

RECOLLECTIONS OF ACTON

BACK IN 1897

From the issue of the Free Press of April 22, 1897.

APRIL 17 Turkey has declared war against Greece, claiming to the benefit of powers that Greece was the aggressor.

A deputation from Acton Cornet Band with Wm. Williams Esq., as spokesman addressed the council and asked for a donation.

Dr. J. R. Dryden, who has been in New York since the 1st of January studying diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat is now acting as House Surgeon to the Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital, which we understand is the foremost institution of its kind on the continent.

Won't the council please give the lamp posts a coat of paint this spring.

The meeting of the Board of Health was held on Monday evening for organization. Members present were Reeve Nicklin, Sec. Moore and Messrs. H. P. Moore, W. R. Kenney and Robt. Wallace.

The results of the Easter Exams were as follows:

- Lottie Moore, Mabel Moore, Robt. Smythe, Hattie Noble, Bonnie Wallace, Laura Ryder, Minnie Arthur, Kate Russell, Edith Nicklin, Bertie Speight, Eva Perryman, Nelson Ryder, George Gram, Etta McDonald, Mabel Soper, Bertha Williams, Blanche Dills, Laura Petch, Jennie McQueen, Pearl Stewart, Jenn McPherson, Maud Henderson, Edith Williams, Mary Abraham, Myrtle Matthews, Roy Arnold, Charlie Campbell, Willie Taylor, John Art-hurs, Wm Pearson, Charles Holmes, Jos. Bingham, Harry Loveys, Fred Wilds, Wm. Ritchie, Jennie Gurney, Mary Harvey, Bennett Clark, Myra McIntosh, Charlie Hynds, Eddie Holmes, Wesley Bingham, George Arnold, Oliver Cook, A. M. Smith, Maggie Wilds, Ethel Coleman, M. Hildebrandt, Maud Chambers, Annie Campbell, Mabel Ebbage, Howland Brown, Willie Clark, John Mullen, Kensal Priest, Elliott Jeans, Ernest Cripps, Percy Rolston, Artie Ramsay, Mabel Ed-minston, Myrtle Cook, Annie Watson, Carl Manson, Janie Symons, Ernest Gurney, Edwin Perryman, Florence Holmes, Ruby Clark, Thomas Stewart, Daniel Ritchie, Frank Holmes, Annie Harvey, Edna Stewart, Oshurn Warden, Willie Ballantine, Marcus Perryman, Willie Flint, Vida Folster, Frank Havill, Annie Corry.

The teachers were T. T. Moore, C. McPhail, L. E. Patterson, H. E. McNe-ely.

BOYS
PANNABECKER In Acton on Monday, 19 April, to Mr and Mrs. G. A. Pannabecker, a daughter.

BACK IN 1927

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, April 28th, 1927

The "Canadian Forest Week" April 24th to 30th.

Blue seems to be the favorite color for motor cars this year.

Rev. R. E. Zimmerman, B.A. of the United Church and Rev. W. J. Fiddis, Ph.D. of Caledonia exchanged pulpits on Sunday.

Acton will celebrate for Canada's Diamond Jubilee on July 1, 2 and 3.

Miss Isabel Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Smith, Main Street, won fourth place in an agricultural contest for public school pupils throughout the province. Twenty-six pupils took part at the convention of Ratepayers and Trustees' Association in Toronto.

"Always in Trouble" was a local play presented in the Town Hall on Wednesday evening under the auspices of Lakeside Chapter of the I.O.O.F.

BOYS
COOK To Mr and Mrs. T. H. Cook, Lot 29, Concession 6, Esquimaux on April 21, 1927, a daughter, Eleanor Margaret.

MARRIED
EACHMAN-URMPTHRIES At St. Andrew's Church, Guelph on April 19, 1927 by Rev. S. Buchanan Carey, Bessie Rowan, daughter of Mr. Charles F. and the late Mrs. Humphries, Guelph to Rev. Edward A. Farchman of Toronto.

DIED
WILSON In Nassagaweya on Tues-ay, April 23, 1927, Robert Wilson Sr. in his 91st year.

THE WORST POSSIBLE FORM OF GOVERNMENT

"Unlimited power is the ideal thing when it is in safe hands. The despotism would be the absolutely perfect earthly government, if the conditions were the same, namely, the despot the perfect individual of the human race, and his lease of life perpetual. But as a perishable perfect man must die, and leave his despotism in the hands of an imperfect successor, an earthly despotism is not merely a bad form of government, it is the worst form that is possible."—Mark Twain.

The Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

SUNDAY APRIL 20th
NATIONAL GLORY AND DECAF
7:45-8:15 P.M. Trust in the Lord with all thy heart.

And lean not upon thine own understanding. Prov. 3:5-6

Lesson Text - 1 Kings 3:5-9; 5:13-16; 11:4-9

Time 1014-992 B.C.
Places-Gibeon, Jerusalem.

Exposition-1. Solomon's Prayer to Jehovah, 3:5-9

Solomon went to Gibeon because the Tabernacle, the place where Jehovah manifested Himself to His people was there (Chron. 21:29; 2 Chron. 1:3, 7; Ex. 29:42,43).

Until the Temple superseded it, that is where men who longed to meet God went, the place God Himself had appointed. The Tabernacle was a type of Christ (John 1:14). It is in Him that we meet God (John 14:6).

Each one of the thousand burnt offerings that Solomon offered also pointed forward to Christ.

That God really spoke to Solomon and that the whole incident was no product of a disordered fancy, is evident from the outcome - Solomon really obtained what God promised at this time. It was a wonderful thing that God said to Solomon "ask what I shall give thee" - God setting all the infinite resources of His power at the disposal of a man. But He says the same wonderful thing to each humblest child of God today (John 14:13, 14; 15:7; Matt. 7:7, 8, Mk. 11:24; John 15:16, 17; 23:24; 1 John 3:22; 5:14, 15).

Before asking for anything, Solomon acknowledged the

wonderful goodness of Jehovah already manifested toward his father and himself (cf. Phil. 4:6; Col. 4:2). God's great "kindness" to his father in the past encouraged Solomon to ask great things for himself in the present. God's dealing in kindness with David was according to David's sincere, righteous and upright walk (ch. 9:4; 15:25; 2 Ki. 20:3, 4; Ps. 15:1, 2; 18:20-21; 1 John 3:22).

A crowning manifestation of God's kindness was that He had given him a son to succeed to his position and his work. Solomon speaks of his father by a more honourable title than king, "thy servant David." Jehovah Himself had conferred this title upon David (2 Sam. 7:5).

Solomon recognized that he owed his own present exalted position entirely to God (Dan. 2:21; 4:25, 32; 5:18, 21). He also recognized his own utter insufficiency for the position. He was perhaps twenty-one years of age at this time. In his own eyes he was "but a little child" (1 Chron. 29:1; Jer. 1:6; Luke 14:11).

He saw the greatness of the responsibility that had been laid upon him. To him office was not a possession for one's own private gain, but a sacred trust. The people were a great people to him in numbers but that was not the most important fact about them, they were God's own people whom He had chosen. Oh, all kings, presidents, governors and pastors, too, felt their solemn responsibilities as Solomon felt his at that time. He felt that what he must have above all else was not something for himself, but fitness for his position. He asked therefore for an "understanding heart" - literally a "hearing heart," i. e., a heart that should hear the voice of God. What He asked is of more value than of all honours and all riches (Prov. 3:13-18; 16:16). His father's words to him and prayer for him had suggested to Solomon this request (1 Chron. 22:12; 29:19). Those words had gone deep into his heart. We may all ask and get what he asked for an understanding heart and above all, because they were Jehovah's people. In the final analysis, the chief aim of the prayer was Jehovah's glory. This is the chief aim of all true prayer which prevails with God (Jas. 4:2, 3). The highest form of discernment, moral discernment. It is the work of the Holy Spirit to impart this (Isa. 11:2-4).

II. Solomon's Apostasy, 5:13-16; 11:1-9
Although it is stated that God gave "wisdom" to Solomon (v. 12) we find that he ended his life with a heart "turned from the Lord God of Israel" (11:9). He was endowed with great administrative gifts, by means of which his international neighbours were constrained to be at peace with him (5:10).

In the building of the Temple, God gave him plans and means. But he undoubtedly went beyond God's purpose in levying so heavily upon the people and building up so large a ruling class (vs. 13-16). Such a use of arbitrary power as is implied in this com-

parable levy must have raised great discontent among the people. This was tempered by Solomon not over working his people and in assigning the most laborious task to remaining Canaanites. He did, however, build more than the Temple and enhanced his glory by forced labor (1 Ki. 9:17-19).

