

Religion and Life

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At a memorial service held in honor of Principal William Caven of Knox College, his friend, Principal Sheraton of Wycliffe College, described his spirit with a Greek word for which there is no English equivalent; Matthew Arnold translates it "sweet reasonableness," but even this happy phrase fails to bring out the richness of its meaning. It is the spirit of the man who refuses to insist on his legal rights in the interests of the larger equity. Often there were heated debates in the church courts of that day, and after listening to the combatants on both sides, Dr. Caven would rise with a resolution aimed to conserve the interest for which both sides were contending and enable the church to go forward unitedly to the end in view. There were discussions on church union in the eighties in which Principal Caven took an active part, and there is on record one statement presented by him which still stands as an ideal expression of the spirit in which that problem should be approached. Reconciliation consistent with the protection of interests sacred to all was the very soul of the man.

A business man in a western city signed a contract on terms which promised benefits to both parties concerned. Shortly after the markets changed to such an extent that insistence on his legal rights under that agreement would have ruined his neighbor. So he relieved his neighbor from those obligations which would have caused him grievous loss, and entered into a new one on basis of the new situation. To him this was the only way of expressing his Christianity in business.

The outstanding example of this Christian virtue at the present time is the peace treaty with Japan drawn up by that Christian statesman, John Foster Dulles. To chance, but the aim of this treaty many Pearl Harbor called for ven-

reconciliation, and the reconstruction of a conquered country's affairs.

Nowhere is this spirit more necessary today than in employer-employee relationships. The public is sick of strikes, and still more of the temper that leads to them. Each side seems to be approaching the other in an attitude of antagonism; insisting, not only on rights, but on advantages which its position enables it to claim. The last resort in all such contentions is to deprive the public of essential services in order to compel one or the other to yield. One wonders how long the public will stand it.

Has our Christianity failed so far that the desire to see issues from the other party's point of view has ceased to be a force in the dealings of men with men? To prevail at all, this spirit must enter at the beginning of the dispute before events go so far that compromise is impossible. But earlier or later, Christ's spirit is the only way to peace.

The source of this virtue is found in Christ's dealings with sinners. One recalls the vividness of Shakespeare's statements of this Christian principle. When in "The Merchant of Venice," Shylock insisted on his rights under a contract, Portia said:

"Though justice be thy plea, consider this. That in the course of justice, none of us should see salvation; we do pray for mercy. And that same prayer doth teach us all to render. 'The deeds of mercy.'"

Again, when in "Measure for Measure" Angelo as judge insisted that the law must have its way with a young offender, Isabella argued:

"Whv, all the souls that were forfeit once; And He that might the vantage best have took Found out the remedy. How would it be If He, which is the top of judgment, should But judge you as you are? O think of that! And mercy then will breathe within your lips Like man new made."

Nowhere is Christ our Example more truly than here. Insistence on one's rights can make a home a hell. The rights are fundamental but drawing strict lines around them shuts oneself in more decisively than it shuts others out and makes the give and take of good nature impossible. Nothing on God's earth is more beautiful than a happy home. When love between husband and wife deepens with the years until in age each is indispensable to the other, the reason is, first, fidelity to love's sanctities, and then the consistent aim of each to understand the other and to adjust oneself to the necessities of his or her nature.

Justice of course, is the foundation of all social life and without it love has no chance. But love must go beyond justice and give itself to bringing out the finest manhood or womanhood of which the other is capable. This way lies true self-realization and the enrichment of souls that are the complement of one's own.

THE CENTRAL GUARDIAN

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COOK'S STUDIO for perfect pictures.

WINDMILL'S SPECIAL TODAY.—Grilled Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Fresh Green Beans, Pickled Beets, Bread and Butter. 65 cents.

GIFT TO LIBRARY—The Estate of David Buchan Stewart Esq. presented yesterday to the Public Library, Charlottetown, a large American Dictionary in a metal stand on casters.

Royal Edward I.O.D.E. Meeting

The Regent, Mrs. J. A. Lawson presided at the largely attended regular monthly meeting of the Royal Edward Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire held on Monday afternoon in the Y.M.C.A. Hall.

Before the business of the meeting was taken up, Mrs. Lawson referred to the recent passing of a very valued and loved member, Mrs. Victor Goodwill, and paid a fine tribute to one who was for many years a loyal and a generous member of the Chapter.

A letter was read from the national president, Mrs. Chipman, in regard to a resolution sent from National Headquarters to the Government at Ottawa protesting the threatened elimination of the word "Dominion" from this country's name, and the word "Royal" from all Government departments. The letter asked that this action be endorsed. Unanimously the meeting authorized the secretary to answer this letter approving the resolution.

Letters of acknowledgement were read, one from the Canadian Citizenship Council with thanks for the donation for their Christmas party; one from the Charlottetown Hospital thanking the Chapter for yearly subscriptions to four magazines sent to that institution; one from an I.O.D.E. bursary winner, Wendell MacKinnon, a student at Acadia University, expressing deep gratitude to the Order for making this education possible.

