



# News and Notes for Young People

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## SEAL COVE RALLY

The twenty-fifth year of organization of our Young Peoples' Association was marked by the outstanding Rally at Seal Cove.

Over one hundred delegates assembled at Seal Cove from various points such as Perth, Fredericton, Marysville, Moncton, Saint John, Yarmouth, Sandford, Port Maitland, etc. Every person who attended found the effort rewarding in rich spiritual blessings.

Our special speaker, Rev. G. R. Symonds of Marysville, N. B., brought to us the messages which God had given him and as a result a good number were converted, others sanctified. We thank God for all that was done.

Special appreciation is extended to the people of Grand Manan for their Extra-special hospitality in providing for such a crowd of young people. We sincerely thank the Seal Cove Pastor, Rev. A. D. Cann, and his Y. P. President, Mr. Brantford Cronk, for the hours of work they did in order to make the rally a success. Mr. and Mrs. Robert French did a splendid job in getting everyone placed.

A boat trip, (trips for some of us) scenic tour, the film "Miracle" were some interesting features of the rally.

Moncton Y. P. lost the plaque once again. Congratulations go to the Yarmouth Society. Marysville was a runner-up for the reward.

God bless the wonderful people on Grand Manan.

DOUGLAS MacCALLUM,

Denominational President.

## INFLUENCE!

Had not Susannah Wesley been the mother of John Wesley, it is not likely that John Wesley would have been the founder of Methodism.

Susannah Wesley was the mother of John and Charles and seventeen other children. She was beautiful, energetic, devout. She knew Greek, Latin, French and theology.

In counsel to John she said, "Take this rule: Whatever weakens your reason, impairs the tenderness of your conscience, obscures your sense of God, or takes off the relish of spiritual things—in short, whatever increases the strength and authority of your body over your mind, that thing is sin to you, however innocent it may be in itself."

This Christian mother's counsel to her son John needs the attention of every mother and father and child today. If more parents would be Christian in character as Mrs. Wesley was, there would be less sabotaging of the children's lives with parental delinquency.—*Gospel Banner*.

## CHILDREN'S CONVERSION

Spurgeon was a great believer in children's conversion. He said, "I will say broadly that I have more confidence in the spiritual life of the children that I have received into the church than I have in the spiritual condition of the adults thus received. I have sometimes met with a deeper spiritual experience in children of ten and twelve than I have in certain persons of fifty and sixty.

The King's Highway

## INNOCENCE AND VICE

"Will you sit as a model for Christ?" Leonardo Da Vinci asked one Pietro Bandenello, whom he had searched long to find.

Da Vinci was painting his famous master-piece, "The Last Supper," and wanted a person who portrayed innocence and virtue to sit as Christ while he painted the picture.

Pietro consented for a price to sit for Christ as the master artist painted his picture.

When the picture was finished, Leonardo lost track of Pietro. Meanwhile he completed the rest of the portraits of the apostles until he came to Judas. Again the master painter began a search for one who would represent this lost son of perdition.

He searched long and diligently finally to locate a man who he thought might look like the incarnation of evil that the artist believed Judas to portray.

"Will you sit for me," asked the artist of the man, "as I paint Judas?"

The man consented for a price and remained faithful to his task until the work was completed.

"And do you not recognize me, master?" asked the Judas-representing man.

"No, I do not recall having ever seen you."

"I am Pietro Bandenello!"

Then it flashed upon Da Vinci—the man who had sat for the portraiture of Christ was also his Judas!

Sin had wrought the change. Sin wrecks the human features beyond recognition. Sin warps the human body until it looks less like a man than a demon. Sin takes virtue and turns it into vice, innocence into impurity. What sin touches it ruins.

## WHY DIDN'T YOU HURRY?

A missionary explained to a gathering how he came to enter the mission field. He said: "In coming home one night, driving across the vast prairie, I saw my little boy John hurrying to meet me. The grass was high on the prairie, and suddenly he dropped out of sight. I thought he was playing and was simply hiding from me; but he did not appear as I expected he would. Then the thought flashed across my mind: 'There's an old well there, and he has fallen in.' I hurried up to him, reached down in the well and lifted him out; and as he looked up in my face, what do you think he said? O Papa, why didn't you hurry?"

"These words never left me. They kept ringing in my ears until God put a new and deeper meaning into them, and made me think of others who were lost, of souls without God and without hope in this world; and the message came to me as a message from the heavenly Father: 'Go and work in My name;' and then from that vast throng a pitiful, despairing, pleading cry rolled into my soul as I accepted God's call: Oh, why don't you hurry?"

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