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**VISITING AT SYDENHAM BOYS RETURN FROM CAMP**

WHERE MANY PEOPLE HAVE PLEASANT SUMMER COTTAGES

Going Over Some of the Scenes of Former Years—"Dorothy Day" Writes in the Woodstock Sentinel—Review.

On Wednesday we completed our journey over the National Railway and had a quick run to Sydenham Lake, making only a few stops en route. Sydenham is a village of about a thousand inhabitants, situated on Sydenham Lake where many people have pleasant summer cottages. The village itself is very progressive, having a splendid high school and public school, fine churches, good streets, shops and a new milk condenser. The village has very early having paved streets and lit by electricity. They pay their teachers high salaries and always have good and efficient schools.

On the first evening of our arrival, we (my good man and I, who was education in this quaint little village, named in honor of a former governor, Lord Sydenham) took a long walk skirting the entire village. We first went on a winding high banked and shaded road that reminded me of some of the quaint and delightfully picturesque old villages in old England; then we reached the hill where stood ten years ago the little Anglican church of St. Paul's. Keen was my disappointment to find the old church gone, pulled down I know not why. The Canadian Northern railway built just below may have been the reason, but what a shame! All that was left was the pavement stones that formed the entrance to this sacred edifice, the graveyard around where, ten years ago, on the occasion of my last visit, I had wandered since confirmation. The thing most suggestive in a church built on a hill. One recalled Goldsmith's description of the Deserted Village where one of the attractions was "the decent church that topped the neighboring hill." The people go up to pray just as Christ went up to the mountain top. Below nestled the village and like a shining beacon the little Anglican church, St. Paul's, has stood for years pointing the way to brighter worlds afar. Stone steps made a gradual ascent through the churchyard to the door of the sacred edifice. I was the first to enter, and took a seat near an open window and waited. Presently the sexton, old and gray in the service, entered and rang the bell, and the people came. I do not think it was merely fancy, but there really seemed a reverence that appears lacking in larger city churches. The organist, who I think was the clergyman's wife, came with her youngest and took her seat in the choir loft. It was Communion Sunday and for many it was the first communion and the sermon was specially for those who were to partake of their first communion since confirmation. The thing most notable was the earnestness of those taking part. Everybody responded in the prayers; everybody sang the hymns and everybody "drew near with reverence, making their humble confession, meekly kneeling on their knees."

There was no large pipe organ, no vested choir, the hymns were selected so that everyone could follow and join in singing and everyone sang. As one sat and listened to the sermon, the text of which was, "Be ye steadfast," one could not help thinking how much more real and how much more one gets from a service simple enough for all the members to join, and in a church such as this, than in the larger city churches where nobody sings but the choir and the people not being able to join in the service, idly look about at the millinery and let their thoughts stray on forbidden paths.

One quite realizes that churches in larger places must necessarily be larger, but perhaps it might be more conducive to spiritual growth and development if our churches made their services simpler. If they selected tunes for hymns that the majority of the congregation could follow instead of tunes that choirs of selected singers after weeks of practice, can do but faint justice. Some of the airs as the poet Burns said in the "Cotters' Saturday Night," "have no unison with their Creator's praise." Perhaps I may be wrong, but I shall long remember that sweet Sabbath morning in the little Anglican church on the hill at Sydenham.

And here I am ten years later, and no more stands that church on the hill. A newer church is built in the village, which the people tell me is much more convenient for the worshippers especially in winter when the road was drifted full of snow and people made their own paths to the church. But I wonder do the worshippers get as much out of the service that means so little effort. I, for one will always regret the passing of the quaint little church on the hill. I shall go to the newer church tomorrow, but my heart and my thoughts will go back ten years to the old church surrounded by the church yard where "each in his narrow cell forever lies, the rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep."

The breezy call of incense breathing morn,  
The cock's shrill clarion or the echoing horn,  
No more shall rouse them from their lowly bed."

P. W. Ellis, George Wright and Fred Miller are the nominees of the Toronto Board of Control for the Transportation Commission.

THE Y.M.C.A. LADS HAD AN ENJOYABLE OUTING.

Their Camp Was Held at Grenadier Island—An Account Given of the Pleasant Holiday.

Tanned as brown as Indians, twenty-five boys have returned from the Y.M.C.A. boys' camp at Grenadier Island. The weather for the first week was considerably showery but the last week was ideal camping weather. No serious accident happened to mar the pleasure of the camp, in fact cut toes, sunburns and stomach aches were the chief ailments. The camp was in charge of S. T. Lilley, boys' work secretary of the local association. A. W. Dean, physical director, Lachlin MacKinnon and C. B. A. Robinson were his assistants, who acted in the capacity of tent leaders, in charge of group boys, and acted on the camp council during the two weeks. The camp was honored by many visitors, some interested as parents and others as friends.

