

# THE GREAT LESSON

LESSON VIII—MAY 23, 1909.  
The Council at Jerusalem—Acts 15: 1-29.

**COMMENTARY.**—I. The Great Council Confronting the Church (v. 1). I. From Judaea—The fact that these men were from Judaea would give Antiochians some cause for surprise when they stood before the council. Antioch was a Gentile city, and the council was composed of Jews, proselytes and Gentiles, and therefore was just the place where such a question would naturally arise.

**PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS.**  
The Church Conference.  
I. Its occasion (v. 1). It was hard for some Jews to give up ancient traditions which stood for centuries. Paul and Barnabas were there to put Christ's words, and the council decided that the law of Moses was to be observed only as a burden on the Gentiles, and not as a yoke. It was a great victory for the Gentiles, and a great lesson for the church.

**TORONTO SYNOD.**  
The conference ended. "Then they all returned to their homes, and the church grew in numbers." The Toronto Synod has been a success, and the church is now in a better position than ever before.

**LICKED TWICE.**  
Buffalo despatch: William Bush, of Port Colborne, Canada, yesterday morning was thrashed aboard the steamer Chicago. The effect was that the dog's head and tail dropped, and he sneaked off to the house, refusing to eat until his polite but strange guest had departed. The little monkey teaches a good lesson. Courtesy will win.

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# BEEF TRUST.

British Departmental Committee Makes Report on Its Action.

London, May 17.—The Departmental Committee on the Beef Trust, which was set up in 1908 to inquire into the alleged combinations in the meat trade in the United Kingdom, issued its report this evening. A large portion thereof is devoted to a study of the trust and its representatives in London, and the committee concludes that while a combination exists to a certain extent between four companies in the United States engaged in the beef business, it is not at present sufficiently powerful to seriously endanger the beef trade as a whole. But should these firms, as seems possible, acquire considerable interests in the Argentine situation with regard to the meat supply of the United Kingdom, the committee would be seriously concerned.

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# DR. J. M. GIBSON.

Lieut.-Gov. Made Doctor of Laws by McMaster University.

Other Honary Degrees Granted to Prominent Men.  
Toronto despatch: John Morrison Gibson was admitted to the degree of Doctor of Laws (in honoris causa) in McMaster University by Chancellor McKeay, at the annual commencement exercises which were held last night in Castle Memorial Hall. It was not his first honor, for he had already received the degree of Doctor of Laws (in honoris causa) from the University of Toronto in 1907.

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Toronto, Ont., May 17.—The reorganization of the Provincial Police force, so long under contemplation by the Attorney-General's Department, is, it is believed, on the verge of announcement. What form it will take has not yet been outlined by the department, but it is generally understood to be that already indicated by the press, a permanent head with offices in Toronto and under him two divisional superintendents to look after New and Old Ontario. Under them again there will probably be an officer for each county unorganized district, taking their orders from the officers immediately above them.

**WOMAN'S LEGS CRUSHED WHILE SHE CRAWLED UNDER TRAIN.**  
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