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London and District

Repairing the Breakwater.

The city engineer has a gang of men making much-needed repairs to the breakwater north of Blackfriars bridge.

Mr. Wootton Chosen Delegate.

At the regular meeting of Court Pride of the Dominion Lodge, Mr. Alex. Wootton was elected delegate to the high court meeting of the C. O. F. to be held at Sarnia in August.

Dr. N. C. James, president of the Western University, has kindly consented to present the diplomas to the graduates of the London Conservatory of Music, at their graduation exercises, in the Masonic Hall, tomorrow evening.

A Berlin Opinion.

The Berlin News-Record says: The excellence of "Salada" Tea and that is to try it. Ask your grocer for a package today.

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Presentations to Popular Member of Church Choir in Thamesville.

One evening last week the choir of the Methodist Church at Thamesville presented Miss B. Maud Weldon, who has been a member of the choir for two years, with a beautifully bound Methodist hymnal, with music, as a token of their regard and esteem. On the same evening Miss Weldon also became the recipient of a gold pin, which was engraved the letters "A. B. C." from the adult Bible class, of which she was secretary since its organization.

The Sunshine Club also very kindly remembered Miss Weldon by presenting her with a silver souvenir, as a memento of her association with them while in Thamesville.

POWERFUL STORY OF NEW CANADA.

[By Sir Gilbert Parker.] "The Great That Came" by Sir Gilbert Parker, weaves a story around a brave community, at work on the immense acreage of the north. The wise, but over-worked doctor, the bewildered Methodist minister, the sudden, unexpected millionaire, are a few of the characters that contribute life to this little community drama. June 26th issue COLLIERS' now on sale.

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FEDERAL ELECTION CASES.

Quebec, June 21.—In the superior court this morning Judge McCorkill delivered judgment in the Quebec West federal election case, Neville vs. Price, and Price in the cross-petition vs. Power. Both actions were dismissed. He also rendered judgment in the latter of Garneau, mayor of the city of Quebec vs. Lavigne, for libel, condemning Lavigne to the payment of \$100 damages, and the costs of the action.

ARTESIAN WELLS GO TO PEOPLE

With Additional \$25,000 for Mains Tacked Unto Proposition.

BYLAW HAD CLOSE CALL

Was About To Be Defeated in Council, When Mr. Judd Noticed Something Was Wrong.

The Beck wells will be voted on on July 28, the bylaw having passed its second reading by the city council last evening.

Mr. J. C. Judd, K. C., on behalf of Hon. Adam Beck, asked that the consideration of the bylaw be left over until Mr. Beck's return from England, while Mr. John M. Parsons, on behalf of the Real Estate Owners' Association, protested against the addition to the proposition of \$25,000 for mains.

When the bylaw was presented, Ald. Gerry declared that his understanding of the Beck scheme was that he would install the plant, mains and all for \$98,700. He could not understand why another \$25,000 was attached to it for mains.

Mayor Gives His Opinion.

"If the Beck scheme carries, without the mains, we will be in the position of having the water and plant with no means of taking care of it," said Mayor Stevely. "It is absolutely necessary to have the mains."

"I understand Mr. Beck agreed to put in mains and all," said Ald. Gerry. "If that is so we should not interfere."

"If Mr. Beck had made those arrangements, we certainly would not have had that item in the bylaw," answered Mayor Stevely.

Mr. Judd Speaks.

He declared that Mr. Beck's original offer to the city was to turn over the plant for \$98,700. Since that time, \$25,000 had been attached to it, and he thought it his duty to protest against that. He suggested that the bylaw lay over until Mr. Beck's return.

He did not know what Mr. Beck's attitude will be," said Mr. Judd. "I may approve of it, or he may not. The whole matter was laid over until he returns, there would be no misunderstanding in the future, and we would be in a position to know exactly where we stand. Of course, if that is done, I think you should add it a duty to attend the special meeting of the council held for that purpose."

"As I said before, I do not know what Mr. Beck's attitude will be. I have been unable to get in communication with him and find out his views."

