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Notes and Comments

Bright Hopes for Future Business

This is the final issue of The Tribune this year, so that next week we look forward to entering upon the biggest year in the fifty-four yet lived by your home town paper. We commence 1943 with the largest circulation the paper ever claimed. Not even when it sold for \$1 per year, and later at \$1.50 per year, could a circulation have been shown such as we have at present.

We are now turning out almost nineteen hundred copies each week, and we never have a dozen papers left over. Our yearly subscribers consume all but about 150 of these copies, and at the two dollar per year rate as compared with other years in the long ago when the paper commanded a smaller subscription rate.

Few weekly papers in towns the size of Stouffville, supply its readers with anything like the photographic news given by The Tribune. We spend several hundred dollars a year in pictures which you enjoy, local and otherwise in scope, and they are usually printed on a standard that would compare favorably with the average daily.

-With a circulation that bids fair to reach two thousand copies a week, which means a reader interest of five or six thousand people, the publishers and staff have a right to enter the new year with hope and pride. May the hope and pride of all our friends and readers be as ambitious and as well founded as our own.

Tely Calls it Piffle

Premier Conant has spoken of the appointment of the first woman coroner in Ontario as though it were a step up on the ladder by which womanhood has climbed from her former dependent and subservient state. "With the growing importance of women in our social, economic and industrial structure," he has said, "it is fitting that there should be a lady corcer." That, we submit, is piffle. He might better have said that it is fitting we should have a "lady" premier. Why not?

How Milk and Eggs are Shipped

A recent news item in the London Times Weekly states that prior to the war Great Britain brought in with her food imports no less than 3,000,000 tons of water a year. Now a number of imported food commodities, says the Times, come in dried form, thus saving an immense amount in shipping space.

For example, a quart of milk when fresh weighs some 41 ounces, and has a volume of 69 cubic inches. As a powder, it weighs 5.3 ounces, with a volume of only 15.6 cubic inches. If the power is compressed into a block the volume is further reduced to 7.7 cubic inches. This discovery, says the item makes it possible for rich spring and early summer milk to be preserved for winter use.

It is estimated that during 1943 Great Britain will import 100,000 tons of dried egg. The equivalent importation as egg in shell would be more than five or six times as much in bulk. Already, says the Times, samples of dried meat have reached Great Britain from New Zealand, Australia, Argentina and the United States. This is literally meat minus moisture. Not only are dried meat and egg economical of shipping space, but they do not require refrigeration for transport or storing. When the moisture is restored, the same nutritive value and palatability as before is present.

Looking to the Future

One of the scientific dreams which modern research is bringing steadily closer to realization is the capturing of energy directly from the sun's rays." The tapping of even a small part of the tremendous qualities of solar energy which flood the earth every day and its harnessing to man's industrial and domestic needs would effect a complete transformation in the life of every nation.

No country would be more profoundly affected than Canada. With its highly developed industrial activities and with its huge resources of both developed and undeveloped water power, the Dominion has a vital interest in such new sources of energy. Our rivers and waterfalls rank second only to those of the United States in the amount of energy which they generate, and our ultilization of hydro electric energy on a per capita basis is the third highest in the world. Our tremendous national investment in dams and power stations and transmission lines might be rendered valueless.

Scientists have already built, on an experimental basis, solar engines which effectively utilize the power in the rays of the sun, though so far they have been unable to solve the practical problem of making this power available at the low cost which would make it a servant of daily life. When and if that day comes, it will be a revolutionary change in our present method of releasing stored up solar energy through the burning of coal and oil. These fuels are formed as a result of a natural process which, through millions of years, transforms the sunlight originally stored up through the action of chlorophyll, the green stuff in leaves and vegetation. Science is attacking the mysteries of chlorophyll in the hope that some day man may be able to duplicate nature's action and thus produce fuel synthetically from chemicals.

