

For The Quiet Hour

APPRECIATING THE BIBLE

Many a man who through force of circumstances has been compelled to spend the summer months in the city without enjoying a breath of country air, has yet contrived to enjoy a holiday. He has done so by exploring and discovering his own city. He may have been agreeably surprised to find almost on every street points of interest which he had overlooked—old buildings that told of other days, tucked in between modern structures; vistas seen from street openings, which he had never noticed before; and the play of sunsets over roofs and chimneys, the beauty of which had never before made an appeal to him.

Even as a man may not appreciate his city until he is forced to spend his holiday time there, so there are many people who fail to appreciate the Bible until some experience of life draws them to seek help from the word of God. When the Jews returned from exile they had a far greater appreciation of the Scriptures than when they were taken away, for when Nehemiah and Ezra read the "words of law" to them in the street of Jerusalem they wept at its significance came home to them. They had missed it before but their experience in exile had taught them how unwise it was to ignore its teaching.

He is a far-seeing man who appreciates the worth and value of God's words as the days go by, for then he will be giving to his character a growth and a development that will make him an honorable and useful man amongst his fellows.

WHAT SHALL IT PROFIT?

Professor Drummond, in one of his brilliant addresses, related the following: "I was crossing the Atlantic a short time ago and one night some of the passengers and myself were talking to the Captain, when he told us of an accident that had occurred to him in that neighborhood some years previously. He was in command of a vessel which had got thus far on her voyage, when the screw broke and the engineer withdrew the shaft with the intention of repairing it, but the water rushed in through the hole, the bulkhead was not closed in time, and in a few minutes the ship began to sink, the boats were got out and the Captain stepped into one laden to the gunwale; the night was dark and the sea so rough that it seemed impossible for the boat to live. After a while they saw the lights of an approaching steamer, but how could they signal it? They made search in the boat and found a battered lantern with an inch or two of candle in it; then they tried to find a match. Every man felt his pockets, but in vain; not a match was to be found. The Captain bade them search again and turn every pocket inside out, and at last out of some corner one match was produced. The man who found it handed it to the Mate, the Mate passed it to another officer, and he gave it to the Captain. The sailors clustered around him, holding on their jackets to keep off the wind, and watching him with anxiety. The Captain said he had faced many a difficulty and danger, but he never felt such responsibility as at that moment when he was waved to and fro the ship saw the signal, altered its course and picked them up. Now, what gave such value to that match? It was the only one—if misdirected and lost you have no other in which to remedy the error."

GOD'S long suffering is often misinterpreted as though he allowed men to sin with impunity, whereas the objective of his grace expressed in warning and exhortation is to win the morally wavering to resolute faith and courageous obedience. The tragedy of many a life, however, is that his goodness is misconceived and his purpose misunderstood.

There is no formula, charm or creed for better homes but just love, patience and silence,—and the greatest of these is silence.

"What has become of the old-fashioned fellow who took his girl to prayer meeting and got a thrill out of sharing the hymn-book with her?" asks the editor of The Chicago Herald.

The Methodist Rock River Conference, Illinois, has established "Preachers' Memorial Day." It is to be observed very much as is the soldiers' memorial day. Appropriate sermons are to be preached, and ministers' graves are to be decorated.

The Polish National Catholic Church, composed mostly of dissenters from Romanism, abolished the celibacy of priests at its last synod. Churches can have married or unmarried priests at their option. This church body, of which Bishop Hodur is head, has 50 churches and 53 priests.

There are more students in Calcutta or Tokyo than in London, says T. H. Darlow in the British Weekly. Moreover, students are resuming the migratory habits which they practised in the Middle Ages. Today there are 2,000 foreign students in Great Britain, 6,000 in France, 10,000 in the United States, while in Switzerland more than half the students are from foreign nations.

The Gideons placed 48,475 Bibles in hotels during their last fiscal year. This total was exceeded only in 1911 and 1912, when Bibles were so much cheaper than now. They supply either the King James or the American Standard Bible as requested. In one case the Fort Worth Presbyterian Church paid for 600 Bibles for the new three million dollar Texas Hotel in that city.

The most notable thing about the Washington Conference on the limitation of armaments was its religious backing. Jew and Gentile, Roman Catholic and Protestant, all saw the religious aspect of the conference and the leaders in all the sects called for prayer and for the pressure of religious sentiment. And this statement is not confined to the United States. The conference was opened with prayer.

In a recent address President Alfred E. Stearns of Phillips Andover Academy told of sitting next to General Leonard Wood at a public function. The general asked him whether there is any falling off in religious ideals among young men. He said he had noticed a very distinct difference of expression among men in regard to religious things. They do not express themselves in the old way. He, Stearns, held that religious influences are as strong and deep with the boys of today as in the past, but the boys express themselves differently. If they do not use the proper expression of religious truth, it is because the proper challenge to their religious sense is not issued.

