

OUR CLOSED AND SILENT CHURCHES.

Six Days Out of Seven the Great Wealth Represented in These Edifices is Non-productive.

I suppose many readers will be startled and some of them, at least in their first impressions, when they see our churches arranged as mansions of wealth. How is it possible? they will protest. Are not our churches obviously and conspicuously devoted to the general good? Are they not guided by able and unselfish men who devote their lives to the spiritual needs of their fellow men? And is it not preposterous to charge them with misusing wealth, either shamefully or otherwise, when every one knows that most of our churches are struggling under a burden of debt? All that is true enough, yet the briefest consideration makes it clear that the hundred thousand churches in America (let us take that number for the sake of argument) are trying to do their work under conditions that would be considered foolish and wasteful if they existed in any ordinary enterprise. Imagine a hundred thousand department stores doing active business only one day in seven and remaining closed for the other six days or at best, doing a languid business on one or two odd afternoons! Imagine a hundred thousand theaters giving performances two or three evenings a week and then remaining closed and silent for four or five evenings! Imagine a hundred thousand factories working ten hours a day for a single day in seven and perhaps working five hours a day for two other days, and then letting their fine engines and machinery lie idle all the rest of the time! We should call it stupid and extravagant folly, we should expect such foolish factories, theatres and department stores to lose both in money and in general esteem and, if such conditions persisted, we should conclude either that the directors of these activities were hopelessly incompetent, or that there was a very small demand for what they were trying to furnish.

Of course we have grown up in the idea that it is the right and natural state of churches to be closed and silent most of the time, just why no one can say, but, being creatures of habit, we accept things as we find them. We expect our houses to be used every day, our barns to be used every day, our shops, libraries, hospitals, office buildings, all the structures on our soil we expect to be used every day, save only the churches which are the most costly and the most beautiful. These we expect to be used occasionally, less than half the time, probably not one third of the time, yet the churches represent a huge material investment based on infinite labor and saving, a value far greater than all the gold coin in the United States, a value, counting land and buildings, that certainly exceed two thousand million dollars! On which the money interest at five per cent would be two hundred and fifty thousand dollars a day! And the spiritual daily equivalent,—well that is beyond our reckoning, but it should be very great and precious to offset so huge a sum. And most of the days it is wasted.—Success.

Fashions in New York.

"There is an overwhelming demand for hand-made effects, notably in embroidery and in the manipulating of lace," writes Mrs. Helen Berkeley-Loyd, in THE DELICATE for June. "Lingerie effects are introduced wherever possible and the richest embroidery is lavished upon every textile, from leather to lace. It is worthy of remark that only high grade embroideries are accepted by smart dressers, and that the designs must show a certain degree of originality. So incessant is the demand for embroidery, that it is seen even on gowns and coats made wholly of lace. Used in the form of bands and motifs the embroidery is inserted in lace all-over just lace is inserted in other materials. Edges of border the skirt and coat, and other pieces are introduced in the form of revers and berthes and in every conceivable manner. The embroidery may be the wonderful machine-made products of Plauen and St. Gall, or it is handwrought upon the batiste or filmy Persian lawn. The Plauen and St. Gall embroideries approach so closely to lace that it is often difficult to designate them correctly. Indeed frequently a flounce or band is merely an artistic combination of embroidery linking thin and heavy laces and it is remarkable how beautifully the different grades and patterns go together. Quietly keeping with the popularity of embroidery and lingerie effects is the tremendous vogue lace has attained. It seems that every kind of lace has a particular use in the Summer wardrobe."

H. F. Blair, formerly of Annapolis, has accepted a position with Maddox Bros. at High Point.

AN OLD-TIME MELODY.

THE BONNIE BLUE FLAG.

We are a band of brothers, and native to the soil, fighting for our liberty, with streams of blood and toil. And when our rights were threatened, they rose and war, Hurrah for the Bonnie Blue Flag, that bears a single star!

Chorus: Hurrah! Hurrah! for Southern Rights, Hurrah! Hurrah! for the Bonnie Blue Flag that bears a single star!

As long as the Union was faithful to her trust, like friends and like brethren, kind were we and just; but now when Northern treachery attempts our rights to mar, we hoist on high the Bonnie Blue Flag that bears a single star.

Chorus: Then cheer, boys, raise the joyous shout, for Arkansas and North Carolina now have both gone out, and let another roaming choir for Tennessee be given.

The Single Star at the Bonnie Blue Flag has grown to be eleven.

Chorus: Then here's to our Confederacy, strong we are and brave, like patriots of old, we'll fight our heritage to save, and rather than submit to shame, to die we would prefer.

