

WESTERN CANADA AND THE LAND-HUNGRY

It is Essentially an Agricultural Country. Western Canada is the Mecca of the land-hungry man who wishes to earn a good living from the soil and save up money to take care of him in his old age without paying a fancy price for the privilege.

Western Canada is the great wheat producing section of the North American continent, with an average production of more than 30 bushels to the acre as compared with an average of 17 bushels to the acre in the States.

Wheat raising can hardly be made profitable on land that costs from \$50 an acre up unless such land will produce a much higher than a 17 bushel average, or unless the price of the cereal reaches an excessive figure.

The initial investment of \$50 an acre is more than the average man can afford to make if he expects to raise wheat and to make a success of it.

A good homestead of 160 acres can still be secured free in Western Canada and additional land admirably suited to the raising of wheat can be secured at so low a cost per acre that it can be made extremely profitable.

No other part of the world offers such tremendous opportunities at the present time to the ambitious young farmer as the three great provinces of Western Canada.

It is worth the while of the land-hungry man to cease his depressing search for local cheap land or for land that is not entirely worked out by long cropping and to look outside his own district.

Western Canada is a country that should receive the consideration of all such men. The Western Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta are essentially agricultural territory.

Out of 478 million acres there are 180 million acres of first-class agricultural land actually available for development—a block three and a half times as large as the total land area of Minnesota, and equal to the combined land areas of Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana.

But whereas the population of the five states mentioned is fifteen million people, the population of Western Canada is only about one and three-quarter millions.

It has been said that the average yield per acre of wheat in the United States last year was 17 bushels. This average does not, of course, represent the efficiency which may have been reached by individual farmers or by individual states. However, place against this figure the fact that the 1915 Western Canadian average—the average from nearly twelve million acres—was over 30 bushels.

There are already a large number of American farmers in Western Canada so that the newcomer could never overlook the fact that the same language is spoken—feel himself in an alien country. There seems, in fact, a tendency to establish little colonies composed of those coming from the same sections. The characteristics of the country, and the climate and season, are very much the same as in Minnesota or North Dakota. Social conditions bear a family resemblance. Education is free, and is good; its cost being defrayed partly by taxation partly by grants from the Canadian Government.

From the sales of school lands, of which, when the country was first surveyed, two sections in every township were allocated. Taxation in every rural district, in many towns and cities, is based practically on land values alone, improvements of all kinds being exempted.—Advertisement.

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INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR JULY 16 PAUL AT ATHENS.

LESSON TEXT—Acts 17:24-34. GOLDEN TEXT—In him we live, and move and have our being—Acts 17:28.

Athens! What a name to conjure with. Athens has always epitomized the acme of intellectualism, culture, art, and esthetic accomplishment. Driven from Berea and alone, Paul fled to the coast and taking ship crossed over to the Thessalonian peninsula. Entering the city—he beholds its statuary, meets its philosophers and views its moral degradation and its myriad manifestations of heathenism.

Outwardly cultured, molding the thought of the world, yet it passed from its pinnacle of power because it knew not God. Paul saw the pantheism of the cultured Stoics and the Epicureans, who because of their distant and but little concerned gods, enjoyed the pleasure of wealth and ease.

Paul Brought to Trial (vv. 18-21). Such sights stirred the spirit of Paul. The marvel is how indifferent we may become in the presence of the great spiritual poverty of our time. His spirit stirred within him, when he saw the city crowded with idols.

The Unknown Made Known (vv. 22-29). Such idle speculation (v. 21) was of no value to the Athenians. This Paul knew, yet he began his address in a most conciliatory manner (v. 22 R. V.). He would win their favor and attention before he called them to repentance. Keenly observant, Paul had seen among the many inscriptions one "to the unknown God," and this one whom in ignorance they worshiped, he would set forth.

Paul's next point was that "He hath made of one every nation of men." As yet how little men really believe that truth—witness the European conflict and the economic, racial and social differences of this land. Negro segregation and Asiatic exclusion are but illustrations of our separation from the teaching of the brotherhood of man.

Paul's great and glorious purpose in creating the nations of the earth, in setting the seasons in motion, to minister to their needs, and in appointing the bounds of their habitations, yet how far man has departed from that ideal (Rom. 1:28). It is of the highest importance that men should seek God and he is not difficult to find for those who seek him (Jer. 29:13).

The souls of men are not satisfied without him. Witness the mad rush after pleasure and the restless desire to possess the things of time and sense and which perish with the using. Paul displays his university training by quoting and approving the Greek poet Aratus (v. 28). However, while all men are the offspring of (created by) God, yet they are not all truly his children (John 8:44, 47; 1 John 3:10; Matt. 13:38; Gal. 4:4-6; Heb. 12:8; Eph. 2:3).

Only such are children as have received Jesus Christ (John 1:12 R. V.). All those who are led by His Spirit are the "sons of God" (Rom. 8:14; Gal. 3:26 R. V.). What the Athenians Lacked (vv. 30-34). Thus far Paul's auditors must have followed him keenly, and it was the goal toward which he had been driving so relentlessly. Such sublime conceptions, keen logic and quotations from their writers won their attention. He then delivered a keen thrust at the "psychological moment," by calling upon them to "repent." The Athenians lacked a realizing sense of the personality of God—that man could have personal and intimate relations with God or that a man could or had risen from the dead.

