

HOW TO SECURE RESPECT FOR LAW

The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for Feb. 23.—Matt. 22:15-22.

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No subject is of more importance in America at the present hour than that of the relation between law and good conduct.

It does not mean, however, the entire separation between state and religion. Not only are politics and religion inseparable in the life of the individual, but in the very foundation of our national life some link between religion and the state has always been recognized.

is not the deepest thing that religion implies.

Misquoting Passage.

Few passages have been more used in relation to the problem of religion and politics, and few have been more seriously abused, than this passage in which Jesus enjoins the rendering unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's.

A fundamentally wrong interpretation of the whole passage is frequently evident in its use. It is constantly quoted to suggest that the spheres of religion and politics, of church and state, are entirely separate, and have no connection.

Jesus was speaking to Pharisees who were not anxious for the truth but who were seeking, as the lesson says, "to ensnare Him in His talk."

He asked for a piece of money and inquired whose image and superscription were upon it. When His enemies replied Caesar's, Jesus very naturally used these words, "Render, therefore, unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's."

What Was Meant. This surely does not mean that certain things were Caesar's and that certain things were God's. Such a notion would be at variance with New Testament, the very essence of

which was the insistence upon the fact that everything belongs to God. Does Jesus imply then that the citizen has no obligation to the state, that there are certain things that do not belong to Caesar? By no means. He suggests that there are obligations that are binding so far as they go. But when Caesar and God are in conflict there can be no other attitude for the Christian than the attitude of the early disciples when they were forbidden to preach the Gospel, "We ought to obey God rather than men."

We should not hesitate to apply this to the vexed question of law enforcement, and specifically of the prohibition movement in America to-day. The man who is willing and disposed to break any law of the land should consider very carefully what would happen if others choose to disregard the laws in which he believes.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Mary Jane Mundell. On Wednesday, Feb. 24, death visited the home of Mrs. A. E. Laird, Colborne street, and claimed her aunt, Mary Jane, widow of the late John Mundell, formerly of Westbrooke. The deceased, who was a Presbyterian in religion and formerly a member of Cooke's church here, was born in Ireland eighty years ago, coming to Canada when three years old. Being of a remarkably gentle and unselfish nature, she created about her an atmosphere of peace. The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon from the residence of her niece to Cataract cemetery with Rev. G. A. Brown officiating.

Albert Aylesworth. Albert Aylesworth, aged eighty-two years, a very well-known resident of Cataract, passed away on Thursday at the residence of his son-in-law, William Day, Cataract. The deceased had been ailing for some time, but his illness was not considered serious till about two weeks ago. He was born in Ernestown and lived there for some time, being well known and highly regarded.

The late Mr. Aylesworth is survived by two daughters, Mrs. W. Day, Cataract, and Mrs. W. Dibble, Rochester, N.Y. The funeral will take place Friday afternoon from the residence of his son-in-law, Cataract, to Cataract cemetery, Rev. Dr. Couper, officiating.

NEWS FROM DELTA.

Successful Season Reported At The Rink There. Delta, Feb. 24.—Mrs. Felix Breesee has recovered from her bad cold of two weeks duration, and is now able to be down stairs. Herman Snider and family, have left the house he has occupied for the past year and moved to his newly acquired property at the south side of the village. John Eaton is feeling very poorly these days.

Mrs. J. Girden is in Athens, caring for her daughter, Mrs. C. Greenham, who is ill. Robert Chant's two sons from the U.S.A. are here, owing to the serious illness of their father. Miss Josie Irwin is at Carthage, N.Y., on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Stevens, of that place. The W. W. S. will meet at the home of Rev. Mrs. Keough in March. Miss Dorothy Keough has left for Toronto, where she has secured a position. Miss Jean Russell has been very ill, and unable to teach in her school at Coon's settlement.

A large number of logs are coming into Delta, to be sawed into lumber at the mill.

A load of young people came in from Phillippsville to skate Saturday evening, at the well lighted rink, which has had a very successful season, it being in charge of Jack Wright and Roy Halliday.

Inventary Items.

Inventary, Feb. 24.—Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Simpson and little son of Cleveland, Ohio, are with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Simpson. A number from here attended the funeral of the late Mr. L. Dickison, Leeland, yesterday. Many of the young people are anticipating attending the dance at the dairy school, Kingston, tonight. Mrs. Lena Christley is at present taking care of Mrs. Charles Nicholson, Sunbury, who is ill with pneumonia. The many friends of Miss Daisy Lake are sorry to hear she is confined to her room with measles.

At Jones Falls.

Jones Falls, Feb. 23.—Owing to the heavy fall of snow, the roads are in wonderful condition for driving. The young people spent a very enjoyable time at a party given by Mrs. J. Dancy. A number attended the box social at Briar Hill. G. Dier is very much improved after having the measles. There have been quite a number of cases through the neighborhood. The Holiness Movement people are holding revival meetings. Mrs. C. Hutchings is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. S. Dean, in Ottawa.

