

### Religion and Life

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A minister of the Gospel was once holding a series of evangelistic meetings in a Canadian penitentiary. As a part of his work he arranged for an hour in which anyone interested in the Gospel offer might come for a personal interview. A young Negro came in one day and started the conversation in a bantering mood. He showed the preacher an American cent with Abraham Lincoln's face on it, a coin which he had picked up in the yard.

"They're as scarce as hen's teeth around here," he said, "but I found this one and it started me thinking. Here is a man who died that I might be free, and this is the way I've used my freedom. Then you are telling us of One who died to save us, and look how I've treated him. Now I've decided to begin all over again and start a new life."

"You must remember that your past has to be dealt with!" warned the preacher.

"Oh yes! I know all about that," the youth answered. "I'm forgiven. 'I'm forgiven!' Is there any word in the language more blessed? In D. L. Moody's biography there is an incident connected with a similar mission which he conducted. When on his way to preach to the convicts, the governor of the state handed him a pardon for one of them—a woman who had served for years and was only half way through her sentence. After the service was over the evangelist announced that he had a pardon for one of his hearers. The entire audience was thrown into such a state of excitement that Moody himself was overwhelmed so that he could not utter another word. At last he managed to shout the name of the one pardoned, and she fell into hysterics and could only laugh and cry in an ecstasy of delight. Jesus in His Gospel announces an amnesty for sinners and it is open to all who will receive it.

Jesus began his ministry by bringing this message of forgiveness to the class which needed it most—the outcasts of His time. He broke with the moralists of that day on this issue.

"They said: The blacker the sin the deeper the guilt, and therefore, the severer the punishment deserved. He said: The blacker the sin the deeper the need, and therefore the stronger the claim on the grace of God.

"They said: A just God is glorified by dealing out stern justice to the transgressor.

Jesus said: A good God is glorified more truly by turning a sinner against his sin than by destroying him for it.

He practiced what He preached. Everyone knows that it is one thing to preach an universal pardon as a doctrine and another totally different to forgive persons in the act of inflicting the most cruel injuries on oneself. Yet while the soldiers were driving the nails through His hands and feet Jesus prayed, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34).

To find such a spirit in such circumstances stirs the imagination. There is nothing in human nature which enables us to account for it. Miss Caroline Macdonald, a missionary to Japan, tells of the effect of this story on a criminal sentenced to death for crimes of a most revolting character. One day she handed him a copy of the Gospel of Luke and he read it because he had nothing else to do. At first he was languidly interested in it as a story; then his interest deepened as Luke's conception of Jesus' character got hold of him. But when he came to this prayer: "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do," he said, "It pierced my heart like a five-inch nail." Japan had once had a patriot who loved her enough to be impaled for her, but he died imprecating the most fearful curses on his torturers; and here Jesus, crucified because of His agony, pleads for the forgiveness of those who were nailing Him to the tree. That picture transformed the man who saw it into the very image of the Christ. Miss Macdonald's account is entitled, "A gentleman in prison and no convert ever deserved the title more truly."

Good Friday and Easter Sunday are at hand. Good Friday reminds us of the price which Christ paid for our redemption, and His triumph over death on Easter Sunday is the guarantee of His success and of our salvation in Him. "Calvary day and Easter day are just one day apart." But as we live by forgiveness, let us learn to forgive. "Forgiveness with the Forgiver in it," is the Gospel offer; we must forgive as we have been forgiven. Our Lord, whose mercy is as high as the heavens, has taught us to pray, "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Those who will not forgive cannot be forgiven. Bitterness reigns in many a soul because he cannot forgive; let each take his place this season among the Reconcilers who are Reconcilers for Christ's sake.

### Central Guardian

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ZION MEN'S ASSOCIATION, Monday at 6 P. M. Dr. Frank MacKinnon, Principal of Prince of Wales College, guest speaker.