The field sports were in charge of Physical Director Dean, and a fine line of sports were run off. Three boys taking first places were Edgar Batten, Norntan Smith and Herbert Skelton. These boys each received as a reward the Y.M.C.A. emblem. The water sports were again in the hands of Lachlin MacKinnon. The camp committee appreciate very much the assistance Mr. MacKinnon rendered in the water sports. Those boys taking first places in water sports were: 1st, Morris Spelman, 2nd, Douglas Skelton, 3rd, Bert Vince. These boys also received the Y.M.C.A. emblem as a reward for their efforts. A number of boys tried their tests in swimming and they received their first and second test buttons.

There were very interesting boat races, the competitors being Howard Rider, Bert Vince, Morrie Spelman, Alexander Kirkpatrick and Herbert Skelton. These boys received ribbons according to their standing. There was a prize offered for the largest fish caught. George Mooers was the lucky boy. He captured a pike, twenty-seven inches long. An interesting treasure hunt was one afternoon's programme and a good deal of interest was shown. George Baxter was the boy to find the treasure.

On Friday evening, on the eve of the departure for home, the boys gathered around to hear Mr. Lilley thank them for their co-operation and splendid spirit in making the 1920 camp the greatest in the history of Grenadier Island, and in the fine way they lived up to their motto of "Help the other fellow!" Short addresses were given by Mr. Dean, Lachlin MacKinnon and by Mr. Robinson, all speaking the brightest things of the camp. Finally Mr. Lilley presented the honor badges to the boys winning them, also the pins.

After the closing ceremony, a little pillow fight, the boys rolled into their bunks.

**TWO YOUNG MEN SENT UP FOR THEIR TRIAL**

Couple Who Were Nabbed in Kingston Have to Face Four Charges.

Word was received from Brockville, to the effect that Christopher Thomas and Lyle Aubin, the two young men who were arrested in Kingston on Monday by Sergeant Marshall Armstrong, charged with the theft of an automobile, auto tires, and getting money under false pretences, had been committed for trial at Delta. They are also wanted at Toronto, Athens, and Picton.

Constable J. W. Russell, of Delta, was notified that the men were rounded up here, and he came to Kingston for them.

**SCHOONER NEWSBOY HAD A CLOSE CALL**

In an All-Day Battle With a Powerful Gale of Wind.

The schooner Newsboy had a narrow escape from sinking Sunday night after an all day battle with a gale of wind. All of the sails were blown out and under jury rig the schooner went into Oak Orchard for shelter, having sprung a bad leak. She was loaded for Toronto with coal from Oswego. The schooner carried 42 tons and was built and owned by R. H. Trumbull of Waukegan.

**Prince of Wales Liked This American Girl**

Washington Dispatch in Philadelphia Public Ledger.

The most-talked about young woman in Washington is Miss Margaret Calhoun Simonds, of 1519 New Hampshire avenue, whom rumor, probably wholly irresponsible, associates with a possible betrothal to the Prince of Wales, Miss Simonds, a beautiful South Californian, met and danced with the prince when he was in Washington last year. Later she had the distinction of receiving a personal call from the prince and his suite at the home of her mother, who is the wife of a Washington lawyer. Miss Simonds is passing the summer in England, as the guest of the Earl of Mar, a maternal relative, and is to be presented at Buckingham Palace, it is said, on the Prince of Wales's special request. The prince also is an admirer of Miss Davis, the charming young daughter of the American ambassador to the Court of St. James.

Toronto Conservatory.  
Miss Shaw's pupils: Associate piano, A.T.C.M. Gladys Saunders; Intermediate piano, Vera Holder; Preliminary Harmony, honors, Thomas Bogart.

Percy Smith, returned soldier, was literally torn to pieces by an straggled bull at Weldwood, the Farmers'Advocate Experimental Farm, a few miles from London Ont.

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At Ottawa in Prospect, Following Retirement of Officers.

A reorganization of the militia headquarters' staff is necessitated by the retirement of General Sir Arthur Currie and General Sir Willoughby Gwatkin, chief of staff. General McBrien had been slated to become chief of staff. It is very probable that General Elmley, D.O.C. at Kingston, and former commandant of the Siberian force, will be taken to the headquarters' staff, while General Elliott, master general of ordnance, now on leave, is likely to return to the Imperial army and retire on pension.

Undertakers Are Happy Over Increase in Fees

New York, July 22.—The undertakers of Middletown, N. Y., are probably finding it harder than usual to keep from looking cheerful. The Board of Estimate has just granted their request for a 75 per cent. increase in fees for charity funerals. The fee is increased from \$20 to \$35. The undertakers complained that the price of everything used by them has gone up.

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