Cornwall Man Suicides.

Cornwall, Feb. 24.—Citizens were shocked yesterday on learning that Arthur Burton had taken his life by swallowing an ounce of carbolic acid at his home. Mr. Burton had resided in Cornwall for upwards of twenty-five years, being engaged as an agent for nursery, stock and lines of farm machinery. He was 66 years of age.

Premier Bratianu of Roumania is expected to retire, after which Prince Carol will return. Canton Government of China is defying the Powers in its dealings with Customs revenue.

TO HEAR DISPUTES ON CHURCH PROPERTY

Amherst Island, Ernestown and Camden East Cases for Commission.

The Ontario Church Property Commission, which was appointed by the Ontario Government for the purpose of dealing with matters of disagreement over Presbyterian church property as a result of the Church Union vote, will hold a session at Belleville on Friday.

There are three disputes in the Kingston district, which will come before the commission. The churches which are affected are at Amherst Island, Ernestown and Camden East. These three churches voted against entering the United Church of Canada. The sessions of the charges are asking the commission to declare that the property passes into the hands of the Continuing Presbyterian Church.

In all three cases, the churches were co-operating charges. For years the Methodists and the Presbyterians had held separate services, but some years ago an agreement was made by which the two congregations worshipped in the same church.

At Amherst Island, it was arranged that the morning service be held in the Presbyterian church, which is a short distance out of Stella, and in the evening the worship took place in the Methodist church, which is situated on the main street of the village. Since the vote was taken and the Presbyterians decided to withdraw, the Unionist members of the former Presbyterian congregation joined up with the Methodists, who also favored union and have been holding services in the Methodist church. The Unionists are supporting a minister. The Continuing Presbyterians also hold service each Sunday. Rev. James Cumberland, of Kingston, was for over forty years minister in the Presbyterian church.

The church at Ernestown was formerly a Lutheran Church, but many years ago it was arranged between the Presbyterians and Methodists that it be a union charge and was known as the "Union church." During the co-operation, the Methodist minister stationed at Bath, conducted the services.

It is understood that the Continuing Presbyterians will contend before the commission, that although a scheme of co-operation was acceptable to both church bodies, the agreement distinctly stated that the Presbyterian church property still remained under the control of the session of the Presbyterian church, and there was a separate roll.

The Unionists state that the votes at Ernestown and Camden East were irregular.

Mississippi Personals.

Mississippi, Feb. 23.—James Province from out West visited with his cousin, John Fair. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sergeant, Elphin, visited with latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Steele, last week. Miss Pearl Dennis spent the week-end with her brother at Wilbur. Miss Vera Dick spent the week-end at her home in Renfrew.

Fred Steele visited a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sergeant, of Elphin. Frank Dowdell, Bolingbrook, and his brother, Fred Dowdell, of Yellow Grass, Saskatchewan, visited with their uncle, Thomas Dowdell, and Mrs. Boyd C. Fournier. William Olmstead has gone to work for his brother, E. Olmstead, who is running a saw-mill at McDonald's Corners. Mr. and Mrs. C. Benedict and family spent Sunday at Mrs. Mary McDougall's. Bert Allan spent Sunday at Phillippsville. William Riddell, Fort McNichol, is visiting at his home here.

Wedded at Harrowsmith.

Harrowsmith, Feb. 23.—The marriage took place on Wednesday evening at the parsonage of the United Church, of Cynthia Jane Ashley, daughter of John and Mary Ann Hughes, and Mr. Frank Walker, son of George Walker and Hannah Bryan. The bride wore a silk dress and was unattended. After the ceremony the happy couple were taken to their home in the sedan of their son, Harry Walker. There a number of friends sat down to a splendid supper. The following guests were present: Mr. J. Hughes, Mrs. L. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. H. Walker, their daughter, Miss Eva Walker, Mr. John Warner, Mrs. Walroth, sister of the bridegroom, Mr. and Mrs. Walroth, of Verona, and Rev. and Mrs. A. S. Doggett.

Charleston Paragraphs.

Charleston, Feb. 22.—Harry Webster was informed on Saturday that his uncle, Col. the Rev. H. H. Johnston, of Lawrenceburg, Tenn., had died on Feb. 12th. No further particulars were given. Mr. and Mrs. Forde Moulton, Jones Falls, are visiting at T. Hudson's. Hubert and Albert Beale, Queen's University, are home for a few days. Mrs. Glenn, who has been spending the past few months at Watertown, N.Y., stopped for a few days' visit with Mrs. T. Heffernan enroute to Westport.

Miss Maggie Finlay is leaving on Saturday to enter an hospital in Smith's Falls as a nurse-in-training. Horace Slack has gone to Lyndhurst to spend some time with his daughter, Mrs. "Teddy" Wood, and to receive further treatment to his hand, which has been sore all winter.

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