

POETRY OF EARTH

The poetry of earth is never dead; When all the birds are faint with the hot sun, And hide in cooling trees, a voice will run From hedge to hedge about the new-mown mead; This is the grasshopper's — he takes the lead. In summer luxury — he has never done With his delights, for when tired out With fun He rests at ease between some pleasant weed. The poetry of earth is ceasing never: On a lone winter evening, when the frost Has wrought a silence from the stove-thrills, The cricket's song, in warmth increasing ever, And seems to one in drowsiness half lost, The grasshopper's among some grassy hills. John Keats

RECOLLECTIONS OF ACTON

BACK IN 1897

Taken from the issue of the Free Press of February 25th, 1897

Last week about forty of the neighboring farmers formed a "bee" and in three days teamed all the brick necessary for Grindell's new machine shop, nearly 30,000, from Milton.

Messrs. Cheyne Bros. have leased their flouring mill here to Mr. James Clark of Dundas for a term of years. The fifty-second year since organization and the second anniversary of the opening of the new edifice were observed by the congregation of Knox Church last Sunday.

Mr. Joseph Anderson and family intend leaving for their new home near Hartney, Man., next week.

Mr. Alex. Cripps has secured the contract for the building of 500 feet of bank shields for the Beardmore Tanning Co.

Division court clerk McNabb has removed to Perryman's block.

MARRIED McFREGGIE-FORREST At the residence of the bride's mother on Wednesday, 17th inst. by the Rev. W. A. J. Martin, Janet Forrest, daughter of the late James Forrest of Guelph Township to John McGregor of Nassagaweya.

BACK IN 1927

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, March 3rd, 1927

Yesterday was Ash Wednesday. The Acton Women's Institute is putting on a dental day in Acton schools.

Miss Jessie Cummings, who has been saleslady in H. L. Harrison's shoe store the past four years, has returned to her home in Ferguson owing to the illness of her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Vincent have been residing in Chatham but have returned to Acton.

Mr. Robert Irwin, who came to Acton from Honduras as Tanning expert for Beardmore and Co. has taken a position in Endicott, N.Y.

Acton Glee Club gave the first entertainment on Wednesday evening. The club is a fine male chorus of 40 voices. A packed auditorium greeted the club on this first appearance.

DEED LESLIE In Esqueing on Thursday, February 24th, 1927, Martha Ann Cook, beloved wife of George Leslie, in her 60th year.

HOW FAR CAN A GO-AHEAD FARMER GO?

Well, perhaps that's a little like asking "How high is up?" A go-ahead farmer tries each year to increase the profits, benefits, and enjoyment he and his family receive from his farm. And so it is difficult to estimate any limits on his progress. But the things which limit a farmer's progress are known — outdated machinery, run down herds, obsolete plumbing, homes and buildings in disrepair — all these not only eat up potential profits, they rob a man and his family of their opportunities for leisure and recreation.

Yet many farmers, conscious of the value of modern equipment, hesitate to make improvements because of a lack of ready money. This need not stand in the way. By taking advantage of the Bank of Montreal's farm improvement loan plan you may secure time saving and profit making machinery and equipment.

A visit to William Clayton, manager of the local branch of the B of M, will show how such a loan interest can help a farmer to be a "go-ahead" farmer, bringing better farming, better living and better profits. It will show you, too, that when you ask for a loan at the B of M you do not ask a favor.

SKIM MILK

Pound for pound, skim milk contains as much protein, a little more carbohydrate and as much calcium, phosphorus, iron, the B vitamins and vitamin C as whole milk. Nutrition authorities at Ottawa suggest, therefore, that when the budget won't stretch to whole milk for the whole family, skim milk provides an excellent and healthful substitute in part.

The Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY, MARCH 2nd

THE DRAWING POWER OF CHRIST

Golden Text.—I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto myself. Jno. 12: 43.

Lesson Text.—Jno. 12: 12-16, 20-22.

Time.—Saturday, April 1, A.D. 30.

Place.—Jerusalem.

Exposition.—I. Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem, 12: 12-16.

Leaving the home of His three friends at Bethany, Jesus soon came to Bethpage. At that point on His journey to Jerusalem He sent two of His disciples on a trying errand. They were to find an ass tied at a certain place and her colt with her. They were to loose them without asking anyone's permission and bring them to Him to whom all things belonged, with no other explanation than "The Lord hath need of them."

