

# Everyone Is Welcome at Any of These Churches On the Sabbath Day

## Believes "More In Christianity Than Mere Assurance Against Future"

"There is more in Christianity than a mere assurance against the future," said Rev. N. S. McKechnie in his sermon before the combined congregations of Knox Presbyterian and Wootley Road Baptist Churches, in the latter church Sunday night.

The pastor took his text from Ephesians 1, 18 and 19. He explained that Paul, in his letter to the Ephesians, told them that since he had first heard of their faith in Jesus, he had not ceased to pray for them.

"Paul prayed that the Ephesians might know the hope of his calling. He saw in these people possibilities just as Christ sees possibilities in us today," said the preacher.

"Jesus has in mind for us a greater

education and expression in life. This is the hope of our calling in Christ Jesus.

"Paul prayed that they might come to know the richness of the glory of Christ's inheritance in the saints. Christ has an inheritance in the saints, and all Christian people. He craves the privilege of lifting men out of the mire of sin.

"The third request that Paul made was that the Ephesians might come to know the exceeding greatness of Christ's power those who believe.

"How little we know this power. We seek to overcome our obstacles by the little strength we have, while there is a vast reservoir of power available for us. God help us to avail ourselves of it."

## ASSERTS HYMNS GOOD SERMONS

"A Song of the Sabbath," was the subject of the sermon preached by Rev. W. H. Hiles in Robinson Memorial Church Sunday morning.

Taking as the basis of his remarks Bishop Wordsworth's beautiful hymn, "O day of rest and gladness," Mr. Hiles pointed out that next to the reading of the Bible, nothing will bring us greater rewards than the reading of the church hymn. The Book of Psalms was the hymn book of the old Jewish church, but it came to be also an integral part of the Old Testament scripture. Our blessed Lord himself must often have read those hymns, for in the great crises of his life they leaped from his soul through the doors of his lips. When we read the great hymns of the ages we find that some of them are hymns of praise, some songs of thanksgiving, some are prayers for cleaner hearts and purer lives, and some are thoughtful and beautiful sermons.

Bishop's Wordsworth's hymn is one of the best sermons that has ever been written. The first stanza of the hymn is a fine description of what God meant that day to be—a day of rest and gladness, of joy and light, and at the same time, the day is most of all a great day of worship. Men have invented many ways of enjoying the Sabbath, said the preacher, but there is no way that will bring so much of joy, and

The most wonderful picture in the Book of Revelations is the picture of the worshipping company of heaven, and one of the stanzas of the hymn is devoted to the thought of the Sabbath Day as the day in which great blessedness comes to the nations because of the corporate worship. "What greater calamity can fall upon a nation than the loss of worship—then all things go to decay." But the Sabbath Day gives us the great opportunity of worship.

## ORANGEMEN HOLD CRUMLIN PARADE

London District Lodges Attend St. Luke's Church—Plan Big Day.

Large numbers of London Orangemen motored to Crumlin Sunday, where a church parade was held to St. Luke's Church by Orangemen from all parts of the London district. The Cavell Ladies' Lodge of this city attended in a body, with the five and drum band, and many representatives of other London lodges.

The pastor of St. Luke's Church, Rev. R. Clarke, spoke to the lodge members on the story of Gideon. He pointed out in his remarks the need of men today who possessed the courage of their convictions. Protestants as a whole should be more sincere, and hold more faith, he said.

The pastor also made a strong plea for unity among the Protestant churches, remarking on the unity of the Roman Catholic in the country. He stated also that he believed the true state of things with regard to religious beliefs in the country were not known generally among Protestants.

As an illustration of what unity could accomplish Rev. Clarke held up the army and its achievements during the late war.

A large orange celebration will be held in London on Aug. 12, Derry Day. The demonstration will be under the auspices of the Royal Black Knights of the British Commonwealth.

The major part of the day's program will be carried out in Queen's Park. At 1:30 in the afternoon a parade will be held beginning at Victoria Park. The procession will be headed by the London Orange brass band.

Hon. W. D. McPherson, K.C., grand master of the Orange Lodge of British America, Dr. Kennedy Palmer of Ottawa, and if he has not returned to Ireland before that day, Hon. William Coote, L.D., member of Parliament for Ulster, who spoke in the Masonic Temple a short time ago, are expected to be on hand to speak at the park.

