

150 Farmers Take Part in Improvement Competition

A very successful Farmstead Improvement Project has just been completed in Ontario County. This competition was sponsored by the Ontario County Federation of Agriculture and the Ont. County International Plowing Match Committee.

The purpose of the competition was to dress up Ontario County farms for the many thousands of visitors who attend the International Plowing Match at Brooklin this week.

One hundred and fifty farmers took part in the competition. A lot of splendid work has been done by the farmers who entered this competition.

The judging was done by Mr. W. A. Cockburn, Drumbo, Ont. Twenty-five hundred dollars in prize money was made available by the Ontario County Council, the Ontario Plowmen's Association, the Canadian Paint, Varnish and Lacquer Association.

The grand championship in Class 1, a silver tray donated by the Brooklin Women's Institute, was won by Mr. Charles Ingelton, Uxbridge R.R. 3. Mr. Ingelton lives in Reach Township.

The results of the Farmstead Improvement Competition are as follows:

Winner of Championship in Class 1 — Silver Tray donated by Brooklin Women's Institute: Charles Ingelton, Uxbridge RR3. Prize Winners, Area No. 1, Township of Pickering—Class 1 1st — Grenville Draper, Claremont R2, \$30; 2nd — D. Foreman and C. G. Coffin, Claremont R2, \$30; 3rd — Norman Wilson, Locust Hill R 1, \$30; 4th — Jack Mitchell, Claremont R 2, \$30; 5th — C. E. Pegg, Claremont R 2, \$30; 6th — Mrs. John Soden, Locust Hill R 1, \$30; 7th — Harry W. Boyes & Son, Pickering Box 75, \$30; 8th — W. H. Carson, Claremont, \$30; 9th — Wm. S. Pegg, Ashburn, \$30; 10th — Alex. Echnelder, Ashburn, \$30.

Area No. 1 — Class 2: 1st — Edgar Ward, Claremont, \$25; 2nd — Milton N. Pegg, Claremont \$25; 3rd — R. R. Brown, Claremont, \$25; 4th — Cecil Disney, Brooklin, \$25.

Area No. 2, Twps. of Whitby and East Whitby—Class 1; 1st,

MT. PISGAH

Turkey Supper! Mt. Pisgah Church, Thursday, October 25. Mr. and Mrs. Loy Carr accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Foster of Aurora and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carr of Toronto spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Foster at Highland Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken McIntosh and boys visited her father, Mr. and Mrs. Cole, in Toronto on Sunday.

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Baycroft and family were Mr. and Mrs. William Bellamy of Hawkestone, Mr. and Mrs. Angus Valliere of Markham and Mrs. W. Botham of Lansing.

Mr. Jack Davenport of Toronto spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Will Ash and family. We are sorry to report Mrs. Harry Smith is confined to her bed again.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stephenson and family of Sunderland had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Stephenson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Pattenden, Elwood, Howard, and Mary had Thanksgiving dinner Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Storry at Goodwood.

The YPU will meet on Friday night at 8 o'clock with the missionary convener Ruth C. Lambers in charge.

The Anniversary Services at Mt. Pisgah will be held on Sunday, October 21, at 11 a.m. with Rev. V. Wood and the Bethesda Girls Trio supplying special music for morning service. Evening service will be at 7.30. Rev. McFarlane of Aurora Baptist Church in charge of service. Special music.

There were 15 present at the W.A. meeting at the home of Mrs. Roy Smith last Thursday. Mrs. Leary gave the devotional on the 65th Psalm. Mrs. Gamble gave a reading. The afternoon was spent planning the Banquet and Turkey Supper.

Winter rye seeded after mid-August is probably the best bet for an emergency pasture seedling.

County Council—\$1,500; Ontario Plowmen's Assoc. \$500; Canadian Paint, Varnish & Lacquer Assn. \$500.

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Sunday School Lesson

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:1-21
(Lesson for October 14)
THE LESSON AS A WHOLE
Approach to the Lesson

"Ye are not under the law, but under grace." Is the exultant cry of the Apostle Paul (Rom. 6:14). Why, then, should we study the Law, represented by the Ten Commandments, as if we were still under the Law? This great statement of the Apostle Paul has been made the ground of a heresy called Antinomianism, which simply means being against the Law. This heresy has disturbed the Church through the centuries, and it is still with us, even in evangelical circles.