(Matt. 21: 3). This was a real trial of faith, but these disciples proved themselves faithful by doing precisely what the Master told them to do (Matt. 21: 5). This is the supreme test of discipleship. (Jno. 15: 14). They found everything just as Jesus said it would be (Luke 19: 32). The way in which Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on the colt accompanying the mother was an exact and literal fulfillment of Zech. 9: 9. This shows with what minute literalness Christ has fulfilled the prophecies that have been already fulfilled.

II. "We would see Jesus." 20-23.

There was probably more than mere curiosity in the request of these Greeks; but it is not likely that they realized its full significance. On our really seeing Jesus depends our salvation, eternal life, gladness and our likeness to Him (Jno. 3: 15; 6: 40; 20: 2; Cor. 3: 18). We can see Him in the Word by the teaching of the Holy Spirit and in the Lord's Supper (Jno. 6: 35; 16: 14; 1 Cor. 11: 26, 29). Alas, that there are so many quite unlike these awakened Greeks; they cannot say "We would see Jesus."

These Greeks came to Philip, seemingly because he was not so strict a Jew as some other members of the apostolic company, or perhaps, because he was of Bethsaida and had a Greek name. Their request suggested to Jesus the time when the Gentiles would come to Him, the Jews having rejected Him. But before this was possible, the middle wall of partition between Jew and Greek must be removed by His atoning death (Eph. 2: 13-16). Their coming foreshadowed His own coming glorification through death (vs. 23, 24; ch. 17: 1, 5, 10; 13: 31, 32). The cross itself was a manifestation of Christ's glory for there is nothing else so divine as love (1 Jno. 4: 7-10; Jno. 3: 16). But Jesus referred here primarily to the glory beyond death, the glory that was coming to Him through death (cf. 13: 31; Phil. 2: 6-11; Heb. 12: 2).

III. The Power of the Cross, 24-26.

"I will cast our hearts upon our own lives, we shall lose them, but if our lives are nothing to us in comparison with Christ (Matt. 16: 24), then we shall keep our lives unto life eternal. Anyone who wishes to serve Christ must be ready to follow wherever He leads. The path to glory is the cross. This was the path Jesus trod, and it is the path everyone else must tread if they would bear fruit and receive the glory that comes from God. He went to Gethsemane and Calvary, and all who follow Him must take the same road. But if we follow Him to Gethsemane and Calvary now, we shall follow Him also to glory hereafter. Where He is, there shall we also be (vs. 26; Jno. 17: 24; 2 Tim. 2: 12; Rev. 3: 21). It is worth suffering for and dying for to be with Him (2 Cor. 5: 8; Phil. 1: 23; 2 Cor. 1: 17; Rom. 8: 18). Not only will we be with Him hereafter, if we serve Him now but furthermore, the Father Himself will honor us. Is it not a wonderful thought that the great God shall honor us? The ways in which the Father will honor us are manifold and, for the most part, beyond our present comprehension (Jno. 14: 21, 24; 17: 22, 23; 1 Jno. 3: 2; Col. 3: 4).

Up to v. 27 the glorious side of His death had occupied the mind of Jesus; now for a moment the horror of it sweeps over His consciousness. And his soul is stirred to its depths with agony (cf. Matt. 26: 38; Luke 22: 44). But though this did not cause Him to waver one moment from His purpose the pain of His heart might prompt Him to cry "Father, save me from this hour." He will not do it. Indeed, for this very cause had He come to this hour (cf. Phil. 2: 6-8). What a lesson for us when we draw back from the Gethsemane and Calvary that lie in our path! Instead of "Save me" the prayer that ascends from Jesus' lips is "Father, glorify Thy name!" He seeks not His own deliverance from suffering but the Father's glory though that means His crucifixion. Have we, also, such a supreme desire for God's glory that we wish Him to glorify His name, though that involves crucifixion for us?

THOSE JUNIORS

Kindly photographer: "Now my little man, just keep looking at the birdie in the cage."

Modern Tot: "Rubbish! Pay attention to your exposure, focal length and lighting, or you'll ruin your plate."

MEAT NOT ENOUGH

Meat and meat alternates are the most costly food items, yet nutrition surveys in two provinces revealed to national health authorities that nearly all the children surveyed were getting ample amounts of meat. On the other hand vegetables, except for potatoes, were neglected by almost one-half.

