

For The Quiet Hour

UPHILL

Does the road wind uphill all the way?
Yes, to the very end.
Will the day's journey take the whole long day?
From morn to night, my friend.

But is there for the night a resting place?
A roof for when the slow dark hours begin?
May not the darkness hide it from my face?
You cannot miss that inn.

Shall I meet other wayfarers at night?
Those who have gone before.
Then must I knock, or call when just in sight?
They will not keep you standing at that door.

Shall I find comfort, travel-sore and weak?
Of labor you shall find the sum.
Will there be beds for me and all who seek?
Yea, beds for all who come.

—Christina Rossetti.

PUERILITIES OF PROPHETIC INTERPRETATION

Automobiles might have been invented millenniums ago had some of our skillful interpreters of prophecy been alive then. Dr. Pollock, of Los Angeles, solemnly informed the radio fans of the middle west on April 22 from the WOC station that the automobile was prophesied in Nahum, 2: 4 where the prophet says: "The chariots rage in the streets; they rush to and fro in the broad way; the appearance of them is like torches; they run like lightnings." And in order to further impress his audience he declared that even the radio was set forth in the scriptures as one of the signs that the end of the age was at hand. In Zachariah 9: 14 we are assured: "And Jehovah shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning." A similar ingenuity should enable us to find trace of safety razors and even lip-sticks. Since these are modern inventions, they, too, must be signs that the millennium kingdom is about to be set up. It is the lack of humor among religious people that makes it possible for absurd sects to flourish. This lack of humor is not characteristic of the thousands of high school boys who listen in on the radio. These, no doubt, have many a hearty laugh as the solemn interpretations come in over the ether. Fortunately, there are other forms of religious teaching to be had. The same boys who heard about the automobiles and the radios in the books of prophecy heard within half an hour a sermon by Dr. Henry van Dyke on the text, "Awake thou that sleepest." It was not a sermon to arouse humor, but to sound the deep places of the human heart. Those who are tolerant of scripture should reflect upon the method of interpretation of scripture should reflect upon the fact that this displaces the ethical and social meanings of the Bible without which the world cannot be saved. Half of the people in America never go to church. They imagine that if they did go they would hear some such nonsense as that about the Beast being the Bishop of Rome. The puerilities of preaching will pass the more rapidly now that people have a better opportunity to compare the sermons of the different interpreters.

MISSIONARY EVANGELISM HAS MANY WAYS OF APPROACHING the human heart. It is told of one man, a negro, who by industry had saved enough to build a house, when it was finished he looked at its glistening white walls and said:

"Now I must be de kind of a man to go wit dat kind of a house!"

The eighty million people of Central Africa are still Pagan. From sixty to eighty million boys and girls of school age in China are growing up with limited educational advantages. More than ninety-nine per cent. of the college students in South America profess no belief in God. Ninety-nine per cent. of the women of India may be classed as illiterates.

One-half of the world's six hundred million boys and girls under fifteen cannot read or write in any language, are ignorant of Jesus Christ, and have never had a Christian home. These are just glimpses of the need of missionary evangelism.

IN AN ARTICLE IN THE LONDON TIMES ON EMPIRE DEFENSE a writer in referring to the Canadian contribution has this to say:

"He Shall Have Dominion From Sea to Sea" is the quotation carved deep in the stonework of the central tower in the handsome new Houses of Parliament at Ottawa. It is a constant reminder to the representatives of the people of the Dominion that, if Canada's greatness extends across a continent, it is for that very reason a greatness which entails a double burden of defense.

To this misapplication of Scripture the Christian takes exception in these words: "What would the Psalmist have thought of this exposition of his glorious Messianic outlook? And how many Canadians have ever thought of linking the sacred words to their 'burden of defense?' Truly there is much for newspaper men yet to learn if they would embark upon the quotation and exposition of the Word of God. Maybe some would be better for a course at Sunday school in the hope that they might learn of the Coming King, of whom the Psalmist wrote: 'He shall have Dominion'; and, God be praised, Empire Defense will be secure when He reigns!"

A CHEROKEE GIRL LIVING AS A MAID IN A CHRISTIAN family suddenly became dangerously ill. Her mistress began to tell her of the love of Jesus. The girl asked her: "How long have you known these things—that Jesus loves the Indian, and that he died to save the Indian, too?"

