

WHEN MOTHER GOES TO WORK



WOODSTOCK AND OXFORD COUNTY HONORED BY THE PRESBYTERIANS AS CHURCH PARLIAMENT PLACE

By George R. Patullo

I am asked to write something about the place where the General Assembly is to meet this year.

Woodstock is not one of Canada's big cities. It is indeed only a wee city; but it has ambitions. Has it not in this year of grace invited the General Assembly of the great Presbyterian Church in Canada to "meet within its bounds"? And is not that an ambitious order? It may be that in giving "the call," vaulting ambition has o'er-leaped itself. But a "stout heart to a stout bane" is a familiar slogan to Presbyterians and to be sure "they'll now make the best of it."

Ambitious and Attractive.
Though not a big city "the bit elchan" has its attractions—historical and otherwise. When, but a few years gone by, the town emerged into a city, the local advertising agent, "clept it the Industrial City." This is not a happy cognomen. Compared with some other Ontario cities of similar size, it is not distinctly an industrial centre. Though it has several important manufacturing industries, Woodstock is rather a residential city. Its location and topography lend themselves easily to making it attractive as such. Its situation is high, practically on the crown of the watershed of Western Ontario. And yet it is really located in a small valley, or basin, at the junction of the Thames and Cedar Creek, whence they debouch westward to London and Lake Erie. Surrounding the city is a chain of hills—of which the city is the west being one of the high points in the Ontario peninsula. Here Woodstock nestles cozily in the very heart of the richest section of Western Ontario. It is the county town of Oxford, and has perhaps the best county building of the

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Famous Dancer Gives Complexion Secrets

I've learned the secret of Dolores' enchanting beauty—the wondrous charm that has dazzled the courts of Europe and captivated vast audiences everywhere. The famous dancer abhors rouges and cosmetics. Yet, despite the strenuousness of her life, she retains the incomparable complexion best described as "indescribable." An intimate friend tells me the secret regularly uses on her face what druggists know as mercurized wax. This is applied at night in the manner of cream. It absorbs the dead particles of skin which daily appear on the face, and fresh, girlish complexion is always in evidence. Dolores' skin is not marred by a single wrinkle, not even the finest line. She wards these off by daily bathing the face in a solution made by dissolving an ounce of powdered saffron in half a pint of water. As your druggists keep these ingredients, as well as mercurized wax (one ounce of the wax is sufficient), no doubt your readers will welcome this information.—Allen Moore in Beauty's Mirror.

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A CHAT WITH SINGERS INTENDING A CAREER

By F. Linforth Willgoose, B. Mus. (Dunedin.)



In addition to voice and physique, there is one other natural qualification which you must possess, in the thinking of entering upon a platform career, and which is equal in importance to that of a good voice—emotional faculty—or as it is more often called, temperament. This subject has already been discussed in a previous article, but let me say again, that temperament is the ability to feel and understand the emotions experienced by the composer whose works you are to interpret. Without this faculty, your singing, no matter how beautiful and well-trained your voice, will be a thing without life. Fortunately, a good voice and a fine temperament generally go together, and like your other natural possessions, your emotional instincts must be cultivated and encouraged. There are hundreds of singers whose emotional faculties have lain dormant until awakened by some good teacher, or whose mind has been able to discern what might have been hidden for all time. If your voice is good, the chances are immensely in favor of your also being in possession of temperament and of sufficient amount to justify you in pursuing your desire of becoming a professional singer.

Some Things To Be Acquired.
Having spoken of some of the necessary natural qualifications, let me now direct your attention to some of those things which have to be acquired by patience, study and perseverance. In order to achieve real distinction in your intended career, the first of these is an unbounded musical knowledge. In addition to the labor of acquiring a perfect vocal technique, you must study everything bearing directly or indirectly upon your art. You must be conversant with the history of music, the study of musical history will acquaint you with some of the materials with which composers work; the study of musical history will show you how to phrase; the study of musical history will teach you the difference between the classic and romantic. Study poetry to stimulate your intellectual and emotional faculties, study great paintings to show

you the importance of contrast. The work you have chosen is life-long, but as new beauties are unfolded, added enthusiasm will make your labor sweet.

On Good Terms With Audiences.
In order to make your public appearances an unqualified success, it is essential that you cultivate a good platform presence. Many and many an otherwise fine performance is completely spoiled by awkwardness, uneasiness and the lack of ability to get on good terms with one's listeners. This branch of the singer's art is often entirely neglected. The artist feels conscious of having done good work, both from a vocal and emotional standpoint, and cannot understand why his singing has failed to produce the desired effect. The reason probably lies in the fact that he has never fully appreciated the importance of perfect composure and a graceful bearing. Listeners will not forgive a singer who distresses them. They come for enjoyment and that enjoyment is very easily marred. If you are self-conscious and ill-at-ease, you may as well cease your professional activities for a time and study yourself to studies that will eradicate these faults. There is no better study for a singer than that of elocution. In it he learns many things of immense value to his art. Facial expression, gesture, vocal effect, articulation, posture, and some of these, and are of great importance to the cultivation of a good stage presence. Without this, the singer and his art are completely lost.