Nutrition experts point out that vegetables, particularly the vivid green and yellow ones, contain a variety of vitamins and minerals essential to well rounded diets, and urge parents to encourage children to eat vegetables.

FURNITURE SALE

MODERN & ANTIQUE FURNITURE, ELECTRIC REFRIGERATOR, ELECTRIC LAMPS, ELECTRIC STOVE, SEWING MACHINE, ETC.

The undersigned have received instructions from

MR. JAMES ELLIOTT

To sell by public auction on

SATURDAY, MARCH 1st

At 12:30 o'clock sharp, at the village of Kildrife, the following:

—1 3-piece Chesterfield Suite; 1 Walnut Cabinet; 1 Walnut China Cabinet, glass-Door; 1 Dining-Table; 6 Walnut Chairs with Extension Table and Buffet to match; number of End Tables; fine old hand carved Cupboard; number of electric Floor Lamps and Table Lamps; several Bookcases and odd Cases; 1 five-door Wardrobe; Couch; Hall Seat; Hall Tree; 1 Secretary; Telephone Desk; 1 hand woven Throw; 1 electric Refrigerator (Mayflower); Scatter Rugs; Carpet; 1 large Rug; 1 electric Stove (Westinghouse); 2 electric Radios; 1 electric automatic Toaster; Kitchen-Range; 1 Victrola and Records (Edison); 1 coal and wood Heater; 2 Box Stoves; 1 Bedroom Suit; odd Dressers; odd Wash Stands; 1 odd Bed; Bedding; Toilet Sets; 1 Singer Sewing Machine, drop head; 1 Violin and Case; 1 Guitar and Case, like new; no end of Games; Book Stands; Books; Ornaments; Clocks; Mirrors; quantity of Brassware; Fire Irons (brasas); Pictures; Paintings; Child's Tricycle; Child's Cot; Baby Carriage; Aladdin Lamp; Hanging Lamp; very large quantity of Dishes, Glassware and plated goods including complete dinner set—of Limoges China, 92 pieces; 2 Tea Sets; quantity of Cutlery; 2 Lawn Mowers; 1 Grindstone; 1 Rifle; 22 Winchester; number of Crown Guns; 1 Stone Chimney; also choice family Jersey Cow, due 1st week in April; a large amount of small articles not listed.

TERMS: Cash settlement with clerk day after sale.

No reserve and the proprietor has sold his business and home and is giving up possession immediately. Sale will be held under cover.

HINDLEY AND ELLIOTT, Auctioneers

E. M. Roadhead, Clerk B-33-2

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DISPERSAL SALE

HOLSTEIN GRADE MILCH COWS AND YOUNG STOCK

The property of FRED LANGDON

Will be sold by public auction at his farm, Lot 13, Con. 1, Eramosa, situated on No. 24 Highway at the Four Corners, about 4 miles N.E. of Guelph on

FRIDAY, MARCH 7th

Commencing at 2 o'clock, as follows:

35 COWS—16 Heifers, all due inside of 1 month; 12 cows, carrying their 2nd calf due in March; 7 Cows, making all young and due next fall; the herd bull, Norval Sylvius Ltd, 136097, bred by W. P. Laidlaw and Son, Norval, Ont.; 15 Heifer Calves, vaccinated. This is a high producing herd of cows. The big roomy kind, demanded by export trade. Pure bred sires, have been used for several generations from such herds as the O.A.C., Ontario Reformatory and other noted Holstein breeders. This herd has been TB tested every year, with no reactions. Terms: Cash.

HOGS—10 very choice bacon type York Sows, due in Mar. and Apr.

Boiler, bottle washer and small power-filter, the milking machine, Clean Easy Milker will also be sold. All cows subject to blood test.

THE FARM At the same time, the farmstead, containing 135 acres more or less, will be offered for sale, subject to a reserve bid. A modern dwelling house was erected in 1938 with all the latest equipment and conveniences, running water, bath room, hydro, etc., hard wood floors throughout.

The barn, 56 by 80, with two E.S. was built in 1937, and is one of the fine barns of Wellington County. The farm is well fenced and in a very high state of cultivation. It is well watered by an artesian well and spring creek. There is also a good wood lot with hard wood and cedar.

This is one of the best equipped farms offered to the public for some time. Call and look it over. Also come and inspect these cows before the sale.

