

I SAW GOD WASH THE WORLD

I saw God wash the world last night  
With His sweet showers on high.  
And then when morning came  
I saw Him hang it out to dry.

He washed each tiny blade of grass  
And every trembling tree.  
He flung His showers against the hills  
And swept the billowy sea.

The white rose is a cleaner white,  
The red rose is a deeper red.  
Since God washed every fragrant face  
And put them all to bed.

There's not a bird, there's not a bee  
That sings along the way,  
But is a cleaner bird and bee  
Than it was yesterday.

I saw God wash the world last night.  
Ah! would He had washed me  
As clean of all my dust and dirt  
As that old white birch tree.  
William L. Stidger.

Twenty Years Ago

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Quite a large number left here on  
Monday on the first harvesters' ex-  
cursion to the West.

Sir Adam Beck, founder of the  
Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Sys-  
tems died Saturday at his residence  
in London.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert  
Marshall of Corwin, was the scene  
of the gathering of the Storey family  
of Nassagaweya for a reunion.

Mr. Douglas Gowdy who is visiting  
Great Britain with a fellow student  
presented a message of goodwill to  
Acton, England, Chamber of Com-  
merce, from Acton Ontario.

BORN

BLAZER In New York, on Tuesday,  
August 14th, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs.  
Richard Blazer, a son.

MARRIED

DUVAL-COSTELLO On Tuesday,  
August 18, 1925, at St. Joseph's  
Church, Acton, by the Rev. Father  
McLeavy, Marguerite Mary, second  
daughter of Mrs. C. Costello, Acton,  
to Wilfred Joseph Duval, son of  
John Duval, Haverhill, Ontario.

Juju Magic Real  
To These Aussies

The Cavalry Commando in New  
Guinea tell Queer Stories of  
Evil Bone

CANTERBURY (CP) There is a little  
bunch of Australian cavalry com-  
mando boys in New Guinea with de-  
finite ideas about native jujuism.  
It began about in the Territory  
when they had been working for a  
fortnight under harassing conditions,  
getting their messages through a ter-  
rific barrage of atmospherics and liv-  
ing very hard.

One evil day a wireless operator  
brought home a curious bone made  
from a human shin and shaped like  
a dagger with a knobby handle on  
top. Perhaps there's nothing to it  
but the boys, as level-headed a bunch  
of fighters as you would find, aware  
that it must have been a juju. It is  
not just a story, they tell you.

Someone threw it on a bunk and it  
lay there for the remainder of the  
day. When the occupant went to  
sleep that night the bone was near  
his head.

He had the most appalling night-  
mares and woke up half a dozen times,  
terrified. It seemed that someone was  
strangling him. He could feel the  
fingers on his throat.

More Strange Dreams  
Next night, without having thought  
of the bone or its possible significance,  
he went off to sleep again. This  
time he was seized with thoughts of  
suicide. Next night the performance  
was repeated with the result that a  
sober and God-fearing signalman  
carefully took the magazine from his  
rifle and gave it to somebody else to  
look after.

The sensation, he said, was inter-  
estingly horrible. He could not trust himself  
with a loaded weapon.

The bone was handed to someone  
else who promptly suffered identical  
ordeal. It became no joke.

Half in jest they pointed it towards  
the improvised orderly room, where  
a corporal was working.

"Next day," said one of them, "they  
carried him off towards the beach (the  
northern coast) with danger."

After this they threw away the  
bone and all untoward manifestations  
ceased.

Not long afterward they came on  
a cache of similar things. But this  
time they were wise. When someone  
wanted to take one of the bones as a  
souvenir, the others yelled, "No  
blinky fear!"

TWINS TOGETHER  
THROUGHOUT WAR

CHESTER (CP) Frank and Eric  
Morcer, keeping to the twin combi-  
nation they have followed all through  
life, have arrived home together from  
overseas service with the R.A.F.  
Aged 30, the twins were educated at  
the same school, employed by the  
same firm, called up together and  
sent overseas together. They are  
leading aircraftmen and served  
abroad four years as medical order-  
lies in the Middle East, Malta, Sicily  
and Italy.

FALLS TUNNEL OPEN

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont. (CP) — A  
new Table Rock tunnel extending  
from Table Rock and under the Horse  
Shoe Falls at Niagara now is open  
to the public.

