

Before it is Too Late.

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If you have a gray-haired mother In the old home far away, Sit you down and write the letter You put off from day to day...

THE OLD AND THE NEW CHRISTIANS

Some to Whom the Creed of "An Eye for an Eye" Still Appeals.

There are yet many Old Testament-Christians.

Their Bible reading has not progressed much beyond the sixth verse of the fourth chapter of Malachi.

Their creed is "an eye for an eye," "a tooth for a tooth," "smite and spare not."

The plan of Moses, as set forth in the ninth chapter of Leviticus, to exempt the Israelites from punishment for their sins, meets with their hearty endorsement.

They would like even at this late day to get a kid, and a calf and a lamb, and cut the throats of the little bleating innocent things, and pour their blood upon the altar and roast their flesh and so atone for all the lying and cheating and slandering and swearing of which they had been guilty during the week.

Besides having tender roasted lamb and veal for their Sunday dinners; with hash for breakfast on Monday morning.

These Old Testament Christians revel in the gospel of despair that Isaiah preached, says the Los Angeles "Times."

They love to recall the 14th chapter of that book wherein the prophet reminded the Hebrews that the Lord had "smitten them in wrath with a continual stroke," that he had "ruled the nations in anger" and "persecuted, and none hindered."

For the future he promised to prepare "slaughter for his children for the iniquity of their fathers, that they do not rise nor possess the land nor fill the face of the world with cities."

He promised to "rise up against them, and cut off the name, and remnant, and son and nephew, and make of their land a possession for the bittern and pools of water, and sweep it with the besom of destruction."

He said to them: "Hell from beneath is moved for thee, to meet thee at thy coming;" "Thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit."

These cheerful recitals of Isaiah are sweet morsels to those who do not seem to recognize the fact that the Old Testament theology of hate and revenge was superseded with the gospel of love and forgiveness taught by Jesus of Nazareth.

The central thought of the faith which He inculcated is expressed in His prayer: "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us."

He said: "Go, and sin no more;" "Thy sins are for given thee;" "Love one another."

He made the blind to see, and the lame to walk and the deaf to hear.

His commandment was, to "love thy neighbor as thyself," and while hanging to the cross in agony, He cried: "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

May it not be truthfully said of many men and women who err that "they know not what they do?"

It is not a fact recognized by human experience that deceit, and dishonesty and many sins of commission and omission are often faults of temperament imparted by heredity, or faults of education which are the offspring of environment?

The wisest and best of us may need forgiveness.

How can we ask it if we refuse to forgive?

How can we expect kindness and love from some people, if our hearts are filled with unkindness and hate for others?

"Well did Paul say: "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not love, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal."

CENSUS OF RELIGIONS

Churches in the United States added 594,366 to the membership in 1911, according to Dr. H. K. Carroll, statistician and former director of the religious census, whose compilation has just been made public.

The Catholic Church is in the lead with an increase of 230,665, making a total gain of 9,300,000 during the last 21 years, or more than doubling its membership.

The various branches of the Methodist Church added 204,289 to their membership in 1911 and show an increase of 2,200,000 in the last 21 years.

The remaining churches added only 159,412 to their membership.

DOING THE SAME STUNT

It was time for baby girl to be in bed, but no amount of coaxing would take her. At last father offered to lie on the bed till she fell asleep. Off she went pick-a-back and the tired mother leaned back in her chair with a sigh of content, ready for a hard-earned rest.

Ten minutes—twenty—half an hour and she was wondering when father would be down, when all at once she heard a soft, stealthy pit-a-pat. Nearer came the steps, and then a little white-robed form with a tiny finger on her lip stood in the doorway.

"Hush, hush, murther," she said, "I's got farver to sleep."

JOY OF SHOPPING

HUB (shopping with his wife)—If the goods you were just looking at suit you, why try other places?—Why didn't you buy them and us go home? WIFE—How foolish you talk! Why, I'm not half tired out yet!

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SIX WORTHY MEN PROBABLY FORGOTTEN

Rendered Distinguished Service; but are not in Distinguished List

When the first batch of the employees of the I. R. C. were placed under the Pension Fund, after they applied for superannuation each received a Distinguished Service Order medal.

Shortly afterward the following were compulsorily retired from the service:

Mr. John P. McDonald, R. A. Douglass, Peter McInnis, Alexander McEcheran, Angus Wilkes and William McLean. No medals were awarded to either of them.

A few weeks ago another lot of men were retired, received superannuation and were awarded the medals.