Lodges from all Perth County, St. Thomas, St. Marys, Stratford and many places in the surrounding district will be in attendance at the Derry Day celebration.

## 12 BATTALIONS TO TRAIN AT HEIGHTS

Western Ontario Units Authorized According To Canada Gazette.

Detachments of twelve battalions of the Canadian militia located in Western Ontario are authorized, according to this week's Canada Gazette, to carry out training at Carling Heights, the headquarters of Military District No. 1, during the financial year of 1922-23 for a period not exceeding twelve days.

Though the financial year extends from April to April, except where it is especially authorized, all training will be completed and held by Dec. 31, 1922.

Details of limited establishments, nature and periods of training will be published in militia orders.

The following units are named:

Cavalry—1st Hussars, 9th (Grey's) Horse.

Artillery—11th Brigade, C.F.A. Headquarters, 29th Battery, 16th Battery.

Signals—No. 1 Signal Company.

Corps of Guides—No. 1 Cyclist Company.

Infantry—1st Infantry Brigade Headquarters, the Middlesex Light Infantry, 1st Battalion (135th Battalion, C.E.F.); the Perth Regiment, 1st Battalion (110th Battalion, C.E.F.); the Huron Regiment, 1st Battalion (161st Battalion, C.E.F.); the Western Ontario Regiment, 1st Battalion (1st Battalion, C.E.F.); the Bruce Regiment, 1st Battalion (160th Battalion, C.E.F.); the Oxford Rifles, 1st Battalion (71st Battalion, C.E.F.); the Highland Light Infantry of Canada, 1st Battalion (34th Battalion, C.E.F.); the Wellington Rifles, 1st Battalion (153rd Battalion, C.E.F.); the Elgin Regiment, 1st Battalion (91st Battalion, C.E.F.); the Lambton Regiment, 1st Battalion (149th Battalion, C.E.F.); the Essex Fusiliers, 1st Battalion (18th Battalion, C.E.F.); the Kent Regiment, 1st Battalion (186th Battalion, C.E.F.).

Machine—2nd Canadian Machine Guns, Gun Brigade.

C. A. S. C.—1st Divisional Train, headquarters, No. 1 Company, No. 2 Company.

C. A. M. C.—No. 15 Field Ambulance.

C. O. T. C.—Western University Contingent.

WOMAN INJURED AS AUTOS CRASH

Miss Florence Cook of Dundas street, was taken to Victoria Hospital at 11 o'clock Saturday night suffering from bruises about the head, which resulted when two autos collided at the corner of Stanley street and Wootley road.

She was reported to be much improved Sunday.

LEAVES FOR ITALY.

Mr. Dan Polci, Fullerton street, has gone to his home in Rome, Italy, to visit his mother and many relatives there. On his return he will bring two sons whom he left there some years ago.

TWO KILLED IN WRECK.

BUCHARST, July 16.—Two persons were killed and 24 injured today when an express train bound for Vienna went through a bridge and into the Prahova River near Sinal.

## DECLARES NO HOPE FOR WORLD APART FROM GOD

A PART from God, civilization offers no hope for the world, according to Rev. John Richardson, who preached on "Why I Go To Church," to his congregation at Pointers Presbyterian Church Sunday night. Mr. Richardson pointed out that the church is one of the fundamental principles upon which civilization is based, and that despite all the arguments advanced against church attendance, there is not one of them that will stand close scrutiny.

"Every now and then someone sends a letter to the press to be published, stating the reasons why many people do not go to church," began the minister. He mentioned some of these reasons as neglect on the part of the minister, some alleged discourtesy in the church, doubt of the sincerity of the "Everybody welcome" sign on the church, hypocrisy of some professed Christians, or that the church is not filling the popular need and has lost its hold on the masses.

Mr. Richardson declared that often such a letter to the press betrays the fact that the writer is a stranger to the church. Many of these writers, although arraigning the church, have stated that they would not welcome the day when church worship would be denied the people.

Think Wickedness Fun.

"When we come down to the marrow of the fact the only sort of a religion that justifies a church is the religion that is dead set against sin, and possesses some sort of power to smash sin," said Mr. Richardson. "Any person who knows modern life realizes that a great many people do not want to get rid of sin. They think that wickedness is fun, or that it is profitable.