The Sunday School  
Lesson

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16th, 1945

RECOGNIZING GOD'S PRESENCE

Golden Text — The Lord is high  
unto all them that call upon him  
To all that call upon him in truth  
Ps. 145: 18.

Lesson Text — Gen. 28: 10-22  
Time — 17:00 B.C.

Place — Bethel  
Exposition — I. Jehovah Appears  
Unto Jacob, 10:15.

The first verse of the lesson shows  
us Jacob leaving Beer-sheba with its  
hallowed memories and associations,  
going to distant Haran to meet de-  
ception and injustice. It was his own  
deceit and injustice toward his brother  
that necessitated this unhappy  
removal. His deceit did not pay off,  
ch. 29: 23-25, 31: 7, 37: 32, (Gal. 6: 7).  
Jacob's deception was wholly unjusti-  
fiable. God had promised him what  
he sought to obtain for himself by  
underhanded means, ch. 27: 24.  
Jacob was a homely old fellow, 27: 27,  
and it must have been an awful  
sorrow for him to be forced away  
from home. In his loneliness and de-  
pression his thoughts had turned toward  
God, ch. 27: 34. An awful loneliness  
came over Jacob as the sun went  
down in the cave of the first day and  
darkness swiftly spread over the  
earth. The place was a peculiarly  
lonely one with its high cliff tower-  
ing before him. That it was a place  
of God's own selection appears from  
the Hebrew, which reads, "He build-  
ed upon the place." It was the hour  
of Jacob's deepest trial up to that  
time, and it is just such a time that  
God chooses to reveal Himself and  
His children (ch. 35: 9).

Jacob had only a stone for a pillow,  
but a stone pillow with God near is  
better than a pillow of down with  
God far away. Jacob was soon awak-  
ened from weariness and sorrow but  
his slumbers were soon interrupted by  
strange dreams. Undoubtedly this  
dream came from God. In his dream  
Jacob saw a ladder reaching from  
earth to heaven, with the angels of  
God ascending and descending upon it.  
This was a symbol of the close  
communication between heaven and earth  
and of the communication going on  
between the two. Jesus Himself is  
the true "ladder set up on the earth,  
and the top of it reaching to heaven,"  
or means of heavenly communication  
between a holy God and sinful man  
(John 1: 51, John 11: 6, Heb. 10: 19,  
20). In Jacob's dream the angels were  
the means of communication between  
God and the earth (Heb. 1: 14,  
Luke 15: 10, Ps. 91: 11).

Though Jacob's dream was God  
given and supernatural it had a nat-  
ural starting point. As he fell asleep  
the cliffs before his eyes looked like  
a ladder from earth to heaven. This  
dream must have been especially  
comforting to Jacob at this point in  
his life, when he had so much reason  
to fear that heaven was shut

against him by his sin. Jacob saw  
something better than angels, he saw  
Jehovah Himself standing at the top  
of the ladder (cf. ch. 35: 9). Jehovah's  
introduction of Himself was most  
comforting. It was as the God who had  
protected and blessed his grandfather  
and father, a true and faithful fam-  
ily friend. Jehovah made nine great  
promises to Jacob: (1) "The land  
whereon thou treadest to thee will I  
give" (cf. ch. 17: 15). (2) "And to thy  
children of whom Jacob had none as  
yet." (3) "This implied a promise of  
yet (3) 'Thy seed shall be as the dust  
of the earth' (cf. Gen. 13: 16). (4)  
'Thou shalt spread abroad, etc.' How  
wonderfully this promise has been  
fulfilled. Where is the corner of the  
earth where Israel is not found? (5)  
'In thee and in thy seed shall all  
the families of the earth be blessed'  
(cf. 18: 18). A stupendous promise  
having its fullest fulfillment in Jesus  
Christ, who was the seed of Jacob  
(Gal. 3: 16). (6) "I am with thee"  
(Matt. 28: 20). It was particularly  
comforting to Jacob, "I will keep thee  
whithersoever thou goest." What a  
comfort for one going out he knew  
not whether (cf. Ps. 121: 5-8, 1 Pet.  
1: 5, John 10: 28, 29). (8) "I will  
bring thee again into thy land" (cf.  
ch. 35: 12). This promise is yet to  
have a more wonderful fulfillment in  
the restoration of Israel. (9) "I will  
not leave thee." This was im-  
mediately fulfilled in the individual  
Jacob, it is being wonderfully ful-  
filled through the centuries in the  
national Israel, and it fulfilled day  
by day in us the spiritual Israel (Heb.  
11: 13).

