

# Lenten Meditation

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## FORGIVENESS

"Forgive, and ye shall be forgiven." There it stands, the inexpressible moral logic of the Gospel. There is no getting past, or round, or under it. If men desire forgiveness they can have it—on those terms. There are no others.

Many people would reply that they do not particularly want forgiveness; they are not conscious of the need for it. The world is not indeed all that it might be; human nature is far from perfect. And this means inevitably that situations arise in which hard things are said, and nasty things are done. But life is like that, and you have to take the rough with the smooth.

The whole view of man's life as subject to divine law, against which man transgresses and thereby incurs the need of forgiveness, is a survival from a primitive stage of fear and superstition. It must be replaced by a view which sees in man's natural capacity for discovery and adjustment to new environment the remedy for his present distresses, and the hope of deliverance into a new freedom.

It may fairly be asked whether such a view is substantiated by the experience of those who are most closely at grips—and that not in the specifically religious sphere—with the personal problems of ordinary people. Some of the evidence at least provided by the findings of the doctor, the

psychiatrist, the probation officer, the marriage guidance consultant, and the magistrate in the matrimonial court, suggests a different reading of the situation.

On this view it is precisely the fact that men and women are unwilling to extend or accept forgiveness which lies at the root of so much of the unhappiness which these social workers are seeking to remove. This is true on the purely human level. It is a plain fact of moral observation that the pride which will not acknowledge wrong done, and the hardness of heart which will not accept such acknowledgment, are the most fruitful causes of the estrangement, bitterness, and emptiness which indeed many lives too plainly exhibit.

For the Christian the need goes deeper. As he looks out on the world, beyond the innumerable individual tragedies and disasters to the large-scale terror and paralysis by which mankind as a whole feels itself threatened, he is compelled to ask what power of release can deal with such a situation. This storing up of hatred and antagonism; this wilful cultivation of the conviction that all the right is to be found on one's own side; this unwillingness to make honest acknowledgment of a common sin which calls for an inclusive forgiveness greater than any nation or class can offer, it is these which to the Christian are the real obstacles to the hope of peace.



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**WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., March 24**—(AP)—First baseman Lou Limmer, the rookie the Philadelphia Athletics expected to make the big leagues with a bang, was farmed out to Ottawa of the International League today as manager Jimmy Dykes dropped eight players from his squad.

**FUNERAL SUNDAY**—The funeral of William H. Masters, Vernon River, was held from his late residence on Sunday, March 23rd at 2.30 p.m. Services at the house and grave were conducted by Rev. J. T. Irwin of Trinity United Church, Charlottetown. Pallbearers were Leonard Murphy, Ernest McMillan, F. E. Lea, Malcolm McLean, Howard Richards and Arthur Richards. Burial in Vernon River United Church cemetery.

## IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of **Fit. Lieut. Leonard Thomas Berrigan, D. F. C., A. F. C.**, who lost his life while on a mission over Berlin, March 24-25, 1944.

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**IN COLORADO**—Wallace H. MacLean, Vernon River, has been elected to serve on the 1952-53 council of the Barbs, organized non-fraternity men, at the Colorado School of Mines, Young MacLean, a sophomore in petroleum production, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. MacLean, Vernon River. Before going to "Mines", he attended Prince of Wales College here.

## IN MEMORIAM

In memory of my mother **MRS. JOHN W. MacLEOD** New London who passed away March 23, 1951.

We do not forget her, we loved her too dearly For her memory to fade from our lives like a dream. Our lips need not speak when our hearts know sincerely For grief often dwells where it seldom is seen.

Sadly missed by her daughter Mrs. James Bryenton and family, Hantsville, P. E. I.

## Card Of Thanks

I wish to thank the Matron, Nurses, the Doctors and the Staff of the P. E. Island Hospital, the Clergy and all my neighbours and friends who helped shovel to get the plough through and helped in any way. Also who sent flowers and fruit, cards and letters during my illness.

Mrs. Ralph Horton, Mt. Albion.

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I wish to thank the Doctors, Nurses and Staff of the Provincial Sanatorium for their kindness to me, also those who sent letters, cards and fruit or visited me when I was a patient there.

Emery Gallant, North Rustico.

## IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Mother, **Mrs. A. R. Clow**, who passed away March 24th, 1936.

Though she's gone her memory lingers, In a heart that can't forget. Though I speak no word of longing I still think of Mother yet.

Fondly Remembered by Daughter Freida.

## IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my husband **CHARLES FREDERICK LARTER** who passed away March 25th, 1950.

Since you're gone first and I remain To walk the road alone I live in memory's garden dear With happy days we've known.

I hear your voice: I see your smile Though blindly I may grope. The memory of your helping hand Still buoy me on with hope.

We've known so much of happiness We've had our cup of joy. And memory is one gift of God The death can not destroy.

Fondly Remembered by His Wife.

# Proposed Visit To Ottawa Indorsed By Rotary Club

On motion of Hon. Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan, seconded by Mr. Frederick A. Large, Q.C., the Charlottetown Rotary Club went on record yesterday as supporting the proposed visit of Mayor Stewart and Premier Jones to Ottawa "in an endeavour to secure needed Federal public works in this community."

The subject was introduced at the Club luncheon yesterday by City Councillor Edwin C. Johnson, District Governor of Rotary, who said that Mayor Stewart would appreciate the backing of all the Service Clubs in this connection. The Charlottetown Board of Trade had already passed a similar resolution.

**Recalls Sports History**—The speaker at Rotary yesterday was Mr. Neil A. Matheson, former sports writer and now news and farm editor for the Patriot, who told about the early days of the Abegweit Club and some of the athletes who had helped to make it famous.

Originally it was formed in the 1880's as a football club. One of the original members present at the meeting when the name "Abegweit" was chosen was Dr. H. H. Shaw and he was in attendance at Rotary yesterday.

In 1894 the Junior Abbies were formed and in 1899 the Abegweit Club won the Maritime Track and Field Championships at Moncton. They had been trained by Tom Rananah.

In 1921 the Abegweit Athletic Club had two Olympic champions

story about a man who thought the world could not get along without him. The teacher said stick your finger in a bucket of water, then pull it out and try and find the hole it made. Athletics run properly teach a young man to think quickly, to act with self control, and to be a gentleman.

Wallace Scantlebury acted as chairman for Jim Gerry who was unavoidably absent and Fred Moore was co-chairman and thanked the speaker. Guests present were Wm. A. Morrell, Dr. H. H. Shaw, Hon. A. W. Matheson, W. Arthur Gaudet, George Francis, Rev. J. T. Irwin.

Two new members were introduced, Roy MacGillivray by Bill Reid and J. Fulton Pierce by Gordon Avar.

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