

Book One Hundred and Seventy-four Years Old

J. A. Rimmer Has Volume of Works of Alexander Pope Published at Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1764, Still in Excellent State of Preservation. Contains Letters and Will of Noted Poet

J. A. Rimmer, painter and decorator, 162½ Pine street south, showed The Advance this week a very interesting old volume—"volume 4 of the Works of Alexander Pope, Esquire, in four volumes, complete." The book was published in Edinburgh, Scotland, in the year 1764, but is still in an excellent state of preservation. Although the pages are a little discoloured with the 174 years that have passed, every page is quite readable yet, and the binding has held through the centuries. On the back of the title page of the volume, there is inscribed in excellent penmanship, "Thomas Evan College, his Book, Aged 20 years, March 19th, 1826," this being evidently not the first inscription of ownership, a previous inscription being suggested as likely on the flyleaf of the volume, this flyleaf apparently being torn out of the book. Mr. Rimmer found this interesting volume in an otherwise empty house, but so many years ago that he does not remember where the find was made. He kept the book simply because he did not like to see a volume lost or destroyed needlessly. Recently, he came across the book and was impressed by its appearance of well-preserved old age, and consulting the title page was astonished to note that the volume had been printed in 1764, and so was 174 years old despite its excellent state of preservation.

There is no lettering on the binding of the volume, and it is possible that the book has been rebound, though the cover in fact looks as old as any other part of the volume. The title page reads as follows:— "The Works of Alexander Pope, Esq., in Four Volumes, Complete. Volume IV. Containing the Rest of his Letters and Will. Edinburgh: Printed in the year MDCCCLXIV." The use of the long "s" (similar to the present "t") gives a quaint appearance to parts of the title page, while all through the text of the volume the use of the long "s" prevails, as it did in all printing of that time. The letters, published in the volume include letters to and from:—Edward Blount, Esq., Hon. Robert Digby, Dr. Atterbury (Bishop of Rochester), Mr. Gay, Dr. Swift (the famous Dean Swift), and Mr. Warburton. The last will and testament occupies several pages of the volume, some extracts from this document being as follows:—"IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN, I, Alexander Pope, of Twickenham, in

contemporaries and current events as from his powers as a poet. He was contemporary with Dean Swift, Addison, Dr. Johnson, Savage, and others of a day when criticism was given seriously and taken seriously. Indeed, the quarrels of literary men in that day sometimes made doubtful their appraisal in the world of letters. Pope, however, has survived the centuries. In Hoyt's Encyclopedia of Quotations, his name in the index of authors quoted is marked with a star, to indicate that there are so many quotations from his works that it is not practical to list them under his name in the index as is done with many other authors of renown. Among the quotations from Pope retaining perennial popularity and currency, the following may be noted:—

"The proper study of mankind is man." "Virtuous and vicious every man must be, few in the extreme, but all in the degree."

"An honest man's the noblest work of God."

"The human form divine." "Looks through Nature up to Nature's God."

"Folly is the madness of many for the gain of a few."

"What can enoble sots, or slaves, or cowards? Alas! not all the blood of all the Howards."

"True ease in writing comes from art, not chance."

"Charms strike the sight, but merit wins the soul."

"Be not the first by whom the new are tried, nor yet the last to lay the old aside."

"O Grave! where is thy victory? O Death! where is thy sting?" "Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined."

"Do good by stealth, and blush to find it fame."

"Lo, the poor Indian! whose untutored mind sees God in the clouds, or hears him in the wind."

"The right divine of kings to govern wrong."

"Time conquers all, and we must time obey."

"The first collective edition of Pope's 'Works' appeared in 1751. The standard edition is one first published in 1871, according to Sir Paul Harvey.

Grocers Ask Province for Enforced Half-Holiday

Compulsory Wednesday half-holidays and a maximum work week of 54 hours for store clerks will be recommended to the Ontario Minister of Labour, a committee representing Ontario retail grocers decided at a meeting held in Toronto on Tuesday in the Royal York hotel.

Minimum wage and maximum hour legislation will not be satisfactory unless concurrent and adequate provisions are made for uniform closing hours for retail food stores, without any exemptions or evasions being permitted, the committee decided. They will advise the Labor Minister to this effect.

A committee of seven retail grocers from Sarnia, North Bay, Ottawa, Hamilton, Welland and Toronto was formed to study and make recommendations for provincial legislation to eliminate unethical and unfair business practices to achieve more orderly methods of merchandising.

Members appointed to the special resolutions committee include G. P. Lucas, Sarnia; G. R. Moyer, North Bay; Wilfred Lanthier, Ottawa; J. B. Brown, Hamilton; J. B. Bradley, Welland; R. H. Jamieson and L. B. Beason, of Toronto.

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Because of this thoughtlessness and extravagant use of our natural resources, today the passenger pigeon and the Lake Ontario sea salmon are gone, the buffalo are found only in Government reservations or parks and only an odd white pine woods still stands here and there throughout Ontario.

