribute to the state of law and order as it exists in Canada, in the following terms: "A well-to-do American, disliking the way things were going here, sold his business, paid a long visit to Canada and has returned home in a mood to migrate to the Dominion. He declares that he found life there calm, tranquil, enjoyable. In Canada, he read of no kidnappings. He could leave his car on the street without fear that either the car or anything in it would be stolen. The people did not grasp their newspapers excitedly every morning, fearful lest the law-makers had hatched some new and harassing-legislative innovation. The whole atmosphere breathed stability."

A Worth-While Suggestion

A correspondent, writing to the Toronto Globe, makes the suggestion that, profiting by its experience with the successful cent-a-mile excursions on weekends and holidays, the C. N. R. issue 1,000-mile books at the old rate of \$100 which prevailed some years ago. The writer of the letter contends that it is high rates that is killing our railways and goes on to say, "If the railway sold 10,000,000 mileage books of 1,000 miles for \$10, this would give them \$100,000,000 at once and would stop the bus traffic and employ their idle crews and cars. The public in Canada and the United States as well as the overseas public would buy these mileage books and put life in our railways." The suggestion seems to have merit. Mileage books are good for a year and if they were usable on either the C. N. R. or C. P. R., they would be very attractive to a large proportion of the travelling public. Once the people got in the habit of using this type of ticket, they would continue to use them and the railroads would enjoy a greatly increased passenger business.—Barrie Examiner.

No Rowdiness Wanted

The majority of citizens of Ontario will concur whole-heartedly with the warning issued by Edmond G. Odette, Liquor Control Board Chairman, that he would not tolerate rowdiness or repeated disturbances in the hotels which are selling intoxicating beverages under the new regulations. He indicated the cancellation of authorities would be the penalty if the Board's investigations proved such actions to have been due to the negligence of the hotel-keeper. "I wish to emphasize that I am not going to allow abuses of the freer sale of beer and wine if it is in my power to stop them," the chairman declared. "There will be just one warning given, and no more." The hotel-keepers in many instances will have a task on their hands to keep rowdiness down and deserve the support of citizens if they make an honest effort to live up to the regulations. The public has little use for those who abuse privileges and make nuisances of themselves. If rowdiness is permitted and the new rulings unenforced, those who have advocated the freer sale have no one but themselves to blame if they have cancelled licenses and a return of another prohibition measure.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The public holidays of this year have not had a public gathering or celebration in Acton. All must be waiting for the Fall Fair season.

Some newspapers, like individuals, are announcing vacation periods now. THE FREE PRESS in its fifty-nine years of publication has never missed an issue.

It is just forty-four years since the Brampton Conservator became the property of the Messrs. Clarters. Father and sons have made a splendid life-time work in their newspaper service to Brampton and the district, and the years under their management have shown real expansion.

A year ago we felt impelled to comment on the various modes in summer attire. We take it all back. We didn't know just how anxious people were to exhibit to the public gaze the dirty tricks nature had played upon them. There was a time when a young man couldn't tell what he was getting, due to hoop-skirts, bustles and other feminine falls. To-day he has only himself to blame.—Tilsonburg News.

Silver, formerly second, is now fifth as regards the value of its annual production among the metals produced in Canada. According to a bulletin issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics the Canadian silver output in May reached a total of 1,508,323 ounces as compared with 1,032,744 ounces in the preceding month and 1,176,487 ounces in May, 1933. Canada's production of silver in 1933 was approximately fifteen million ounces.

Creamery butter production in Saskatchewan created a new record in June when the output amounted to 3,724,315 pounds, and exceeded the previous record month by almost 475,000 pounds. Compared with June of last year a gain of 588,577 pounds, or 18.7 per cent., is shown. The output for the six months ended June 30th—totals 9,846,326 pounds, an increase of 608,860 pounds, or 6.6 per cent. over the same period of 1933.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 12th

AMOS PLEADS FOR JUSTICE

Golden Text.—Love-worketh no ill to his neighbor; love therefore is the fulfillment of the law.—Romans 13: 10.

Lesson Text.—Amos, Chap. 5. (Verses printed, 5: 1-15.) Study, also, Prov. 21: 1-7.

Time.—787 B. C. Place.—Land of Israel.

Exposition.—I. A Call to Seek Jehovah: 1-9.