The mistress answered: "Oh, a great many years,—always!" With flowing tears the girl said reproachfully: "And you never told us! My mother and my grandmother died without knowing Jesus. Why did you not come and tell this great thing to us, that they might have known the way of life?"

"Behold, now is the day of salvation" is something the saint should remember, as well as the sinner.

A YOUNG WESTERN FARMER, A MODERATE DRINKER, became converted and signed the temperance pledge, still continuing, however, to use the old hitching-post in front of the village barroom. A good old deacon, noticing this, said to him: "George, I am much older than you, and will be pardoned if I make a suggestion out of my wider Christian experience. No matter how strong you think you are, take my advice and change your hitching-post."

The farmer became angry, then grieved, then repentant, and with repentance came the vision of downfall if he continued hitching at the same post; but he changed it, and in later years filled the saintly deacon's place in the church.

UNDER THE TITLE OF "INCURABLY EVANGELISTIC" THE current issue of All the World quotes the following extract from a letter of a Presbyterian missionary of Honan found in his travelling box by his wife after his death. It was evidently intended for the home church and illustrates the true missionary spirit:

"Nearly all of our itinerating work has to be done on foot, even those places accessible by boat requiring too much time by the way. It is not a mere pastime daily tramping the road, conducting service, teaching the Bible, examining candidates for baptism, preaching the gospel to non-Christian crowds, inside and outside of chapels or houses, and dealing with cases of discipline or other matters that call for counsel and assistance. But it is the kind of service in which I have the strongest feeling of being where I ought to be, and the one which gives me the most peace of soul. I fear that I am incurably evangelistic. I came to China under the impelling conviction to do three things:

- (1) To preach the Gospel of the Cross.
- (2) To win men to be disciples of Jesus the Saviour.
- (3) To help establish Christian Churches.

"It seems impossible to become reconciled to any form of service which, however commendable in itself, interferes with these activities."

IN MADAGASCAR THERE IS A TREE CALLED THE TRAVELLER'S tree because it contains pure, fresh water, thus taking the place of wells in the desert. You have but to cut deep into the stalk of the leaf, and there comes out clear and perfectly sweet water.

We are the church. The church and its ordinances ought to be a source of help and blessing to thirsty travellers in the desert of worldliness.

EGREMONT COUNCIL

Minutes of special meeting held August 29. Members of Council all present.

McDougall—Aberdein—In reference to the communication from Middlebro & Spereman, Owen Sound, solicitors for Mrs. Jessie Haw, as to damages sustained re a ditch, that Deputy-Reeve Calder be instructed to look into this matter and report at the September 17 meeting of the Council.—Carried.

McEachern—Groat—That we instruct the Clerk to prepare a by-law for stopping up part of highway between Lots 15 and 16, Concession 5, and for selling the land included therein.—Carried.

By-law No. 442 decreasing the salary of the Assessor \$50.00 per year was passed.

By-law 443 to strike the rates for the year 1923 was passed. The different rates are subdivided as follows:

Township Rate.....	7 mills
General School Rate..	5.2 mills
County Rate.....	8.7 mills
A special rate of 2.8 mills was levied as per requisition of Police Village Trustees, together with the rates on the several School Sections as per Trustees' requisitions, which are as follows:	
U. S. S. No. 1.....	5.5 mills
U. S. S. No. 2.....	9.9 mills
U. S. S. No. 3.....	No levy
No. 2	5.5 mills
No. 3	6.2 mills
No. 4	5.5 mills
No. 5	3.6 mills
No. 6	1.4 mills
No. 7	3.7 mills
No. 8	2.2 mills
No. 9	2 mills
No. 10	3.5 mills
No. 11	1.9 mills
No. 12	3.4 mills
No. 13	3.9 mills
U. S. S. No. 14	4.5 mills
U. S. S. No. 10	9.7 mills
U. S. S. No. 15	9.6 mills
U. S. S. No. 6	4.6 mills
Separate, M. Forest...	5 mills
Sep. No. 6.....	5.2 mills

The Council adjourned.

Council met September 17, members all present; minutes of last regular and special meetings adopted.

