

AUCTION SALE

There will be offered for sale by public auction on Saturday, the 4th day of December, A.D., 1948, at the hour of two o'clock, in the afternoon, at the premises herein-after mentioned, in the Village of Ballinafad, in the County of Wellington, by Frank Petch, Auctioneer, the following property, namely: Part of the east half of Lot Number One, in the Seventh Concession of the Township of Erin, in the County of Wellington, more particularly described in registered instrument Number 17041-D33 for the Township of Erin. On the said property there is said to be erected a two-storey frame house, insulated brick covered, six rooms; and a small barn in good repair.

TERMS: 10% of the purchase money to be paid down at time of sale; Balance to be paid on closing.

The following household goods and effects will also be offered for sale:

Stove, table chairs, couch, rocking chair, garden tools, saws, chains, violin, floor covering, beds and mattress, floor covering (new), carpet, 6 rolls brick siding (new), dishes, 2 lamps, pillows and other miscellaneous articles.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Dale and Bennett, Georgetown, Ontario, solicitors for Nori-May Adamson and Norman Adamson, the executors of the Henry Alexander Binnie Estate.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Estate of
JOSEPH FRANKLIN STANLEY
GILLIS
Deceased

All persons having claims against the estate of JOSEPH FRANKLIN STANLEY GILLIS, late of the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Halton, Manager, deceased, who died on or about the 21st day of August, 1948, are hereby notified to send in to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executor of the said deceased, on or before the twentieth day of December, 1948, full particulars of their claims. Immediately after the said date the said Executor will distribute the assets of the said deceased having regard only to claims of which he shall then have notice to the exclusion of all others, and he will not be liable to any person of whose claim notice shall not have been received for the assets so distributed or any part thereof.

DATED at St. Catharines, this eighteen day of November, A.D., 1948.

BURSON, JOHNSTON & WILSON
104 St. Paul Street,
St. Catharines, Ont.
Solicitors for the Executor

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Comments on the Lesson

by Rev. John M. Smith

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5th

"History In The New Testament"

A few weeks ago our lesson was under the topic "History in the Old Testament". This week we are to consider the theme "History in the New Testament". One might wonder if there is any difference. Perhaps the greatest distinction from a historic point of view is the fact that in the Old Testament writings the religious and secular history of the Israelites are closely knit together while the history of the New Testament is more particularly that of the beginnings of the church, recorded with very little reference to its significance in the main historic stream.

Principally we find this record of New Testament history in the Book of the Acts of the Apostles.

It is the story of the faith of a few folk who knew the Christ living, dead and risen — the story of some ordinary citizens whose lot it was to be transformed by the spirit of Christ and who, no longer weak-minded and weak-hearted, went forward proclaiming "Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God".

Here we have the account of their tours, sermons, prayers, healings and experiences which have inspired Christians of all generations from their day to ours. Here we have the story of their witness which was their reply to the "Great Commission" given them by their Risen Lord.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

The Biblical Basis:

In order to get a good understanding of "History in the New Testament" one could do little better than read the Book of Acts through from beginning to end in very much the same fashion as one would read a chapter of any other book. For the purpose of this lesson however, we look only

at a few verses of special importance.

In Chapter 1:8 we read of a promise of power which is to come to the bewildered followers of the Christ, and a prediction that so empowered they are to be His witnesses. In our next passage 2:1-4 we find the promise and prediction being fulfilled in the Pentecost experience and many converts are added to the church as a consequence. From this day forward the Apostles made their influence upon the world in a spiritual, social, cultural and intellectual way.

In Chapter 13:1-3 Barnabas and Paul are set apart for special missionary activities and they leave the Church at Antioch to travel farther and you with the message of the Risen Christ. Our next passage speaks of the challenge to carry the gospel to Macedonia and Paul's immediate response which opened up a new field of endeavour for the early church.

The last passage chosen for study shows Paul now a prisoner in Rome, but a prisoner favoured by the authorities and allowed to dwell in his own hired house, to receive visitors, and to preach and teach the Christian faith.

The Application:

The history of the Christian Church did not end with Paul in Rome but continued on through the centuries, and is continuing today — the story of the church is still unfolding in the failures and achievements of churches at home and abroad. We as a part of the church are making history but unfortunately we seem to be rather careless about what kind of history we make. Modern indifference makes timid reading alongside the zeal of other days.

We would do well to catch again the vision of the Rhine Church embodied in the words: "Go teach all nations."

We too need the power of the Holy Spirit to transform our self-centredness into that which is other-centred and Christ-centred in order that we might be His witnesses in our time.

This reading again of the Acts of the Apostles surely ought to stir within us that desire to serve Christ and His cause. This we can only do if we consecrate

Mrs. Snagg: "Did I understand you to say Mr. Perkins is interested in business?"

Mrs. Bitters: "Yes."

"What business is she interested in?"

"Everybody's."

ourselves unreservedly to the task.

Helpful Quotations:

"No great achievement is possible today unless Christians are filled with the Spirit."

"We must obey God rather than men . . . and we must witness to those things which we know from experience."

"The world is not tired of Jesus but it looks askance at a church that denies Him and fails to live His life."

"They were at the crossroads of the world's destiny."

"Paul did not create a Christ of Jesus; Jesus created a saint of Paul."

"They claimed a new life in Christ, and they tried to exemplify it."

"Truth crushed to earth will rise again."

"You cannot explain men like Livingstone, Hudson Taylor, Wilfred Grenfell, Albert Schweitzer and Kungawa apart from a living Christ. They are Christ's men and have moved the world for Him."

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