The Proposition.

"I would like you to state, Mr. Judd, whether or not Mr. Beck agreed to put the water in the mains or not?" asked Mayor Stevely.

"I cannot say," he answered. "Mr. Stevely read the proposition bylaw, in which Mr. Beck agreed to equip fifteen wells and a pumping station, with no reference, however, to any agreement to place the water in the mains."

Ald. Garratt moved that the bylaw be laid over, after it had been read a first time. Ald. Saunders seconded it. Ald. Beattie thought there was no need for further delay. The duty of the council was manifest, and that was to pass the recommendation of the water commissioners. They had gone thoroughly into the matter and understood what it needed.

"If Mr. Beck does not like it, perhaps, we can get water elsewhere," said Ald. Beattie.

Ald. Cooper seconded his motion. Mains Not Sufficient.

Mayor Stevely pointed out that on investigation it was found that the present main would not be sufficient size to carry the water, and Mr. Moore recommended a system of mains so that the water could be distributed throughout the whole system. It was for that purpose that the sum of \$25,000 was added. He did not think Mr. Beck would object to the addition at all.

He wanted the commissioners to add a sum sufficient to meter the system, and that would be much more than a slight addition for mains.

The Real Estaters.

John M. Parsons, of the R. E. O. A., was given an opportunity of addressing the council. He thought the addition of this further sum was an injustice to Mr. Beck's scheme. They understood that he would sink and equip wells, build a pumping plant, and turn the water into the mains for \$98,700. They had every confidence in Mr. Beck that he would deliver the water at the price promised.

Ald. Ferguson could not see where there was any need for delay.

"Where are they going to put the water?" asked Ald. Cooper.

"Up in the north end, where you live," said one of the aldermen. "Why do you seem afraid of it?"

Mayor Stevely again explained that the present mains might carry one million gallons of water more, but even that would not be satisfactory. It would be impossible to carry more without additional mains.

The Vote.

The vote was then called, but Mr. Judd discovered that if Ald. Beattie's amendment to give the bylaw a second reading were defeated the bylaw would be defeated for all time. It seemed very likely that it would be defeated, and he explained that it would be necessary to change the motions if a fair vote were to be obtained.

"I would suggest that Ald. Garratt withdraw his motion," said Ald. Beattie, "and then my amendment will be the motion. He can make a further amendment if he desires."

Ald. Garratt withdrew his motion, and Ald. Beattie's motion carried without opposition.

100 ORPHANS IN AUTO RIDE

Arrangements Completed for a Trip Around the City in Two Weeks' Time.

ICE CREAM TREAT ALSO

Mr. C. E. Bernard, of the Ford Garage, is at the Head of the Movement—Homes Visited Yesterday.

An auto ride for the "kiddies" of the orphans' homes of this city is now assured. Yesterday afternoon Mr. C. E. Bernard, of the Ford garage, accompanied by an Advertiser reporter, visited the several institutions and made the necessary arrangements.

The ride will take place in two weeks, so that the school days will not be interfered with.

The matron at the Protestant Orphans' Home beamed good naturedly, as Mr. Bernard outlined his scheme of giving the little ones a treat.

Kiddies Are Excited.

"They read of the ride in the Advertiser," she stated, "and, oh, how they longed for the trip. They are fearful lest something might go wrong."

"Nothing will go wrong," said Mr. Bernard. "In addition to the ride, we will see that the little ones are given an ice cream treat."

"That will be very kind, indeed," said the matron, "I am sure yourself and the other gentlemen who are doing this will never have cause to regret it. The children will certainly remember you for it."

47 Children in Home.

In answer to a question, the matron stated that there are now 47 children in the institution. They will be accompanied on the ride by four attendants.

"We like to hear of the people taking an interest in the little ones. We do all we can to make them comfortable, and we do not know of a child who has left the home and who has a grudge against it. They all feel kindly towards it."

Mount Hope Orphanage.