General Wood said that he was much interested in the matter, and had been in the habit of asking about it and pumping every college and school man he could, because, if reports to him were true, it is the first sign of national decay. He said that the history of every country in the world which has suffered decline shows that the beginning of it was in the loss of religious sentiment. It is a sign of loss of national life. It will ultimately end in the destruction of the religious influence.

Revivals are reported from Rumania by the evangelical worker, Mr. G. Constantinescu. "People seem eager everywhere for Bibles, which have reached a fantastic price—300 francs! I have seen a young man in the snow, with feet wrapped in sacking, with a Bible under his arm. A brother told me he had been beaten and even-tortured for his faith, and yet he had sold his shoes to buy this Bible."

There are very few of us but have at some time or other needed comfort, and we shall none of us go very long without needing it again. Let us not forget that God is a comforter. Has he not promised to treat us as "one whom his mother comforteth"? That is to say, he does not need persuading to do it. Just as a mother loves to comfort, and never is tired of it, so it is with God.—Thomas Champness.

What Our Exchanges Say

May Lose Sight of One Eye.

(Drayton Advocate.)
Mr. James Wooley of Stirling met with a very unfortunate accident one day last week which will no doubt cost him the sight of one of his eyes. While working with a hammer driving nails one of the nails flew up, coming in contact with his right eye, and injuring the pupil so badly that it is feared he will lose the sight of it completely. Mr. Wooley suffered intense pain for a few days as a result of the accident, but is improving as well as can be expected.

New Way to Fix Tires.

(Kincardine Review.)
A local motorist, who was away on a ninety-mile trip last Sunday experienced a cut inner tube from a sharp stone. Having no spare along, he says he tried out nearly every scheme he ever heard of since blow-outs came into fashion, but all failed. His last and best "think" was to take the tube near the cut part and fetch the rubber to a bunch with his hand; with the aid of a shoe-lace he was able to tie the tube so that it held air and took him the balance of his journey, some sixty miles. When he looked at the tire Monday there was still 50 pounds pressure on hand.

What's in a Name?

(Guelph Herald.)
Kitchener and Waterloo and co-quetting over the question of amalgamation, but one insuperable obstacle, we should imagine, will be that of providing a suitable combination name. "Kitchen-Water" is highly significant but it is doubtful if anything so weak as that would suit either the Kitchenerites or the Waterlooillians.

New Company for Hanover.

(Hanover Post.)
Hanover Converters Limited is the name of the new company who have opened up for business in Hanover in the plant formerly occupied by the Hanover Cotton and Woollen Mills. They opened last week and they are in Hanover to stay—absolutely—said Mr. Aird, president of the company to The Post this week.

Hanover Converters Limited are a brand new company. They have no connection with the Bob Long Company, or any other company. Hanover Converters Limited are capitalized at \$100,000. The head office will be in Hanover and they will have branches at Toronto and Montreal. They purpose selling their output to the wholesale trade exclusively.

The officers of Hanover Converters Limited are: President, John Aird, Toronto and Hanover; Vice-President, J. E. Langmuir, Toronto; Secretary-Treasurer and Manager, R. M. Calvin, Hanover; Director and Superintendent, John Suckling, Hanover. The president is a son of Sir John Aird, General Manager of the Bank of Commerce.

The new company will operate on about the same terms with the town of Hanover as did the Hanover Cotton and Woollen Mills. The new company will not start off with 200 girls, but will build their business from the bottom and hope to eventually have more than 200 girls employed. Their contract with the town calls for 50 girls the first six months, 100 the next six months, and 200 the next six months. There are from 35 to 40 on the pay roll the present moment.

Car Went Over Embankment.

(Arthur Enterprise-News.)
A motor accident occurred on Saturday night a few miles above Elora which might easily have resulted very seriously, but fortunately the occupants of the car escaped with only a few bruises and a shaking up. The driver of the car was Michael Doll, who is employed by the Guelph Ice Company, and associated with him were three others, and they were on their way home after calling on some friends, and the driver failed to notice a very sharp turn in the road at a dangerous point and the party went over an embankment which is estimated to be at least 50 feet high. The car did not go all the way to the bottom, but caught on some obstruction and the occupants were thrown out, with the exception of the driver, who was caught and pinned to the ground by his neck. He was very soon released, and although he was unconscious at first, he soon revived at the home of John Ross, near by. He remained there all night and on Sunday he was taken to his home in Guelph. The car is a very bad wreck and the others in the car were pretty lucky to escape so easily.

Modern Use for Radio.