Singer's Education Must Be Broad.
The education bearing on your chosen work must be on very broad lines. Of course, there are degrees of professional success, but I am merely trying to set up an ideal for you to follow. If you have the natural qualifications, why shouldn't you aim for the best? If you are able to attain only a certain measure of success, you will not be disappointed if it is real artistic success. There is no finer career in the world than that of a singer. If he is true to the principles of his art, he is a messenger-bearer of the greatest kind and carries conviction wherever he goes. He gives pleasure to thousands and receives it himself by doing so. If you are so fortunate as to become one of the few great ones, you will find life glorious and exhilarating—and this in a whisper—no career is more lucrative. Strive for the ideal, and there is no telling what you may become.

POINTER FOR POULTRYMEN.

Leaflet No. 2 From Dominion Department of Agriculture Gives Good and Seasonable Advice.

The following leaflet just issued by the Dominion Department of Agriculture in-dorse the advice recently given in The Advertiser poultry column, to banish the male birds as soon as the hatching season ends, and thus secure more and better quality eggs.

Eggs which have been fertilized constitute the greatest proportion of the inferior stock which, when examined, proves unfit for food. It is not necessary that these shall have remained for a time under a broody hen, a temperature of seventy degrees being, in itself, sufficient to cause the germ to commence to grow. If the heat is constant the development of the chick will continue, but if it ceases or is intermittent, putrefaction is set in and the egg becomes bad. On the other hand infertile eggs which are free from the active germ cell, do not, under ordinary conditions, deteriorate seriously.

Few farmers seem to realize these facts, and consequently very few make any effort to insure fertility. The impression prevails among many, that the presence of the male bird in the flock is essential to the production of a maximum number of eggs. This assumption has been proven, time and time again, to be absolutely without foundation. Farmers and others selling eggs for market are recommended to kill off or dispose of the male birds after the breeding season. As a result of their remaining with the flock after June 1st, Canadian farmers lose each year at least a million dollars, through the presence of partially incubated eggs in the produce which is marketed. The fact that the best trade in many cities in Canada now offers the premium from one to five cents per dozen, for non-fertilized eggs, suggests an additional financial consideration which but few can afford to overlook.

ASK FOR MINARD'S AND TAKE NO OTHER.

Politically, the county of Oxford has been from early days a leader. Three Prime Ministers, Sir Francis Hincks, Hon. George Brown, and Sir Oliver Mowat, have been its Parliamentary representatives. The latter as Prime Minister of Ontario for twenty-four years, represented North Oxford during all that time. He was, by the way, also at the same time, probably the foremost layman and elder of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Several other cabinet ministers, Dominion and provincial, have represented the county in Parliament and the Legislature—and the end is not yet. The present representative of the north riding in the Legislature is the leader of His Majesty's Loyal Opposition—doubtless another Prime Minister in embryo.

Precific and Religious Leaders.
But the county of Oxford has been even more prominent by reason of the many religious leaders, who have found a home here, or have gone forth to wider fields. It has indeed been a prolific breeding-ground for high ecclesiastical promotion. And not merely for one particular church. The bead-roll is a long one:—An Anglican archbishop and metropolitan of all Canada, Sweetman of Toronto; three bishops, the late Bishop Pasquell, of Algoma, Farthing of Montreal, and Mills of Ontario, have gone from the county. Principal Fyfe of the Canadian Literary Institute, now Woodstock College, and several distinguished successors did their life work here for the Baptist Communion. The great Methodist Exhibition in Chicago, contributed from Oxford County presidents of conferences, professors in college halls and missionaries, home and foreign. At least four moderators of the Presbyterian Church in Canada were contributed by the county of Oxford.—the Rev. Dr. McMullen, who is happily still spared in "Health of body and



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BILLPOSTERS.

The billposters, the men who hold the keys that open the "halls," are abroad in the land today. Early this morning they started driving through the streets with big barrels of paste and long-handled brushes.

Ringling Bros' Circus is coming to London on Monday, June 8, and the advance men and their co-workers, the billposters, have started their annual crusade.

The program will be especially bright and promising of thrills and excitement this year. The circus is advertising many new "acts" that will be seen for the first time in America this season.

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Keep it handy, Mother! A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Remember there are counterfeiters sold here, so surely look and see that yours is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.

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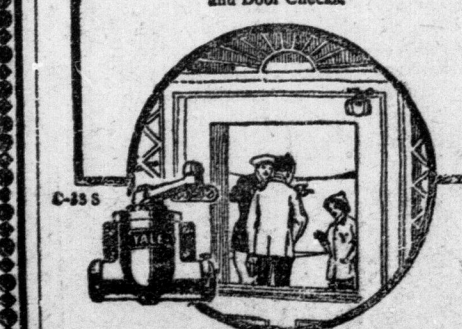
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