Terms on farm made known at time of sale, or apply to the owner, Fred Langdon, R. R. 1, Guelph.

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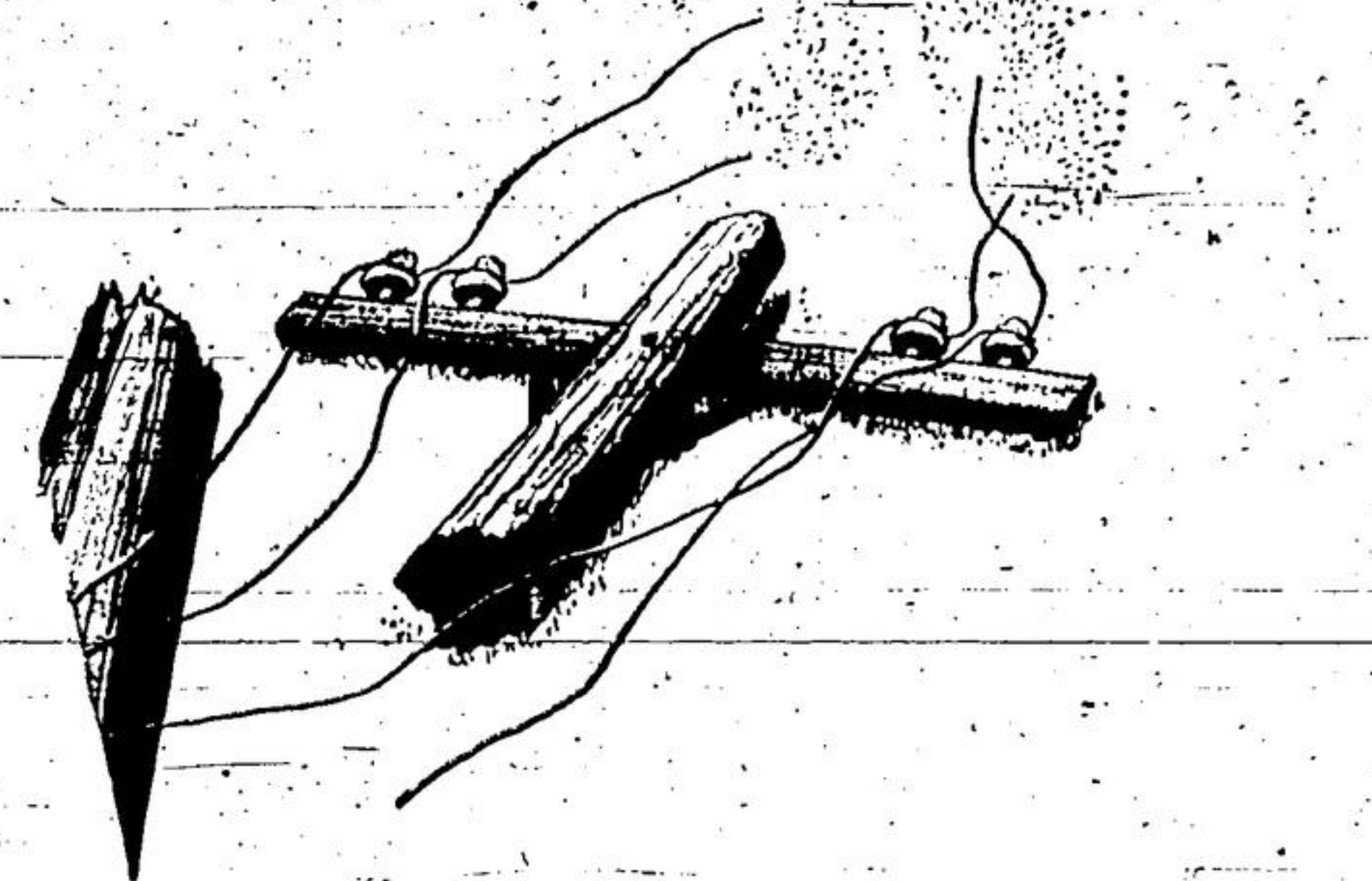
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tinued help and friendship of the Red Cross. Isolated frontier communities need Outpost Hospitals and nursing service—their only medical aid. Crippled children's hospitals must be maintained and expanded. Men, women and children across Canada need the Blood Transfusion Service the Red Cross has started to supply.

Will you continue to lend your help to sick and suffering humanity? The Red Cross work is your work.