

TRAINING CHILDREN.

Sermon on Duty of Parents to Their Little Ones

Preached by Rev. Father Owen-Jones in the Mission Church Last Evening --- Obedience --- Early Rising --- Simple Habits --- Religious Teaching.

Rev. Father Owen-Jones, priest in charge of the Mission Church of St. John Baptist, preached an instructive sermon at yesterday evening's service; taking for his subject "The Importance of Childhood's Training."

He based his discourse on 51st verse of the second chapter of St. Luke's gospel. "And He went down with them to Nazareth, and was subject unto them."

The speaker referred to the fact that although Holy Writ tells us but little of our Lord's early training, we are informed by traditional accounts that His surroundings were extremely simple, and formed a strong contrast to those of the luxurious Judaeans.

Eleven of His apostles were Galileans and their bringing up had been very plain and unpretentious, whilst the betrayer, a Judean, had been trained amid luxurious surroundings, and with that multiplicity of interests which disturb the mind and dwarf intellectual development.

We often come in contact with children who lead luxurious lives, who are allowed to remain up late at nights and are permitted to interest themselves in as many matters as are the older members of the household and thus the mental development is considerably retarded.

They are privileged to sleep late in the mornings—a habit which cannot be otherwise than injurious. The boy who has undergone such a training finds it all the more difficult when he is obliged to strike out for himself.

His employer demands that he must be on hand at a regular hour, and this necessitates early rising, which, naturally, he finds is not an easy matter. The girl brought up along these lives finds when she has a home of her own that she must rise early if she expects the work of her household to go on.

And so, today parents would do well to cultivate in their children habits of industry and obedience; to see that they have definite duties to perform, and look to it that their instructions in this particular are carried out to the letter.

The preacher referred to obedience as a special virtue of childhood, and as the foundation of the moral life. It leads to self-restraint and self conquest, and, in the spiritual life enables the will to control other powers. It also produces the ability to rule others. It was the breach of this virtue that brought sin into the world; its perfection that brought redemption.

It is an undeniable fact that a willful, wayward, disobedient child makes a selfish, headstrong, worthless man. It is mothers who have most to do in the training of children, and the speaker strongly urged that in giving instructions for the performance of duties, they should see that their commands are carried out to the letter, and never, under any circumstances to do the work they had given them to perform.

It is also of the greatest importance that the child be taught habits of religion. Most of us have, no doubt, learned to pray at our mother's knee. This, however, is not sufficient. It is difficult to determine exactly, at what age the child should be brought to the house of God, and taught to take part in and love the services of Holy Church. The neglect of this is sure to result in sin, and cannot do otherwise than warp the nature, weaken the will, and blunt the conscience.

There can be no mistaking our Lord's example in this particular. When found by His parents in the temple, His reply to the question of the 31st year of Prince Edward Island, being hastily summoned to the bedside of their mother there.

Prospect Coal Co. The annual meeting of the directors of the Prospect Coal Co., was held in the office of the Canada Drug Co., this morning.

Matters appertaining to the affairs of the company were discussed and prior to adjournment the following directors were elected for the ensuing year—Jas. Kennedy, J. E. Irvine, C. F. Kinnear, C. D. Trueman and J. Roy Campbell.

The directors unanimously elected Jas. Kennedy as president of the board and J. E. Irvine as secretary. The meeting after considering matters adjourned for two weeks.

Financial and Commercial.

RAILWAY RATE BILL.

It Will Have Right of Way in the House This Week.

Washington, Feb. 5.—Railroad rate legislation is to have the right of way in the house of representatives during Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The rule making the bill giving the interstate commerce commission power to fix rates a special order during sessions which are to begin an hour earlier than usual on Tuesday and Wednesday will be the subject of a special order.

Opposition to the bill, which has been agreed on by the republicans of the committee on interstate commerce, will be voiced in the debate on this rule. This opposition may come from the minority developed in the republican conference Friday, as well as from the democrats of the house.