So cheer for the Bonnie Blue Flag that bears a single star.

Chorus: Hurrah! Hurrah! for Southern Rights, Hurrah! Hurrah! for the Bonnie Blue Flag that bears a single star.

Items from Church.

The health of this community is very good.

Rev. B. F. Fincher preached a very interesting sermon at Salem Church yesterday.

Mr. M. W. Bescher, of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting friends and relatives in this community.

We hear that Mr. M. L. Jones hopes to run his train into the town of Denton by the 15th of June.

What is looking fine although we had some very heavy frosts last week.

We understand that Mr. J. W. Johnson intends to run his mill by steam, buy wheat and do a general milling business which will be quite a convenience to the people around this place.

Mrs. J. M. Way, of Asheboro, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Sexton, last week.

We like to read the letters from old Randolph boys who are in other states. Write often boys. U. N.

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Items from Elsewhere.

Fruit in this community was badly damaged by the last frost.

Several from this community attended the Bombay commencement on Friday May 4th, they report it to be the best commencement they ever attended.

Miss Swanna Sykes, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Luther, and friends in this community for the past week, returned to her home near Cagle's Mill last Sunday.

Mr. Alfred Callicott and daughter, of Pisgah, were welcome visitors at G. H. Luther's Saturday and Sunday night.

Misses Sula Grissom, of Ophir, Estelle Callicott, of Pisgah, were guests of Nettie Luther last Sunday.

Miss Mamie Stafford, who has been visiting relatives near Palmersville for the past two weeks, returned to her home near here Sunday.

Sunday School at Eleazer is progressing nicely. April 16, '06.

Milk and Apples Ideal Diet.

In their instructive experimental work the agricultural stations have issued a line in on the food advantages of milk and apples not only for children, but for grown up people. Though no one would think so from looking at a fluid glass of milk and a solid apple the percentage of solids and water in apples and in milk is almost the same, apples being 85 per cent water and milk 86 per cent. There is more sugar in apples and more acid in milk. A diet of both apples and milk is one of the most wholesome and well-balanced. The potato contents of both are high. They are the best food for brain, bone and muscle nourishment; and in their effect upon the nerves they are soothing.

In skimming milk the cream removed lessens the fat percentage, and for older people or fat children the skim milk is equally desirable, in some cases better. In eating apples the skin top should be eaten. Pared apples are not so nutritious, and the contents of the apple skin are valuable to the human system.

A Card of Thanks.

We extend to our neighbors and many friends, thanks for their kindness in helping the poor illness and death of Sarah Lassiter, our daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Luther, Cedar Falls, N. C.

HAS GOOD RECORD.

Colored Divine has Missed Only one Sunday Preaching in the Pulpit in 34 Years.

Rev. Anthony Welborn, of Randolph county, a colored minister of the Baptist church, has a unique record: He is the father of two of our barbers and was intown last week. He told us that he began preaching in 1872, and up to the present had buried about 1200 people and baptised about the same number. Of marriages he has kept to record, but thinks he might have performed the ceremony for one hundred couples. In the early days he had a large territory, being the only colored Baptist preacher from Greensboro to Pittsboro, from Albemarle to Salisbury, and in this section traveled about performing ministerial duties. In about 34 years of work he has never missed but one Sunday from a pulpit. Once he walked down to his charge at Albemarle and while there, from 11 o'clock on Sunday to 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, he preached the funerals of thirteen persons. To do this he walked 70 miles. He is 66 years of age. Over in Randolph he owns a very fine farm of 115 acres, has more horses than he can use and plenty of every thing else.—Davidson Dispatch.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Randleman Street Survey Completed—Watermain Kept for Two Years.

J. E. Dicks tells us that James Weatherly usually keeps a watermelon for two years, and that it will still be in the condition for eating. Last week he handled one at Weatherly's place that weighed 22 pounds which was intended to be cut on its second Christmas.

A. N. Renth, of Randleman, R. Route No. 2, left Monday morning to visit his son, Casnie, an engineer on the N. & W. R. R., at Roanoke, Va., and will spend a week in that city.

Mr. June Johnson, of High Point, whom the Board of aldermen employed to survey the streets as a preliminary to a scheme of road improvement for Randleman, has completed the work and will make his report to the Board at a special meeting, probably next Tuesday evening.—Randleman Times.

DEPLORABLE ACCIDENT.

N. W. Beeson Loses Three Fingers While Working at a Joiner.

Mr. N. W. Beeson met with a most deplorable accident Wednesday at his shop at High Point. While working with a piece of wood at a joiner, the piece kicked back bringing his left hand in contact with the knife cutting off three fingers and breaking and lacerating the index finger and thumb. The physicians hope to be able to save those two fingers but they are cut very badly.

