

WHAT IS GOOD?

What is the real good? I asked in a missing mood. Order, said the law court; Knowledge, said the school; Truth, said the wise man; Pleasure, said the fool; Love, said the maiden; Beauty, said the page; Freedom, said the dreamer; Home, said the sage; Fame, said the soldier; Equity, the seer; Spake my heart full sadly; The answer is not here; These within my bosom; Softly thus I heard; "Each heart holds the secret; Kindness is the word." John Boyle O'Reilly

Heavy Demand for Horses from Canada

The call for Canadian horses abroad is still continuing. Thousands have been sent to France and Europe this year. For many years Canadian horses have been used in the British West Indies for police work. Recently another consignment went forward to Barbados at the request of the Commissioner of Police at Bridgetown. Six horses were bought for him by the Dominion Department of Agriculture. Four of the horses were for police work and two were mares of riding type. Another horse was shipped to a railway official in Bermuda.

Reports received from the Chief Veterinary Officer of the Lowlands Islands Department of Agriculture state that the French-Canadian mares and three stallions shipped by the Dominion Department of Agriculture a few months ago are proving very satisfactory and the officer asks for another stallion to be purchased and sent to the island of Montserrat.

Up to the end of July, the French Horse purchasing Commission had purchased over 5,000 Canadian horses for shipment to France and about 7,000 smaller horses principally mares were bought for UNRRA. During the month of July this year, shipment of horses from Western to Eastern Canada has been the heaviest in recent years, the movement totalling 9,200 animals.

THAT SMOOTH-VOICED PROMOTER

Recently the Saturday Evening Post published a two-page color illustrated spread on Canada's new gold strike in the Yellowknife Territory. This is excellent publicity for a major Canadian industry and one the country is largely depending upon to lead us to national prosperity. Unfortunately it is marred by the very accurate and well-justified subhead on the article which cautions: "But watch out when that smooth-voiced promoter phones you from Toronto." This warning is deserved and will continue to be until these international stock racketeers operating from Ontario's capital have been cleaned out.

In an effort to clean them out the Drew government appointed Hon. C. P. McTague, outstanding jurist, as Securities Commissioner. Mr. McTague had started that work. To be successful he must have the full backing of the government, the mining industry and the public. — Financial Post.

Dad: Son, I never knew what it was to kiss a girl until I courted your mother. I wonder if you will be able to say the same to your children. Son: I think so, Dad, but not with such a straight face as yours.

To Distinguish Sex In Barred Chicks

Although it has been well known that in purebred Barred Plymouth Rocks poultry, the partly grown and adult males can easily be distinguished from the females by the type of barring on the feather, there are certain cases where there are exceptions. It is also well known that the cockerel baby chicks tend to be lighter in down color than the pullets but until recently it was not possible to tell the sex of the Barred Rock chicks by down color with sufficient accuracy to be practicable.

However, states Farmers' Bulletin No. 102 (Publication No. 718) on "Sight Sexing Barred Rock Baby Chicks", issued by the Poultry Division, Experimental Farms Service an accurate method of distinguishing sex in this breed of chick was introduced about the year 1936. Since then the method has spread until at the present time in Canada, "Sex-Sighting" as it is called, is widely practiced on Barred Rock chicks by commercial chick sexers.

Consequently the Dominion Department of Agriculture has issued the bulletin on sex-sighting for the purpose of explaining by description and illustration just how it is done. The sexes are distinguished by pattern of the white head spot, leg color, and by shade of black color in the down. Because the differences in many cases at least to the beginner are difficult to distinguish, these difficulties are explained by the bulletin. A keen student by a close study of the bulletin should be able to sex chicks accurately. When difficulty is experienced after the study, it is recommended that a few lessons be taken from an expert.

RECOLLECTIONS OF ACTON

BACK IN 1896

Taken from the issue of the Free Press of November 18, 1896

The people of Winnipeg and the northwest have had severe weather the past week. The mercury dropped to 15 below zero at Winnipeg on Monday.