"The church makes people think about themselves, God, sin and its wages and about salvation. The church shows up palsies and leprosy, and for these reasons it is not acceptable to many people. Personally I do believe that a great part of the lack of church-going over the masses is on account of the antipathy of the masses, the materialistic pleasure lovers, and money grabbers, to its demands for spiritual living.

"Many and various reasons are given by people for not going to church. We feel perfectly certain that no one of them is the true reason. I do not ever remember seeing any letter sent to the editor of a newspaper on the reasons why I go to church.

"People go to church because, through it, they come in contact with the biggest reality in life. They meet God there, and because they desire to obtain good and do good. They maintain their religious side of life, and wish to see the healing light of Christ Jesus shining over the darkness of earth's sorrow and sin.

Man Is Religious.

"These people go to church because they feel the pressure of spiritual needs and to get a grip upon spiritual things. Man is a religious being, and has always felt the need of God. In this seducing world, we are liable to lose sight of that part of our being which relates us to God. That part is the soul.

"We go to church to obtain the strength to say 'Thy will be done' when we enter our Gethsemane. Civilization apart from God offers no hope. One hundred years from now will tell whether our age will become a byword or not. Let us never neglect the church as it is still the greatest institution upon earth, and much is left for the church to do. The eyes of the world are fastened upon the church today.

"The Christian church has the only real permanent solvent for the world's troubles. The church is engaged in the colossal task of ushering in the kingdom of God. It is the hope of a vexed, troubled and harried world. If we Canadians are to be alive to our great responsibilities we must tighten our grip upon the Lord's Day and public worship and the church."

Peril to Church.

Sunday morning Mr. Richardson preached on "Are Canadians Holding the Lord's Day Too Lightly?" Pleading for a safe and sane Sabbath, he pointed out that it is of no consequence whether the Sabbath be held on the first or seventh days of the week, the main need being that the people devote one-seventh of their time to consecration and worship.

He declared the manner in which a man spent his Sundays to be a searching test of his religion. If the Sabbath be held in disregard in Canada, the Dominion will suffer as in his opinion, nations depend upon the security of their Lord's Day for virility.

"The Sabbath was made for man," asserted Mr. Richardson, quoting his text. "We ask how it should be used. Simply be loyal to Jesus. He wishes us to separate it from other days as a day which serves mankind to a better purpose than any other.

Has Bad Effect.

"It is most deplorable that so many desert the House of God, especially during the summer months," said the minister. "Many turn the whole day into a holiday, with no vestige of worship or service. With endless joy riding, pleasure seeking, there is a tendency for the Lord's Day to slip away from us with much of its sanctity and practically all its quiet. That will have an injurious effect upon the moral life of Canada.

"We are not pleading for a Puritan Lord's Day of bigotry and intolerance. We should appeal for a safe and sane Lord's Day. We appeal against the loose, lawless, flabby habit which many approve today. We do not condemn recreation on the Lord's Day such as a quiet walk or ride in the fresh air, or going to visit the sick and aged, but the tendency is for laxity and easy-going indifference.

"We are not the judges of any man in his observance of the Sabbath, but we do contend that Jesus established the Lord's Day for man. The agitation for Lord's Day games keeps up. Surely we can get all the sport we need apart from the Lord's Day. The nations with the finest sporting records are the nations which have been most strict on Lord's Day observance.

"Let Canada run wild, at break-neck speed, with physical recreation, theaters, horse races, games and amusements of all kinds on Sunday, and at last we will get rid of religion. To make a common holi-

## SAYS LIBERTIES NOT SUFFICIENT

Rev. Dean Tucker Declares People May Be Slaves of Evil.

In explanation of the fact that while it was possible for one man to control the mind of another, it would be impossible for him to control another's conscience or imagination, Dean Tucker, preaching at the morning service in St. Paul's Cathedral, instanced the period of reformation, when the "Infallible" church attempted without success to impose its views upon the minds of men.

"When the Magna Charta was signed," the dean said, "the foundations were laid of our political and religious liberty. It is curious to note the peculiarities and inconsistencies of human nature. Freedom is the right of every man, on every count. 'All men are free,' saith the Lord, and are to be subject to no human yoke. Yet while this is acknowledged, men have always been loath to grant freedom to their fellows."

