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**EDITORIAL**

Holidays on Monday

Only one argument has yet appeared in any press comment against The Financial Post's proposal that all holidays (except Christmas and New Year's) be made to fall on a Monday. It is that there is a sacredness or a sentiment associated even with national dates of secular origin, that must not be violated.

But how true is this? There has been no hesitation on the part of the country to select an arbitrary date in June to celebrate the birthday of our sovereign a birthday that actually falls in December.

The demand for the Monday holiday is growing, the press from one end of the country to the other being almost in full accord.—Newmarket Express-Herald.

**Hospitals and Sweepstakes**

Widespread excitement prevailed throughout Canada last week as the winners of the Irish Sweepstakes were being decided. A few fortunate Canadians were rewarded with substantial prizes, but there were other thousands who saw their investments go a-glimmering as on so many former occasions. Probably most of them were philosophical about it believing that their money had gone in a good cause. As a matter of fact only about 13 per cent of the gross returns from Irish Sweepstakes goes to maintain hospitals. The remaining 87 per cent is pocketed by middlemen all along the line from the time the purchaser pays the money for his ticket until it reaches its Irish destination. Every community contributes its hundreds of dollars. This money would go a long way towards making up deficits of local hospitals and the contributors could be sure that 100 per cent of their money was going for hospital purposes, not to enrich sweepstakes promoters.—Simcoe Reformer.

**The College Comes to the Community**

Interest in the farm life and the home will gain new impetus in this district when many will take the three months courses in Elementary Agriculture and Home Economics that are scheduled to start in Acton on Tuesday, November 22nd. There was a day when farm work, whether it be that of the farmer or his wife, was all drudgery. Little time was given to study of improved methods. Perhaps the labors of the day were too strenuous but it is more probable that the reason was because of lack of opportunity.

Such is, however, not the case in this day and generation. Farming has advanced to the state where its success rests as much on the study of the problems as the manual labor required. Not every one is permitted to attend the agricultural college to learn of the most advanced methods. This, however, is no bar to learning. The college comes to the neighborhood. For three months all within the district will indeed have an opportunity at their door. True, it will take time and effort. Like all forms of education in this fair Province, the courses are free. The Department of Agriculture has made provision for the cost to be met from the public funds, just as our Public and High Schools are paid for. Fortunately indeed are the folks of this district in the opportunity provided. Full details are available from Mr. J. E. Whitlock, Halton County's Agricultural Representative. It has been our privilege to see the outline of the courses. They cover a wide range of subjects. Your endorsement will be just as hearty as ours after you study what they offer.

**Giving Encouragement in a Good Field**

It was our privilege during the week to attend the County plowing match. Many agencies are indeed to-day lending encouragement to farm activities. After all, what greater joy can there be than in the pride of work well done? We oft times wonder, if players in games have not been idolized, to the detriment of the encouragement of the youth of Canada in productive work. Certainly plowing is productive and the ploughing matches are giving good encouragement to the youth to do well the task at hand.

Not being well versed in the art of plowing, we no doubt did not fully appreciate the work being done. Certainly it would require an experienced judge to make a decision on the best work done at the Halton match. Furrows were straight and even and plot after plot of land seemed to have been plowed perfectly. There may be more exciting forms of contest than plowing matches for the onlooker, but certainly there are none that are doing a better work or giving encouragement and improvement where it is greater needed. Contestants certainly enter wholeheartedly into the contest and it's no child's game.

**An Old Question**

A perusal of court proceedings, trials, appeals, etc., gives the impression that with splendid aptitude for technicalities, the matter of when a man is drunk has been well mixed up. It appears to matter little whether the man can stand on his feet, or has normal control of his faculties; there may even be the result of a blood test; a partly filled bottle of liquor may be found. But drunkenness is not established. The thought in the average man's mind is that too often our courts are courts of law rather than courts of justice.

If we are going to maintain law and order in this land, there must be impressed on the offenders' mind that no matter what his station in life, he is going to receive the same treatment for his crime as any other citizen. He must be shown that smart legal counsel will not get him out of his dilemma. Our sympathy goes to the police officers who by questioning are very often purposely confused in giving a straightforward account of conditions dealing with a case. Legal representatives of clients are allowed altogether too many liberties and irrelevant questions. Certainly the present methods are not improving the safety of our highways.

**The World Remembered**

Twenty years ago to-morrow there was great rejoicing. It was not a planned observance of Armistice Day, but quite an impromptu affair. Every year since there has been in Acton and throughout the Empire, and in many other countries an observance of November 11th. Twenty years ago it was termed Armistice Day. Now it is known as Remembrance Day. Perhaps never since its observance has it had a deeper meaning than this year.