A meeting of the Executive of Provincial Winter Show was held in Guelph. There will be \$4000 offered in prizes, the best yet given.

Ex-councillor Anderson returned from the north west. He has purchased a 300 acre farm in a good locality two miles from Hartney, Man.

The first social under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of Knox Church since the induction of the new pastor was held Thursday evening. There was a large attendance. Rev. Mr. MacPherson gave an excellent address.

Until recently we had ten passenger trains running through Acton daily (five each way). With the winter time table we have three trains west and four east.

The firemen are holding a concert Thanksgiving night. Those taking part are Miss Nicklin, Mr. Stark, Mr. Harry Jones, Miss Walker, Miss Moore and the Bailey-Mann String Band.

Lawrence Swackhammer, who missed the 5:40 train on Monday morning to Georgetown, walked all the way to Georgetown.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Warren and children of Georgetown were guests at the home of Ex-warden Friday and Saturday.

BACK IN 1926

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, November 25, 1926

The snow shovel has come into active commission again. John Tazewell of Hillsburg, has bought the Lowville chopping mill and has taken possession.

The District of York Loyal True Blues invited the Acton Lodge to attend their annual banquet in County Orange Hall Toronto last Tuesday evening. About fifteen attended from Acton and all report a splendid time.

The Park Improvement Committee passed an exceedingly interesting evening when there was a contest of five male quartettes at the concert Quartette No. 3 composed of Messrs. F. Salt, J. Lewis, A. Jack and A. Mann won the highest points with Messrs. H. L. Harrison, F. McLeary, J. Rogers and Rev. P. Sawyer placing second.

Elvin Gamble is a candidate for Hallow in the election on November 27th for the Older Boy's Parliament which meets in Toronto between Christmas and New Years.

DIED. FORD. At Presville, on Thursday, November 14, 1926, Margaret McGilvray, beloved wife of Andrew Ford, formerly of Acton, aged 66 years.

Little Business Men are Victims

Many residents of the United States may be earnest believers in the Ten Commandments, but they also will confess in casual conversation that they are, or have been, habitual patrons of the black market. It is apparent that the black markets have not as yet grown to the same proportions here, which may be partly due to a Canadian tendency to obey even those laws in which we don't believe, and partly because, when a law is broken, the violator is more likely not to tell his friends.

There is no doubt, however, that our black markets will grow unless and until our shortages are eased. The kind of people who are ultimate consumers of black market goods deserve no sympathy and the racketeers who promote black markets by holding goods from legitimate markets are in the class of the big-time bootleggers of the prohibition era. But there is another sizable and growing group in the black markets. They are victims, or at least unwilling participants. They are small business men with no great diversity of product.

They ordinarily have made their livings by making and selling or buying and selling. When their raw materials become unobtainable in the ordinary course they are faced with the alternative of going out of business or going into the black market. The temptation not to become a law-abiding bankrupt is one which even the most earnest believer in the Theory and Practice of Price Control in War and Peace would not wish to face. — The Printed Word.

NOVIATATE DESTROYED

MISTASSINI, Que. (CP) — The Noviatate in this village 10 miles north of Lake St. John was destroyed by fire recently. The Noviatate staff aided by the fire brigade from nearby Dolbeau, fought the flames in vain for nearly five hours. With the students on holiday, the building was virtually deserted, when the fire started and there were no injuries. Damage was estimated at more than \$40,000.

The Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24th

THE GOSPEL CONFRONTING PAGANISM

Golden Text For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 3: 11

Lesson Text Ac. 17: 22-34; 18: 1-4; 1 Cor. 1: 22-25

Exposition I The "Unknown God" Made Known, Ac. 17: 22-34

Paul is brought before this celebrated gathering of philosophers and university professors at Athens. He has no new gospel for this distinguished throng but with divinely given tact he introduces it in a new way (vs. 24, 25, 26). Paul begins with what appears like words of approval, not with words of criticism. He would win the favor and attention of his audience before calling them to repent. People will listen patiently to the sharpest rebukes and sternest calls to repentance, if you first win their confidence and favor by words of kindness and praise. "To an unknown God" there is something very pathetic and touching in this. There are many today who are reaching out blindly toward a God of whose existence they have a vague apprehension, but of whose name, character and person they have little clear knowledge. But there is no need that God be unknown, there is a way plainly pointed out in the Bible and which anyone can follow, by which anyone can attain unto a true knowledge of God (Jno. 1: 17, 1 Cor. 2: 14; Jno. 3: 15, 1: 12-13, 1 Jno. 5: 20; Jno. 14: 9, 2 Cor. 4: 6).

"God made the world and all things therein" etc. Paul would carry with him the philosophers in his audience, and at the same time bring new and higher thoughts about God, and step by step lead them face to face with God himself, and make them feel their personal responsibility to Him. He would lead them to see that God was not a mere philosophical conception, but a person against whom they had sinned, and who was now calling "Repent." The very life we live, the breath we breathe, absolutely all we have, is His gift. Everything thus given should be used for Him. "He made of one every nation of men" (so we believe this "that they should seek God"). This was God's great and gracious purpose in the making of nations and appointing their seasons, and bounds of their habitation. How absolute is our dependence on God. No life, no motion, no existence outside of Him. This being so, there can be no peace in our souls until our wills are absolutely surrendered to Him and our affections absolutely centred in Him. Paul approves the sentiment of the Greek poet Aratus. But while all men are God's offspring, they are not all truly children (Jno. 8: 44, 47; 1 Jno. 3: 10; Matt. 13: 38; Gal. 4: 4-6; Heb. 12: 8; Eph. 2: 3). There are only two children of God who receive Jesus Christ (Jno. 1: 12; R. V.).

II A Revival in Corinth, Ac. 18: 1-4. Paul had come to Corinth from Athens, where, mocked and reviled, his work judged by human standards, had been a failure. But despite a pardonable discouragement (v. 5) he went right to work spreading the Gospel in Corinth. The Word of God had so gotten hold of him that he could not keep still. He was impelled to tell the good tidings that Jesus was Christ. Would that the Word of God were a fire in the bones of more men today! His evangelistic campaign began with an audience of two fellow workers, for alone and without money in this strange city, he worked hard all week at tent making to earn his living. But he was not too tired, in spite of his hard work, to preach the Gospel. Every Sabbath found him at his post in the temple and from this small beginning a large and singularly gifted church grew up in Corinth.

III God's Foolishness, 1 Cor. 1: 22-25. To the mind blinded by sin the preaching of the cross is foolishness. How men ridicule the doctrine of the atonement! How many men who call themselves theologians reject as unphilosophical the doctrine of substitution which is everywhere found in the Bible (cf. Isa. 53: 6; Gal. 3: 13; 2 Cor. 5: 21). But, if the doctrine of the cross is foolishness to anyone, it only shows that he belongs to "them that perish." But unto us which are saved, what is the preaching of the cross? "The power of God." It has proved itself the power of God in our lives; the most blessed, the most glorious, the most saving truth. What men think of the preaching of the cross is a test of their condition, whether they are saved or perishing. God had long before prophesied that He would destroy the wisdom of the wise and bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent" (Isa. 29: 14; Jer. 8: 8). This prediction receives complete fulfillment in men's attitude toward the cross of Jesus.

The wisdom of the philosopher falls, the self-sufficiency of the scientist prove vain and dangerous, but to the humble mind God reveals the way of truth (Matt. 11: 25). God is constantly making foolish the wisdom of the world. God, through the foolishness of the thing preached (i.e. that which seems foolish to the blind philosopher and scientist, namely, the cross), is pleased to save them that believe.

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