The dean recalled the 300 years' persecution of the early Christians, pointing out that when they did finally attain their freedom, it was because rulers were powerless to obstruct it. He drew attention also to the instance when the church itself endeavored to implant its doctrine upon the masses and traced the struggle that followed in England down to the days of "Bloody Mary" and the coming of William of Orange.

While it may in a measure be true that the Protestants had since been guilty of the same offence, Dean Tucker held that the modern church had granted political, social and religious liberties and had adopted a broad attitude of tolerance.

"People may be free in their own land," he said, "but be slaves to evil. Selfishness was one of these. While the other liberties, political, religious and social, have become realities after a struggle of 2,000 years, they are yet insufficient.

"The true Christian is the one who can overcome selfishness and other slavery of the mind, and come upon his own initiative into submission to the will of God."

## CALLS ON PEOPLE TO BE OPTIMISTIC

A ringing note of optimism was sounded by Col. W. Beattie, D.D., in his Sunday evening sermon, preached to joint congregations of his own, the First Presbyterian Church, and St. Andrews, in the latter church. Dwelling upon the optimism of the Bible and the Christian religion, and emphasizing the solid foundation for this hopeful outlook, he closed with this inspiring message, "All God's transitions are from less to greater, from poorer to richer, from loss to gain. The flower withers that the perfect fruit may be developed."

Drawing upon the Bible for illustration, he pointed out that the Christian's optimism is not born of

## Avers It Is Only Through Jesus That Kingdom of Heaven Can Be Reached

The peace of mind and soul which follows submission to the will of God, and the awakening to a consciousness of His omnipotent love, was the subject of the sermon delivered in Maitland Street Baptist Church Sunday night by Rev. C. Cameron, of Durham, who took as his text the words from the fifth chapter of St. Mark, "Jesus said unto her, 'Woman thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace.'"

He contrasted the service Christ held along the shores of the Sea of Galilee with the present day services held in the magnificent edifices of the modern church, and again with the pioneer Christians of Canada, who conducted their service in rude shacks or on the edge of forest

sunshine or passing pleasure, but is the permanent possession of the spirit, the result of triumph over storm and difficulty. Paul was referred to as the outstanding optimist, giving voice to triumphant joy in the stress of the closing years of his life, sounding the call: "Rejoice, and again I say, rejoice."

"He was kindly in courage, priestly in dignity. He fought and labored, possessed of the irrevocable conviction that right would ultimately prevail. It was the same spirit that the soldiers manifested through the trying days of the war, at the most critical periods, the conviction that all things would work together for good," said Dr. Beattie.

Attention of the congregation was drawn to two qualifying statements, Paul called for "rejoicing in the Lord," and the promise of the Bible was, "All things work together for good to those that love goodness."

"Does this put a limit on human optimism?" was a question raised by the preacher. "It does, but it does not rob life of one whit of joy. It puts life in the realm of pure things, where God intended it to be."

The musical services were led by the choir of the First Presbyterian Church, conducted by George Lethbridge, who was at the organ.

## SUGGESTS PLAY PARK AT DAKIN ST.

Should the taxpayers of Southeast London honestly desire to have the board of education property in their district, the much-contested Dakin street site, converted into a civic playground, now is their time to approach the public utilities commission, according to W. A. Tanner, secretary of the former body.

The secretary believes that while the trustees will more than likely abandon the site in question for school purposes, it will then be placed on sale. Then he points out the commission can step in and make the purchase.

## GOVERNMENT STEAMER NOT SERIOUSLY DAMAGED

North Sydney, N. S., July 17.—The Canadian Government Merch-

clearings.

"The value of anxious thought about Jesus is incalculable," J. J. Cameron declared. "The woman to whom Christ spoke was so inspired by the thought of Him that she had sufficient faith to believe that merely the touch of the hem of His garment would prove a cure for her ailment. We should have that sense of Jesus in all our services, both in the church and out of it, the sense that He is always present, and that by reaching toward Him we may be cured of the ills of worldliness and made whole in His spirit. It is through Jesus himself that we may reach the kingdom of heaven, and it is only by pressing toward Him that we may gain access to the almighty presence of God Himself."

ant Marine Steamer Canadian Commander, ashore near Plate Point, Little Miquelon, since July 3, has been refloated, and taken to St. Pierre Roads, where she will make temporary repairs before proceeding to Quebec, according to advices here. It is not thought that the Commander is seriously damaged.

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