Caraway Items.

What is looking hot in this section. Mrs. Rebecca Picking is visiting her son at Randleman this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Farlow visited at Mr. C. L. Robbins' Sunday.

Mr. Allen Robbins made a pleasant call at Mr. John F. Jarrell's Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Johnson visited Mrs. Vera Robbins Sunday.

Mr. G. W. Miller visited Mrs. Patsy Jarrell recently.

Mark Williams and Calvin Bell were given a preliminary hearing before Justice C. L. Robbins Saturday evening. C. L. H.

Married at Gray's Chapel.

Mr. Tyson Nixon and Miss Emma Pugh were married on last Sunday at the residence of J. W. Pugh Esq., who performed the ceremony. The groom is the youngest son of Mr. Quinton Nixon, a prominent farmer of Providence township. The bride is a daughter of Mr. M. F. Pugh. Their many friends wish for this young couple a long, happy and prosperous life. D. N. A.

CARBUNCLE CURED.

Three years ago my system was in such a condition that I had a succession of boils—in all, sixteen. They were mostly between my shoulders and on my neck, though I had one bad one near my right eye. As fast as one would get well another would come and they troubled me and caused me to suffer all the summer. Finally they developed into a large Carbuncle on my right shoulder—as large around as the top of a teacup. My whole arm was affected and caused me great suffering. I had to carry my arm on a pillow. It was September when the Carbuncle came and for six weeks it had to be dressed three times a day. Knowing the trouble came from blood I bought a box of Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy and took a half dozen boxes before I stopped, and it cured me. By the time I took the six bottles, my Carbuncle was well and I have never had a touch of the trouble since.

Mr. E. Z. TAYLOR, Hookerton, N. C. Now of High Point, N. C., August 16, 1904.

PEOPLE WE KNOW.

Movements of Friends at Rameur—New Town Officers Soon to be Installed.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Moffitt visited relatives at Liberty last Sunday.

Mrs. J. C. Watkins of Greensboro, spent last Sunday with his parents here.

Mr. Thos. J. Lane of Greensboro, visited relatives here Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McAlister and children returned Saturday from a visit to Gastonia.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Carter and little Miss Dixie went to Rocky River Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Hardin visited in Burlington last week and had a very pleasant trip.

Mr. Vance Williams who has been in the hospital in Greensboro for some time is doing as well as could be expected.

Miss Lillie Thomas returned Tuesday from a very pleasant visit to her sister Mrs. Jno. Stout, at Florence, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Yow, of Central Falls, were visitors in town Sunday.

Mr. A. H. Thomas left Saturday for Nashville, Chattanooga, and other points in the interest of Rameur Broom Works. This factory makes an excellent quality of broom and we are glad to know they are selling lots of them.

Rev. C. A. Wood filled his pulpit in the M. E. church Sunday, preaching able and interesting sermons.

Losing His Mind.

Mr. John Nail, who sustained serious injuries about a year ago while at his work has instituted suit against the firm for damages. Mr. Nail was struck on the head by an iron hook from a belt. Later he was carried to Philadelphia, where an operation was performed, by which a piece of the hook was removed from the brain. After returning home and taking a rest for several weeks, he went back to work. Last Tuesday it was noticed by Mrs. Nail that her husband's mind was affected. She accompanied him to the home of his parents at Cornsner, Davie county.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVES' signature is on each box. 25c

SPECIAL RATES.

Raleigh and Return Account of N. C. Summer School and Teachers' Assembly, June-July Via Seaboard Air Line Railway.

An account of the Teachers' Assembly, Raleigh, N. C., June 12th-15th the Seaboard will sell round trip tickets from all points on North Carolina, including Norfolk, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Beaufort, Va., at rate of one first class fare plus 25c, plus \$2.00 for round trip, the \$2.00 being for membership fee. Tickets good June 12th-15th with final return limit 6. June 15th. By deposit of ticket with Special Agent, Raleigh, N. C., on or before June 12th and payment of fee of fifty cents same may be extended until July 7th, allowing those desiring to remain over to the Summer School.

Account of the Summer School, Raleigh, N. C., June 16th-July 6th Seaboard will sell round trip tickets at rate of one fare plus 25c for round trip from same points as will apply for the Teachers' Assembly, with eight daily sailings, June 15th-6th 18th-20th-22nd and 24th and July 2nd and 3rd with final return limit July 7th. For rates time-tables etc. address, CHAS. H. GATTS, TRAVELLING PASSENGER AGENT, RALEIGH, N. C.



