

VISIT MARITIMES TO STUDY FAUNA

On a mission to make a comparative study of fresh water insects and molluscs and to collect specimens for the Polish Museum of Zoology in Warsaw, Dr. Tadeusz Jacewski, acting director of the museum and fellow of the Royal Entomological Society of London, arrived at Halifax recently on the S.S. Batory from Poland. He was accompanied by his assistant Dr. Stanislaus Feliksik.

This is the first visit of these Polish scientists to Canada and for Dr. Jacewski to North America. Both have visited South America, and in addition Dr. Jacewski has visited Central America, and his assistant Mexico. The former is more interested in fresh water insects, while Dr. Feliksik will devote his attention to molluscs.

They will spend a few days making studies in the vicinity of Halifax and from there will proceed via Canadian National Railways to North Sydney en route to Newfoundland. From the latter point the learned doctors will return to Halifax and sail from that port for Poland.

Dr. Jacewski explained that he and his assistant wish to make a comparative study of these fauna as between North America and Northern Europe and to obtain as complete a collection as possible for their museum.

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Hannah: Godly Motherhood

International Uniform Sunday School Lesson, August 21, 1938.

GOLDEN TEXT: "Her children arise up, and call her blessed." Proverbs 31: 28.

LESSON PASSAGE: 1 Samuel 1: 9-18; 2: 1-5.

O God in whom we live and move, Thy love is law, thy law is love; Thy present Spirit waits to fill The soul which comes to do thy will.

An Empty Heart, 9, 10. A childless home is usually a silent sorrow. Adults with latent love of children in their hearts, invite the children of other families to their homes or lavish their affection upon pets. Among Hebrew women childlessness was almost a social disgrace.

This lesson tells of Hannah going to the Temple to worship but in bitterness of soul. While she prayed she wept sore. The deepest desire of her heart had been denied and she had not learned the patience of unanswered prayer, but she knew enough to solve her problem to God. Whenever we have a problem God has the answer, perhaps not the answer we desire but always he has an answer. Hannah felt completely hopeless and helpless but she turned her thoughts to God and sought help and hope from him. Nor was she disappointed.

A Prayer To God, 11. Have you ever listed the things for which you pray? Are they predominantly material things, spiritual blessings or moral purposes? Are there any things for which you do not pray? Have you had answers to prayer which lead you to pray with greater faith for other desired outcomes? Is your prayer a storming petition of the throne of God or disciplined listening until you are ready to accept the will of God?

Hannah did not hesitate to pray for a son. She followed up her prayer by making a vow that her son would be dedicated to God and that he would be trained to live as a Nazirite. Would there be friction in as many families as there are, would so many homes be broken through divorce, if parents made family and home the subject of sincere and prolonged prayer? The home may be a shrine as truly as the church. Hannah prepared herself spiritually for motherhood by earnest prayer.

Misunderstood, 12-16. A consecrated woman befriended a family which was under a social ban and was severely criticized for showing interest and good will to those who bore the stigma but were in all the greater need of help. She was challenged and gossiped about but she kept right on obeying her own conscience seeking to follow her Master in calling sinners to repentance and reformation. It takes grace to meet situations like that. While Hannah prayed in her great agony of tears Eli thought that she was under the influence of alcohol. Her emotion was so great that words failed her and the aged priest reproached her. She replied that her emotion was due to sorrow not to intoxication. With dignity she defended herself and showed that she had a more acute problem than drink. Her very faith in the love of God was at stake. Her life's mission seemed to be in jeopardy. Was it any wonder that she prayed not with conventional propriety, but with the uttermost abandon of a soul facing defeat and despair? Hannah's prayer has something of the character of the prayer of the Master in Gethsemane. It cost her something to pray.

A Surrendered Desire, 17, 18. Eli spoke the words that helped. He said "Go in peace, and the God of Israel grant thee thy petition that thou hast asked of him." Hannah accepted the word of the priest as a promise of God. She surrendered her tears and her fears. No longer did she have to endure an agony of emotion, inward contentment and peace were given to her. She went back to her accustomed tasks, for no more reason to fast, and her countenance was no longer sad. Are such transformations and victories possible today? Stanley Jones, bearing a very heavy load of responsibility was asked how he kept up the pace. He replied, "There are two ways of doing it. In India a railway engine stops to take water, in America engines suck up water as they speed along." There are times of crisis when we may find renewal. Solitude, prayer, further surrender listening to God, bring the answers we seek. There are other periods, perhaps long, long periods, when we are busy at work with little time for meditation or prayer where, in we may keep in touch with God by faith. Fragmentary moments of prayer, and the inner peace which is born of trust and surrender. By such means we may have victory, instead of defeat.

