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Our Christmas Sale IS NOW ON

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HOW TO GET A FRESH START

Excellent Sermon Given by Rev. F. E. Malott on Sunday Last

Church was Packed to the Doors With Interested Audience—Excellent Music Rendered

At Victoria Ave. Church, on Sunday night, Rev. F. E. Malott preached a New Year's sermon to young men. This is the fourth sermon of a series, all of which have proved interesting and helpful. The theme of Sunday's sermon was, "How to Get a Fresh Start." The sermon was based on Ephesians 4, 22-24. "This I say, that ye put off the old man, which waxeth corrupt through the lusts of deceit, that ye be renewed in the spirit of your minds and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."

Most men, said the speaker, at some time in their lives, make good resolutions. When the effects of an evil course of conduct begin to be felt, they are almost sure to be made. At no time, perhaps, are men more given to pledging themselves than at the beginning of a new year. There is something appropriate in a New Year's resolution for we all get a fresh start with the dawn of a new year. We get the fresh start but we do not always make the best use of it. How to make our fresh start count is the real question we have to consider.

Paul tells us in the text that three things are necessary if we would make our future days better than our past days. These three things, in brief are, Repentance, Regeneration and Renewal day by day of the inward man.

1. The first step a man must take is to make a clean break with the past so far as it has been evil. Paul calls this putting off the old man. It is not simply one bad habit that is to be given up, but all bad habits. The old manner of life is to be given up. It is easier to break all bad habits than one. Some one has defined repentance as "being sorry enough to quit." Genuine repentance is being sorry enough to quit all that is wrong and quitting forever.

2. But if a man would be successful in putting off the old man, he must put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. A new life must be imparted to take the place of the old. Jesus called this a new birth. Ezekiel called it getting a new heart and a new spirit. Paul called it regeneration, being transformed by the renewing of our minds. This deep inward change is necessary and it is graciously possible.

3. But the new life imparted by Christ must be fed. It must be renewed day by day by waiting upon God in prayer and in the study of His word. A deep impression was made on the congregation and at the watch night service held later many made vows of amendment and expressed a desire and purpose to serve God.

The music at both services was appropriate, inspiring and well rendered. The double male quartette and the duet by Messrs. Hollman and Horstead were pleasing features of the evening service.

MANLY POSITION

Ald. Potter Declines to Mingle in Anonymous Campaign—Facts on Cemetery Residence

Regarding the anonymous sheet signed "The People," which was issued at the closing hour of the recent civic campaign, The Planet this morning asked Ald.-elect Wm. Potter, against whom it appeared to be specially aimed, for an interview on the matter.

"No," said the alderman, smiling. "It is not a matter I desire to discuss. I do not desire to indulge in any unseemly discussion upon the matter. It is not of the style of campaign in which I desire to take any part, and I regret that any one who felt aggrieved at me or my position, did not come out frankly and honestly and avoid the anonymous four-track. I should then have been pleased to discuss the matter on its merits. Wholesome, open, honest discussion is always helpful, but with the other style of campaign I do not want to mingle. That is really all I have to say."

Asked concerning the allegation that the cemetery residence was to cost \$1,100 and cost over \$1,900, or \$800 over the estimate, Ald. Potter said, "The contract price was \$1,400; the extras were in all \$45, \$12 of which the committee was not responsible for. Taken all in all I do not think that any private individual could put up a residence with any less extras, which I trust goes to show that we watched the building most closely."

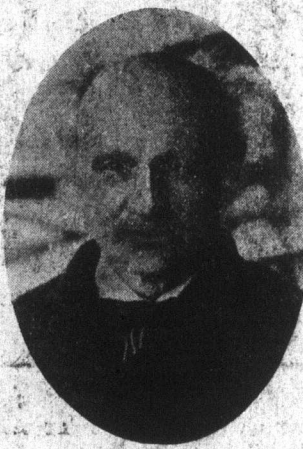
Be real men, and the kingdom of truth will honor you.

ESTEEMED CHATHAM CITIZENS WEDDED FOR FIFTY YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. John Mounteer Fittingly Celebrate Their Golden Wedding Day—A Jubilee Long to be Remembered

A happy gathering of brothers and sisters, children and grandchildren, nephews and nieces, assembled on New Year's day at the residence of our esteemed fellow townsman, John Mounteer, the occasion being the golden anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Mounteer's wedding day. In addition to their three sons with their families, and one daughter, the following guests shared in the festivities of the occasion: Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Vermeyea, Belleville, Ont.; Mrs. Alderson, Kintore; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moorhouse, Florence; the

in the Father Land, Yorkshire, Merry England, and came to Canada with their respective parents early in the forties. They settled in the Township of Hope, County of Durham, where the two families resided as neighbors, and where the subjects of this sketch were united in marriage on the first day of January, 1856, by Rev. Wm. McCallum, of Port Hope. Shortly after their marriage the young couple, with other members of the family, removed to Cook's Corners, now Charing Cross, and later to the Township of Euphemia,



MR. JOHN MOUNTEER.



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above three ladies being sisters of Mr. Mounteer: Wm. Mounteer, brother, Charlotte, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tyndall, brother of Mrs. Mounteer, Rev. H. V. and Mrs. Mounteer and son Orono, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ellis, city; Mrs. Broad, Cleveland, O.; John Tyndall, Providence, R. I.; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Carr, Blyth; Mr. and Mrs. M. Moorhouse, Florence, and Miss Hensley, Brantford. Telegrams of congratulation and regret were received from other relatives and friends who were not able to be present.