"HE CAN TAKE IT"



Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for January 3 THE GLORY OF THE SON OF GOD The Lesson as a Whole

Lord portrayed respectively as the veals the Saviour God has provided. King of Israel by Matthew; the per-Man, the seeking Saviour, by Luke. To complete the picture, it was given to John, the disciple whom Jesus as a heavenly Stranger. loved, to set Him forth as the Son of God in manhood, that all might believe and find life eternal in Him.

We are told definitely that this Gospel was written for this very purpose, "That ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye' might have life through his name" (20: 31). Christianity is centered in a Person, and that Person is the Son of God. We see Him set forth in this Gospel as the eternal Word, the Lamb of God who taket's away the sin of the world, the source of al life and blessing for time and eternity. In the first twelve chapters the appeal is particularly to the unsaved. To them the Lord Jesus is presented in every possible aspect as the One suited to meet men just where they are and to save them by His grace. In the other nine chap ters the appeal is to those who have already trusted Him, and to them He pass through this scene on to their destined home in the Father's house Verse by Verse

John 1:1-"In the beginning was pression of the thought, the revelathat ever had beginning began, He who believe in His Son. the Word, was. He had no beginning. He was one with the Father existence. "The Word was with God." This declares the distinct peris insisted on. He was in no sense Godhead.

beginning with God." There was no "tabernacled" among us. Of old, the change in His relationship. He re- tabernacle was the sanctuary in mains the same forever.

by him." Full creatorial glory is temple in which Deity was enhere attributed to Him were all shrined. As to His personal glory, He things created (Col. 1:16). He was was "the only begotten of the the direct agent of the Godhead in Father." Unbelieving men did not the creation of the universe.

Verse 4-"In him was life." He is the source of all communicated of grace and truth. All that God is life, because He, with the Father, has been told out in the Man Christ has underived life in Himself Jesus. (5.26). This life, seen in all its perfection in Him while He was here on earth, is in itself "the light of men." In Christ men are given a revelation of all they need to know in order to illumine their hears and minds and guide them

through this dark world. Verse 5-"The darkness comprehended it not." So blinded have men become by the love of sinning, that their minds are in an impenetrable fog, which even the light that shines from the face of Christ cannot pierce, so long as they persistently refuse to heed the words of God

Verse 6-"A man sent from God, whose name was John." The ministry of John the Baptist was preparatory. He was sent to call men to repentance in order that they might face the light and learn to know Him who came as a light into the world (12:46). Verse 7-"To hear witness of the

Light." What a commentary on man's utterly lost condition and his

heart, that anyone sin-blinded should be required to bear witness of

Saviour and Lord.

Verse 9-"The true Light, which lighteth every man." That is, the perfect life of Jesus casts light on all other men-showing up their sins and failures in contrast to His holi- at the station in Mission City to ness and perfection. It is not that, The Gospel of John was written as some have supposed, there is a to unfold the glories of the only be- spark of the divine in every man, a gotten Son of the Father in incar- gleam which, if obeyed, will result nation. It was written in the latter in final salvation. Men are lost in part of the first Christian century, the darkness. The light shines upon long after the Synoptic Cospels had them, exposes their, sins, illumines been produced. In these we see our the darkness about them and re-

Verse 10-"The world knew him fect Servant and Prophet of Jehovah not." When He, who had brought by Mark; and the perfect sinless all things into existence, came into His own world, He was unrecognized and walked through this scene

> Verse 11-"He came unto his own, and his own reecived him not" The first "his own" is in the neuter. He came unto His own things, that is, His own world, His own land, his own Temple. The second is personal; His own people, Israel, received Him not. They who were supposed to be waiting for Him did not know Him when He came, and they refused to own His authority.

> Verse 12-"As many as received him." A few there were who opened their hearts to receive Him. To these He gave the right or title to be called children of God. It is not exactly sons, but children, those born into the family. All who "believe on his name" are born from above, and so made members of the household of faith.

