

Lenten Meditations THE PRAYER OF PETITION (The London Times)

It is sometimes affirmed that the essential value of prayer lies in its effect upon the one who prays. The teaching of the New Testament about prayer hardly justifies such a view. Nothing could be clearer or more emphatic than our Lord's words recorded in Sunday's Gospel...

It is true that the prayer of petition will inevitably have its influence upon him who offers it, for he is bringing his own needs, perplexities and needs, and perhaps those of others, into the realm of the spirit and of God's purposes...

It is not presumptuous to believe that it affects the thing or person prayed for, though the result may not be immediately obvious, nor indeed be exactly in conformity with what is asked...

Such prayer must fulfill the conditions laid down by our Lord. It must be "in his name", that is, in harmony with his mind, inspired by fellowship with him...

The other condition is faith. The common phrase "if it be thy will" may be an expression of piety and humility—and there are doubtless times when petition should be so qualified—but the use of those qualifying words may also indicate a lack of conviction as to the righteousness of the prayer...

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FUNERAL AT CAVDENISH—The funeral of the late Mrs. Nelson MacCoubrey, Cavadish, was held from Cavadish United Church on Sunday afternoon and was largely attended. The services at the church and grave were conducted by Rev. George Gough. The pallbearers were: Ernest MacNeill, Milton Green, Alfred Moore, Alvah MacNeill, Lewis Toombs and Miller Orr. Burial in Cavadish cemetery.

FUNERAL SATURDAY—The funeral of the late Mrs. Granville Stuntin, Rustico, was held on Saturday afternoon from New Glasgow United Church and was largely attended. Rev. George Gough and Rev. Mr. Piercy conducted the services at the church and grave. The pallbearers were: Ed Lewis, William, Chester, Bulman, Stewart Parkman, Cyril Toombs, Exler Bulman and Noel Hooper. Interment in New Glasgow cemetery.

CITY POLICE COURT—At the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court yesterday, a man convicted on a charge of false pretenses was sentenced to 60 days in jail. The case was in connection with the accused issuing a worthless cheque in the amount of some \$40 in payment of an account at a local clothing establishment. A man charged with theft of meat, under \$25 in value from a local grocery store was sentenced to 30 days in jail. Two men charged with being drunk and disorderly appeared. One was sentenced to 10 days in jail and the other was fined \$20 and costs or 20 days in jail. Two men charged with street fighting were each fined \$5 or five days in jail.

IN MEMORIAM GORDON LAIRD

The words of the great New Testament might be fittingly applied to our much beloved citizen Mr. Gordon Laird who departed this life on the evening of the last day of January, 1951. He had fought the good fight, finished the course, kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for him, a crown of righteousness which the Lord shall give to all that love his appearing.

The deceased had attained the age of 68 years. He was the youngest member of the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Laird who resided for many years on the "Laird Farm" at North Rustico.

After his father's demise Gordon continued the work until the spring of 1944, when through ill health he was obliged to retire. He then settled in New Glasgow Village, where he and Mrs. Laird had fitted up a snug home for their declining years. Mr. Laird will be sorely missed in the home and in the Church where he loved to worship and sing praises to his Lord and Master, his absence will be keenly felt; for to one and all he had a kind and cheerful greeting. He was a true and devoted husband and brother.

His funeral was held on Friday afternoon, February 2nd, in the adjoining Church and conducted by his pastor the Rev. Geo. Gough assisted by the Rev. P. L. Richardson. Mr. Gough chose the 1st verse of the 14th chap. of St. John's Gospel. "Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me." as the text for his sermon. Both clergymen paid a fitting tribute to the life of the departed Christian brother. Three favorite hymns of the deceased were sung by the choir and a solo, "Beyond the Sunset" was feelingly rendered by Mr. George Clark of Cavadish. Mrs. Mabel Simpson sang an organ solo.

His pallbearers were the Messrs. Roy Toombs, R. G. Fleming, Arch Hartling, Harry MacKenzie, R. L. Dickleson and Mort Larkin. He was tenderly laid to rest in Cavadish Cemetery beside the graves of his parents.

There is a home not made with hands, Beyond the golden door Awaits the one who's now away Not lost—just gone before.

And in that home not made by hands, The Master will prepare a place for us, and when he calls We'll meet the loved one there.

Card Of Thanks Mrs. Gordon Laird, Carrie and Edna, wish to thank all who sent messages of sympathy and helped in many ways during their sad bereavement.

Strange But True

By F.H. MacArthur

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Personals

Mrs. Austin Bolger, St. Anns, Hope River, spent several days in the city, visiting her sister, Mrs. Houlton Melms.

Mr. C. Wesley Murray, electronics inspector with Inspection Services Department, National Defence, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Nelson Murray, Fredericton.

Mrs. Herbert Riley left by plane Friday morning for her home in Maiden, Mass., after attending the funeral of her brother Joseph Wilfred Gallant at North Rustico which took place Wednesday morning, Feb. 14. Mrs. Herbert Riley is a sister of Fidele Gallant, fireman at Notre Dame Convent.

YORK AND VICINITY

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Watts were recent visitors to York, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Watts.

Miss Erma Watts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Watts, celebrated her tenth birthday with a few of her girl friends.

Many friends of little Patsy Lewis are glad to see her out around again after her recent illness.

Many friends of Miss Margaret Stewart are sorry to hear that she has entered the P. E. Island Hospital for treatment.

Mrs. Alex Beaton, York, is visiting in Tracadie the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keizer.

Mrs. E. J. Vessey, York, is visiting in the city the guest of her sister, Mrs. Laura Bustin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay Auld West Covehead, were visitors to Ellerslie on Sunday, the guest of Mr. Ed. Burielgh.

