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EDITORIAL

Now Due

The undergrowth about the bridge abutments on the Second Line has been trimmed away and a decided improvement is noted. If the same axe that did this very commendable job is still in condition it might be wielded with splendid effect along the shrubbery through what is known as the "Dublin swamp." We're sorry to have to call attention to this roadway so often. But being the main thoroughfare for the residents of Acton and district to reach centres at the south end of the County, the necessity of little improvements are of course more obvious to us who use the road. From Speyside to Milton the road has received considerable attention and improvement. Dangerous curves have been removed and the road widened. The extension of improvements to the north end is now due.

Opportunity

On Tuesday the school terms commenced and the scholars started again at the studies that next June will be told about when examination time rolls around. The benefits of an adequate education are too well known to need any elaboration on the part of anyone. True, some of the subjects on the curriculum may seem unnecessary and no doubt a change with a little more attention to practical subjects might be made with good effect. But the school course as at present defined is all that need to concern pupils at the present moment. Changes may be made, but nothing will be lost by the pupils who disregard the prospects of these future changes and pay strictest attention to the subjects set before them. The opportunities for education and advancement of the students of to-day are better than those offered the student of any other day and age. These opportunities are worthless unless they are taken advantage of to the fullest. Opportunity for the students again knocked on Tuesday with the opening of the school year.

Municipal Salaries

A few years ago there was quite an agitation for men in municipal office to receive a small remuneration for their work. We advocated such a plan and felt that the work was entitled to recognition by a small allowance. Acton was one of the municipalities to adopt this plan and now Reeve and Councillors and Public Utilities Commissioners receive a small amount. The experiment has therefore been applied in Acton and whether it has done all that was claimed for the measure is a very debatable point. The question arises just where the practise should stop. Part of the officials receive allowances and yet others do not. In Acton the School Board performs its duties as citizenship duties. All other boards and organizations do the same thing and yet their work is sometimes quite heavy. It is impossible to consider the payment from the town exchequer for all the functions necessary to be carried on in the effort of "running the town." Acton, as we have said, has tried the experiment. We acknowledge our part in favoring the plan, but after several years of operation we would hesitate to again give it unqualified endorsement. Much can be said in its favor, but it is questionable if all for the subject would balance what might be said in opposition.

Majority Rule

The move toward lower rates of interest meets with a variety of approval or opposition, according to the individual viewpoint or circumstances. To those individuals who are dependent on the income from municipal or government bonds, the lowered interest rates are viewed with a great deal of just concern. On the other side, the workman, who has had his wages decreased is called upon through taxation to still pay the tax rate made necessary, partly through interest rates that were set when his ability to pay was somewhat greater than at present. Again when wages were high during war time and living expenses proportionately high, the collector of interest was often in a quandary to meet his obligations on the funds derived. The question has a great deal of merit on both sides and it would seem that the outcome will ultimately be which class—taxpayer or collector of interest—is in the majority.

Up to the Farmer

The Financial Post recently reviewing the analysis made by J. S. McLean, President of Canada Packers, for the annual meeting of that organization shows clearly that farmers of Canada lost just \$12,000,000 last year on hogs because the quality was not good enough. Here is the way Mr. McLean figures it out. While only ten per cent. of the 6,000,000 hogs slaughtered are exported in the form of bacon and hams this portion sets the price for the whole output. If that Canadian bacon sold in Britain in 1933 had brought five shillings more per hundredweight it would have resulted in approximately one cent per pound more for live hogs, or two dollars per head, or \$12,000,000 for the farmers. And there is apparently no good reason why this extra five shillings per hundredweight cannot be obtained. Danish bacon actually averaged 15 shillings above the price paid for Canadian bacon so that it should have been comparatively easy for the Canadian hog raiser to improve his output to the tune of five shilling per hundredweight. The Government can point the way and the hog associations can supervise the breeding and give wholesome advice but it is the individual farmer who must produce the results. It is up to him. —Alliston Herald.