The war that ended on November 11th, 1918, was termed the war to end wars. Yet just a few short weeks ago the world was on the very verge of entering another great conflict. Even yet we shudder when we recall how close we were to war and have for the time being been saved from another slaughter. There are those who have it that the world war has only been postponed. And so the twentieth anniversary of November 11th has a new significance.

Services will be held and much written about Remembrance Day. Twenty years after we may still seem very close to another world conflict. Perhaps we will never know just what deterred the nations from going to war just a few weeks ago. Who knows that it was not that memory of the last slaughter? Who knows what part these Remembrance Day observances played in keeping to the forefront the loss of that four years of struggle? They have no doubt had an influence and surely it has been worthwhile.

Remembrance Day is to-morrow. Its observance takes on added significance. There should be no need for persuasion to attend the service in your locality. It will be a day of thanksgiving as well as remembrance. Those who gave their all did not die in vain. The world does remember.

**EDITORIAL NOTES**

Remembrance Day to-morrow. It takes only a little time to attend the service.

Just thirty-eight more shopping days until Christmas. It's time to consider the matter right away.

Production of the Canadian roofing paper industry in 1937 was valued at \$6,884,032 compared with \$4,908,640 in 1936.

Commercial salt production in Canada during the first seven months of 1938 totalled 139,376 tons compared with 134,902 tons in the corresponding period of 1937.

The weather of November has thus far not been of the variety to make one think about hockey or Christmas shopping. But most folks have enjoyed it just the same.

Plowing matches are over and now comes the time of the Winter Fairs. Truly the autumn provides plenty of activity for the farming community, after the busy time of summer and harvest.

**The Sunday School Lesson**  
FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13th

**THE SACREDNESS OF HUMAN LIFE**

Golden Text.—Whoever hateth his brother is a murderer; and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.—1 John 3: 12.

Lesson Text.—Exodus 20: 13; Matthew 5: 21-26, 38-42.

Exposition.—I. Human Life Sacred, Ex. 20: 13.

Under the sixth commandment lies the principle of the sacredness of human life and every man's right to live until he forfeits that right. Man's life is particularly sacred because he is made in the image of God (Gen. 9: 6). The command does not forbid the taking of human life legally when felled by crime (Gen. 9: 6). Many kill others by indirect methods (Ex. 21: 28, 29). Many a son kills his mother by his wild life as truly as if he had shot her. And many a husband kills his wife by infidelity or neglect. The most murderous weapon any man or woman possesses is the tongue (Ps. 57: 4; 64: 3, 4). Much that men call the glory of war God calls murder. Many a statesman who has been responsible for war and many a great general will stand before the bar of God as convicted murderers. According to Christ's interpretation of this commandment whoever has hate in his heart is a murderer (Matt. 5: 21, 22; 1 John 3: 15). He has the root of murder in him.

II. Searchlight of Jesus, Matt. 5: 21-26.

The hate that leads to murder is essentially murder (1 John 3: 15). The one who wishes another dead is essentially the same as the one who puts his wish into action and kills him. The difference is accidental, not essential. How many murderers there are in this world. By the old law murder was forbidden (v. 21; cf. Ex. 20: 13; Deut. 5: 177; by the higher law of the kingdom, anger which is incipient murder is forbidden. Terms of contempt, whereby a brother's feelings are injured and his reputation endangered are forbidden. Nothing more clearly reveals the heart, whether it is full of love or full of selfishness, envy and hate, than the way in which we speak about others and to others (Matt. 12: 34, 35). Therefore, it is by our words we shall be condemned.

Jesus plainly teaches that there is a "hell of fire" (v. 22, R.V.). If there is no hell of fire, then these words of Jesus are absolute nonsense and the one who uttered them a fool (cf. also v. 29). The one who denies the reality and actuality of a literal hell makes Jesus out to have been a fool. The sternest and most appalling things about hell found in the Bible were those uttered by Jesus Himself (see Matt. 25: 41, 46; Luke 19: 31). Do we realize that when we speak contemptuously or lightly about hell we are reflecting upon the character and wisdom of Jesus Christ?

If we have wronged another in the smallest matter so that he "hath ought against" us, we should first be reconciled to him before we seek to bring an offering to God. It is "have sought against" that another may have in his heart, but to his having a just claim against us. The secret of many an unanswered prayer is that some brother has a just claim against us which we have neglected. We should not wait for the one that we have wronged to come to us to be reconciled. We should go to him and do what is in our power to make the wrong right. Having done that then we should come to God and offer our gift. One should not allow a just claim to remain unsatisfied a moment (vs. 25, 26). He should seek agreement with every adversary "quickly."