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Trips for 100,000 people; you can be one of these. Read this ad carefully and you will learn something to your advantage. Lasting, interesting and exciting scenes from every land—a trip around the world at almost no cost. Scores upon scores of people are daily taking advantage of our very liberal and decidedly interesting offer.

Magnificently finished and capably photo-colored views in place of the ordinary and antiquated views of the past. A most pleasing and interesting tour to special surroundings around the globe viewing the most interesting places of greatest interest, most beautiful scenery, etc., at a mere trifle of cost through our liberal plan. These views illustrate some of the most noted places in the world—mountain scenery both in America and Europe—waterfalls and other famous natural phenomena, some of the world's most famous buildings, places of historical interest and places famous for beautiful architecture or beautiful natural scenery. This set is of the greatest educational value, presenting, as it does, such realistic likenesses of scenes and places that we all should know about. We want every household to have one of these sets. Imagine yourself taken through the Grand Canyon to California, through the World's Fair to see the splendid scenery though you were right there on the spot. By a special process a combination of lithographing and half-tone work, we are able to produce a collection of colored views from every part of the world in the most beautiful, natural and startling life-like color effects, which must be seen to be appreciated. It is impossible to describe the grandeur and beauty of these views. We want each and every household to have a set of these, therefore act promptly after reading this ad.

It was not very long ago that hundreds of thousands of people spent many pleasant hours with the stereoscope, but heretofore they were compelled to pay enormous prices for views, think of it, as high as 50c each for colored pictures. Thousands upon thousands of stereoscopic views in colors were distributed in those days, but imagine each and every view had to be colored by hand. In the past few months we have had repeated demands for colored views, and being able to secure the latest and most beautiful colored views to furnish to the public at a ridiculously low price, we entered into the stereoscopic plan on quite a large scale, and have taken immediate advantage of the International Art Association's offer who have spent an enormous amount of money to get out special color plates and have finally completed their end, namely: To place on the market thousands of magnificent stereoscopic views, the most beautiful, interesting and exciting scenes from every land in the grandest and most exquisite natural colors.

Now we come to our great special offer. Read carefully our plan below as it describes the stereoscope and tells how to secure the scene and views at almost no cost to you.

First the stereoscope. This stereoscope is our world-famous "Aluminum Crystal Lens" Stereoscope. Genuine aluminum hood, bound with dark rich velvet. Frame is of the finished chrome wood with patent folding handle, holding underneath frame, and sliding bar. The lenses are extra fine quality, selected for clearness and brilliancy. 1 1/2 inches in diameter, ground from best quality glass and carefully adjusted. This Crystal Lens Aluminum "Scope" has won universal praise from lovers of the beautiful, and as a means of entertainment stands second to nothing.

Then Here is Our Offer:

Secure five subscriptions to The Courier and we will send you absolutely free, this stereoscope and 48 fine views gathered the world over.

THE COURIER, Ashboro, N. C.

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If you desire a beautiful complexion, filled with unshakable blackheads, chapped skin, and blotchy patches, use **Complexion Bulb** which replaces all old methods for securing beauty. It penetrates and removes wrinkles, pimples, blackheads, blemishes, and soft skin. It is a perfect skin cleanser and is applied in a few minutes. The result is a clear, healthy complexion. **Complexion Bulb** is a perfect skin cleanser and is applied in a few minutes. The result is a clear, healthy complexion.

Furniture and House Furnishings

After getting your house your next need will be to furnish it. We have it and will make you the very best prices, and to make the thing easy to pay, will sell to any one in the town on the installment plan—1-3 down and balance in even payments for three months. The following are a few of the things offered at this time:

BEAUTIFUL QUARTER-OAK SUITS at the following prices: \$13.50, 15.00, 18.00, 22.50, 30.00 and 35.00.	ART SQUARES Any size from 4.50 to \$12.50 RUGS Beautiful Magnet 2.00, 2.75 and 3.75. CHAIRS Anything from \$1.00 Morris chairs down to the cheapest. HAMMOCKS Full line .75 to \$3.50	COUCHES Iron beds, trimmings brass, 5.00, 10.00 and 15.00. Bed Couches 12.50 Lounges 5.50 to 7.50 Leather couches \$10 to 15. MATTING You should see our line of Matting, thin a, heavy weight, 20 to 40 cts. Jap. Matting any pattern or color, 25 to 30 cts.
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White Quilts, Sheets, Pillows, Quilts, Lace Curtains, Curtain Shades, Curtain Rolls and many of the things which go to furnish a first-class home. Come and take a look; we will be glad to show you. We guarantee satisfaction and remember we will sell you any of these things on time.

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