

THANKSGIVING DAY SERMON.

Rev. Dr. Herridge of Ottawa On Natl.

Abounding Wealth and Plenty Not so Important as Good Citizenship—The Future Depends on Canadians Themselves.

It was not merely the fine diction and polished delivery of Rev. Dr. Herridge's Thanksgiving sermon which caused the large congregation in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church at Ottawa Thanksgiving morning to feel like applauding him, but the reverent spirit, wholesome truths, and fine sentiments of genuine Canadianism which pervaded the address.

Several lumber Kings of the Ottawa Valley and a number of leading manufacturers and merchants were among the congregation that listened to Dr. Herridge. Shrewd, practical men of business, they heard the preacher with keen attention and not one but left the church greatly impressed with the points that had been expressed in felicitous language and driven home with vigor.

Here were some of the things for which in Dr. Herridge's sermon, Canadians should be grateful:

"We have an immense asset in our timber, our minerals, our native industries, and especially in our wheat growing lands of the west, only a small fraction of which have as yet been cultivated. Though wealth may not be increasing for some of us, there can be no doubt that it is increasing as a whole in every part of the country. We are free from any acute form of social or political disturbance. No desolating plague has come nigh our dwellings. We enjoy peace throughout our borders. The quality of our immigrants as a rule, gives good hope that they will do useful work among us. The beginning of a new transcontinental railway will open up fresh districts for settlement, and those two commonwealths which have been created this year in the west are bound to play no unimportant part in the future history of the Dominion.

THE MAN'S THE GOLD.

"Canadians surely did not need to be told," went on Dr. Herridge, "that material wealth alone would never make this nation great. If that was what we aimed at, the result might be a kind of vulgar prosperity, but nothing more. Unless the growth of manhood kept pace with the growth of money, wealth would only make the littleness of soul more plainly, more pathetically, more grotesquely evident. We were accustomed to speak of Canada as having a great future, but that depended upon the Canadians themselves. Among our various enterprises none required more care and none would prove more lucrative than the manufacture of men. The spread of education among our people was necessary, for true culture had a value in itself, apart from any material results attending it. With our schools open to everyone, it may be thought that we have not much reason in Canada to be over-concerned about educational affairs, but I am not so sure of this. For one thing it seems to me that the meagre salaries given to our teachers are little short of a national disgrace. We ought to see to it, of course, that they are properly qualified. The trustees of our schools should be men of broad intelligence and sympathetic insight into the character of a teacher's work; but if we almost starve those who train our youth, and this is what in some

cases we do, does it not look as though we regarded their task as quite a secondary matter? Now education is a primary matter; if our schools and colleges were destroyed, or even crippled in their efficiency, we might bid farewell to any hopes of national greatness. The growth of self-culture was a hopeful sign, but it was not enough to insure a nation's greatness. Canada needed men of steadfast industry and of broad intelligence, and most of all men who feared God and worked for righteousness.

THE NATIONAL CONSCIENCE.

"We are beginning to see this more and more clearly. We are finding out that such a thing as a public conscience is not superfluous. It is true that commercial dishonesty and partisan creed and base desertion of principles are not unknown amongst us. Philistines are still in the land, but we seem more resolved than ever to conquer them, and if necessary to drive them out. We begin to see that self-respect will not allow evil to go unrebuked; even although it does not directly affect our personal interests we have something to do. We are emerging out of the selfish indifference which will tolerate almost anything, and are learning to insist upon it that our commercial and civic and political methods shall at least bring no discredit upon the name Canadian. We feel that we cannot afford to have a doubtful reputation in anybody's eyes, but that on the contrary with our vast Dominion, our free institutions and our fine possibilities as a people, we ought to set the example of a people who think too much of themselves to be taken up with mean, petty and sordid aims, but are determined rather to work out their destiny in the spirit of God's gentlemen.

OUTLOOK FOR THE NEXT HALF CENTURY.

"I do not think that the most sanguine prophet is likely to exaggerate the outlook for Canadian life during the next half century. The tide of immigration is at last flowing towards us. Our magnificent resources are becoming better known both to ourselves and to others. We discern with growing distinctness the part we have to play in that Imperial dream, which moves towards a greater unity in the British race, and yet at the same time we are more and more conscious of our own individuality. Now if we are but true to the trust committed to us, if we are resolved that Canada shall lose nothing through our selfishness or our folly, if these vast plains of ours can be filled with men of thrift and intelligence, men of clean hands and pure hearts; if we fuse our various creeds into a simpler creed, which teaches us to love God and to love our brother also, then there need be no fear for the future of the Dominion. Our big country will also be a great country, and with deeper reverence and more ardent faith we shall return thanks to the source of every blessing for the good land which He hath given us."

FARMERS' INSTITUTE MEETING.

Educative Campaign Being Carried on by Hon. Mr. Farris' Department.

During the past few weeks Farm Institute meetings have been held in different parts of the province. In division No. 3 the speakers are W. F. Stephen, a successful dairyman of Huntingdon, Quebec, and C. F. Alward, a successful farmer and manager of the cheese factory at Havelock, Kings County, N. B. They speak on several subjects in connection with general farming, soil cultivation and dairying especially, which should be of interest to every farmer and dairyman in the province. Successful meetings have been held at Scotch Lake, Stanley, Keswick, Williamsburg, Doaktown and Blackville. At Chatham on the evening of the 23rd Oct. Mr. Stephen gave an address on "Soil Cultivation," and Mr. Alward on "Dairying." His Honor Lieut. Governor Snowball, Robert Murray, M. P. P., the mayor, were present at this meeting, which was an interesting one.