The Reeve reported: J. Klein, grading and gravelling, day's labor, \$111.25; J. T. McAnish, widening approaches to Gardiner bridge, \$15; P. McEachern, operating grader and repairs, \$3.15; J. H. McDougall, gravel, \$12.08; R. P. McEachern, \$8.64; H. Horsburgh, \$4.80, road to pit, \$2.00; D. Shea, gravel, \$2.40; P. Braun, winter work, \$2.00; J. Wilkinson, road to pit, \$3.00; L. Matthews, gravelling, \$15.00; W. Reeves, gravelling, \$10.00; L. Matthews, gravel, \$2.80; G. Miller, \$4.40, road to pit, \$1.00; M. Burke, material for culvert, \$2.00; dragging and widening road, \$12.00; S. Andrews, work on road, \$1.25; fees \$3.00.

Comr. McDougall reported: W. Stewart, repairing culvert Egremont and Proton Town Line, \$6.00; J. Gould, gravel, \$2.40; G. Keith, rep. bridge, \$1.00; A. McMillan, gravelling, day's labor, \$41.32; A. Yake, gravel, \$4.96; Ira Yake, gravel, \$3.36; J. McPhee, grading and gravelling, day labor, \$22.00, gravel, \$2.48; D. Livingston, gravel, \$4.80; W. Kirkness, grading, \$17.00; A. Bilton, 39 rods wire fence, bonus, \$11.70; A. McMillan, 80 rods, \$32.00, ditching and covering culverts, \$5.00, cutting brush, \$21.42; G. Bilton, ditching, \$5.00; G. Filshie, widening road at cattle pass, \$15.00; D. Kennedy, gravelling, \$1.25; R. Nicholson, filling approaches to Hamilton bridge, \$153.00; J. Hamilton, gravel, \$1.12; Comr. McDougall, supervising Hamilton bridge, \$15.75; Fees, \$1.50.

Comr. Calder reported: J. Weir, repairing bridge, \$5.00; J. Wilson, gravelling, \$30.00, gravel, \$2.00; C. Wheeler, gravelling, \$4.00, gravel, \$5.12; A. McLean, 141½ rods bonus wire fence, \$56.60; J. Hill, gravelling, \$2.00; J. Pierson, gravelling Egremont and Proton Town Line, \$25.00; Fees, \$5.00.

Comr. Aberdein reported: J. Lennox, gravel, \$8.00; T. Brown, gravelling, \$4.00; J. Hargrave, com. statute labor money, \$6.00; Mrs. Aljoe, gravel, \$5.50; T. Tucker, 64c; R. Bryans, \$5.44; J. G. Johnston, \$3.20; C. Daly, gravelling \$4.00; D. McKelvie, gravel, \$5.84.

Comr. Groat reported: W. Reid,

work on bridge, \$9.50; C. Schenk \$2; H. R. Groat, teaming timber for culvert, \$2.00; W. P. Horsburg, work re culvert, \$2.00; N. Drimmie, \$2.00; C. Drumm, use of jacks, 50c. for spikes, 12c.; W. P. Horsburgh, raking stones, \$3.50; P. Mutch, dragging and raking stones, \$8.00; H. Pinder, gravelling, \$3.00; Comr. Groat, work on bridge and culvert, \$6.00; A. Ross, filling approaches to bridge, \$45.00; A. Drimmie, \$69.52; C. Ross, \$27.50; J. McEachern, \$24.00; H. R. Groat, \$19.00; T. Bunston, \$10.00; D. Sinclair, \$12.25; F. Eakett, \$1.00; C. McInnes, gravel and phoning, 39c.; Comr. Groat, work and overseeing filling of approaches, \$30.00; Fees, \$3.00.

Comr. Calder reported as follows: To the Reeve and Council of the Township of Egremont: Gentlemen,—I beg leave to report re Mrs. Haw's alleged damages. I find upon inquiring into the matter that no liability exists against the Township re said ditch.

Groat—Aberdein—That after hearing Deputy Reeve Calder's report on water grievance, Lot 20, Con. 18, that we take no action in this matter, and instruct our Clerk to notify her solicitors to that effect.—Carried.