Taking pride in this misuse of the endowment of God's wisdom led him to his moral breakdown (1:1, 4). "His heart was not perfect with the Lord his God." God threatened him (v. 9). At the end of Solomon's reign seeds of rebellion were sown in Israel and his "reign" was tarnished and empty. "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

MILTON
At Milton council meeting last week Mr. Geo. Elliott and Mr. Fred Armstrong were present to discuss the purchase of the arena. Mr. Armstrong stated that he was prepared to install artificial ice in the arena for the benefit of the young people of Milton. The price of the arena to be operated as an ice hockey and skating rink was set at \$5,000. A penalty was to be inserted in the agreement that if it is not operated as such a penalty of \$25,000 will be assessed. The first date of artificial ice, subject to the limitations of material, labor, etc., was set at November 1st, 1948 with provision for the extension of time if the material is not available.

Mr. Nixon and a number of interested citizens were present re No. 25 Highway to Acton from Milton. It was suggested that a deputation be arranged for with Acton and M.P.P. Stan Hall will arrange the meeting with the Minister of Highways. A delegate from Council is to attend this meeting.

Thieves made an unsuccessful attempt to blow open the Canadian Pacific Railway safe early Wednesday morning, Chief G. W. Canning reported.

Following the recital given by the Halton Male Choir in the United Church last week and which featured Mr. E. Stanley Roper, organist and composer at H.M. Chapels Royal, a reception was held in the Sunday School auditorium honoring Mr. Roper, Canadian Champion.

VILLAGE OF ACTON NOTICE RE PUBLIC HEALTH

Commencing on the first day of May, a thorough inspection of all premises, cellars, etc. within the municipality of Acton will be made.

Special attention will be given to assure outside toilets are properly cleaned. These must be cleaned prior to the above date and thoroughly disinfected. For this purpose chlorine of lime is recommended. It is effective and inexpensive.

Leaves or other rakings from lawns should not be left on the streets. Any rubbish not burned should be placed in suitable containers for removal by the Garbage Collectors. Even if burned the ashes should be placed in containers for removal by the collector.

E. E. HARROP, Municipal Officer
Acton, April 7th-1947 40-42

CLEARING AUCTION SALE AT EVERTON

FARM STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, ETC.
The undersigned have received instructions from

ROBERT BARBOUR to sell by Public Auction at his farm situated at the south end of Everton, on

SATURDAY, APRIL 26th Commencing at 1:00 o'clock, sharp the following:

HORSES - Percheron Mare, 6 yrs. old; Percheron Mare, 10 yrs. old.
COWS - Black Heifer, due in Aug.; Reg. Jersey, milking well; Holstein Jersey, due June 1st; Blue Grey Cow, due at sale date; Holstein Yorkshire, fresh, 11, calf at foot; Reg. Holstein, fresh, 11, calf at foot; Reg. Holstein Bull born Mar. 10, 1946; Reg. Holstein Heifer, 14 mos. old; Reg. Jersey Heifer, 14 mos. old; Grade Holstein Heifer, 11 mos. old.

SHEEP - 8 Down-Ewes with 11 lambs at foot; 1 Ewe, due to lamb; 2 Bred Ewe Lambs.

Poultry and Equipment - 80 Hampshire Reds; 40 Hybrids; Colony House.

HOGS - York Sow, bred and her litter of 15 pigs, just weaned; 8 York Chunks; 4 Young Sows, recently bred; Bone, 21 mos. reg.; 10 Pigs, 10 weeks old.

HARNESS - Set of Backband Harness, nearly new. Set of new crutch breechings, Collars, etc.

FARM IMPLEMENTS - M.H. 11 disc Fertilizer Drill; Fleury single frow Riding Plow; Set Harrows; Deering Mower; L.H.C. Spring tooth Cultivator; Turnip Sower; Spring tooth Scuffler; Steel wheel Track Wagon; Flat Rack; (Grass) Box; Bench Sleighs; Barb Wire Stretcher; M.H. Pulper; DeLaval Cream Separator. In real good order; Daisy Churn; Milk Pails, etc.; 2 Steel Gates, 14 ft.; 2 Ralls Poultry Fence, 10 rods each; Cur for steel track; Hay Fork; Ropes, etc.; Lumber; Cow Churns; 22 Ruffs; Ivory and black trim Ice refrigerator; and the usual small articles offered at a farm sale.

TERMS - Cash on Sale Day. No reserve as the farm has been sold to the Boy Scouts. Remember the date, the Last Saturday in April at the Boy Scout Camp, Everton.

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