P. E. I. HOSPITAL TAG DAY takes place on Easter Saturday. Hear Mrs. Gordon Leitch on Ladies Aid Work, over C. P. C. Y. at one P. M. today.

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### Personals

Miss Doreen Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Ross, has returned to her home in Charlottetown after having spent the past six months in Boston, Mass.

### Dr. Shaw Addresses Home & School Group

A meeting of Glenaldale Home and School Association was held in the school on Monday, March 20th. The Honorary President, Rev. K. C. MacPherson presided.

In his introductory remarks the chairman commented on the appropriateness of the name Home and School Association, and added that money invested in education pays the highest dividends. The guest speaker, Dr. L. W. Shaw, in his remarks, developed this point further. He indicated the great necessity for parents and teachers to come together from time to time, and insisted that the primary purpose of this Association is to talk about the child. "Before the child goes to school," said Dr. Shaw, "he learns nearly all the habits he will ever have. As he grows up his teachers are his first, his parents; secondly, his brothers, sisters, and playmates; thirdly, the community with all its organizations; and fourthly, the school."

In conjunction with a remark by the chairman in his opening talk, Dr. Shaw outlined the development of education from primitive times, when the child's only teachers were his parents. As time went on, however, and civilization progressed, the parents, as a rule, had neither the time nor the education to meet the growing needs of the times. It then became necessary to supplement their teaching. In view of this close partnership, the greatest co-operation should ever exist between parents and teachers. Mr. B. Chandler of the P. E. I. libraries then commented on the advantages of child psychology, and informed the members of the great variety of books, pamphlets, and films which may be obtained from the library. The Reverend K. C. MacMillan spoke on the good to be accomplished by meetings of this kind, and reminded his listeners that Communists are very active in educating children to their way of thinking, and insisted that we should be as zealous as they. Mr. Basil Macdonald moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the Guest Speaker. The meeting then adjourned with The King.

### CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent MacIntyre, 52 Upper Queen Street, Charlottetown, wish to thank their Montreal friends for their kind and thoughtful remembrance of them.

### BULLETINS FROM BIRDLAND

BY WINIFRED E. WILSON



At mention of the word "Woodpecker", we immediately picture a bird clinging to a tree trunk. But one member of the family behaves differently. When spring sun melts the snow from the open country, Flickers return to our parks, where they act more like Robins searching for worms than like Woodpeckers. They are combing the ground for ants and ants' eggs, which they pick up with their long, sticky tongues. There, too, they find caterpillars, beetles, grasshoppers, and crickets.

Once we have noticed the appearance, voice, and behaviour of this familiar bird it is simple to identify ever afterwards. About three inches longer than a Robin, it is mostly brown. Yellow under the wings and at the sides of the tail have suggested the names Golden-winged, and Yellow-shafted Woodpecker. But a big white patch at the end of the back is the most noticeable thing about the plumage, especially when we see the Flicker in its characteristic, deeply undulating flight. A close view shows that the greyish-white underparts are covered with large spots, there is a scarlet crescent on the back of the head, and a similarly shaped black mark across the breast. As is proper, only males wear a black moustache.

The extremely loud voice of a Flicker is unmistakable, but its large vocabulary is confusing. "Flick, flick," "yarrup, yarrup," "wake-up, wake-up" have given it some of its names, and it also whistles, or screams, "cuk, cuk," "quit-u, quit-u", and various other words.

In spite of the fact that much time is spent on the ground, a Flicker likes tall trees in which to make a home. Apple trees are favourites, but even bird boxes sometimes are an attraction. It was not until telephone poles stretched across the prairie provinces that the Northern Flicker was found that far west. This great carpenter chisels out a cavity, generally about ten feet up, but often much higher, as another name, High Holer, indicates. Here five to ten white eggs are laid. An experiment once proved that Mrs. Flicker is so anxious to have the right number to incubate that she will lay up to seventy-one if an egg a day is taken from her. Holes carved out by this bird are later on much sought after by a dozen or more species unable to do their own excavating.