If the two should unite to defeat the bill, those who have counted noses say this could be accomplished. Should the rule be adopted, as is the belief of the majority leaders, there will be no opportunity to amend the bill. The democrats will be given an opportunity to make their showing of strength on the Davey Bill, to be offered as a substitute for the amendment.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The House stands on the edge of a swimming hole testing with timid toes the chilly waters of railroad legislation. The majority is divided; some think the "Esch-Townsend measure goes too far, others say it does not go far enough to meet this sentiment the caucus may vote to report it at the same time as the Townsend bill, the Davey bill as a substitute, and allow the House to vote on both measures.

The Davey bill gives the Interstate Commerce Commission power to fix rates, but makes no provision for a transportation court.

SOO AFFAIRS.

Scraps of information regarding the renewed activity on the part of the new Lake Superior Corporation are constantly coming from the Sault Ste. Marie. A recent report gives the following interesting facts in respect to the finances of the company, and also some information about the working of the plant itself.

There are at present some 340 men employed, the payroll for the past month being over \$142,000. Of the first mortgage of \$2,000,000, \$1,000,000 have been converted into an investment in the property, and now the claims of creditors, which amount to \$2,500,000, have all been adjusted and settled.

The subsidy from the Dominion Government to the amount of \$340,000 was received in full. The agreement that the full amount will go into the actual work of extending the Algoma railway, the company according to a director's report, has not been made on the bonds guaranteed by the Ontario government, and those issued on the sole credit of the company as they came due.

Claimants whose patience had been tried by the frequent delays threatened litigation, but all these claims have now been settled, and all danger of this sort is considered to be a thing of the past. Altogether, the news from the Soo is good news, and that national monument of industry has now a chance to show the world that it may be worked for the good of the shareholders and the country rather than for the profit of one or two individuals, to squander in reckless extravagance.

SATURDAY'S FIRE.

Fire was discovered between the floors in the second story of the two story wooden building No. 308 Brussels street, Saturday afternoon, and before it was extinguished the building and contents were badly damaged.

The building is occupied on the upper story by James Walsh, and the ground floor was occupied by Mrs. J. E. Cox, who conducts a dry goods store. The salvage crew managed to save some of Mr. Walsh's furniture, but the greater part of it, including a piano was badly damaged.

Mrs. Cox's stock of dry goods was badly damaged by smoke and water. The building is owned by G. W. Shanklin, and is insured for \$200 in the Commercial Union and \$200 in the Manchester Assurance Company.

Mr. Walsh has no insurance on his furniture and Mrs. Cox has her stock insured for \$600 in the Manchester Assurance Company.

It is thought the fire was caused by a defective flue.

HARCOURT NEWS.

Harcourt, Feb. 4.—The death of Mrs. Daniel Dunlay occurred at her home in Brass River on the 31st Jan. Her illness had been ill with dropsy over four years. She was 48 years of age and leaves a sorrowing husband and several children. In the absence of the Presbyterian clergyman, Rev. Mr. Townsend, the Methodist minister, Rev. J. B. Champion was called from Harcourt to conduct the services. The body was laid to rest in the "Old" cemetery.

Rev. Mr. Townsend and his sister, Mrs. Bass River on the 31st for Prince Edward Island, being hastily summoned to the bedside of their mother there.

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NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Chicago Market Report and New York Cotton Market. Furnished by D. C. Cline, Banker and Broker, for St. John Evening Times.

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes items like Anaconda, Am Sugar Refs, Am Smelt & Lfg, etc.

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT.

Table with columns for commodity names and prices. Includes items like May Corn, May Wheat, May Oats, etc.

MONTRAL QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns for commodity names and prices. Includes items like Dom Iron & Steel, Dom Iron & Steel, etc.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

Table with columns for commodity names and prices. Includes items like March Cotton, May Cotton, July Cotton, etc.

NEW YORK, FEB. 6.—The opening stock market today was hesitating and irregular.

