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EDITORIAL

Electric railways in Canada continue to provide transportation to a large percentage of the population, carrying 600,728,313 passengers in 1935 compared with 595,143,003 in 1934 and 585,385,094 in 1933. During the year Canada's electric railways provided employment for 14,381 workers who received salaries and wages totalling \$18,640,517. Over 1,800 miles of track were in operation and the total mileage of street cars and buses was almost 121 million. In addition to being a cheap and reasonably rapid means of conveyance the electric railways are large users of Hydro-electric energy, which is an important feature of Canadian economic life.

Wise Decision

A year ago last spring a Michigan youth drove his automobile into a group of pedestrians and killed two people, the parents of five children. Charges were brought against the youth, and just recently a final disposition of his case was made. Under a court order, he must pay \$10 a week toward the support of the five orphaned children for five years. He must not drive an automobile again, and under no circumstances may he purchase liquor. The court put him on probation to make sure that these orders would be carried out.

Here is a disposition of a traffic case which seems to be highly sensible. The young motorist is getting enough in the way of punishment, surely, to impress on motorists generally the need for caution. Being kept away from liquor and automobiles, he won't repeat his offence. Meanwhile, he is compelled to render a substantial financial aid to the dependents of his victims. The whole might well set a precedent for similar cases elsewhere. — Jacksonville, Fla., Journal.

Milk Bars

The milk bars that seem to be getting along so well in England will indeed do a great deal of good if they can divert part of the drinking habit from alcoholic beverages to that of milk. Not only in England would this be a good change of drinking habits, but right here in Ontario the people as a whole would be better if the beverage rooms served milk instead of the present beverages. It is said there are now more than 450 milk bars in England, 100 of which are in London. The London Times says: "Stalwart young men think nothing of standing at a milk bar and drinking glasses of milk, or thirst-quenchers of which milk forms the basis. 'Milk shakes' consist of milk, a little ice cream, and some fruit flavoring, the whole shaken in an electrical mixer, are taking the place of 'sundowners' and 'clevenesses.' There are 50 different non-alcoholic drinks with milk as a constituent—malted milk, yeast milk, milk cocktails, milk punch, egg and milk, milk soups, milk hot, and milk iced. The names of some of the new drinks leave nothing to be desired. 'Bootlegger's Punch,' 'Goddess Dream,' and 'Blackberry Cocktail' are good enough for any man."

One can just imagine what a stimulus to the milk industry adoption of these bars will mean in England. Milk drinks are to be had at most every soda fountain in Canada. No matter how much of the milk drink is taken automobile drivers would in no way be incapacitated for driving and none would be seen staggering out of these milk bar-rooms.

Beware
The manager of the Toronto Better Trading Bureau gives warning that "sucker lists" are being used extensively in the hope of snaring victims. Investment counsellors and investment bankers are flooding mail boxes offering their services to the public to help them get rid of their earnings. A mail box cluttered with this stuff, or receipt of telephone calls is assurance that you are on one of these "sucker lists." How these lists are made up we are not sure. But certain we are that we are on some of them and are not at all flattered by the attention. The Legion of Acton is collecting baled waste paper and these folks are making quite a contribution to every bale. The public would do well to need the advice of the manager of the Better Business Bureau. Mr. Haskell says: "It is well to remember that a deserving promotion does not require high pressure methods to sell it. The use of such measures is almost invariably a sign of danger."

Recipe for Marital Happiness

Two young people, with two small children, dwelling in Florida happily on an annual income of \$1,500, are adjudged the ideal American married couple. The verdict was rendered by a jury selected by the head of a publishing house on the basis of answers to a questionnaire. The winners believe the best age for marriage to be 25 and 21 for husband and wife, respectively. They agree upon the desirability of parenthood and insist that the woman should not be employed elsewhere than in her home. They oppose laws liberalizing divorce. They believe the wife should not interest herself in her husband's business affairs unless invited to participate. They hold that life under the same roof with relatives or "in-laws" lessens chances for happy marriages. Nor, they assert, should the wedding be delayed until the male has an assured income or position. A good, wholesome mixture of youthful idealism and mature, common sense is in these replies. They are all the more significant because they grow out of the experience of maintaining a home on \$125 a month. Refreshing in a rather materialistic, somewhat dizzy age, too.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Delayed