More publicity, it was decided, should be given to these scholarships and bursaries.

Another worthy project of the educational department is the donating of libraries to rural schools, and a motion was carried that a library be sent from this Chapter.

An appeal had been made for pocket edition books to be sent to the naval base at Cornwallis. A fine response resulted and a large box of books will be shipped immediately.

The Regent requested the members to support the "Consumers' League", of which she is chairman for the Province. This League is advocating "Thrifty" campaign among the women of Canada.

It was unanimously passed that a \$25.00 scholarship be again donated for Musical Festival competition.

Under "Empire and World Affairs" study, Miss Jessie Fullerton read a very clever and discriminating article on "Winston Churchill". "He is not a genius, Churchill!" "He is not a genius," the writer said, "but he does possess to a great degree the attributes of courage and vitality."

The nominating committee appointed at the previous meeting brought in a slate of nominations for election at the annual meeting in February. Meeting adjourned with the National Anthem.

IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of my dear Mother, Mrs. Patrick Sweeney, who passed away January 30th, 1951.

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Rest in Peace. Sadly Missed by Daughter Margaret and Family.

A PICKARD & CO., are unloading Welsh and American Hard Coal and Bayview Screen to-day.

25% DISCOUNT on Tailored-to-Measure clothing ends February 1st, at J. P. MacPherson and Son.

PLAN TO ATTEND Annual Meeting, P. E. I. Division, Canadian Red Cross Society at Charlottetown Hotel, Monday, February 11th, at 6.15 P. M.

FUNERAL SERVICES — The funeral of Mrs. William O. Davey was held yesterday morning from the residence of her son, Henry Davey, 304 1/2 Euston Street, to St. Dunstan's Basilica where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Francis Bolger who also conducted service at the grave. Pallbearers were: Frank Murray, Malcolm MacDonald, George Michael, P. J. MacDonald, Michael Mooney and A. R. McInnis. Interment was in the Catholic Cemetery.

Personals

Friends of Albert Hood are pleased to see him about again after his recent severe illness.

The many friends of Mrs. Gordon Evans, Grafton Street, will regret to hear of her sudden illness in the Prince Edward Island Hospital.

William Rogerson Bonshaw, will leave the Province next week enroute to Boston, where he expects to spend the rest of the winter, visiting old friends and relatives.

The good wishes of their many friends are being extended to Earl Younker and Albert Warren, of North Rustico, who are ill in the Prince Edward Island Hospital.

Mr. Thomas Henderson, Long Creek, is looking forward to his 95th birthday while falls on Feb. 20. Still hale and hearty, Mr. Henderson can look back on a long, busy life and count among his blessings, the greatest blessing of all—good health.

His many friends in this Province will be pleased to hear of the complete recovery from a serious illness of Mr. Dean McEwan, of Vancouver, B.C., a former resident of York Point. Mr. McEwan has lived on the Pacific Coast for many years.

Measles and mumps seem to be the order of the day in Cornwall and vicinity. While most cases reported are comparatively mild there are a few exceptions such as Roy Crosby of Meadow Bank, and Stanley Willis of Cornwall, both of whom are reported to be very sick.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my dear wife and mother, Mrs. Artimus Carr who passed away January 30th, 1951.

Peacefully sleeping, resting at last The world's weary troubles and trials are past, In silence she suffered, In patience she bore, Till God called her home to suffer no more.

Ever Remembered by Her Husband, Daughter and Sons.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Miss Bessie Stewart, who passed away January 30th, 1951.

This day we do remember, A loving thought we give, To one, no longer with us, But in our hearts still lives.

Ever Remembered by Reginald and Vera Brittain.

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

The smiths in England still celebrate St. Clement's Day locally by dressing up an effigy in a long black cloak, wig, white beard, and mask. This figure they call "Old Clem," is set in a chair with a wooden anvil in front of him and his hands grasping a pair of tongs and a wooden hammer.

Such a procession with Old Clem at the head was celebrated as late as 1826 by the blacksmiths' apprentices of the dockyard at Woolwich.

Creeling the bridegroom used to be a common custom in Scotland, and is not yet entirely extinct. The phrase "Creeling the bridegroom" arose from the practice of placing a "creel" filled with stones on the back of a newly married man and then pursuing him while he found abatement in the waters of a running brook. So securely is the creel fastened to the bridegroom's shoulders that only another can remove it. The other is usually the bride who declares that she has no cause of complaint against her husband, whereupon she is allowed to remove his burden.

Creeling in the land of the heather, was once big business. At least once a year all recently married men were creeled by having a large basket fastened to their backs. His feat was to run as fast as possible to his nearest newly-married neighbor. All the while his pursuers keep throwing stones into the creel. Their wives followed having sharp knives with which to cut the ropes holding the basket providing they can overtake the others.

We should consider creeling a very distasteful pastime today.

It used to be customary in England for effigies of Welshmen to be burned on St. David's Day. These effigies were known as Taffies. Indeed, the custom was carried to the middle of the 19th century. The following verse give a good description of the act.