(Arthur Enterprise-News.)
Mr. A. H. Peterkin of Winnipeg spent a day or so of last week in town while on a business trip to the head office of his firm in St. Catharines. An interesting occurrence from the use of radio. Mr. Peterkin

trip East illustrates the convenience which is already being experienced from the use of radio. Mr. Peterkin left his home at Winnipeg the beginning of the week, neglecting to tell his wife where he could be found for the next day or so. Mrs. Peterkin received the telegram from St. Catharines requesting her husband to come East to the head office of the firm. She exhibited considerable resourcefulness by calling up the Winnipeg Free Press, who have been operating a radio broadcasting station for some time, and asking them to broadcast a message to her husband to call up Winnipeg. On the following morning a customer on whom Mr. Peterkin called notified him of what he had heard concerning him on the previous evening over the radio outfit and so the desired result was obtained.

Bus Line Discontinued for Season.

(Southampton Beacon.)
The Shore Line Bus, which has been running between Kincardine and Southampton during the past summer, was discontinued on Tuesday last. Mr. Welsh states that he has had a very successful year for a start and will resume operations some time next April.

Kept Bear Company.

(New Liskeard Speaker.)
From Farlandau comes the story of a fourteen-year-old girl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. St. Jacques, who took her brother and sister, three and five years old, carrying the younger two miles along a bush road with heavy timber on either side. Then the fire trapped them and they took refuge in a culvert. There she used her skirt, wet in water of the culvert, and fought the fire. She saved not only herself and the two children, but also a bear which took refuge with them in the culvert. After the fire had passed she took the children home. The bear looked after himself.

Arrested at Brandon.

(Walkerton Telescope.)
Charles Thompson, the Culross farmer, who lit out with a 17-year-old girl, the daughter of a neighbor, last June, has been located at Brandon, Man., where he has been arrested and an officer left a few days ago to bring him back to Bruce County to stand trial on a charge of abduction. Thompson, who is 36 years of age, has a wife and nine children, the youngest of whom was only four days old when the father flew to parts unknown. When arrested, the young girl who went away with Thompson was still with him.

Absent Jurors to be Fined.

(Walkerton Telescope.)
Several jurors who didn't show up at the Fall Assizes will receive a painful surprise when they get a letter from Dr. Clapp, Clerk of the Court informing them that they must pay a \$20.00 fine unless they can show sufficient reason why they were absent at the opening of court. We understand that one of the jurors called has been dead for some months, which should constitute a pretty substantial excuse in the eyes of the court. Whether the other absentees have as good excuses remains to be seen. Dr. Clapp is acting under orders from Mr. Justice Latchford in the matter.

Smooth Peddlers at Walkerton.

(Walkerton Telescope.)
Young men taking orders for enlarged photos recently made a house to house canvass of this town. Where housewives did not come across with an order, their scheme was to get hold of an old photo upon some pretext or other, put it in a mailing envelope and then get her housewife to write her name on the envelope, which, the agent stated, would show whom to return the photo to. A South Ward widow who wrote her name on one of these envelopes was surprised to receive a call lately from a man representing the picture firm who said he came to collect nine dollars. When the widow protested that she had never given an order, the peddler produced her signature on an envelope which he claimed was a signed order. He threatened that if he was not paid at once he would institute legal proceedings and so frightened the timid woman that she paid him a first instalment of nine dollars. When she afterwards told some friends about what had happened they were mad enough to beat up the peddler. And that is what may happen if he appears in that neighborhood again.

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SOUTH GREY UNITED FARMERS ARE AGAINST HIGH SALARIES

A recent press dispatch says that the United Farmers of South Grey will make an attempt at the forthcoming Provincial convention, to have the United Farmers of Ontario go on record as favoring a remuneration of \$1,400 for members of the Legislature, and \$2,500 for members of the Commons. Notice of the resolution has been forwarded to J. J. Morrison, Secretary U. F. O., and copies also have been sent to every riding secretary in the province. The South Grey farmers suggest that the convention should record its disapproval of the increases and recommend that the U.F.O. members bind themselves not to accept more than \$1,400 in the Legislature, or \$2,500 in the Commons until such time as the additional indemnity shall have been made an issue at a general election. In the stand they are taking the farmers of South Grey are following the leadership of their member, Miss Agnes McPhail, M.P., who refused to accept more than \$2,500 for her services at Ottawa during the last session.

UNABLE TO SELL POTATOES

Few sections of the country have been hit as hard by the slumps in the potato market as the farming district surrounding Hepworth, where potatoes are the principal crops grown on the farms. Farmers there have potato growing down to a science and there is rarely, if ever, a failure in the crop. Potatoes are sown, grown, dug and marketed there in quite a different manner than that of any other section of the country. Last spring growers paid \$1.50 per bag for the Empire State variety for

seed, and now, after their summer's work, they are offered 45 cents per bag. These growers usually secured a higher price for their potatoes than the regular price, but it seems they are up against it.

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