We have been solidly behind the adoption by Acton of a plan for systematic collection of garbage. The matter cannot be deferred much longer and is creating quite a nuisance in many ways. We quite realize that the plan will cost something no matter how it is arranged. And we firmly believe with the Council committee that the only feasible way is to make the plan on the taxes. After listening to the argument for some time we can also understand the viewpoint of the Council in deferring immediate adoption of the plan. It would call for the levy of another mill on the tax rate. Some way or other these mills loom large. For instance, a mill levy on a property assessed at a \$1,000 would, of course, mean an extra dollar on the tax rate, which isn't a very large sum to pay for the privilege of having the ashes and garbage collected fifty-two times. However, the raising of the tax rate is not advisable. When it is considered that the rate will, by the retirement of debentures, be reduced within the course of a year or so, it is perhaps better to have the convenience when it can be met without raising the rate. After all, Acton has been incorporated for over sixty years, so that it will not hurt very much if it goes another year without this added municipal service. But it should not be lost track of when the funds are available for its adoption.

EDITORIAL NOTES

And next week is Acton Fair. Give the home-comers a hearty welcome.

Thanksgiving Day is on Monday, October 12th—just four weeks from next Monday.

Canadians consumed 2,934,916,000 eggs during 1935, or approximately 268 eggs a person.

Marriages in Canada during 1935 totalled 76,883, an increase of 3,791 over the preceding year.

Coroner's juries are running a close second to County Councils in making recommendations.

With the political picnics added to the Sunday school events, the good old summer-time is even getting better.

Premier Aberhart suggests a license for newspapers of the province. Apparently he's not getting along with the newspapers.

Gold production in Ontario during the first six months of the current year totalled 1,147,196 ounces, compared with 1,052,639 ounces in the corresponding period of 1935.

Canada and Russia have resumed normal trade relations, and Russian anthracite will come into Canada, and no doubt Canada will supply to Russia many of the things of which we have a surplus.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th

CHRISTIAN LIVING

Golden Text—Christ liveth in me.—Gal. 2: 20.

Lesson Text—Romans 12: 1-3, 9-21.

Time—Spring, A. D. 58. Place—Corinth.

Exposition.—I. The Christian's Duty to God, 1-3.

Paul here makes the great truths about God, as noted in the preceding chapters, the basis of the practical teaching that follows. Note the "therefore." Paul never divorced ethics from theology; no way lecher ever does. God's grace toward us has been so wonderful it lays corresponding obligations and duties upon us. This duty is to present our body and all its members to God to be used for His glory and service alone (cf. ch. 6: 13, 16, 19). Paul is very urgent, he beseeches them to do this. He is very winsome, too. He might have commanded: in point of fact, he beseeches. By "bodies" Paul means just what he says. We should recognize God's right ownership to every member of our body and present it to Him for His use (1 Cor. 6: 20). While the seat of religion is in the spirit, and will, and affections, and thoughts, the instrument through which religion expresses itself and works is the body. There was never a time in which there was more need of insistence upon a religion and Christianity that affects the body and every member of the body than to-day. Hands, feet, lips, ears, eyes and the parts of the body one does not wish to mention, every member of the body, should be conscientiously presented to God as belonging to Him, purchased by the blood of the Son of His love (1 Cor. 6: 20; 1 Peter 1: 18, 19). Having been presented to God, the body and every member of it, should be kept holy for Him and wholly for Him, and for His glory and that alone. In the Old Testament types the sacrifice was slain before it was laid upon the altar, but it is our "LIVING" body, full of activity and power for accomplishment, that we should offer to God. The body thus offered is not a vile thing but a "holy" thing as belonging to God, and it is "acceptable" (rather, we pleasing) to God. While it is the offering of a body it is a "spiritual" religious service, because it is our spirit that presents the offering of the body which it inhabits and through which it expresses itself. Having presented our bodies to God we will not get our "fashions" (see R. V.) from this present devil-governed age (cf. 2 Cor. 4: 4, R. V., Marg.). The only way to keep from being "fashioned according to this age" is by being "transformed by the renewing (or, making anew) of your mind." God's will is "good," "well pleasing," and "perfect." It is the best thing in all the universe, and the wisest and sweetest of all prayers—"thy will be done." But it is only when we present our bodies to God, a living sacrifice, and are transformed by the renewing of our inmost life and so are no longer fashioned according to this age, that we can experimentally taste and test this "good," "well pleasing," and "perfect will of God."

