

LITTLE LOST DOG

The little lost dog crept on his way. He was only a cur, a runt and stray. The human wretch, who had put him down...

Twenty Years Ago

From the issue of The Free Press of Thursday, December 11th, 1919

About fifty of our citizens attended the banquet and entertainment at Ebenezer Church, Nasagawawa, on Monday evening.

Mr. George Dills has purchased the frame dwelling of Mrs. Robert McPherson Sr., on West Bower Avenue.

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the LODGE held a very successful bazaar in the Town Hall on Friday and Saturday.

Rev. John Johnston, B.A., the newly appointed pastor of the Baptist Church, commenced his ministry in Acton on Sunday.

The congregation of Knox Church have extended an unanimous call to Rev. William L. Findlay, B.A., late of Selkirk, Man.

Mr. H. H. Brown, Crewson Corners, has gone to St. Thomas, where he has secured a situation in the Royal Bank.

Fire destroyed Gray's, chipping mill a mile southwest of Rockwood, on Wednesday morning.

BELFAST'S PRIDE

When the eyes of the world are on British industry's capacity to meet vast war requirements while maintaining her export trade, it is with special pride that Belfast, capital of Northern Ireland, claims four of the largest industrial undertakings of their kind in the world.

There is no bigger shipyard on earth than Belfast's, specially renowned for building merchantmen. Shipbuilding began there about 1780, and the late Lord Pirrie's initiative was responsible for the city's present position of pre-eminence.

The largest composite linen mill in the world carries out at Belfast all the processes in making the famous Irish linen. The chairman of the company is the Hon. O. H. Mulholland, Speaker of the Ulster House of Commons.

What is now the largest ropeworks in the world was started in Belfast in 1758, and its output of all kinds of rope and cordage had reached about 13,000 tons a year when war broke out.

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VERY SATISFACTORY

Officer: "Now men, will you fight or will you run?" Men: "We will!" Officer: "Will what?" Men: "Will not!" Officer: "Ah, impressive boys I know you would!"

INTERESTED ANYWAY

The protee set was alone in the house when a beggar came along. Beggar: "Beg pardon, sir, but I've had nothing to eat for a week."



Acton's Family Album

Turning Over the Pages, Week by Week, and Looking on the Faces of Those Who Were Familiar to Many Here in Other Years

HOW MANY OF THESE DO YOU KNOW?



ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PICTURE

Rev. H. A. McPherson, for a number of years a beloved pastor of Knox Presbyterian Church, Acton, who left here to assume charge of a Toronto church and passed away while residing in Toronto.

The Sunday School Lesson

FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th

REACTIONS TO THE GOOD NEWS Golden Text—Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Lesson Text—Matthew 11, 16-20. Time—Midsummer, A.D. 28. Place—Capernaum.

Exposition—1. Warnings to the Impenitent, 16-24.

The works of God are a call to repentance (cf. Rom. 2: 4, Acts 17: 30, 31). The greater and more manifest the works, the louder the call to repentance.

HARDY A TRIBUTE

WHY CHRISTMAS WILL LIVE

The great festival, which was first instituted as a religious feast, has captured the hearts of the people in every country. While the religious side of the festival is preserved in all its beauty and dignity in our churches, the holiday is a festival of rejoicing in the home.

All through history the Christmas was the feast of royalty. Around the Kings' Palace festivals reigned and the people looked in at the revelry and the feasting, and enjoyed lavish hospitality.

MISUNDERSTOOD

A party of men were travelling by train. Presently one produced a large fruit cake, which he devoured greedily.

"Smatter, Jim?" "That cake I ate," groaned the sufferer. "It had nuts, and I think the missing nut got to shell them."

DID THAT START HIM?

Bore—I don't know how it is, but I feel thoroughly wound up to-night. Hostess (stared at him)—How strange! And yet you don't seem to go.

DANGEROUS ANYWAY

The air raid warden stopped a man who was walking along precariously smoking an after-dinner cigar. "Put out that cigar," he said.

OH THAT POLE

Edmund Burke, the Irish statesman, was a great rival of William Pitt and while he had a high regard for the Englishman he sometimes clashed with him on matters of public policy.

JUST FORESIGHT

Knicker-Knights "Recessional" is a great poem. Buckler Wonderful, but how did he know the trees on him coming?

A QUEER REBUKE

D-fendant—Justice! I demand justice! Judge—Silence! Don't forget you are in a court of law.

THAT'S WHAT HE THOUGHT

Magi-trap—When were you born? No reply. Magistrate—"Did you hear what I said? When is your birthday?" Prisoner—"Not do you care? You are not going to give me anything!"

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

When preparing dates for adding to treads, puddings, etc., cut with scissors or put through a grinder that has been dipped in hot water until completely heated through.

Work boots will last longer if laid on their sides after being taken off.

For polishing glass, old linen is better than cotton, which is likely to leave fluff.

Leban juice sprinkled over sliced fruit will prevent it from turning dark.

Which letters are the most fond of comfort? The case (E's).

Christ makes of the Father, God is indeed, as the agnostic says, "the Unknowable." But there is one Who knows God and Who is ready to give to any one who will believe on Him an understanding that He also may know God.

FILLING THAT STOCKING

Santa Claus, Kris Kringle, Father Christmas, are all names for St. Nicholas, the patron saint of children. Yet oddly enough, his eye is not Christmas Eve, December 24th, but St. Nicholas Eve, December 19th.

MUCH FRIENDSHIP

Walter and Alf, both in their teens, were inseparable pals and rarely was one seen without the other. One evening, however, Walter alone was in the room.

Walter pushed his way towards the entrance to find his friend Alf waiting outside. "What's up?" he demanded. "Nothing," replied Alf. "lend me a quarter, and I'll come inside with you."

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