A most enjoyable evening was spent by all those present, while the many kindly words and costly gifts, including nearly \$70 in gold, testified to the high esteem in which the bride and groom of fifty years ago are held by their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Mounteer were born

near Florence. About 30 years ago they took up their residence in Chatham, where their sons and daughters have grown up around them. Three sons and three daughters blessed this union, four of whom still survive, being well known citizens among us. Anson, holding the office of city Health Inspector; Edwin A., an ex-alderman and proprietor of the Kent Bakery and confectionery, and Charles, a meat merchant, while Miss Alice is a member of the teaching staff of the Central school. Two beloved daughters, Addie and Jennie, have passed away from the home circle below to the brighter circle above.

During the evening Mr. and Mrs. Mounteer presented their guests with a cabinet photo of each as souvenirs of the occasion.

SCHOOLS RE-OPEN

Large Attendance at City Educational Institutions for Inauguration of New Year

The city schools opened for the year of 1906 this morning. All showed increased attendance.

At the Collegiate Institute, where already the classes are much congested, over ten new pupils applied for admission. At the Central and McKeough schools the attendance was also much above the average, while a large increase was recorded at the Separate school.

BOY SHOT

Thirteen Year Old Son of James Hutchinson, Harwich, Shot Through the Foot

Stanley Hutchinson, aged thirteen years, son of Mr. James Hutchinson, 4th concession, Harwich, accidentally shot himself through the right foot with a .22 calibre bullet on New Year's day at his home. He was letting the hammer down when it slipped from his grasp, resulting as above.

The bullet went right through the foot. The accident, while very painful, is not serious.

PROMPT ACTION

Acting on the suggestion submitted in The Planet some days ago, Caretaker W. W. Mitchell this morning had the handle on the outside of the left storm door at the Post Office removed. This necessitates people knocking to the right, and will avoid much confusion and trouble. Mr. Mitchell's prompt action is to be commended.

master work of wisdom and one of the most difficult chapters in the great art of living.

Never join with your best friend when he abuses his horse or his wife, unless the one is to be sold and the other to be buried.

CIVIC SLATE IS DRAFTED

Aldermen-Elect Get Busy With Organization of Committees

Ald. Edmondson Stated for the Bugbear Board of Works—Other Committees

The Planet is enabled to present its readers to-night with the first draft of the committee slate of the new Council-elect. There are wheels within wheels and several rumors and rumors of rumors, but it is not likely that the draft here submitted will be much changed. The old bugbear of the Board of Works department, has created not a little interest, but it is likely to be urged upon Ald. Edmondson, as here outlined. Finance will go to Ald. Scullard, Property to Ald. Potter, Railroad to Ald. Benson, Parks and Cemetery to Ald. Stone and Industrial to Ald. Austin.

Following is the slate which will be found not far wrong: Finance—Ald. Scullard, chairman; Ald. Austin and Stone. Board of Works—Ald. Edmondson, chairman; Ald. Benson and Radley. Property—Ald. Potter, chairman; Ald. Thompson and Massey. Industrial—Ald. Austin, chairman; Ald. Massey and Radley. Parks and Cemetery—Ald. Stone, chairman; Ald. Scullard and Austin. Railroad—Ald. Benson, chairman; Ald. Edmondson and Massey.

THE PREACHERS ARE ON STRIKE

Remarkable Conduct of Ministers Reported From Blenheim

Kindly Clerk Had to be Sequestered to Conduct Funeral—Strange Story

Special to The Planet.

Blenheim, Jan. 2.—A most deplorable state of unchristian Christianity has developed in the hitherto respected town of Blenheim.

It appears that certain preachers in that place have decided to boycott Sunday funerals. As a result last Sunday a highly respected and estimable young man, who died of pneumonia on the preceding Friday, must have been interred as an outcast, or dumb beast, without any funeral ceremonies, had it not been for Mr. Postain, a Christian-spirited clerk in a general store, who sympathetically consented to conduct the service.

The Rev. Mr. Gilmore, who will be remembered as the whiskey sleuth, was the leader in the strike. Not satisfied with refusing to act himself, rumor hath it that he is reported to have prevailed upon another preacher who had consented to act, and whose name was printed upon the funeral notices, to cancel his engagement and refuse to act.

Whether the rumor be correct or not, the engagement was cancelled and no local preacher would act. If the electric railway is extended to Blenheim it is hoped even yet some ideas of the spirit of Christianity and civilization may reach this benighted hamlet. In the meantime residents in this vicinity are requested to die earlier in the week and thus avoid unpleasantness.

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20 lbs. Granulated Sugar \$1.00
22 lbs. Bright Sugar for \$1.00
8 bars of Soap for 25c
Clothes Pins, 12 per dozen
7 lbs. best Rolled Oats, 25c
Ginger Snaps, 6c per lb.
2 cans Salmon, 25c
Pickles, 10c per bottle
Fresh Ground Coffee, 15c per lb.
3 lbs. Mixed Blueberries, 25c
3 cans Vegetables, 25c
Maple Syrup, 25c per quart.

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THE WORST THING IN WINTER IS WET FEET!

There are all kinds of "paths" in the world—Allopaths, Homeopaths, Osteopaths and 900 other kinds, but they all agree on this—that if you are tired of living and want to see what comes next, you've only to cultivate wet feet.

Wet feet carry off more people than old age and war combined, with earthquakes and railway accidents thrown in.

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