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THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 1942

CARLETON COUNTY MOURNS

Carleton County is in mourning for Dr. Nelson P. Grant. Not within the last decade has such a feeling of sadness enveloped this community as at the present time. The most beloved resident of the county has passed away. His place will not be speedily filled.

Dr. Grant was a Carleton County man. Within this county he lived and died. This with him was a matter of preference, not of necessity. He could have, had he chosen, attained to affluence and reputation in any sphere of endeavor he selected. He was a skilled physician, a brilliant surgeon, an unfailing analyst of humanity. His attainments would have carried him to the foremost rank of his professon nationally or even internationally had he so chosen. Instead he elected to live among those whom he had known from boyhood and whose lives were his life.

Dr. Grant died in harness. His great heart failed while he was still at the summit of his career. He always knew that it would. He planned to die on his feet, ministering as for many years he had ministered to the sick, the poor, the afflicted with whom he had lived his life. He knew for many years that a vacation would prolong his span of years. This vacation he steadfastly refused to take. He could not be spared, even for a matter of weeks, from his community. He knew it and recognized it. For many years the only respite he took from his toil was a few days annually with rod and creel along the streams of his native province which he loved so well.

His passing has shocked the entire community. The shock is not the less because we know, and he knew, that his moment had to be faced. It was evident that the terrific strain under which Dr. Grant lived would some day demand to be paid in full. That moment has now come. And now that it has come many of us feel as if we had lost a father or an elder brother.

Such lives as his are not lived in vain. It is when we look into the still faces of men or women who have given their entire lives to serve their fellows that we realize that there is a service that is higher than self; that such service in itself can be a career; that a man can lay up for himself in the love of his fellow men richer treasurers than can be measured in terms of silver and gold.

In mere wealth Dr. Grant could have been, had he wished to be, among the highest earners in Canada. His services, even at the low valuation at which he set them, would have placed him in the class of the great financial figures of the country. For most of the work which he did no bill was ever rendered. He ministered for the sake of ministering. Those who sought to press him to submit a bill were much more liable to receive brusque answers than were those who sought his great ability when he knew there would be no financial return.

Like the prophet of old, well may his community exclaim: "This day is fallen a Prince in Israel." The place which he filled is empty. For many a day it will remain empty. He has heard ere now the still small voice say: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

And so, like Christian in Pilgrim's Progress, he has passed over the river. And all the trumpets sounded for him on the other side.

LOWER NORTHAMPTON RED CROSS SOCIETY

Two meetings were held at the Red Cross rooms during the month of May. Three quilts were made and quilted during the month, also two Home Nursing Classes were held.

Those working for the Red Cross during May:

Mrs. George Colwell—2 prs. socks.
Mrs. Burns Cluff—3 prs. socks.
Miss K. Cluff—2 prs. socks.
Mrs. Teddy Green—2 prs. socks.
Mrs. Esther Grant—2 prs. socks.
Ms. Minnie Cole—1 pr. socks.
Mrs. Ida Cole—2 prs. socks.
Mrs. Robert Gibson—1 pr. socks.
Mrs. Sidney Colwell—1 pr. socks.
Miss E. McIntosh—1 sweater.
Mrs. H. E. Grant—1 child's sweater.
Mrs. A Lawrence—1 pr. socks.

Donations—1 baby's quilt made by Mrs. Annie Bryant; $2.00, George J. Bryant.

Flour bags donated—Mrs. H. H. Rogers, 2 bags; Mrs. Geo. Colwell, 4 bags; Mrs. Burns Cluff, 3 bags; Mrs. Raymond Grant, 2 bags; Mrs. H. A. Bryant, 2 bags.

Cutting out—Mrs. H. A. Bryant,, Mrs. H. E. Grant.

Binding Quilts—Mrs. D. K. Gibson, Mrs. Bob Rogers, Mrs. Ida Cole, Mrs. Robert Gibson.

Thanks to all members for piecing quilt blocks at home.

We the undersigned, wish to thank all the people of Lower Northampton for their generous contributions which they gave during the Red Cross Drive, also the courteous manner in which we were received at each house.

Mrs. H. A. Bryant
Mrs. H. E. Bryant.

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FUNERAL ORATION OF DR. N. P. GRANT

By Rev. M. O. Brinton

This is not a time for much speaking. I know that there are many grieving hearts here today, many who feel a deep sense of personal loss and bereavement as if it were one of their own loved ones who had passed away. Indeed, this whole town and country side is in mourning for a great and a good man who has passed from our midst. I well realize that no words of mine can add lustre to the life that has departed; but I know that you would have me express some of the sentiments which you yourselves would like to utter at this time.

On Thursday evening Dr. Grant gave an eloquent and able address to the graduating class of the Hospital on the relation of the nursing profession to the world conflict in which we are now engaged. He brought his message to a striking close with these words: "And now my tale is told, I wish you health, happiness, prosperity, and Godspeed." His words were true in a sense that he did not mean, for within five minutes his tale of life was told, and he had passed into the Great Beyond.