Press Day at the Ex.

To the casual visitor to the Canadian National Exhibition there is little difference between the various days there other than the weather conditions govern. The main difference on each of these days will be found at the Administration Building. On Friday last newspaper men from all over the Dominion gathered at the Directors' luncheon to partake of the meal provided but more to fraternize and hear the addresses. On this occasion it was Mr. McCormack, Ottawa correspondent of the New York Times, who delivered the address. A newspaper man talking to other newspaper men, Mr. McCormack, in a delightful informal talk told of incidents that have occurred on his "beat," particularly as correspondent in Austria. In addition, Sir Ian Fraser, in the brief two minutes at his disposal, brought a message from the Old Land and commended the exhibit of the blind at the C. N. E. "This is the best exhibit of all aspects of work for the blind which I have ever seen," declared the head of St. Dunstan's, and he used the word "see" without any hesitation. Blind himself as a result of the Great War, Sir Ian represents the ideal of St. Dunstan's that a blind man shall refuse to consider himself shut off from the world. Of course on Press Day that little red brick building near the grandstand has a larger crowd than usual about for it is here that the "press" meets and usually arranges to meet other members of the party. The rest of the time is spent just as anyone else would view the Exhibition. The buildings of particular interest, the midway, the bands and grandstand spectacle all form part of the activities of newspaper men on Press Day and visiting it every year on one or two occasions each season, we have yet to tire or want to miss the C. N. E. as it rolls around, and from the faces that we meet there it would seem that most newspaper men of our acquaintanceship rarely miss the great fair. In other days there was always an exhibit of printing machinery at the Ex. that was quite a centre of attraction, but of later years, due, we suppose to the expense of moving, these heavy but interesting exhibits are not to be found.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The great Canadian National Exhibition is showing an increase this year to date in attendance, in spite of doubtful weather. It requires a lot of resistance to stay away from this great show-window of Canada.

The new liquor law in practise continues to be a splendid example of what a lot of folks do not desire. If Mr. Odette is going to give stricter enforcement an example along that line would be much more appropriate than so many warnings.

For two generations in the management of the Jackson family, the New Market Era has been sold by the estate of the late L. G. Jackson to Andrew Olding Hebb, B. A., LL. B., former Toronto newspaper man, and a graduate of Dalhousie University, Halifax. To their ranks weekly newspaper men will cordially welcome Mr. Hebb.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th

HEZEKIAH LEADS HIS PEOPLE BACK TO GOD

Golden Text.—God is gracious and merciful.—2 Chron. 30: 9.

Lesson Text.—2 Chron., ch. 30. (Verses printed, 1-13.) Study, also, 2 Chron., chapter 29; Hosea, chapter 14; Amos 9: 7-15; Ps. 72: 1-6.

Time.—726 B. C. Place.—Jerusalem. Exposition.—I. Come to the House of the Lord, 1-6.

It revealed a deep discernment on Hezekiah's part, of the meaning of the Mosiac system and of redemption, that he puts the Passover forward as the very heart and centre of the true worship of Jehovah. Whoever understands the Passover, understands God's lay of salvation (comp. Ex. 12: 13-23; 1 Cor. 5: 7, 8; Romans 3: 25, 26; John 1: 29). In every true reformation, the doctrine of atonement by blood comes to the front.