Mr. Andrew Hunter, President of the Agricultural Society, along with some of the Directors, waited upon the Council soliciting a grant in aid of the Society.

Calder—McDougall—That a grant of \$100.00 be given for 1923.—Carried.

Aberdein—Groat—That Alex. Merchant's account for \$16.50 for caring for Mrs. Amos be paid.—Carried.

Groat—Aberdein—That we pay A. Hill his balance of \$790.00 due on the Nicholson, Love and 15th Sideroad bridges, Cons. 13-14.—Carried.

McEachern—Groat—That Contractor Alex. Hill be advanced \$500 as part payment on the construction of concrete bridge, Lot 8, Con. 15.—Carried.

Groat—McDougall—That the following accounts be paid: W. B. Rife, express, 75c.; J. T. Brown, W. Leith, C. McInnes, J. Burke and Peter Keith \$8.00 each for use of house in election held June 25; J. R. Philp, for use of hall same date, \$16.00; C. Ramage & Son, printing account to date, \$146.87; E. D. Bolton, for plans and specifications McInnes bridge, \$35.00; Clerk, posting Voters' Lists and Ontario Statutes, \$2.65, fees and expenses to Durham re Mrs. Amos, \$2.05. Members of Council, attendance at special meeting, \$7.50, at meeting to date, \$15.00; B. Gibson, use of room, \$2.00.—Carried.

Council adjourned to meet Monday October 15, for general business.

—David Allan, Clerk.

HOW TO WED A HUSBAND

Never open your mouth except to say "Oh!" and "Ah!" and "Wonderful!" or "How Clever!"

If by chance you happen to know something, don't let him suspect it. This would be fatal to your chances. Let him do the talking—mostly about himself.

Never introduce him to your women friends. Always admire his good taste in neckties.

Praise his keen sense of humor, especially if he hasn't any.

Tell him he is a wonderful judge of character.

If he has no voice at all, encourage him to sing.

Laugh heartily at all his poor jokes; never admit that you have heard them before.

If he walks on your feet, praise his good dancing. When he two-steps to a waltz, enthuse over his marvelous sense of rhythm.

If tall, tell him you adore big men, because you can look up to them. If short, admit you are always more comfortable with someone not too far above you.

Smile when you are ready to shoot him.

Above all, never admit that you can do anything; they like them helpless—before marriage.

If all these things fail, then go into training for six months, grab him by the back of the neck, handcuff and blindfold him and drag him to some deserted spot in the country. Hold him between red hot irons for at least 15 minutes. If he will not then murmur "I will," you may as well give up hope and begin work on a more promising subject; as a husband, this man would be stubborn.

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MAMMOTH METEOR IN JERSEY TORE HOLE IN PAVEMENT

Something From Somewhere Lights Up Atmosphere and Tears Up Earth.

What is believed to have been a meteor fell in Madison, New Jersey, on Friday morning last about 5 o'clock, jarring buildings and causing an unusual light to flood the neighborhood. The phenomenon was not actually seen by anyone, but a hole five or more feet deep and about three feet across was torn in the pavement.

Augustus Wilson, whose home is on Lathrop avenue, where the meteor fell, said a peculiar light flared up in his window and a ball of flame flashed toward the earth, coming from the northwest. The impact with which it hit the ground threw one woman out of bed. Around the edge of the hole torn in the pavement was a substance like lead. According to Wilson, a black vapor arose from the point where the supposed meteor struck. The hole was filled in, the report says, to safeguard pedestrians.

When the news of the meteor spread a large crowd was attracted to the scene. At noon a peculiar gaseous odor still hovered about the spot, despite the rain.

The Sour Look.

"Edna says she uses lemon-juice on her face for her complexion." "I wondered what gave her that sour look."

Need For the Sun.
Teacher—If the sun were to become extinct, what would be the effect upon the earth, Susan?
Susan (promptly)—There would be no freckles.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Prof. E. Katz, the noted eyesight specialist of Listowel, well-known around here for years for his good work in relieving eyesight trouble, eyestrain, headache, will be at the Hahn House, Tuesday next, October 2nd, to test eyes by the method that seldom fails. High-class frames and lenses of the Canadian Optical Company, Toronto, for nearly half price. Don't miss it.—E. Katz. 19d

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