II. The Christian's Duty to Others, 9-21.

Our first duty toward others, all others, is to love them, and our love should be genuine and not merely pretended. The keynote to what follows is found in the opening words of verse 9. "If we have love that is REAL and not a mere imitation, we will do all that Paul in this chapter bids us do. Much of what we call love is merely playing a part—hypocrisy. It is not enough to languidly decline to do evil. "ABHOR!" It is not enough to half-heartedly choose the good. "CLEAVE TO IT!" Our love must be of a "tenderly affectionate" kind. Prove the genuineness of your love by putting others above yourself.

It is far easier to give another man your last cent than to give him the place of honor you wish for yourself (cf. Phil. 2: 3; Luke 14: 10; Matt. 20: 26). Pure love GLOWS: it is "fervent in spirit." It does not affect that cold superiority that smiles condescendingly upon "the enthusiasm of inexperience." The love that is "without hypocrisy has the glory of the Lord as its ultimate aim (cf. Eph. 6: 5-9). Real love is glad; glad because it is open-eyed to God's purposes, "rejoicing in hope" (cf. ch. 6: 2; 15: 13). Real love is never pessimistic (cf. Cor. 13: 7). "Hope" resting upon the Word of God which cannot lie is the spring of love's never-fading joy. Love is "patient in tribulation" no matter how severe. Love never grumbles. Love is ever prayerful, "continuing steadfastly in prayer." A prayerless life is sure to become a loveless life. True love is generous, "communicating to the necessities of the saints." It is noteworthy that this comes immediately after the prayerfulness of love and this is the order of experience (cf. Acts 2: 42, 44, 45; 4: 31, 32, 34, 35). A praying Christian is a giving Christian. A praying church is a giving church. Next we have the "hospitality" of love. Love of strangers is the root idea of the Greek word translated "hospitality"; love of display is the root idea of much modern "hospitality." How many Christians are there to-day who keep the door open for every servant of Christ and child of God (really such) that comes along? (Job. 13: 1, 2). Next the "forgiveness" of love. When men persecute us, we are to bless and not to curse. Then the "sympathy" of love (v. 15), the "unity" of love (v. 16), the "humility" of love (v. 16). We are not to set our minds upon the high things but rather are "to be carried away with (the exact force of the Greek) things that are lowly." We must not be wise in our own estimation of ourselves. We must have a poor opinion of our own opinions. We must have love's regard for the opinion of others; we are to take thought for things which are "honorable in the sight of all men." Many people think it is a mark of superior spirituality to be entirely indifferent to the opinions of others; it is rather a mark of an absence of love. Love is peaceable: "as far as possible, far as lies in" us, cultivate "peace with all men." We are not, however, to compromise with evil. We are not to avenge injury done to us; vengeance belongs to God. We can safely leave the matter with Him, for we have His definite promise: "I will recompense."

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DINNER STORIES

VERY ANNOYING. An old German was being cross-examined on the witness stand as to the position of a door, window, etc., and the general interior arrangement of a house. "Describe to the jury just how the stairs run in that house?" The man looked dazed and



scribbled his head for a minute before attempting to reply. "You want to know how the stairs run?" he repeated. "Yes, if you please, how the stairs run?" "Well, your honor, the witness sixty-six years old, and he's been run down and run in a regular way for 50 years."

MOTHER'S HELPER. The conductor came through the car collecting fares. "He's only five years old," he remarked a mother when the official looked at her boy.



When the conductor reached the far end of the car it occurred to the boy that an important bit of information had been overlooked. "Mother is 22," he shouted.