Hezekiah did not limit his efforts to his own people, Judah, but sent to Ephraim and Manasseh, as well indeed, to all Israel. He had the true missionary spirit. They were not in a position to keep the Passover properly in the first month, so he concludes they will come as near to that as they can, and keep it in the second month. This was satisfactory to Him who looketh upon the heart and its intention, and judges the outward performance in the light of that (cf. vs. 17-20). They had, moreover, Scripture warrant for keeping the Passover out of the regular time (Num. 9: 9-13). Our God is full of condescension as well as compassion, and knoweth our frame, and takes account of our weaknesses. But where exact obedience is possible, we to His "we do not render to." (See Deut. 12: 32; 2 Sam. 6: 3-7; comp. Num. 4: 15; 1 Chr. 15: 12, 13). He had not ventured upon this step without seeking counsel of others (v. 2). Some men are so confident of their own opinions, and that they are divinely led, that they scorn to seek counsel of others. This is not biblical (Prov. 11: 14; 15: 22; Acts 15: 6). The man who is most clearly led of God is the man who is most eager to know how God is leading others. "They had not done it for a long time." To many this would have seemed a good reason for not doing it now. You urge some people to do "as it is written," and they answer, "we have never done it that way, and our fathers never did it that way." That is no good reason for not doing it now. The question is not what we have done in the past, but what the word of God bids us to do. To Hezekiah and his associates, the fact that they had not done it of a long time, as it was written, was a reason for making haste to do it at once. If we find in the Word something that we have not done of a long time, let us do it as quickly as possible. "Turn again;" that is the constant cry of God through prophets, apostles and Christ (Is. 55: 6; Ezek. 33: 11; Hosea 14: 1; Joel 2: 12-14; Matt. 3: 2, 4, 17; Acts 2: 38; 20: 21). Men are ever wandering, and God is ever calling them back to Himself and His pardoning love. We forsake Him and in a sense He forsakes us, "Come back." And when we return, He returns. As some one reading these lines who has wandered from Him? Come back, and He will come back with all the old-time love and tenderness.

"Be not ye like your fathers and like your brethren," 7-13. If our fathers were wrong, that is no reason why we should follow in their steps. Two particulars are given wherein their fathers had been wrong. (1) They had "trespassed against the LORD God of their fathers." So Hezekiah went back of the fathers to the grandfathers, Jehovah, God of their fathers, against whom they had trespassed, "had given them up to desolation" (or "made them for an astonishment"). "So it is God deals with those who trespass against Him. This desolation was apparent to all—"as ye see." So to-day, any one with open eyes can see the desolation of the individuals, families and nations that trespass against God. (2) They had been "stiff-necked." Jehovah had called to repentance, but they would not hear (comp. ch. 36: 13; Ex. 32: 9; Romans 10: 21). Stiff-neckedness is a dangerous disease (Prov. 29: 1). In place of being stiff-necked, Hezekiah calls upon them to "yield yourselves unto the LORD." This is God's call to us to-day (Romans 6: 13). It means total, absolute surrender. That is the great secret of blessedness and power, absolute surrender to God. Having yielded themselves, they were first to enter into communion with Him; "enter into His sanctuary, which He hath sanctified forever," and second to "serve" Him (comp. Deut. 6: 13, 17; Romans 6: 22; Col. 3: 22-24; John 12: 26; Rev. 7: 15). Most blessed results were to follow for them and for their brethren and children, also. All this bright prospect of what would follow upon repentance, surrender, communion and service, was founded upon the fact that Jehovah "is gracious and merciful" (Ex. 34: 6, 7; Neh. 9: 17, 31; Ps. 86: 5, 15; 111: 4; 145: 7, 8; Jonah 4: 2; Micah 7: 18). They intended them to scorn and mocked them. "That is the way in which men habitually treated God's loving calls to repentance and pardon (ch. 36: 16; Gen. 10: 14). Alas for them that they do! The wrath of Jehovah will arise at last, till there is no remedy. If we are faithful adorers of the Lord, we must expect to be laughed at. There was, however, a wise remnant, even in Hezekiah's day, who

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COULD BE WORSE

Man—Now that I have lost everything, do you mind being poor, dear? His Wife—Not at all; everybody else thinks the wolf at our door is our police dog.

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"We women do talk too much, but even then we don't talk half we know."—Lady Astor.

"Any new effort, the psychologists say, wears a new groove in the brain."—Owen D. Young.

"Humbled themselves and came to Jerusalem." God is not left without witnesses in any age, nor without those who in contriteness of spirit hearken to His voice and obey His commands. Are we among them?

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