The heavy investment absorption of good stock and bonds, a conspicuous throughout December and January, is broadening in February; the influence of continued heavy buying of stocks, the trade of great railway earnings, of improved industrial conditions and assurance of a bright year in general.

Discontinued earning and dividend paying ability of many stocks heretofore passed in conservative consideration by investors—these facts, however, are still maintaining genuine demand for stocks, the demand that takes and pays for securities. And in consequence of court intrigues against the premier, M. Pasic, the king has requested the ministers to retain office until his resignation is accepted.

THE WORLD OF SHIPPING.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

Table with columns for dates, sun, moon, tides, and other astronomical data.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Table with columns for ship names, arrival dates, and agents.

REPORTS, DISASTERS, Etc.

CAPE F. Rabe, of the Danish steamer I, arrived at Bahia Blanca yesterday while entering the port but was found later. On examination it was found that the vessel was full of water, but her cargo keeps her afloat.

BRITISH PORTS.

Cardiff, Feb. 5.—Ard stmr Tanagra from London. Liverpool, Feb. 5.—Ard stmr Bovic from New York, Cymric from Boston.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Yokohama, Feb. 4.—Sid stmr Tartar for Vancouver. Norfolk, Feb. 4.—Sid stmr Mantinea for St. Lucia.

UNWISE MERCHANTS

Who Increase Their Line of Credit to Speculate in Wall Street.

(Toronto News.)

A Montreal contemporary regrets the fact that the world seems to be growing more speculative. The "get-rich-quick" idea, as summed up upon hundreds and thousands of the people, though of late it has in some quarters been materially loosened by the severe financial losses which uncertainty has established to have their speculative side shows.

The case is cited of a large Canadian wholesale merchant, who had not been very fortunate in New York stock deals, recently applying to his banker for an additional standing, but upon his banker instituting inquiries as to the nature of his extension of business, it was found that the merchant had obtained on his recent credit was being invested, or rather risked, in marginal dealings in Wall Street.

One would have thought that the widespread losses suffered by stock market speculators within the past two or three years would have taught the merchants of this country a lesson. The sooner they learn to confine themselves to building up their own "artificial" business the more surely will they make for the safety of this business, and for the soundness of the Canadian mercantile community in general.

Wall Street, characterized as it too frequently is, by the stock jobbing and stock washing schemes recently chronicled in these columns, is no place for the merchant who has a sane idea of business house on his hands; and still less is it a healthy resort for the salaried employe of such an establishment.

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IMPORTS

From Glasgow ex stmr Tritonia: Robertson Jas. Co., 250 bids sheet iron, 1000 lbs. sugar, 1000 lbs. rice, 1000 lbs. flour, 1000 lbs. cotton, 1000 lbs. wool, 1000 lbs. silk, 1000 lbs. linen, 1000 lbs. paper, 1000 lbs. soap, 1000 lbs. oil, 1000 lbs. butter, 1000 lbs. cheese, 1000 lbs. fruit, 1000 lbs. vegetables, 1000 lbs. other goods.

EXPORTS

For Boston per str Ochs Miller, 100,000 ft spruce boards, 41,203 ft spruce planks. For Montreal per str Rosalind, 100,000 ft spruce boards, 41,203 ft spruce planks.

CABINET RESIGNED.

Belgrade, Servia, Feb. 6.—The cabinet has resigned in consequence of court intrigues against the premier, M. Pasic. The king has requested the ministers to retain office until his resignation is accepted.

ANNAPOLIS.

Annapolis, Feb. 3.—R. L. Hardwick who carries on a watchmaking and jewelry business here, was on Tuesday elected Mayor of Annapolis by acclamation. It was expected that there would not be an election for councillors as a very largely signed requisition to the nominees selected by the board of trade had been presented to them.

WINTER PORT NOTES

The Allan liner Pretorian, Capt. J. N. Johnson, from Liverpool, with the weekly mails and passengers arrived at Halifax yesterday at 3 o'clock. The ship met with moderate winter weather on the passage, head winds prevailing most of the time.

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