A Mother's Glory, 1-5. Hannah's song sounds like a prelude to the Magnificat. She had the same joy and faith of Mary the mother of Jesus. Too often when our prayers are answered we take the fulfillment for granted and fail to return thanks. The nine lepers out of whom who failed to express their gratitude are symbolical of many Christians who pray for God's help and when it is received fail to thank the giver of all good. When our desires and our gratitude are both rooted in God, he becomes a living reality to us. Then we have a religion not alone of ideas and ideals but a personal experience which may be renewed and repeated. It is little use to try to deal with doubts by themselves. The only adequate answer is an experience of God's help which removes doubt and builds up individual faith. What a conviction for a Hebrew woman of nearly three thousand years ago! "The Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed."

Questions For Discussion. 1. Why is motherhood less highly prized than formerly? 2. How does economic depression affect the birthrate? 3. Are there any matters that we ex-

clude from our prayer life? 4. What does it mean to surrender a desire to God? 5. What did Hannah mean when she said "The Lord is a God of knowledge?"

New British Policy Based On Canadian. In 1935 the Poultry Reorganization Commission for England and Wales appointed a technical committee to consider the present methods of supply and distribution of hatchery eggs, day-old chicks, and breeding stock in Great Britain, both generally and with particular reference to the reduction of poultry mortality, and to make recommendations for the improvement of those methods.

Some of the best poultry work in the world has been done in Canada, and naturally in drawing up their scheme the technical committee based their recommendations on what has been done in the Dominion for many years, principally on the Record of Performance and Hatchery Approval policies which have been in operation during the past 20 years.

On the findings of the technical committee, the British Minister of Agriculture has now set up a Poultry Commission for Great Britain with powers to control the distribution of breeding stock, hatching eggs and day-old chicks, with the responsibility for conducting stock improvement schemes on voluntary lines, assisted by premiums from the Exchequer in diminishing scale. In addition, the establishment of a research station has been undertaken for the investigation of major diseases and problems connected with the industry.

Some years ago the Canadian Record of Performance policy won international recognition for its merits as a medium for the development of general efficiency in farm flocks; now as an additional mark of approval the British Minister of Agriculture has incorporated practically the whole Canadian scheme into the British poultry policy. The British Minister stated in the British Parliament that "the British Government was of the opinion that a factor contributing to the present difficulties of the poultry industry was the lack of organization in the marketing of home-produced eggs and poultry." The Canadian example was readily available, with the result that the marketing scheme is substantially a replica of the methods followed in Canada.

Visitor (in editorial rooms)—"What do you use that blue pencil for?" Editor—"Well, to make a long story short, it's to — — — make a long story short."

SCHOOLBOY HOWLERS

Following is a list of schoolboy howlers compiled from replies by students to questions on examinations:

Taxes are things what people pay, then are used to keep the roads nice. The Arctic Circle is the circle in the Arctic region where it is day all day long.

A stethoscope is a spyglass for looking into people's chests with your ears. A mosquito is a child of black and white parents.

Mussolini is a sort of material used for ladies' stockings. A pedestrian is one of those people motorists run over.

The gorgeous spoked like women—more horrible. The function of the stomach is to hold up the petticoat.

Immortality is running away with another man's wife. The equator is an imaginary line running through the tropics with both ends meeting in the middle.

The cold at the North Pole is so great that towns there are not inhabited. Ambiguous means having two wives and not being able to get rid of them.

Mars is a star so far off that it would take a million years to walk there in an express train. What is the difference between a window and a widow? You can see through the window.

When Englishmen on one side fight with Englishmen on the other it is called a general election. Shakespeare was a very polite man. He often said, "Go to" but he never finished the sentence.

Oliver Cromwell had an iron will and a large red nose, but underneath were religious feelings. Liberty of conscience means being able to do wrong without bothering about it afterwards.

Rhubarb is a kind of celery gone bloodshot. The feminine of bachelor is lady-in-waiting. The inhabitants of Paris are called Parisians.

A quack doctor is one who looks after ducks. Doctors say that fatal diseases are the worst. A poligon with seven sides is called a heolligan.

A grass widow is the wife of a dead vegetarian. What was Adam's punishment? He was to keep Eve. Milk is chiefly bought in tins, but it also grows in coconuts and goats.

When is the best time for picking apples? On Sunday afternoon, when the folks are in church. A sincere friend is one who says nasty things to your face.

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