The words of the lesson are Jehovah's own words (v. 4). They were spoken to the house of Israel, but they teach principles that apply to all peoples and all ages. It is as true to-day as it was in the days of Amos that to seek Jehovah is the way of life, to forsake Jehovah is the way of death. The lesson opens with a command and with a promise. The one who obeys the command will obtain the promise. A wonderful promise it is, LIFE. What does it mean to "seek the LORD?" To seek is just the opposite of to forsake (1 Chr. 28: 9; 2 Chr. 15: 2). It is to turn the face toward Him instead of turning the back upon Him. It is to seek His favor by learning to obey His will (2 Chr. 20: 3; 34: 3). For one who has wandered from Jehovah, to seek the LORD is simply to turn from sin, to turn from our own ways and our own thoughts, and turn to the LORD in obedience and trust (Is. 55: 7). When we do this, He is ready to abundantly pardon (Is. 55: 6, 7; Deut. 30: 2-3). There is life for the greatest sinner who will thus seek the LORD. Bethel and Gilgal and Beersheba were all places where idolatrous worship had been established, beginning with Jeroboam's setting up his calf at Bethel (1 Kings 12: 28, 29). To seek these places was to turn the back upon Jehovah. To turn to idolatrous and unscriptural modes of worship today is to turn the back upon God. All these places have sacred memories attached to them. Jehovah Himself had manifested Himself at each of them in one way or another. The new false worship, and "new theology" always seeks for itself points of contact with the old God-given worship and theology. It can thus more easily beguile the sincere but unwary soul. God is a consuming fire to all those who spurn His grace and refuse to repent and obey Him (Heb. 12: 28, 29; Mark 9: 43-49). In v. 7 we have a striking description of the rulers of that day (R. V.). Is it not a good description of many judges and rulers of our own day? How many there are, who, seeking justice at court, get wormwood instead. To seek the LORD is supreme wisdom; for He is full of power and grace (v. 8). His power is illustrated in four ways: (1) He made the stars. How distant! How stupendous are the stars! Jehovah made them all. It is well to have Him on our side. It matters little who is against if He is for us. (2) He turneth the shadow of death (the deepest darkness) into the morning with its sunshine and gladness (Ps. 30: 5). For how many of us in His wondrous grace, He has done this very thing. (3) "He maketh the day dark with night." He has done this literally again and again, not only in Bible times (Ex. 10: 21-23), but in modern times as well, e. g., in connection with the volcanic disturbances at Martinique. He can do it any day He will where you and I live. (4) He "calbeth" the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth." This is not merely a beautiful poetic description of rain, but also a profoundly scientific one. God is the Father of the rain. As we are all so utterly dependent upon the rain for food and drink and all things, happy the man who has the author of the rain upon his side. "The LORD" or "Jehovah," the self-existence, eternal—the One who was, is and ever shall be—is His name. Man's strength is nothing against His (v. 9, R. V.).

II. A Call to True Repentance, 10-15. Sinners always hate the man who rebukes their sin. (ch. 7: 10-17; 1 Kings 21: 20; 22: 8; 2 Chr. 24: 20-22; 25: 16; 36: 16; Prov. 9: 7, 8; John 7: 7; 15: 18, 22-24). It takes an unusually wise man to love the one who rebukes him. It is poor compliment to a preacher to have the praise of the wicked (Luke 6: 26). The one who speaks uprightly will be abhorred of the one who lives crookedly (John 3: 18-20). Verse 11 describes many of the rich of to-day as well as of Amos' day (R. V.). The magnificent houses that they built out of the proceeds of their oppression of the poor will do them no good. "They shall not dwell in them." How often this proves literally true. The first half of verse 12 should sink deep into every sinner's heart (R. V.). There is not a sin we commit by day or by night but God knows all about it. He knows its full extent. There are three counts in Jehovah's indictment against Israel. (1) "Afflict the just" (cf. Acts 7: 52). A common practice to-day, and one God will punish. (2) "Take a bribe." A rapidly growing iniquity in our land. (3) "Turn aside the needy in the gate." The gate was the place of holding court (Deut. 16: 18; Ruth 4: 1). How difficult it is for a poor man to get justice in courts of law. This is an charity that God is observing, and which He will sternly punish. All that a prudent man can do in such a time is to hold his peace and wait upon God, except as God calls him to lift up his voice as a trumpet and show the people their sins (Is. 58: 1). Amos describes his own day as "an evil time." All times are evil until the King whom God has appointed shall come (Eph. 5: 15, 16; 2 Tim. 3: 1; 1 John 5: 19). But while

SLATS' DIARY

BY ROSS FARQUHAR

Friday—Joe Hix seen pa today and ast him cud he lone him a Few \$ on acct. his wife was having a sick spell and they needed sum munny and pa sed he diddet have no munny he cud spare rite now but he mite help him next week and Joe replied and sed he was afrade his wife wud be all-rite by that time and able to wirk her own self.