11. Jacob Vows a Vow Unto Je-  
hovah, 16: 2-22.

Jacob as he awakened was afraid  
A strange effect for such a cheering  
dream. But Jacob likes to have a sin-  
ner. If Jacob had known God was  
there he would not have stopped  
there (vs. 16, 17). Such is a man-  
fully Jacob thought it a "dreadful  
place" because God was there. But  
the presence of God makes a joyful not  
a dreadful place (vs. 16, 17). But  
Jacob lay down and seemingly went  
to sleep again. He was pretty dull  
spiritually as yet. In the morning he  
set up his stone pillow as a memorial  
pillar and set it apart for God by an  
anointing with oil (vs. 8, 10-12). The  
incident had a beneficial effect upon  
Jacob, he "vowed a vow." But it  
did not entirely overcome his barg-  
aining disposition (vs. 20, 21). In  
God got all he asked for, is God  
condescending (ch. 32: 10, cf. Gal.  
3: 15).

FARMYARD PETS  
GO TO SEASIDE  
WORCESTER, England (CP)  
When school teacher R. W. Major  
went for his vacation this summer  
he took his farm with him. Into the  
lorry taking him to the beach he  
loaded Betty, the cow, Whendy the  
milk goat, and Hobbin Bomb the  
belly-goat.

"They had to come along," Major  
said. "There was no one at the school  
who had learned to feed them."

HYDRO  
RURAL SERVICE... WHEN?

To the Hydro,  
Dear Sir,

I am writing to ask when am I going  
to get electricity brought to my farm.  
You've had my application for some time  
and I was told that it had been approved.  
The Hydro wires pass my farm why  
then is nothing done about it?

Please let me know if this matter  
has slipped your mind, or do I get  
electricity?

Yours truly,  
John R. xxxxx  
R.R. #1, xxxxx, Ontario

TO the writer of this letter and several thousand others who are in the same position,  
your Hydro can definitely say that your application for service certainly has not  
"slipped our mind." Everything that can be done is being done to serve as many new  
customers as possible.

Even though many regulations have been relaxed, and the war in Europe is over,  
there is little, if any, sign of improvement in the shortage of labour and materials. The  
shortage of only one of the many parts needed to complete a service results in a delay.  
The labour and materials available are being used with extreme care and planning to  
serve as many new rural customers as quickly as possible.

To those applicants in areas where Hydro lines are still to be constructed, Hydro  
service will be made available as the supply of labour and materials improves. Already  
sufficient applications have been received which will require the construction of over  
2,000 miles of line that cannot be undertaken in 1945. However, your Hydro is making  
every effort to complete by the end of 1945 all applications made in 1944 that have  
been officially approved by letter.

Your Hydro has done and is doing everything possible to extend electricity to  
essential rural services. The Hydro rural service that you are waiting for will be  
completed just as soon as the labour and material situation permits.

THE HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER COMMISSION OF ONTARIO

Advertisers Meet the Most People

Just Around the Corner

A return to peace-time production  
and the more ample supply of needed  
commodities is just around the corner.  
With the cessation of hostilities nations  
and manufacturers will turn to making  
the things that are used in everyday life.  
More of the boys are coming home every  
week and as they settle into various occu-  
pations, production of peacetime goods is  
speeded up and supplies will soon be more  
plentiful. These things so hard to get for  
so long are "Just Around the Corner."

Who Knows Where?

Merchants with an eye to supply the  
demand for these products that will come  
soon are telling folks through advertising  
where goods are now procurable. They're  
keeping their name before the buying  
public. In the days when war production  
came first, the biggest buyer was the gov-  
ernment, of war supplies and their needs  
came first. But it's different now. The  
boys are coming back pretty lively. After  
years overseas, will they remember who  
sells the best clothing? Where to get shav-  
ing supplies? Who to take cleaning and  
pressing to? In short, who's in business  
now?

Get Acquainted

Renew Relations

Now is the time to get acquainted and cultivate the new trade or renew old trade. The day of saying  
"Sorry, but we haven't any," will soon be over. We're entering an era when there will be variety on  
store shelves and many new lines. We're passing back to the stage when goods and services will be sold  
again.

Now Is The Time To Advertise!