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note that there is here no condemnation of hirelings (those who are paid for the work of unders) such. They would not do their work unless paid for it, because they must JESUS, THE GOOD SHEPHERD live. The real mark of the "hireling" who is denounced in this allegory is The allegory of the Good Shepherd not that he is paid, but that in mowhich forms the substance of this lesments of danger, he puts his own inson, reminds us very vividly of Pealm 23 written by David the Shepherd

then about the sheep. It is well

SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON

by Rosv. R. C. Todd

follows naturally upon his healing of

the man born blind in chap. 9. The

authorities had excommunicated the

now-seeing blind man because he had

acknowledge as the Christ one regar

ding whom they had enacted that

any man acknowledged him he should

be banished from the Synagogue

Brought up as he had been to consi-

the voice of Grd, he would feel very

good men, and from the sources

the good life. Jesus contrasts

harsh treatment with his own care

itimacy of his own claims. And in in-

tual security and life eternal.

authorities who had excommunicated

the blind man for his independence of

spirit were but thieves and robbers.

The thieves are those who prey upon

the sheep. There are still those thieves

who make profit out cf the weaknes-

ses that are characteristic of human

nature. For instance the interests

that make so large a profit from the

manufacture and sale of alcoholic

drink. (Ontario spends more for its

liquor than for its education, hospi-

tals, and the service of God combined.

drink than for its whole provincial

administration and public services)

Thieves! There are other forms of

The hirelings belong to a different

bility under the Shepherd, for

Saskatchewan spends more for

preys upon human life.

LESSON: John, Chapter 10.

teresis ahead of those of the flock. He is afraid actively to oppose the King of Israel'. Jesus' use of the figure thieves and the wolves. He knows or which side his bread is buttered. How many leaders in State and Church press, radio, platform and industry, today are afraid of th: "big bad wolpresumed to think for himself, and to ves," and the thieves, and consequently attend to the buttered side

of their bread! In contrast to the hirefings and robbers, stands the figure of the Good der these authorities as representing Shepherd who knows his sheep, and whose sheep know him. He goes "before" his sheep, as their guide. He naturally, that this excommunication cut him off from fellowship with all does not urge them on from some safe place in the rear; he has gone ahead and calls them to follow. (His rod and his staff they comfort me, Ps. 23) Through Him as the "door," the sheep the blind man, and uses the contrast go in and out and find pasture. The as evidence of the illegitimacy of their thought is that through Christ, a man usurpation of authority, and the legfinds spiritual security in the midst of the violent fluctuations of life (goes dignation against those who had asin). The complimentary thought the sumed authority, he declares "I am goes out) is that Chrisi calls his fol the door of the sheep" (10:7) The writer of this gospel is claiming Jesus to lowers out into the world through his to answer. faith, in Him as the door, to play his be the sole means of access to spiri-The full part in every area of community

> pasture" through Him. Christ is the "living Bread" whitrthy a man's spiritual life is strengthened and sustai- the seed trade, William A. Couse, acned. And this with the thieves and tive for more than 60 years as an apiwolves all around. Compare Psalm 23, arist, died February 15th at his home Thou preparest a table before me in in Streetsville after a prolonged illthe presence of mine enemies."

and to His way of life. He also "finds

thievery that may be included in this connection. What are they? Anything, no matter by what name it gets, that

group They are the undershepherds demption. We are sinners who could hibits. paid to take a share of the responsi- be redeemed only at the cost of the are more concerned about themselves evil that beside it our little individual

shortcomings appear as almost virtuous. Only as a men becomes aware of the Bon of God on the cross, does be realize the indictment upon himself and his fellows, awful enough to make him shudder as he looks there into the face of SIN. But the Good Shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. He bears, carries, the judgment of God upon this awful dragen, as only God can