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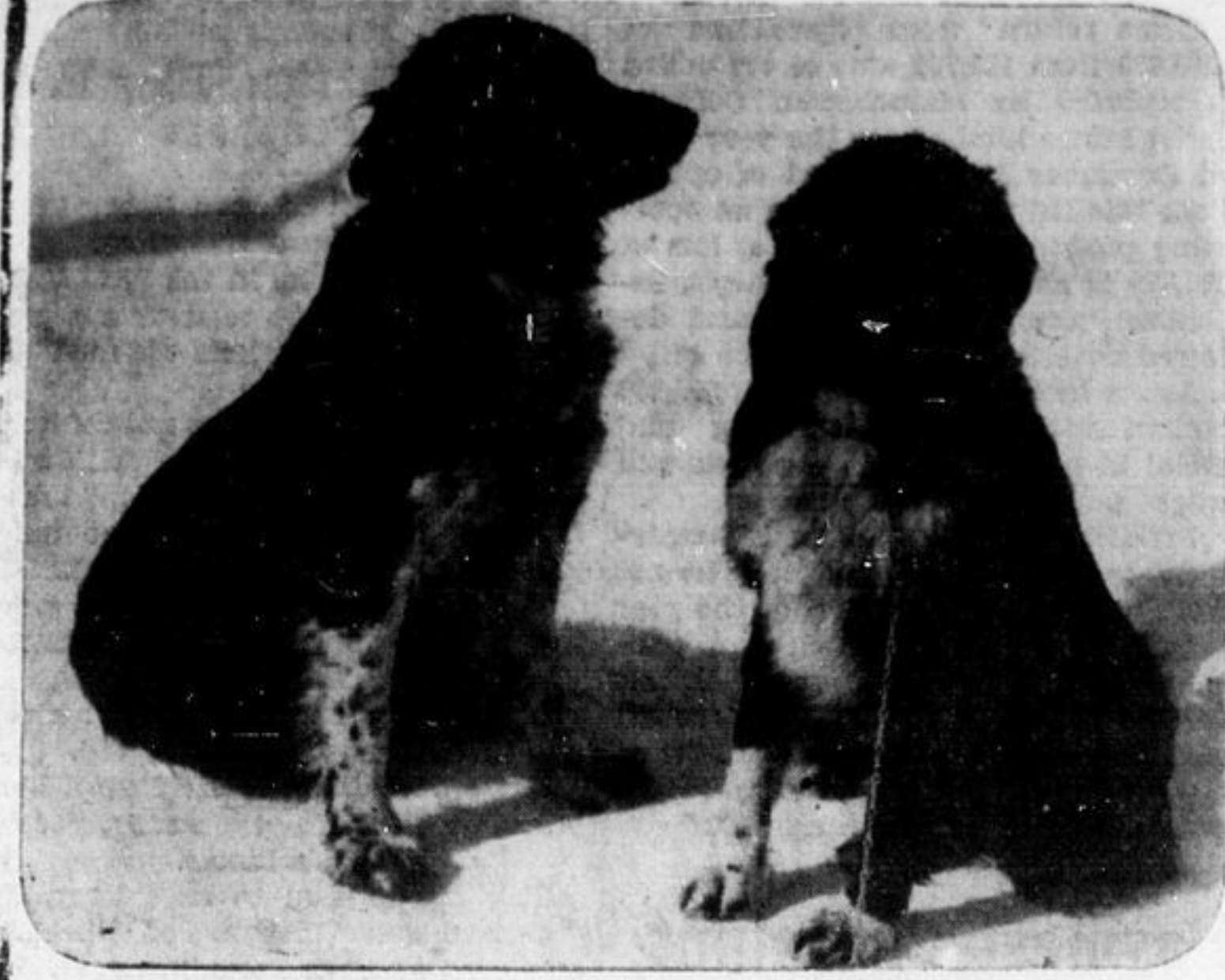
The good sportsman thinks of and plans for tomorrow. If we want to have fish in our lakes and rivers to enjoy and share with our summer visitors, we must do something about it.

In some waters there is still a good supply of speckled trout, bass, pickerel and lake trout. The maskinonge, often called the lunge, is decreasing far too rapidly. Our summer visitors who come to fish and spend a happy holiday among us are delighted with the fishing, and do of course catch a large number of game fish each season. But we are glad to have them come, and it would be too bad if the fishing were no longer good enough to attract them.

The Ontario Department of Game and Fisheries is thinking of tomorrow and trying in every way to keep up the stock of fish in our lakes and rivers for our pleasure and that of our visitors. How are they doing this? By raising trout in fine trout hatcheries and rearing ponds and placing them in suitable waters when they are large enough to fend for themselves, by rearing young bass for the same purpose and by sensible laws which protect the fish when the yare spawning and raising their young. They call this conservation, but it simply means planning for tomorrow's fishing. It is a splendid plan, but it will work only if every one of us does our part.

How can boys and girls of Ontario help along this great plan? Well, first of all, we should think of the lakes and streams of our beautiful Province as ours to protect as well as ours to enjoy. Then we would take care of them as we care for our own personal prop-

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The Good Sportsman Thinks of To-morrow

First of a Series of Articles on Conservation.