Now, why fish of one and fowl of another?

The men whose names we have mentioned are just as much entitled to the D.S.O. medals as those who preceded them, and who have been honored since their superannuation.

No, we will take that back. It cannot be fish of one and fowl of another. It surely must be a case of oversight.

We respectfully call the attention of Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden to this discrepancy.

A LIBERAL LEADER

A Well-known Canadian Honored by Associates in New Brunswick.

The Liberals of New Brunswick have selected Arthur B. Copp who represents Westmorland in the Provincial Legislature, as their leader in the Local House, to succeed Hon. C. W. Robinson, who resigned the position recently.

Pleasure on the Side.

"I don't like these big affairs," remarked Mrs. Homestayer; "Can't see any fun in inviting everybody to your party."

"Most assuredly not," replied Mrs. Uptonmuff. "Half the pleasure in giving a party consists in leaving certain persons out."

What Became of Inspectors Report to July 1st?

Again referring to the temperance report in the official town book, recently issued, it will be noticed that it is dated July 1st, the date Inspector W. R. Geldert was dismissed, and Mr. P. J. McAuliffe promoted from Assistant to Chief Inspector.

The report that appears in the town book is therefore Mr. McAuliffe's.

Now what LUNN'S WEEKLY would like to learn for the information of the ratepayers is: "Did Mr. Geldert hand in a report for work done from beginning of the year to July 1st, when he was dismissed? If he did why does it not appear in the town book. If he did not why has he not."

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JUDGE LAURENCE BURIED YESTERDAY

Most Impressive Funeral Ever Witnessed in Colchester's Capital.

Brilliant Man, Having Continental Fame, Will Be Very Greatly Missed.

Many friends throughout the Dominion will be shocked to hear of the death of Mr. Justice Laurence, of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, who died at his residence in Truro, late Tuesday night. He had been ill with pleurisy for twelve weeks, but few outside of his home community were aware of the serious nature of his illness.

FELL ILL IN NOVEMBER

Mr Justice Laurence went from Truro to Halifax in November to take up the appeal cases before the Full Bench, but he became ill and was obliged to return to his home immediately, and since that time he has been gradually failing, until the end came peacefully at eleven o'clock Tuesday night.

Hon. Frederick Andrew Laurence, K. C., was 68 years of age. He was the son of George C. Laurence, of Port Hood, where he was born on April 23rd, 1843. He was educated at the Normal School, Truro, and at Dalhousie College. He studied law in the office of Sir Adams G. Archibald, and was admitted to the bar of Nova Scotia on April 27th, 1869. He entered upon the practice of his profession in Truro, where he rapidly forged to the front and built up a large clientele.

The call to public life came to him in 1892, when he was nominated by the Liberal Party to contest Colchester for the House of Commons, against the late Hon. A. W. McLellan. Although Mr. Laurence was unsuccessful in that election, he won high favor with the electors, and five years later—at the general elections of 1896—he was returned to the House of Assembly and for twenty-one years thereafter represented Colchester in the Provincial and Dominion Parliaments without a defeat. Mr. Laurence was for eighteen years a member of the House of Assembly, and in 1896 was honored by election to the Speakership, which high office he filled with dignity and ability for eight years.

In 1904 he was nominated for the House of Commons and was triumphantly elected in the General Election of that year, when Nova Scotia sent a solid Liberal delegation to Ottawa. Mr. Laurence remained in the House of Commons until the Autumn of 1907, when he was appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia. Prior to this he had been Recorder of the Town of Truro for several years.

Mr. Justice Laurence has been for over a quarter of a century a conspicuous figure in the public life of his native Province and during that period was one of the ablest members of the Liberal Party.

In Parliament he earned distinction as a graceful speaker and a powerful debater, while on the political platform he had rare persuasive gifts which stood him in good stead in many a hard-fought campaign.

As a lawyer he held an acknowledged place as one of

the leaders of the Nova Scotia Bar, and it was a tribute to his eminence in his profession that his elevation to the Bench met with general approval, which his career as a judge amply justified.

Mr. Justice Laurence married Isabella Flemming who with Mrs. Harold Putnam will have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in their bereavement.

CRAFT WINS

"How did you ever manage to get on the good side of that crusty old uncle of yours?" asked Fan.

"Fed him the things he liked when he came to visit us," replied Nan. "The good side of any man, is his inside."

SCHEDULE OF M. P. H. A. GAMES

Table with columns: Jan., Feb., Won by, Score. Lists various sports teams and their scores.

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