The York Vics took up the Marshfield team on Saturday night for a hockey game. Marshfield won the match by a score of 8 to 4.

Friends of Mrs. Harry Lewis, York, are sorry to hear that she is a patient in the P. E. Island Hospital. They all wish her a speedy recovery.

Many friends of Mr. Harry Swan are sorry to hear that he is confined to his home with pneumonia. They all wish him a speedy recovery.

IN MEMORIAM

NICHOLSON, Roderick, in loving memory of father who passed away February 20, 1950.

"Without farewell, you fell asleep, Leaving just memories for us to keep."

Ever Remembered by Elva, May, Hazel, Albert and Beverly.

Card Of Thanks

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Doctors (especially Dr. Pierce) Staff and Nurses of the P. E. I. Hospital and my Special Nurses for kindness shown me during my stay in Hospital; also all kind friends who visited me; sent letters, cards or gifts.

Mrs. Harry Lewis, York.

Card Of Thanks

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the doctors and nurses of the Prince County Hospital, also to those who sent letters, cards and treats and visited me each time I was a patient there.

Charles Colwill

Card Of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robertson, Kingsboro, wish to thank their Pastor, Rev. H. R. Bell, Dr. E. Kassner, the Matron and Nurses of Souris Hospital, all who sent cards and messages of sympathy and the neighbours and friends whose many acts of kindness were so helpful in their recent bereavement.

Island Teacher Follows Profession In The Arctic



Mr. Joseph A. Coady

Many Islanders will probably recall Joseph A. Coady of North Wiltshire, former student of P.W.C., Principal of Kensington High School and teacher at Summerside Academy. Joe is still in the teaching profession but in a country where the mercury sometimes dips down to 75 degrees.

In the winter of '47 he married the former Kathleen Deighan of Summerside and left for the Peace River country and settled in the Dawson Creek area near the Alaska Highway. After spending a year and a half in the country the call of the great Northland sounded and he joined the Department of Mines and Resources Indian Affairs branch at Ottawa.

He was off as a welfare teacher to a small isolated Indian village at Fort Norman at the junction of the Great Bear and Mackenzie Rivers, where he was to open the first school in that area since the beginning of time.

The natives, all Indians, numbered about three hundred, looked with great suspicion upon the arrival of a teacher who was to try to make them better citizens, so that they, in the future, might be the better able to help themselves.

New General Freight CNR Agent Appointed

MONTREAL, Que., Feb. 19—The appointment of William Stirling to be general freight claim agent for Canadian National Railways with headquarters at Montreal was announced here by T.H. Cooper, vice-president of the company. He succeeds A. G. Gilmour, who has retired after more than 50 years of railway service.

Born in Glasgow, Scotland, Mr. Stirling began his railway career in 1901 as a file clerk in the C.N.R.'s freight claim department at Winnipeg.

He was promoted to travelling chief clerk in 1945, and district freight claim agent two years later. He moved to Montreal as assistant to the general freight claim agent in 1950 and in 1950 was appointed freight claim agent.

IN MEMORIAM

In fond and loving memory of our dear children, Daniel Docherty, aged 2 months who passed away four years ago today and Vincent aged five years who passed away five months ago.

Asleep in God's beautiful garden, Where there is no sorrow or pain, Some day when life's journey is over, We shall meet our dear children again.

Ever Remembered by Mommy, Daddy, Carl and Joan.

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WRITE FOR FREE CATALOGUE ARTHUR VESEY YORK, P.E.I. Ellen's Diary Continued from page 2

"Do you know what we're expecting? Lambs — yes, lambs and he nodded, smiling broadly "Kittens!"

We returned after supper in which Jamie home from his classes and the three farmers home from their lumbering job. A happy meal it was, with a crowning dish of all, to tinkle James' palate, and revive old memories—of those "dear dead days" when my mother used to mix the makings in a crock... meat and raisins, apples and spices and all...

That means that the poor working girl, who contributes to the unemployment insurance fund maybe for years without drawing any benefits, no longer can look to the government to help launch her into marital bliss.

Wedding Present Previously, if, when she married, she told the boss what she thought of him, he'd obligingly fire her, and she could draw unemployment insurance for a number of weeks while she and hubby set up house-keeping.

With charming feminine logic, many women argue that since they've paid their hard-earned contributions into the fund, they should reap some benefit when they leave the labour force to marry.

The government doesn't see it that way. Unemployment insurance isn't a savings plan, officials point out. And so people retiring from employment are no more entitled to draw from it than you or I would be entitled to something from the fire insurance company if we had paid fire insurance premiums but never had a fire.

What started me digging into this matter of P. C. 5090 was a curious question asked in the Commons the other day. Stanley Knowles, the lean and lanky reverent gentleman who sits with the C. C. F. and represents the voters of Winnipeg North Centre, queried Labour Minister Gregg on the order-in-council.

"Have protests been received?" Knowles asked. "Is consideration being given to revising or dropping it?" Gregg replied, "The answer to the first is yes. To the second question the answer is no." Whereupon Knowles muttered darkly, "You'll hear from me again."

Knowles To The Rescue Well, Maritimer Gregg didn't look scared. So I asked Knowles what it was all about.

He admits that government financing of steno-honorarys is an anomaly which should have been wiped out—as it was. But he also contends that in wiping it out, the government created more anomalies than it abolished.

For example: Gertrude Y. is single, out of work. She's registered with the National Employment Service as willing to work, but there is no work, so she gets unemployment insurance. Then she marries and although she's still eager to work, she is out of unemployment insurance.

Maybe the answer is that she shouldn't marry. But that's too pat for Knowles—especially when he can instance other situations in which P. C. 5090 could cause unwarranted hardship.

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