



### A BROKEN WINDOW

"Seeing, I am Jesus' lamb, Ever glad at heart I am," sang Harry as he hurried along the street, carrying a big basket in one hand and twirling a stick in the other. He was delivering orders for the grocer.

Harry passed Mr. Benton who was on his way home from work. Mr. Benton heard Harry singing.

"What foolishness," said Mr. Benton to himself. He was not a Christian. "People sure like to fool themselves with their religion. Don't see that it makes anybody any better for having it." He watched Harry go on down the street.

Just as Harry went by one of the houses, the twirling stick flew out of his hand and toward the front window, and broke the glass in pieces. Mr. Benton expected to see Harry run away just as fast as he possibly could. He opened his eyes wide with surprise when he saw what did happen.

Harry went to the house and rang the doorbell. When the lady came to the door Harry said, "I'm very sorry, but my stick flew out of my hand and broke your window. If you will have it fixed, I will pay the bill Saturday when I get paid. I'm Harry Horton and I work at the S. and H. market."

"Thank you for being honest. I will have it fixed and let you know what it costs. Accidents will happen," replied the lady.

By that time Mr. Benton had passed the house and was part way up the block. This time as Harry passed him he stopped Harry.

"Why did you do that?" asked Mr. Benton.

"Why? Because I'm a Christian, of course," answered Harry. Mr. Benton walked along with something to think about.—Gospel Herald.

### INCITEMENTS TO PRAYER

George Muller said for a long time in his Christian life he prayed and then went to the Bible, but that he had found a better way—he lifted up his soul to God in prayer for illumination, and then went to the Bible, and the Bible gave him examples of prayer, promises about prayer, incitements to prayer, and encouragements to prayer.—Dr. Griffith Thomas.

### DENOMINATIONAL DIRECTORY

For the information of our pastors and churches we list the names and addresses of some of our church officers:

Alliance Superintendent: Rev. F. A. Dunlop, Brown's Flats, N. B.

(temporary address).

Alliance Secretary: Rev. H. R. Ingersoll, Woodstock, N. B.

Alliance Treasurer: Rev. L. K. Mullen, Bethany Bible College,

Yarmouth, N. S.

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Bethany Bible College Treasurer: Rev. B. M. Hicke, Bethany Bible College, Yarmouth, N. S.

### MINISTERS AND CHURCHES

The following ministers are taking up work at new appointments:

Rev. B. D. Price on the new Lower Hainesville-Middle Hainesville-Springfield, New Brunswick, Circuit

Rev. E. R. Watson at Black's Harbour, N.B.

Rev. G. A. Delong with the new work at Houlton, Maine.

Rev. R. H. Parks at Westchester, N. S.

Rev. J. A. Blinn at Jonesport, Maine.

Rev. J. A. Moses with the new work at Sangerville, Maine.

Rev. H. M. Kimball at Belvedere, Crystal, and Staceyville, Maine.

Rev. J. A. Owens at Hartland, Lower Brighton, and Victoria Corner, N. B.

Rev. R. G. Morehouse at Millville, N. B.

Rev. H. E. Mullen at Havelock, N. B.

Rev. R. T. Benson at East Ferry, N. S.

Lic. J. A. MacKenzie at North Head and Grand Harbour, N. B.

Lic. Stillman Cameron at Sussex, N. B.

Lic. Hazen Ricker at Gordonsville, N. B.

Please pray for these men and all pastors as they take up the work of a new church year.

### WANTED FOR RIVERSIDE CAMP

Dishwashers, waitresses, and potato peelers. Please write or contact Rev. G. A. Delong, Fort Fairfield, Maine.

### EVANGELISTS' SLATES

Deverne Mullen:

Aug. 1 - 12—Thamesford, Ontario.

Free Methodist Camp.

Mullen Trio:

Gordonsville, N. B.—July 22 to Aug. 5.

Lutes Mountain, N. B.—Nazarene Church, August 12 to September 2.

### WHEN VIRTUE IS IN PERIL

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Let me ask you, Have you begun to wonder if these moderns may not be all right after all? Have you begun to toy with the notion that decency and self-restraint and reverence for the commandments of Almighty God are perhaps a little too fuddy-duddy and effete? You have not quite sold yourself on these popular poisons, but you have been looking them over with a tolerant eye. You haven't begun to swim where the swill is — not yet. No, you are only "beginning to sink." But beginning you are! Make no mistake about that.

Remember that before virtue collapses — sometimes a long while before — it becomes anemic. Its blood-count shows that the red corpuscles of fearless conviction are disintegrating.

Who was it who said: "No heart is pure that is not passionate; no virtue is safe that is not enthusiastic"? Not when the virtue goes but when the passionate and courageous conviction about it goes—that is when the peril first shows itself. It is then you stand on slippery ground, as the psalmist did long ago.

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Let me point out, finally that Peter began to sink when his vision of Christ got out of focus. In his walking adventure on the sea Peter got off to a good start. Jesus had his eye. Jesus filled his vision. Jesus held his thought. So we read that "he walked on the water, to go

### WEDDING

Johnson-Beal—At Beals, Maine, Saturday, July 7th, Susie O., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Esten Beal, of Beals, Me., was united in marriage to Leon L., son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Clifton Johnson, of Machias, Maine. The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. William R. Riddiough, of Machias.

### NEUTRALITY IMPOSSIBLE

Every man is a missionary now and always, for good or for evil, whether he intends it or not. He may be a blot, radiating his dark influence out to the very circumference of society; or he may be a blessing, spreading benediction.

to Jesus." Then Matthew's narrative veers off to tell us how the apostle got into trouble: "But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid." With eyes on Jesus, he was master of his surroundings; with eyes off Jesus, he was mastered by his surroundings.

That life of discipleship that shows goodness, power, and victory can never be sustained except as we keep Jesus Christ right there in the center of everything that we front. Trouble is in the offing the moment we let the vision waver.

In the Pilgrim's Progress Bunyan has it that when Hopeful tried to persuade Atheist to join him and Christian in their journey to the Celestial City, Atheist made the scornful reply that there was no Celestial City. Whereupon Christian spoke up: "Did we not see it from the top of Mount Clear?" To be sure, there are places where the spires of the spirit are hidden from view. Some of you live there. Some of you work there. Places where the whole scene is sodden with materialism and greed and blasphemy and lust! But if you have Jesus Christ, you have a Mount Clear in your life, a place where, at least to your thrilling gaze, the shining minarets of the Celestial City break through. If you want to avoid even the perilous first stages of spiritual collapse, keep that vision full in your eye.

But such a warning comes too late for some of you. Already you have let something less than Christ distract your outlook. Already you have turned in another direction, either to be frightened or fascinated. Already your vision is out of focus. Already you are "beginning to sink."

What to do? Do what imperilled Peter did. He cried, "Lord, save me!" "Immediately," says the records, "Jesus stretched forth His hand, and caught him."

He will do the same for you. You will thank Him for His mercy. You will love Him for His patience with you. You will trust Him with a new and chastened sense of your utter dependence upon Him.

What we want, fellow Christians, is to be kept at our best! Whether by that familiarity that breeds contempt of what is holy, or by too easy a confidence in ourselves at some point of strength, or by letting fear sap the fiber of our convictions, or by allowing some alien thing to take our attention from Jesus Christ, we do not want to suffer even the beginnings of spiritual failure.

"Looking unto Jesus," we shall see One who is always standing by—keeping us at our best. —Heart and Life