It was a fitting conclusion to a noble career that had been spent in the great mission of bringing health and happiness to thousands of people. For more than thirty years he had ministered to you faithfully, cheerfully, and sacrificially. Some of you he brought into the world, others of you he brought back from the very gates of death; he restored loved ones to your waiting, anxious hearts; he healed you in sickness and eased you in pain; he comforted you in sorrow, and sought to bring you hope and courage in times of weakness and depression. He sat by your bedsides and talked with you about your family affairs. He joked with you and tried to drive the gloom away and to replace it with a smile or a laugh. In other words, he ministered to you not only professionally as a doctor, but also sympathetically as a counseller, a father, and a friend.

He did all this not for the sake of what he was to get out of it. Financial remuneration was a secondary consideration with Dr. Grant. He regarded his profession not simply as a means of advancing his selfish interests, but as a channel of service to God and to humanity. He had a big, tender heart that could not refuse any call for assistance. The poor of this whole country found in him a true friend. He would minister to their need, and in many cases never render a bill. Indeed, he sometimes paid their hospital bills. And not content with that he filled the cup of kindness to overflowing by remembering them with gifts at Christmas. The question on many lips today is, "What will we do without Dr. Grant;"

In fact he served beyond his strength. For a considerable time he had been subject to serious heart attacks, his work was his life and he kept going gamely to the end.

I might speak of the uprightness of his character both in public and of his interest in the well-being of the community, but these qualities of his life were well known to you all. I might also speak of the high esteem in which he was held by his fellow practitioners in the medical profession, and the admiration and affection with which he was regarded by the nursing staff of the hospital and the scores of nurses who have gone forth from that institution, who looked upon him as a father and a champion of their interests.

But perhaps he will stand longest in our memory as an outstanding example of that old-time, much loved character, the family doctor. He dignified and enobled his profession, and has left behind him an inspiring example to others who will follow in his steps. Who will endeavour to fill the gap in the ranks and serve as he served?

The sincere sympathy of a great host of people goes out to the loved ones into whose lives there has came the grief of a great loss. We trust that the keenness of their grief may be alleviated by a sense of the Heavenly Father's presence and compassion, by the consolations of the gospel of Christ our Saviour, and by the fellow feeling of sorrow that is experienced by this whole community in the deep loss we have all sustained.

Dr. Grant died as he had expressed his wish to die—in the midst of his work. What better way is there for a man to die? To do his work, to serve his day and generation, and then, when the shadows of life's evening fall, to go quietly to sleep and to his eternal rest, surrounded by the admiration, the affection, and the gratitude of multitudes whom he has known and served—what better way is there for a man to die?

In a Western village there lived a doctor who was known far and wide and was loved by all. In the spirit of the Great Physician he went about doing good. He had his office upstairs above one of the village stores. At the foot of the stairway leading up to the office there was a sign bearing this simple announcement: "Doctor Jones—Office Upstairs." That sign was familiar to all. It was a landmark in that community. At last one day the kind doctor fell at his post of duty. He was buried in the village cemetery among the people he had served. A simple monument marked his final resting place, and upon it were inscribed these words: "Doctor Jones—Office Upstairs."

My friends, we believe there are values in human life too great to be destroyed by death. We believe that a human soul made in the image of God, inbreathed with the breath divine, that has endeavoured to live unselfishly and sacrificially, is of too great value to perish like a beast of the field. "How much then," said our Lord, "is a man of more vaue than a sheep?" A man is of vastly greater value than a sheep. We do not live on the sheep level. We can never be satisfied to die like a sheep. And we are confident that death cannot rob God of His friends, that death cannot snatch God's children out of His hands. We "are persuaded that neither life nor death, neither things present; nor things to come can separate us from the love of God which in Christ Jesus our Lord." We believe, therefore, that this life has now been transferred to a higher sphere of service. We believe he has taken his "Office Upstairs."

The Churches

REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. F. A. Anderson, Pastor

Sunday, June 7th
11 a m—Preaching Service
12.15—Sunday School
7 p m—Preaching Service
Wed., 7.30 p m—Prayer Meeting
Wed., 7.30 p. m.—Midweek Service

SALVATION ARMY
Major Earl Harris

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Sunday morning, 11 a. m.
Sunday afternoon, 3 p. m.
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Rev J. W. Paul, Pastor
Sunday, June 7th
11 a. m.—Worship and Sermon.
12.15—Sunday School and Bible Class.
7 p. m.—Worship and sermon

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Rev. Everett Woodworth, Pastor

Sunday, June 7th
10.30 a. m. Sunday School.
11.30 a. m.—Preaching Service
Thursday, 2.30 p. m.—Mission Society
7.30 p. m., Wed.—Prayer meeting
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Rev. H. J. Best, M.A., Rector

Sunday, June 7th
9 a. m.—Holy Communion at Parish Church
11 a. m.—Holy Communion at St. Lukes
7 p. m.—Evensong (choral) St. Lukes

UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. M. O. Brinton, B.A., B. D.
Pastor

Sunday, June 7th
11 a. m.—Morning Worship
12.15 p. m.—Sunday School
7 p. m.—Evening Worship
Wed., 7.30 p. m.—Prayer Meeting
Friday 7.30 p. m.—B. Y. P. U.

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
Rev. S B. Profitt, B. A., Minister

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11 a. m.—Morning Worship.
7.30 p. m. Wed.—Prayer Meeting.

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