

Religion and Life

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THE GOSPEL PROMISE

The Master celebrations are over. The Easter music is still ringing in our hearts. The assurance and consolation that it brings have been ours in full measure. As we view the future in its light, what then?

He left us in no doubt about "How." In three parables He told us the forms our expectancy should take. The first is vigilance. He said: "If the householder had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into (Matthew 24: 43-44). Therefore you also must be ready for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

The first coming of the Christ was in humility and obscurity. The great of the world did not even know of Him, and their representatives tortured Him to death. But He, as man, conquered man's worst enemies, sin and death. He, the Son of God as well as the Son of Man, will return in power and glory to vindicate His claim His own and to take His power and reign. The early church lived through her persecutions and won her victories in this hope.

Preparedness was the next form expectancy should take, and particularly, preparedness for emergencies. In the parable of the Ten Virgins Jesus describes a bevy of young girls going out to meet a bridegroom and his bride (Matthew 25: 1-13). Outwardly they were alike and all were filled with the spirit of the occasion. All ten had oil in their lamps. All ten slept, if the wedding party had arrived on time the difference between them would never have appeared.

We cannot know when Jesus Himself said: "Of that day or that hour no one knows, not the Son, but only the Father" (Mark 13:32). People have often tried to foretell the time of our Lord's return. L. M. Montgomery has described the fear that gripped the children of her native Province as they looked forward to a definite date fixed for the end of the world by a certain man. The writer remembers it vividly. Other efforts of the same kind have been made recently. But it is all "vanity and vexation of spirit." Jesus has told us that we cannot know.

It was not the original gift which determined the quality of his service, but the servant's acceptance of responsibility for making the best use possible of his Master's resources. So that energy and initiative in service are the final quality of the expectant believer.

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KINETTE CLUB MEETING - The regular monthly meeting of the Charlottetown Kinetite Club was held at the home of Mrs. Owen Lockeyer on Wednesday, April 1st.

The grand old lady of Sherbrooke, Mrs. Yeo, who recently reached and celebrated the five score mile-stone, along the grand highway of life's journey, has among relatives of this district, her niece, Mrs. Elmer Inman.

A packed Forum greeted the Islanders-Glace Bay in a fast, strenuous game, on March 27th, attended by an unusually large number of fans of this district, all of whom expressed great pleasure at the score of 4-1 for the Islanders.

Those of the district, who attended the R.C.A.F. Choral Group entertainment in the Hall at Tryon on March 27th, report a very interesting and enjoyable program, and a large number present.

Miss Velma Sherren has been capably carrying on the domestic duties at the home of Mrs. W. D. Ferguson, during the latter's absence on a visit to relatives and friends in the U.S.A.

Relatives and friends of Mr. H.B. Wood, manager of the Victoria Skating Rink, are pleased to learn of his recovery from recent illness.

Letters to relatives and friends

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Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

This is the story of a 25-watt light bulb which was found burning ten years after it was covered with asphalt.

The light was once part of a marker system at the airport in Yakima, Cal., and in some unknown manner became buried during improvements.

Here's a tip from a King's county woman that's worthy of a place in Strange But True. It's about pipe cleaners, how useful they can be around the home. This woman says that a few pipe cleaners in the bathroom and kitchen come in mighty handy for many little daily jobs, and they only cost a few cents for a whole pack.

"I always use a pipe cleaner on my hairbrush. Just soap the brush and push the cleaner in and out between the rows of bristles."

Another use for Pa's pipe cleaner is when oiling sewing machines, separators, etc. The pipe cleaner will guide a tiny drop of oil to its proper place in the shaft or bearings. Mrs. X. goes on to say that "Any housewife will find many more uses for them - if your husband doesn't grab 'em first."

"Do you think folks are as neighborly as they used to be?" The question comes to me from a resident of Crapaud and while it is not the type of material I use in this column, I put it up to an old timer and this is what he said:

"If a body got sick when I was a young feller you didn't have to worry your purty head at all. Your neighbors would come a-flockin' round to do the chores."

"Some years back the Missus fell and broke her ankle. She was in bed several weeks and our good neighbors saw to it that her housework was kept up to date. It was the best vacation of her life."

"If you get sick now, everybody including your doctor expects you to go to a hospital so they won't have to wait on you. And 9/10 of the service you pay for in a hospital is what we old timers used to git from the neighbors for nothin'."

That seems to answer the Crapaud lady's question pretty well, so I'll have no more to say about it except this: It should make a good subject for debate in the public forum of the Guardian.

Perseverance helped Bradford LePage win high honor among his countrymen. From a very humble beginning and wholly self-taught, he became a Lieutenant Governor of his native Province and a highly successful business man in the capital city.

The most common impediment in the speech of Canadian youth is chewing gum.

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of Mrs. Jack Dixon, have expressed profound pleasure being enjoyed by this lady during her visit, particularly at the homes of her daughters, namely: Mrs. Geo. Bicknell, Vickers Heights, Ontario, and Mrs. Falconer, (nee Marjorie Dixon), who Mrs. Dixon purpose returning to her home at DesSable in the near future.

Relatives and friends of Mrs. Charles E. MacEachern are pleased to learn that this lady is returning to her home in Nne Mile Creek much improved after special medical treatment received at the Halifax General Hospital. Mrs. MacEachern is mother of Murchison MacEachern, Hampton, member of the Nine Mile Creek Bulldogs team, recent winners of the cup presented at the final series of games played in North River Rink. -C.E.

Card of Thanks

I wish to express my sincere thanks to Dr. Bandler, also our kind friends, neighbours and relatives for their many acts of kindness during my illness. Also those who sent letters and cards of sympathy during my sad bereavement.

Mrs. Leigh Weeks, Alberton, P. E. I.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of William A. Ching, who passed away April 7th, 1952.

One year has passed since that sad day. When one we loved was called away. God took him home. It was His will Within our hearts he liveth still.

Sadly Missed by Wife and Family.

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of HOWARD W. CALBECK

Died April 7th, 1952.

In loving memory of a Husband and Father.

Wife, Daughter and Family.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Spring Brook School

Following is the report of Spring Brook School for the month of March:

Grade X-1. Evelyn Pidgeon. Grade IX-1. Phyllis MacLeod. 2. Edwena MacLeod.

Grade VI-1. Joyce Meek; 2. Garth Gillespie; 3. Charles Gillespie.

Grade IV (Sr.)-1. Marilyn Paynter; 2. Kenneth MacLeod; 3. Laura Jollimore. (Jr.)-1. Allan Meek.

Grade III (Sr.)-1. Brenda Pidgeon; 2. Norma Meek. (Jr.)-1. Billie Brander; 2. James Brander.

Grade I (A)-1. Ruth Pidgeon; 2. Roy Campbell; 3. Jura Brander.

Grade I (B)-1. Cecile Cole. (C)-1. Richard Paynter; 2. Fanny Brander.

Highest average, senior grades: Joyce Meek, 80%. Junior grades: Brenda Pidgeon, 84%.

Perfect attendance: Phyllis MacLeod, Charles Gillespie, Marilyn Paynter, Allan Meek, Norma Meek, Jackie Cole, Richard Paynter. Mrs. Roma E. Campbell, teacher.

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