Saturday—Pa was a talking to the preacher about playing Golf today and the preacher sed he ony played Golf for the sport of the game and pa ansered and sed. I am not very good at it: cather.

Sunday—Pa says he is never-going-to take me on a ottomobel ride agen becuz I am all ways 1 of 3 things, eather hungry or thursty or Both.

Monday—Pa was a scolding Lem Harp today becuz he wasent never sober no more and Lem told pa that he diddet think it was the Proper thing to do to sober up becuz if it was the proper thing to do why shud it all ways give is hed ake.

Tuesday—They was a rode show here this week and they advertized a Cast of Ten. Cum to fine out they was 3 Horses and 2 dogs and 3 Cats and a man and a woman. It was a very very good show.

Wednesday—I was asting ma today whether it wasent vs. the law for a woman to git threw her Husbands pockets and ma sed she diddet no weather it was vs. the law or not but she had found it a grate walt of Time to get threw her husbands pockets.

Thursday—well Jake and me waisted ar hole after noon this after noon. we tuk a Banana peeling and slung it in frunt of the hall wear the Daughters of the Amer. Revahshun was having thef Convenshun and when they cum out not 1 of them stept on it.

The times are evil the individual may be good (vs. 14, 15). The thing for us to do in this evil time is to "seek good and not evil." The result will be that Jehovah, God of hosts, "will be with us" even in this evil time (cf. Gen. 38: 2; 3: 23; Phil. 4: 8, 9). True goodness may be summed up into two words, "Hate the evil, Love the good" (cf. Ps. 97: 10; Romans 12: 9). Do you really hate sin? Do you really love righteousness? This is the path of blessedness (Heb. 1: 9).

ORANGE PEKOE BLEND

"SALADA" TEA

"Fresh from the Gardens"

MOUNT ROBSON DEFIES SKILL OF ALPINISTS

Once again Mount Robson, Monarch of the Canadian Rockies, has withstood the efforts of the Alpine Club to reach its peak. With an elevation of 12,972 feet, Mount Robson is the highest peak in the Canadian Rocky Mountain range, and after a 10-day attempt to conquer its height, reaching into the clouds, Alfred E. Roover, of New York City, accompanied by guide Hans Fritzsche of Jasper Park Lodge, and Henry Fitch of Mount Robson Park, reported lack of success. The party reached the 11,000-foot level but snow and weather conditions forced them to return.

Although weather conditions were reported as "unfavorable," and the "going heavy," a party under the leadership of Capt. Rex Gibson, of Edmonton, made a two-day expedition over the glaciers, surrounding the 1934 Alpine Camp, in the Eremitic Valley. The ascent of Mount Eremitic was also made by J. A. Corry, of Saskatoon, W. H. Cleveland, of Evanston, Ill., and Prof. and Mrs. Andrew Graham of Toronto. Thunderbolt Peak and McDonnell Peak were also climbed.

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BUSY EATING

Mistress: "How is it, Mary, that when you entertain your young man in the kitchen, we don't hear a sound?" Maid: "Well, you see, ma'am, he's so bashful that for the present he does nothing but eat."

What men like to find things dull? Knife-grinders.

Advertisement for Carroll's Foods. Features products like Beans 5 25c, Pure Lard 1-lb. pkg. 10c, Peanut Butter 2-lb. jar 24c, Sockeye Salmon 1-lb. tin 31c, Cornstarch 2 packages 17c, Cornflakes package 7c, Cherry Jam 32-oz. jar 27c. Includes logo 'YOUR Chance to SAVE' and 'QUALITY FIRST ECONOMY ALWAYS'.

Advertisement for fresh fruit department. Features 'FREE DELIVERY PHONE 158' and lists 'NEW POTATOES - 15 lbs. 19c', 'LEMONS large size - 27c doz', 'WATERMELONS 45c each', 'ORANGES, large size 49c dozen', 'BANANAS', 'GRAPEFRUIT, seedless'.

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