At Mount Hope the mother took kindly to the proposition, and in a few minutes all the necessary arrangements were made.

There will be about 35 children from this home, and about 25 from the Children's Aid Shelter, in South London.

This, with the attendants, there will be about 115 people take part in the ride, and these will require about 25 or 30 automobiles.

All the auto owners who have been approached have willingly consented to help along the good work, and they will be on hand with their machines to give the "kiddies" an outing.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Pulpit on Higher Critics.

To the Editor of The Advertiser: Dear Sir—It is surely regrettable that as an aftermath to the now famous Jackson-Carman controversy, a small section of the pulpit should still apparently pride themselves on coming out flat-footed in defense of old positions in Biblical interpretation no longer tenable. They evidently wish to impress the masses with the comfortable but mistaken idea that they are the real beacon lights and anchors in the church—a faithful though forlorn hope bravely rallying around the banners of inspiration, supposed to be in imminent danger of being torn and riddled by the destructive fire of modern Biblical criticism. Thus one minister, according to press reports, declared from his pulpit that he has no fear of the "white chokered higher critics" (perhaps the sense of security is mutual) and promises a sermon in the near future dealing specially with them, implying presumably that they will be handled "without gloves." Another minister tells his hearers that he accepts the whole Bible as God's word and does not "cut out the first eleven chapters of Genesis as the critics do." Now, if these supposed champions of orthodoxy have even a part of the erudition the Christian ministry is usually credited with, then they lay themselves open to the charge of simply talking to the gallery and pandering to the prejudices of the masses, as they persistently misrepresent the critical position.

Biblical criticism, at least in this country and the United States, is not the wicked and baneful method so persistently pictured by conservative theologians—a reckless and wanton "cutting and carving of the Bible," declaring one portion inspired and emphatically putting another portion without the pale of inspiration. Higher criticism is merely the spirit and methods of modern science applied to the different books comprising the Bible as it has been handed down to us. It investigates their literary structure, authenticity and relative value, and their respective authorship, and dates of composition in the light of historical and contemporary records. Textual criticism concerns itself with the structural differences and affinities of the text, variant readings; relative value of extant MSS. interpolations, etc., etc. This has also been termed lower criticism.

Now, simply because this eminently scientific and worthy method of Bible study has sometimes been used as a powerful weapon of destruction in the hands of skeptics and infidels is no reason why we should quarrel with the method itself, or even its results, when used judiciously and reverently, any more than we could declare the axe a bad and dangerous weapon be-



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cause it has sometimes been made an instrument of death. The same tools which the skilled mechanic uses to erect the building may be used by others to try and pull it down.

Now, how much of the Bible is really "cut out" by the critics of the orthodox school in the sense of declaring it uninspired? (1) In regard to Genesis, they make the very reasonable assertion that the first eleven chapters are not historical in the modern sense of that term. The creation account cannot be historical, as it describes events that necessarily go beyond the human period. "Where wert thou when I laid the foundations of the earth?" Further, we know that it cannot be historical, because it is composite, and the two sections are widely dissimilar. It is unscientific also, as it clearly presupposes a cosmogony that science has destroyed. The Eden story, and the fall in their usual structure are poetical and mythical, rather than historical. This is shown by the primitive anthropomorphism of the story. Thus the serpent talks to Eve; God walks in the garden "in the cool of the day," and after their expulsion cherubim are placed on guard at the confines of Eden "to keep the way of the tree of life." Space would not permit a reference to the Deluge or the mythical patriarchs between Adam and Noah. What the reverend critics have here "cut out," then, is merely an old and still popular misconception, viz.: that the essential or religious truth contained in these early chapters is encased in a true historical envelope. They regard the envelope as poetical and mythical—the form in which all primitive thoughts and truths are usually embodied. It is a sure sign of the human prejudice and perversity of human nature when learned and sensible men will unhesitatingly accept what is known as the Parable of the Prodigal Son, in the New Testament, as symbolic and mythical, and insist so strongly on the historicity of the primitive Genesis story.