One of the most successful meetings of the circuit was held at Napan on the evening of the 24th of October. Mr. Allox, Daikson presided. The premier, Hon. Mr. Tweedie, and Robt. Murray, M. P. P., were present and gave short addresses and both gave some excellent advice to old and young farmers.

Mr. Stephen addressed the meeting on the "Dairy Cow," and spoke the advantages of dairying to give the farmers a good return for their labor and to add fertility to the soil. After having seen considerable of the Province of New Brunswick, he believed it was well adapted to dairying, as the province of Quebec, as conditions of soil and climate were very similar. He advised the farmers to pay more attention to this soil and their stock and instead of selling the raw material in the

shape of hay and grain from the farms, feed it to dairy stock, and hogs, and send it off in finished products such as butter, cheese and pork, and pay special attention to the breeding of their stock. His advice was to breed only the best dairy cattle, feed them well, weed out the poor ones and in ten years' time the province would produce a larger quantity of dairy products and pork annually instead of importing it in as at present. He said he had seen some excellent farming sections since coming here, only badly formed. He considered the farmers were dividing their energies too much in lumbering, fishing, etc. If conserved more of the land, he thought that they would become more prosperous, as this was the case in his own province especially. The farmers were energetic, persevering and adopted present day methods instead of following the system of farming in vogue a decade ago.

Mr. Alward spoke on "Co-operative Dairying," and cited what had been done in Kings County, where co-operative dairying was general, and the farmers were becoming prosperous. Cheese and butter factories were numerous in that county and were giving splendid satisfaction, because it was bringing in more money, they were growing better crops, the farmers were becoming more united and it was relieving the women in the homes of the very arduous work of butter making in the home, and they were turning out a better quality of butter and cheese, were turning out more pork, and on the whole farm life was becoming more remunerative and congenial. He gave some good advice to the young men and told them under present day conditions they should be bet-

LATEST FASHION.



open at the throat, revers lined with a princess haircloth, being edged with velvet folds, and those carried down to the waistline. Sleeve is tight and plain, after the most approved tailored models. The skirt has a group of pleats in the centre front, those stitched down for some inches and then pressed to the hem. Sides and back are of circular cut, and made to clear the ground all around, displaying the smart, shiny lapped shoe that is the correct mode for winter wear.

for farmers than their fathers, and believed dairying was going to be the salvation of our province and it must be the young men that will carry it out.

BROCKWAY NOTES.

Oct. 26.—The weather has been ideal since October came in. Miss Cora Moulton spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. A. L. Libbey. Rev. A. MacDonald, who has been on this circuit during vacation, left for Halifax last week to resume his studies. He was very highly esteemed by the congregation, and we wish him every success in his work. Miss Jean Keith, of Harvey, has had a large class in music this year. A "musical" held under her auspices proved a decided success. The following is the programme:
Organ Solo—Miss Myra Vail.
Selection—"It is well with my Soul."
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Duet—Misses Young and Libbey.
Selection—"Jesus Lover of my Soul."
Solo—Miss Clair Thomas.
Organ Solo—Miss Ruth Vail.
Trio—Misses Libbey, Young and Treadwell.
Solo and Quartette—"Not Half Has Ever Been Told."
Organ Solo—Miss Briggs.
Solo—Miss Jennie Young.
Duet—Misses Libbey and Young.
Selection—"Four little girls."
Solo—Miss Keith.
Organ solo—Miss Minnie Briggs.
Solo—Miss Keith.
God Save the King.
The home of F. H. Vail was the scene of a very pretty event last Wednesday when his daughter, Mattie, was married to Mr. Sandy Coburn, of Harvey. The ceremony was performed in the parlor by Rev. C. J. Steeves, assisted by Rev. J. A. McLean, in the presence of about two hundred guests. Immediately after the ceremony the guests were served with a bountiful repast. Dancing was indulged in during the evening. Most of the young men have gone to the woods.
The sportsmen of this vicinity are not having very good success. Some bears have been caught, but only one moose and no deer.

BEAR ISLAND.

Oct. 27.—The weather still continues warm and sunny and people look in vain for the much needed rain. The majority of young men have gone to the lumber woods. Many of them are going to Maine. The ladies of the Baptist church at Lower Queensbury intend holding a rainbow social at Mrs. Amos Jordan's on Nov. 8. Tea will be served for the small sum of 25c. When the inner man has been satisfied the young people will give a free entertainment consisting of dialogues, recitations, etc. All are cordially invited to attend. Should the weather prove unfavorable the social will be held the day following. Proceeds go toward repairing the church.
Rev. Mr. Parker has been holding a series of special meetings at Bear Island, where great interest is being shown by both young and old.

Weak Kidneys.

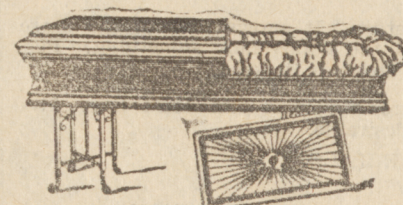
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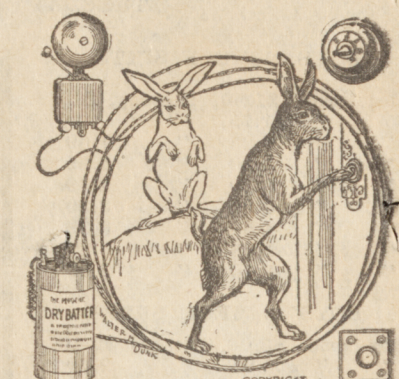
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