Verse 13-"Born, not of blood. Salvation, or eternal life, is not inherited. Because one is born into a family of believers, he is not himself a possessor of divine life. "Nor to the circumstances in which they becomes a child of God by self- couver. effort. Reformation, or turning over a new leaf, as men say, is not the to-night's service. Will add a bit same as being - born again. "Nor of the will of man." No religious the Word." The Word is the ex- dignitary, or ecclesiastical authority, can produce the new life by any tion of the mind, of God. Christ is sacramental observances. "But of that Word. In Him God has re- God." New birth is of God alone. vealed Himself. When everything It is He who gives eternal life to all

Verse 14-"The Word became flesh" (R.V.). The Revised Version and the Holy Spirit : im all eternity is clearer here than the Authorized This clause sets forth His eternal Version. Strictly speaking, the eternal Word was not "made" anything. He voluntarily "became" sonality of the Word. "The Word "became" flesh. That is, He stooped was God." It is His full deity that in grace to take our humanity into union with His deity, that He might inferior to the other persons of the reconcile us to God and become the Mediator between God and man. He Verse 2-"The same was in the "dwelt among us.". It is literally which the glory of God was hidden. Verse 3-"All things were made so the humanity of Jesus was the see this glory. Those who knew Him did. In Him they saw the fullness

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To My Many Dear Friends of Stouffville, Just a few lines to let you all

know that I arrived in Mission City, B. C. yesterday, Saturday morning at 10:45 a.m. I had a very enjoyable trip and

my health was good all the way. Left Toronto at 11.30 p.m. on Tuesday. Saw very little snow-until we reached the eastern slope of the Rocky Range.

The most noticeable feature across the Prairie Provinces was the subzero weather. In many places the grain was still standing in the stooks, owing to the labour situation and unfavourable weather conditions.

Our train was delayed about three hours before we left Moose Jaw. Leaving Calgary we entered the Foothill Mountains and from there on the scenery was interesting and beautiful. One thing that impressed Verse 8-"He was not that me the most was the seemingly Light." There is an immeasurable natural right-of-way between the distance between the greatest of two huge Mountain Ranges. This Christ's servants and He who is both appeared to be an unusual formation of the whole Rocky Range. At the height of the Range it was snowing and very cold.

> Cora and Charlie Boothby were meet me when I arrived yesterday morning. They have a very comfortable home with all modern conveniences, situated on a southern slope about three blocks from the main business section of the town.

Mission is a nice town of about Phone 25902 twenty-two hundred population built along the north shore of the Fraser River, about forty miles from Vancouver. So far the weather has been cloudy, but very mild and they tell me that in clear weather Mount Baker, which is a permanently snow-capped mountain about sixty miles from here, in the State of Washington, can be clearly seen. Mission City is just ten miles north of the International border at Sumas, Washington.

Last evening I went for a couple of drives out into the country with Charlie on taxi trips.

This morning Cora, Charlie and Ethel, their oldest daughter, and I attended the Christmas service in St. Andrew's United Church. A well-trained Junior Choir of about twenty-five voices sang three selections of seasonal music. These Office Phone children ranged in age from eight years to about sixteen, all uniformly dressed in white gowns. Another Barrister, Solicitor, Notary Public . interesting feature of this morning's service was the 'White Gift' donations, which will be sent to the Resident Partner is presented in every aspect suited of the will of the flesh." No one United Church Girl's home in Van- W.C.Polalrd, K.C. Port Perry

> I am looking forward to attending more on this after this evening's

.Later-The services were conducted by the regular minister of this congregation, Rev. Fielding Shaw. The music was led by the Senior Choir, which also rendered 'The Hallelujah Chorus' in a very creditable, manner. A male quartette, of which Charlie Boothby is the first tenor, sang an arrangement of 'Silent Night.

I am sure I am going to enjoy my stay here, and will say 'Good-Night' by wishing you, one and all Very Merry Christmas and a Bright and Happy New Year. Very Sincerely,

. Your Friend, Nathan Forsyth.

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