III. The Standards of the Kingdom Regarding Enemies, 38-42.

Love should go out to all—to friend and enemy alike. The man who does everything in his power to injure us should be the object of our special love. When we are cursed, we should bless, when we are hated, we should do good, when persecuted and despitefully used, resort to prayer. The more there are who elect to persecute us, the more there are for whom we have the privilege of praying. In this way, persecution becomes a means of grace, a stepping to the life of Jesus. Happy is he who takes these things literally. By loving our enemies we shall, ourselves, be sons of God, and the heavenly Father returns blessing for cursing, kindness for hate. He maketh His sun, with all its fruit-giving power, to rise on the evil and the good. To love them that love us is no indication of grace. The standard of the kingdom demands far superior showing. We must love as God loves, those who show hatred. The love, in this chapter is very wonderful, holding up the perfection of God as our standard. The immediate reference is to perfection in love—love to enemies as well as friends, bad as well as good (cf. Luke 6: 35, 36). But it is clearly implied that in all things, God's character is our standard (Eph. 5: 1).

The words of the passage remind us of a certain great principle of conduct. It is not a matter of taking literally turning the cheek, giving your coat and cloak, walking two miles instead of one and giving to all and sundry. There are underlying principles our Lord would have us observe. They are patience with an aggressor, unselfishness when faced with another's need, endurance under persecution and generosity as the mani-

**EXERCISE**

Exercise should be regular and, at middle age, never strenuous. The purpose of exercise is to get the body healthily tired, not over-tired. A strenuous game of badminton for a man or woman over thirty-five years of age, especially after a hard day's work, is slow poison. Any too-vigorous exercise exhausts you nervously and physically. There is not much fun in connection with doing "setting-up" exercises every morning, but they do help to keep you fit without undue strain on your system. This exercise, in conjunction with walking, golf, skating or other seasonal recreational activity, should certainly suffice for the average person.

Do not over-exercise. In this connection we are reminded of Chauncey Depew who, when asked what kind of exercise he took, answered: "I get my exercise as palloberer to my friends who exercise."—Dr. H. M. Harrison, in "Health" (September).

**HER REASON**

Tompkins was just going out for a stroll when his wife asked him if he would post a letter for her while he was out.

"Certainly dear," said Tompkins, and leaned over her shoulder as she finished the letter and addressed the envelope. Then he looked surprised. "Why on earth," he said, "have you dated that letter on the 15th? It's only the 3rd today."

Mrs. Tompkins smiled as she stuck it up. "Because I'm giving it to you to post, darling," she said, sweetly.

Question—Why is the letter "B" like soap?  
Answer—Because you use it in washing.

**LUTHER AND THE LOST DOG**

"Stop the carriage," said Martin Luther, sternly. The coachman obediently did as he was told, and the great reformer sprang out, and began to search among the rocks and bushes, whistling and calling coaxingly, all the while.

He was on the way to his home in Wittenberg. His mind was weighed down with his great struggle for religious freedom, and he had been deep in thought as the carriage bumped along over the rough road. But above the rattling and rumbling of the clumsy vehicle, he had heard the piteous howling of a dog, somewhere in the lonely night.

"Do you hear that?" he called to the driver.

The driver laughed, and answered, "It is just one of the village curs that has lost itself in the dark. It will get home all right."

But his passenger was not satisfied. He listened again to the cry of distress, and then ordered the driver to stop. "One of God's creatures is in trouble. God wants us to always help and do good to others, not only to our brother men, but also to His beloved animals."

So the two men searched in the darkness and presently found a dog, which had hurt its paw, and could not put it to the ground without pain. Luther picked the poor animal up in his arms, carried it to the carriage, and took it home with him. It seemed to have no master but eagerly accepted Luther, and so long as it lived was a faithful member of the Luther household.

It was not a handsome dog, and even after its paw healed, was so awkward in its demonstrations of affection that Luther laughingly called it "Tulpep," which means clumsy.

Poor Tulpep may have been clumsy, with his long body and his big tail, but his heart was full of love for the family which had adopted him and he was deeply loved in return. Once when the children were eating their dinner, Tulpep lying on the floor beside them, Luther said, "If heaven and earth were all changed and made over, the Lord would still make new Tulpeps; but they would have a golden skin, and hair of pearls."

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