Are Kinglets large birds?

### IN MEMORIAM

SARAH CAMPBELL ANDREW

The death of Sarah Campbell Andrew, daughter of the late H. H. Crossman took place in Vancouver, B.C., on Feb. 14th last, at the age of 65 years. Mrs. Andrew better known here as Sadie Crossman, left her home here in Charlottetown at the age of 16 years and served in the Salvation Army for many years, she was a Captain in the Army for some time. She resigned from the Army and settled in Toronto, Ont., carrying on business as a dressmaker and furrier. She married John Campbell Andrew of Liverpool, Eng., who was in delicate health at the time and passed away a year and a half later. Shortly after his death to fulfill his request she took a trip to England to meet and visit her husband's people there. On returning, the train on which she

traveled, caught fire and destroyed what valuable personal belongings she had with her, but she herself miraculously escaped with her life. She continued her dressmaker in Toronto and also took lessons on art and music for pastime. After not visiting the Island for over 30 years until in 1938 she came and visited her father and sister Rosalee here in Southport. It was sad but interesting for her to find the great changes that had taken place during so many years. In the meantime her brother George was killed in world war I, and her mother had passed away, and also her sister Tena in 1929. After a months visit at home, she returned to Toronto. Later she went to Vancouver, B. C. with a family as the elderly gentlemen's companion. These folks didn't like Vancouver, and returned to Toronto, but Sarah liked it very much and decided to stay there. She then took up fur-cutting and was very successful at it, until she took ill with diabetes, which was the cause of her death. She was buried in Vancouver, B. C. on Feb. 20th. Surviving are four sisters and three brothers, Mrs. Mary Yorston of Georgetown, P. E. I. Helen a Superintendent of Manlius School Hospital in Manlius, N. Y. Rosalee at present in Syracuse, N. Y. Alice (Mrs. Frank Huginin) and Victor both of Cortland, N. Y. Wallace a Reg. Nurse at present in Syracuse N. Y. and William in Sydney, N. S.

### ANOTHER RUSSIAN FIRST

MOSCOW, April 2 — (Reuters)—The Soviet Literary Gazette claimed Saturday that Russia had invented printing—a century before the Chinese and 400 years before Johann Gutenberg of Germany.

### CATS AND DOGS

The heaviest rainfall on record in the United States was 16 1/2 inches in six hours at Lake Charles, La.

# THE EASTER STORY

BY GREAT ARTISTS



## TODAY, NO. 9: CHRIST ON CALVARY

Gustave Doré (1833-1883) was gifted with extraordinary facility with the pen, which he used as an illustrator from the age of 16. He was also a painter and sculptor, but his best remembered work consists of drawings for the Divine Comedy, Don Quixote and the Bible. This is a drawing for the Doré Bible produced in 1865. (St. Luke 23:32-38 relates:

And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death.

And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.

Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also

with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God.

And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar.

And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.

And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

(Tomorrow: THE CRUCIFIXION)

## PRE-EASTER WEEK

### UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH

Minister: James D. Davison; Organist: Mrs. Allison MacRae. MONDAY, 7:30 p.m.: The story of the Passion Week told musically by the Senior Choir, singing "Were You There?" "There is a Green Hill", and other selections. Mixed Quartette, Solo.

TUESDAY, 7:30 p.m.: "The Old Time Religion is Good Enough For Me." An old-fashioned service of Testimony and Prayer led by Rev. Mr. Davison and Deacons MacPhee and Callbeck.

WEDNESDAY, 7:30 p.m.: "The Life Story Of A Redeemed Criminal." New Christians will make a public profession of their faith.

THURSDAY, 7:30 p.m.: The lovely annual EASTER MAUNDY CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE, and Ordinance of the Lord's Supper.

All who love the Lord Jesus are invited to gather at the Lord's Table. The congregation will first assemble in the Vestry.

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By George Clark



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