VOGUES AND VANITIES BY JULIA BOTTOMLEY



New Arrival Among Coats. A new arrival among coats fore-shadows no radical change in the styles which are expected to prevail with the coming of fall. Except for a little additional length it might be classed as a model designed for spring. It envelops the figure as completely, with a collar high enough to more than cover the neck, ample width and a length of skirt that is only six inches shorter than the dress worn under it.

The model pictured is shown in tan, blue, mustard color, brown, and in mildest mixture. It is bordered at the bottom with a band of black satin, and the cuffs and collar are of the same material.



As Worn by Conservative Brides.

If the bride is one of those who likes to be conservative in the styles selected for her gown and veil she may wear the veil as shown in the picture. The wreath is arranged in the fashion of a coronet and the veil envelops the figure. Other styles may come and go, but this one goes on forever.

Yellow Piano Keys. Dampen a soft cloth with alcohol and wipe off the keys, rubbing with the grain of the ivory. If they are much soiled, wet strips of Canton flannel with oxalic acid and lay upon the keys. Be careful not to get the strips so wet that the acid will drip upon the wood of the piano.

To Wash Crocheted Shawls. To wash knitted or crocheted shawls fold them as flat as possible and lay carefully in a pillow case, run through at intervals with basting thread to keep flat. Then they should be handled like other knitted or woolen goods.

IN "HICKORY BANK"

PIONEER HAD SAFE PLACE FOR HIS STORE OF GOLD. What Might Be Considered Accident Was the Means of Revealing What Meant Fortune to Jim Applegate and His Mother.

One day in March, 1858, Jim Applegate, aged twelve, accompanied his father to the bank of a little Indiana town, where Mr. Applegate drew out the \$5,000 for which he had sold his farm, in 250 29-dollar gold pieces.

"It will pay you to keep an eye on that pile of gold," cautioned the banker. "Tomorrow I'll put it in a hickory bank," said Mr. Applegate.

The banker smiled as if he caught the point, but Jim was puzzled. "What is a hickory bank, pa?" he asked.

"It's a pretty safe sort of bank, son, when you're traveling," was all his father would say.

At the hardware store Mr. Applegate bought an inch-and-three-quarters auger with an extra long shaft, and then they went home. After that night Jim saw the money no more.

The Applegate family was one of ten families that traveled in prairie wagons that year from Indiana to Oregon over the famous Oregon trail.

On the eighth day out they were attacked by a party of young Indians, who thought to take advantage of the smallness of the party.

All that Jim and his mother had was a little over a hundred dollars in money, five cows, the ox team they were driving, the wagon and the household effects that it contained.

Westward from Fort Hall the road was rough and mountainous. One day, as they were descending the roughest and roughest portion, the Applegate wagon was in the rear.

After one of these "jump-offs," somewhat higher than usual, Jim saw that the hind wheels of the wagon were turning drunkenly.

Jim came up and stooped down beside the rear axle. A yellow pile of \$20 gold pieces lay there, and other pieces were rolling out of an awful hole that ran like the bore of a rifle through the center of the splintered hickory column of the broken axle.

That was the hickory bank.—Youth's Companion.

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SOME FORMS OF HYPNOTISM Many May Be Known to the Readers, While Others Have A Flavor That Is New.

Hypnotizing a lion is a trick known to most country boys. It is an old experiment, first described by the Jesuit Father Athanasius Kircher, who laid a hen on the table, held it firmly for a little while, and drew a chalk-line in front of its eyes, with the result that it remained as if in enthrallment.

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JOKES THAT ARE HISTORIC Shop Witiolisms Inflicted on Every Newcomer That Joins the Ranks of the Real Workers.

You have no doubt all heard of the "left-hand monkey wrench" which every new apprentice in a wagon works is sent after, and of the "trial size space" which the printer's devil usually is sent to get, but William S. Coy, county superintendent of schools, hit hard on one not quite so well known when he assumed his duties as a bookkeeper in a plumbing shop during one of the vacations of his high school days.

There was grumbling among the banis because of something that a neighboring plumber had borrowed and which he had failed to return. The bookkeeper finally decided to help out and offered to go to the borrower and secure the needed article. His offer was quickly accepted.

What the Tea Leaves Tell. Do you know how to tell fortunes in a teacup? It furnishes a great deal of entertainment at a party. This Chinese rhyme explains it: "One leaf, alone you'll be; Two together, the priest you'll see. Three together, your wish will gain; Four, a letter from loving swain. Five, good news the letter will bring; Six in a row, a song you'll sing. Seven together, good fortune awaits, So say to you the tea-cup's fates. Ten leaves large and ten leaves tall Bring you company, great and small. Ten leaves many and scattered fine Is of bad luck the surest sign. Ten leaves few and near the rim, Your cup of joy o'erflows the brim."

One of the easiest ways for a man to get married is to tell a young widow that he intends to remain a bachelor.

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