Again, how much is really "cut out" in reference to the Pentateuch as a whole? The Hexateuch and Isaiah are composite; many of the Psalms are regarded as non-Davidic, and of late origin, and the books of Job and Jonah are dramatic and allegorical rather than historical. All this, it may be said, does not necessarily affect seriously any vital truth contained in these books. In fact, I can think of no single book, or even a large section of a book of the Bible whose authenticity is seriously questioned, except II. Peter, and which is regarded even by many reverend critics of the first rank as spurious and a forgery, a mere plagiarism and elaboration of the short epistle of Jude. It is pointed out that its style is entirely different from I. Peter, while its position against false teachers betrays its late origin. It was not received with anything like unanimous favor even in the primitive church. Such a result would indeed seem to conflict seriously with dogmas of the section of the church that claims she was endowed with infallible authority to define the limits of the canon of Scripture, or even with the milder Protestant claim of "inspired guidance," if you will, even accepting the critical position, and notwithstanding the oft-repeated assertion, that the Bible is a complete and undivided whole, no vital truth or doctrine would seem to be seriously affected, and the only apparent "injury" would be that the aforesaid assumptions of the church had received a "black eye."

LAYMAN.

London, Ont., June 22, 1909.

LONDON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Notified To Pay Amount Due the City Re Work on Scanlan Drain.

The London Township council met in the town hall, Arva, on Monday, June 14. Present—George Kimball, reeve; R. W. Jackson, E. C. Brooks, Thomas Clark, first, second and third deputy reeves, respectively, and W. George Taylor, councillor. The following communications were read: From A. O. Graydon, city engineer,

stating that unless the amount alleged by the city to be due from the township re work on Scanlan drain, is paid within two weeks from June 10th inst., the account will be placed in the hands of the city solicitor for collection. Referred to the reeve to investigate and report.

An account from the city engineer for \$100.15 for a culvert on the town line. Referred to Thomas Clark.

From E. B. Merrill offering his services as engineer in case the township will be building bridges. Filed.

From Dr. E. W. Highway, valuation of sheep belonging to R. Ralph, and from James Bagnall valuation of sheep belonging to J. B. Ingham, killed by dogs. Laid over for evidence.

From S. S. Jones, re ditch lots 20 and 21, concession 10, and willows and ditch on sideroad. Referred to R. W. Jackson.

From Mr. J. Ross, manager Dominion Bank, laid over for reference.

From Messrs. Buchner & Gunn, claiming damages for client, and from John Collier, re Nissouri and London Townships, Government drain maintenance bylaw. Laid over for consideration.

From Messrs. Blackburn & Weekes, solicitors for George Hopkins, ditch in Brookhead. Referred to Thomas Clark.

From E. T. Essery, solicitor for Samuel Berryhill, re ditch in E. dale. Referred to Thomas Clark.

From M. O'Sullivan, Separate School board, London, taxes having been paid into S. S. 21, in place of Separate South. Referred to the reeve.

The following persons addressed the council: Messrs. Denis, Flood and McPherson, re Poor Scale, William, stating that the outlet through their farms is not sufficient. Referred to the reeve to consult the township engineer with a view to remedying the grievance.

Messrs. Fortner and N. Fish, re sheep killed. It was voted that Geo. The Great New Scale, William, Piano contains many valuable and ingenious inventions, as well as all the standard improvements to be found in all the highest-grade instruments.

Fortner be paid \$2.66, two-thirds valuation of one lamb killed by dogs, and Norman Fish \$1 for valuing same.

Mr. David Long, re statute labor. Referred to the reeve to consult the township engineer and notify Mr. Long.

Council adjourned and formed a court of revision of the assessment roll of 1909. Thirty appeals were disposed of or adjourned, and court adjourned to meet June 28 at the town hall, Arva.

Council then resumed and the following accounts were passed: Advertiser Company, advertising, \$1.50; 250 copies statements, \$61.60; notices, \$3; H. P. Book, binding, \$1