There have been a number of recent references in The Advance to conservation of fish and game in Ontario. The topic is particularly timely in view of the essay contest being conducted by the Federation of Anglers of Ontario. The full rules and regulations of this contest will be found in another column of this issue. For the benefit of any of the school children in this district who may wish to enter the contest, The Advance intends to publish a series of six articles on conservation written by members of the Dept. of Biology of the University of Toronto for The Globe and Mail. The following is article No. 1:—

What is Conservation?

Who doesn't like to go fishing? There is something in this sport that appeals to almost every one. Whether you fish in a stream or a lake, with a fly, frog or a worm, you get a lot of enjoyment just from being outdoors with the birds and trees, the flowers and the blue sky. But you like to catch fish, too, and have them to cook over the campfire or to take home to show your friends and family.

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One day the fish were biting and you caught your limit in short order. Did you keep on fishing or were you satisfied with your count? Another day you were catching only little fellows and luck seemed against you. Then you did catch one you thought was big enough to keep, only to find it was an inch too short, were you sport enough to keep the law and put it back?

A good sportsman thinks of tomorrow, when he may want to fish again. He thinks of others who love this great outdoor sport of angling too, so he leaves the tiny fish to grow into bigger ones and stops fishing when he has enough for his needs. Just as a good camper leaves his trail and campsite clean and puts out his fire in true woodsman fashion, so that others may enjoy the pleasant places as he has.

Profit From Past Experience

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erty. We would see that it pays to be sportsmen and help our visitors to be sportsmen, too, no one taking the small fish or more than his share of the larger ones. We can also help by seeing that no one disturbs fish when they are spawning or raising their families, and that no one breaks the law by netting or spearing fish. This will give them a chance to increase and thrive so that we may enjoy this wholesome, happy sport of fishing tomorrow, next year and in the years to come.

It is not enough to place hatchery-raised fish in our waters and to protect them, if we allow the lakes and streams to be polluted so fish cannot live in them. Some of the materials that harm fish life are the wastes from such places as mines, pulp and paper mills, dye works, gas plants, canning factories, creameries and dairies, sugar beet factories, also gas and oil from garages. Some of these wastes poison the fish, others kill the tiny animals that fish feed on, others use up the oxygen, and a fish needs to get oxygen from the water just as we need to get oxygen from the air we breathe.

Anything that can be done to keep our lakes and rivers free from these wastes will help our game fish to live and increase. It is simply common sense looking ahead for ourselves and those who will come after us.

The good sportsman thinks of tomorrow. This is conservation.

The Royal Ontario Museum, Department of Zoology, Toronto, has three different leaflets on conservation which they will send to any one for 10 cents.

Does Not Favour the New Deal Very Much

Discusses Ten Main Points of Roosevelt Policy

(From Globe and Mail)

Unctuousity is about the only word you can think of to describe the tenor of President Roosevelt's preamble to his own story of the New Deal, as set forth in the current number of Liberty. It is merely a rehash, in redressed verbiage, of the age-old idealistic yearnings of the human race for more equitable distribution of this world's comforts and good things.

There are ten main points set out as objectives of the New Deal, which began in 1933 in defiance of the platform of promises of the victorious Democratic party, running the whole gamut from the right of men and women to work for decent wages at reasonable hours, or engage in farming at fair return, clear through to security against want and war. None are new; none may quarrel with them as Utopian dreams. All are representative of the highest ideals.

It is not with the purpose, but with the results, that the world is concerned, and, judged by that standard, it may safely be said that another egregious, monumental folly has failed, largely because the human equation and the laws of supply and demand have been ignored. Upon the country, like a plague of locusts, have descended a flock of harebrained theorists, keeping the profit system well nigh sight for themselves, but denying it to others through a series of crackpot experiments that have set the whole world of business by the ears.

Five years have flown and with them twenty billion dollars. Eleven million people unemployed at the start; eleven million people still out of work at the end of a colossal spending spree without counterpart, even proportionately, in world history. Government expenditures at seven billion a year; unfair taxation and official straying paralyzing business of all kinds; class hatred played up in high places, all under an assumption of Divine wisdom and right. If that we have seen in the past five years is the best this new crop of brain-trusters can devise, then we think it may be said that a bad condition has only been made immeasurably worse.

Whether, under any system that may be devised by man, however humane and idealistic, distribution of comforts can be equalized, is still a mute question, but, as we see it, it will remain unsolved to the very end. If distribution is to be equalized, then there can be no reward for energy, industry or brains. If that be the end sought, then we can see no benefit to be derived from universal education or ambition to excel in any line that may be embraced.

We should also be cast in the same mould, mediocrity or worse would be

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(From Northern News)

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Success of the movement here and in Timmins has resulted in formation of plans for a more ambitious programme next year, and while no fault could be found with the fare offered during the past season, there will be offerings of greater calibre, and possibly more than three concerts.

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