A good part of our world today must

be included in our minds as we think of the words: "And other sheep I have which are not of this fold" (vs. 16). There is no hope of a better world until His words be fulfilled: "them also I must bring." This is what our world needs: a loyalty that will be greater than ary of our little sectional loyalties, a new fellowship, based not on self-interest, but on following Him who has given his life that all might live. Scientists are saying that the effects of the atom bomb on its victims in Japan will be felt for four more generations. It the victims live and have children, they may be born with three legs or arms, or two heads, etc., with low mentality - in other words monsters with no intelligence. In a year every nation on earth will have atom bombs. Imagine the effect on culture, on civilization, if more bombs Do we need salvation or don't we? The question should not be hard

and national life, witnessing to Him PROMINENT SEED MERCHANT, WILLIAM A. COUSE SUCCUMBS

Prominent throughout Canada in ness. He would have celebrated his The allegory brings out the cost to 88th birthday next Friday.

the shepherd of being a "good" shep- Founder of the firm William Couse herd. He "giveth his life for the and Sons 65 years ago, Mr. Couse was sheep." That is what it costs him to a past president of the Canadian save the sheep from the perils around Seed Trade Association. He was a them. The full meaning of these charter member of the Ontario Beewords, is realized when we are aware keepers! Association, of which he was of the fact several times mentioned once president and for 20 years secrein these lessons, that the author of tary. Mr. Couse served for 40 years as this gospel is concerned to present the a member of the Streetsville High Christ Crucified and Risen as the ob- School Board. On the poard of the ject of faith. Their content is the Royal Winter Fair since its inception whole work of Christ for man's re- he was a frequent judge of honey ex-

Mr. Couse was born in Belwood, gothe cross. It is trite, perhaps, just to say ing to Streetsville nearly 70 years ago. well-being of the sheep. But when that "we are sinners," for most of us Becoming interested in bee-keeping, danger threatens from thieves or wild are inclined to think lightly of our lit- he developed a business which later animals, these men reveal their na- tie sins, not realizing that humanity included coal, grain and seed. For 58 ture by seeking safety in flight. They is involved in something so hideously years, Mr. Couse never missed a convention meeting of the Ontario Beeheepers' Association. He travelled extensively visiting Europe and the United States, and a few years ago, joined a Canadian good will tour to the Argentine. He was a Liberal and actice in both provincial and federal

> Mr. Couse was the oldest past master of River Pork Lodge, AF & AM, and a member of the board of management of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his widow, the former Margaret Matilda Steen; two sons. Harold W., and Alan L. Couse, both of Streetsville: a daughter, Mrs. M. K. Funston, Lorne Park; four grandchildren, and two brothers, Henry Couse, Cookstown and Frederick Couse, Van-

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Mr. and Mrs. Wm Hitchcock, formenty of Ballinafad celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Preston, King Street, Georgetown. There was a very happy gathering of friends from Brantford Ballinafad and Stewarttown, and Georgetown. They all wished them the best of health for the years to come. Those present were Mrs. Frank Pastill and son George, Brantford, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Lawson and daughters, Mary and Lillian, Stewarttown, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harding (another daughter) - Georgetown and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Kenney and son Melvyn of Ballinafad.

COUNCIL OF WOMEN WILL COMPILE NURSING LIST

At the Januar' meeting of the Local Council of Women, it was suggested that something might be done to meet the great need for nursing help in Georgetown. In order to deal with this worthwhile project, the Local Council has decided to compile a list of these available for nursing and those in need of help could get infor-

mation from this list. Graduate nurses, practical nurses and others willing to give part-time service in cases of illness in the home are asked to register their names with Mrs. A. R. Vannatter, Phone 307w.

JUDGES POULTRY SHOW IN MANITOBA

Corey Herrington, well-known local poultry breeder and editor of the monthly poultry paper "Peather Fancier left on Mroday for Neepawa, Munitoba, where he will be a judge at the annual poultry show in the western town. This is his second year of judging at Neepawa. On the return trip, he will stop off at Fort William. where he will address a meeting . poultry relects specially called for the occusion.

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