It is interesting to note that, as soon as Paul gives us this great declaration of emancipation, he anticipates the anti-law heresy, and reminds us that the state of grace is a state in which we render obedience as bondservants, having been transferred from one servitude—that of sin, to another—that of righteousness (Rom. 6:15-18).

Grace is not a casting away of all responsibility with respect to conduct, but it is God's ultimate method of having the righteous demands of the Law fulfilled (Rom. 8:3, 4). Because we are the recipients of the grace of God, are we no longer interested in the kind of life He would have us live—the conduct that pleases Him as over against what He abhors?

A student in one of my practice preaching classes offered this parable in a sermon: A certain bachelor hired a house-keeper. He made up for her a list of duties for each day of the week, and posted the list in the kitchen. This was the law by which the house was to be operated. The master of the house fell in love with the house-keeper, and proposed marriage. The lady agreed, and the marriage took place. On returning to the home together, the master (now the husband) went to the kitchen and took down the list of duties, and duly installed his bride as mistress of the home. Did she therefore forget and ignore the list of duties? By no means! Rather, by the compulsion of love, she diligently sought to do those things which would please her husband, and which would increase the joy of each in the other. She was no longer "under the law" but the old law had given her a partial insight into the will of him who was now her beloved, and, not content with that partial revelation, she sought to discover further what things were pleasing to him.

The parable needs little interpretation. We are not "under the law," but we delight in the Law of the Lord, and in every revelation of His will. Ours is the responsibility of grace, the obligation of love.

Verses by Verse

Exodus 20:1—"And God spake these words . . ." This refers to audible speech, heard by all the people. "I . . . brought thee out of the land of Egypt." A doctrinal foundation for conduct is not peculiar to the New Testament. This verse is the Old Testament match for "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God," (Rom. 12:1).

Verse 2—"Thou shalt have no other gods before me." This does not contemplate a plurality of gods with Jehovah recognized as chief, but it forbids the worship of any god besides Jehovah.

Verse 3—"Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image." No object in the universe was to be copied as a representation of God. See Deuteronomy 4:15. Any such representation of God would be a debasing of God, since He is high above all visible objects and has not revealed His essential form.

Verse 4—"Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them . . . a jealous God." Such bowing down could not be to God, as He is, but to a debased, human concept of Him. The jealousy of God is holy and righteous. The visiting of iniquity upon the offspring is in keeping with the solidarity of the race, but also indicates the baneful influence of idolatry on the generations following.

Verse 5—"And shewing mercy unto thousands . . ." While sin belongs to the race, the love and obedience of God is a very individual matter, and cannot be inherited. The thousands are so many individuals separated from the race of sinners.

Verse 6—"Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain . . ." This not only refers to profanity of speech in the ordinary sense, but a using of God's name in the cause of falsehood. The vile or false use of the name of God is a more serious matter than many seem to think.

Verse 7—"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy." The Sabbath Day is the rest day, which was to be fenced around and kept separate, not lost in the succession of work days. What a gracious provision!

Verse 8—"Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work." The Sabbath ordinance did not abolish the work ordinance, but provided an amelioration of it. Men must work.

Verse 9—"But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God . . . thy cattle . . . thy stranger . . ." The seventh day was not just a day of rest from one's usual labors, but a sab-

GREEN RIVER

Sorry to hear that measles and chicken pox have visited several families here.

The main topic here seems to be—Are you going to the plowing match?

Mrs. Yetta and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Reid and family, also Mr. and Mrs. Henry and family were Monday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. W. Smetnam.

Mr. and Mrs. Callandine and son of Perth spent the weekend at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Robinson of Locust Hill were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hamilton.

The many friends of Mrs. Chas. White are pleased to hear she is able to be home at her daughter's, Mrs. R. Wright.

We are pleased to hear that Mr. T. Krainyk is progressing as well as can be expected following the recent emergency operation he underwent last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Munns and family of Toronto were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Pearce.

Recent visitors at the Hutchings home were Mr. and Mrs. J. Dietze, Mrs. O. Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. H. Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Shoobridge entertained their daughter and grandchildren of Montreal.

Cottage prayer meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Beeby, Markham on Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 8 p.m.

At Rally Day and promotion day held at the Baptist S.S., the highlight of the session was the splendid address by Mrs. T. Norton who held young and old alike spellbound and her talk will long be remembered by all who heard it.

At the evening service at church on Sunday evening Mrs. Gordon Hagerman was guest soloist. It was also decided to have our anniversary services on Sunday, Nov. 11, full particulars later.

Ninety-six per cent of Michigan's school districts took part in the federal government's special school milk program last year.

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