"But it would make a stranger laugh To see the English hang old Taff: A pair of breeches and a coat, Hat, shoes, and stockings and what not All stuffed with hay to represent The Cambrian hero thereby meant: With sword sometimes three inches broad, And other armor made of wood. They drag hur to some publick tree, And hang hur up in effigy."

Believe it or not, but in Colonial Days in Old New York, dead cookies were manufactured especially for the attendants at funerals. Sometimes the cookies were marked with the initials of the deceased. Those not eaten were carried home and kept for years to remind the living of the departed one.

Families of good bringing up sometimes sent a few of the cookies, with a bottle of wine and a pair of gloves, as a summons to the funeral.

In December of 1683-4, the river Thames in England, froze hard enough to support all kinds of traffic. People referred to those months as "The time of the terrible frost."

Some tree! In Epping Forest, Essex, England, there once stood an oak tree whose branches spread 300 feet, while its circumference at 6 feet from the stump, was 38 feet. Tradition says this mighty king of the forest was accidentally set on fire in 1805,

Junior Sodality Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Junior Sodality of the Children of Mary was held at Notre Dame Academy on January 20th, with a large number of Sodality present. The meeting opened with the recitation of the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin. The Sodality then sang "Hail! Queen of Heaven." Roll call was answered by each Sodality giving the name of a saint and his or her Fast day and the minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

The members of Our Lady's Committee then commented upon the principal feasts of this month. Interesting readings were given by Patricia MacDonald, Jean Zakem, Mary Matters, Marie Hagen, and Marie Hynes.

Since the January meeting is the time for the election of officers, the president's report was then read. In reviewing the year's work Miss Alma Sheehan thanked all the members for the splendid co-operation which made possible the following activities: Annual Retreat, Participation in the Triduum for the Holy Father, Distribution of medals to the patients at the Sanatorium, Canvassing for the High Tea, and the purchase of a projector for the classes at Notre Dame.

The Secretary-treasurer, Miss Elaine McDonald, then gave her report which was gratifying to all the members as it showed a balance of \$75.00.

The election of officers then took place and results were as follows: — President, Jean Zakem, Vice-President, Alma Sheehan, Secretary - Treasurer, Marlon Hynes, Chairman of Our Lady's Committee, Loretta Kelly, Chairman of Social Committee, Anna McDonald, Chairman of Publicity Committee, Betty McDonald. After the new President was led to her chair and the officers received the promise of full co-operation, the members of the Social Committee provided much enjoyment by projecting interesting snaps. The well-chosen collection led to the telling of many anecdotes as the sedate faces of former schoolmates appeared on the screen.

Following the entertainment a delicious lunch was served.

but its withered and fire scorched body stood for many years. Finally, it became a pulped down by teams of oxen and ropes. Most of the wood was made into snuff-boxes, tobacco boxes and fancy dingies for the ladies.

The great oak led to the Fairlop Oak festival, which is celebrated in our time.

When the trunk of this tree first became hollow the cavity was cleared, smoothed, painted, and furnished with a circular table and bench, where as many as a dozen persons dined at one time.

The night of October 31st is known as Halloween, All Hallows Even, Nutcrack Night, and Snapapple Night.

Of all nights in the year this is the one of which strange creatures have the most influence. The spirits of the dead are supposed to wander about, together with goblins, mischief making elves and what not. Children born on Halloween are said to be able to converse with spirit beings.

Halloween is a curious relic of classical mythology, Druidic beliefs, and Christian superstitions. It is to be regretted that the spirit of rowdiness has in many cities, towns, and villages, superseded the kindly old customs.

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Celebrate 40th Wedding Anniversary An enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Gallant, Elmwood, on Nov. 29th, when neighbors and friends assembled to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Gallant on the occasion of their fortieth wedding anniversary. The guests of honor were escorted to their chairs by Mrs. Stuart Drake and Mr. Gordon Docherty. Mr. Earl Docherty capably acted as chairman, explaining the purpose of the gathering, and then called on Mrs. Neil Campbell who read an appropriate address, emphasizing the hearty welcome that was always extended to everyone who visited the Gallant home and the willingness of this popular couple to always lend a helping hand if called upon. Honorable mention was also made of the fine family who are following in their parents' footsteps.

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The Neighbors By George Clark Mr. Gordon Docherty then presented Mr. and Mrs. Gallant with a nice sum of money, not for its value but just as a remembrance to show the high esteem in which they are held in the community. Mr. and Mrs. Gallant fittingly replied, thanking every one for their thoughtfulness in remembering them and inviting everyone back again. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing, music being furnished by Messrs. Heber Campbell and Francis Doyle, accompanied by Melvin Hyde and Miss Hil-da Gallant. Another feature of the evening was the delightful singing of Mr. Gallant and his son Leo. Lunch was later served and in the wee small hours all wended their way homeward wishing Mr. and Mrs. Gallant many more years of happy wedded bliss.

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