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BIBLE REVISION.

A Searching Discussion of the Question Whether Bible Revision is a Necessity.

Philadelphia Press's Report of the Pan-Presbyterian Council.

Rev. T. W. Chambers followed with a paper on Bible revision as follows: "The authorized version was first printed in 1611, and in the course of a single generation succeeded in displacing its rivals and becoming the acknowledged English representative of the original Scriptures. This position it has maintained until the present time.

"Yet during the last two centuries many attempts have been made to alter or supersede it, in whole or in part, both by individuals and by companies of men, and no small amount of time and pains have been employed in these efforts. None of them however, has succeeded in making a change, nor the degree of learning, judgment, and taste they have employed, was able to give these amended versions anything more than a partial or temporary circulation. They soon passed into entire oblivion, or were consulted only by scholars, while the old book daily acquired a stronger hold upon the confidence and affections of English-speaking Christians. Hence many have been led to believe that it would be always impossible to make a change, and when they point to the unbroken experience of two hundred and fifty years it seems hard to resist their conclusions. Yet an organized effort for a thorough revision has now been carried on for ten years, and so far as the New Testament is concerned, has nearly finished its work.

"Nor is there any doubt that the enterprise will in a few years be completed. Will it succeed—that is, will it gain popular favor, and in course of time supplant the existing Bible as to be recognized by different lands and various communions as the proper English expression of God's most Holy Word?

"Of course such a question cannot be decided in advance of the revision, nor having the gift of prophecy. Yet there are several circumstances which encourage a favorable view of the prospect. The object of this paper is to set forth these with as much fullness as our limits permit.

"1. The work is needed. The excellence of the authorized version is very great, as is shown by the fact of its early, widespread, and long-continued acceptance by those for whom it was made and by the result of a careful comparison with any other version, ancient or modern. Still it is not perfect, nor so nearly perfect, as it might be, as may be seen by turning the pages of any even moderately critical commentary, where every chapter shows corrections judged necessary, in order to bring out fully and fairly the sense of the original. It is apparent, then, that there is a real and not a fancied need in the case. The English Bible should represent the present state of the language and the present stage of critical and exegetical investigation.

"2. The revision will be based on an improved text. The text employed by King James's translators was derived from few manuscripts, and those of a late date and abounding with admitted imperfections. The revision will exhibit what, in the concurrent judgment of its authors, is the nearest possible approach to the very words which holy men of old used in declaring the will of God.

"3. The origin of the enterprise will commend it to public favor. It comes from the larger of the two provinces of the Church of England, the eldest daughter of the Anglican Reformation and the lineal descendants of the devout and learned scholars who came together at the call of King James.

"4. Unsectarian. Members of all the leading bodies of Protestant Christians have been united to take part in the work, and are found cordially and actively co-operating in its accomplishment. Churchmen and Dissenters, Presbyterians, Independents, and Methodists, Baptist and Presbyterian, the Anglican, the Lutheran, and the Reformed, they who emphasize sovereignty and they who put the stress on human freedom, they who see only unity in the Godhead and they who recognize diversity as well as unity, appear alike in the list of the men employed.

"5. The international feature of the work is another ground of encouragement. The enterprise was begun beyond the limits of any one nation, a year an American committee of co-operation was organized, and since 1872 the committees have been at work in constant correspondence with each other, having the same principles and pursuing the same objects. This arrangement gives the American people a direct participation in the authorship of the work, so that, when completed, it will not come to them burdened with any prejudice as the sole product of a foreign land. On the contrary, Americans will be able to welcome a revision in the preparation of which their own children have borne an honorable and useful part.

"6. The work of the revisers is unhampered in every respect. The translators of the authorized version were restricted by authority in regard to certain terms, which had become consecrated by long usage. No such restriction is laid upon the persons now engaged. They are responsible to God, and not to any man or set of men, nor have they any business with consequences as to the way in which the revision may affect any Church or party. Their duty is to trust the reader in possession of the truest, fairest, most idiomatic English expression of the living oracles.

"7. Yet the revision is conservative. With all its freedom from arbitrary restrictions it is a revision, and not a new translation of the Bible.

"8. The revised Bible will be distinguished by its uniformity. In this respect the authorized version was deficient. In many cases the same proper name is spelled in two, or even three, different ways, and the reader is bewildered, if not seriously led astray. Or, again, the same Hebrew or Greek word is variously rendered when there is no reason, rhetorical or logical, for the variation, and sometimes when the force or the elegance of the passage depends upon the preserving of uniformity. All this is changed in the new revision. The aim of its authors is to regulate the work as neither to confound things that differ nor to create differences where they do not exist.

"9. The revision will be the result of mature deliberation. None other has had anything like the amount of time and labor expended upon it. It has been laid upon this work on either side of the Atlantic, both in the individual meetings of its authors and in their joint meetings for conference.

"10. The spirit in which the work has been conducted is reverential. The revisers address themselves to their work with the same awe, as having to do with that which is of all things most sacred. They may have different

theories of inspiration, but to them the Bible, the whole Bible is the Word of God, and as such separated by an unmeasurable interval from any other book.

"The adoption of it is optional alike with individuals and churches. Whatever the revisers finally conclude to be the most faithful and accurate expression in our tongue of the lively oracles of God will surely gain their suffrage, and become their handbook for study and devotional use. Praying all things, they will hold fast that which is good.

"The time-honored book which has so long been accepted as the English Bible, and which has been followed by so many precious associations, will not be lightly relinquished. The great majority of the adult people of the present generation will doubtless cling to the volume in the use of which they have grown up, and even if unable to answer the arguments in favor of a revision will simply say that they are too old to change.

"But the case is different with the younger portion of the community. They will have grown up with the knowledge that the present version is imperfect, and that deliberate measures had been taken to improve it. They will thus be prepared to consider the matter more impartially when the work is done, and to yield as soon as they shall be convinced that the changes made are for the better and not for the worse.

"If, then, the revisers have accomplished what they expected and attempted; if they have removed existing obscurities and infelicities without introducing any of their own; if they have put the English reader in possession of the chief important results of modern scholarship and yet retained the warp and the woof of the old version, then may it be expected that in the course of a generation the same result will be reached as was seen in the time of King James, and the revision will equally take the place of the common version in the closet, the school, and the pulpit. It will become the universal standard, and men will wonder why so great an amount of time and labor should have been expended in the revision of biblical knowledge was not attained at earlier period."

THE Latest about the Grimes Murder. Raleigh News-Observer.

Through a letter from a highly respectable gentleman in Washington, N. C., written to a party in this city, and dated September 26, we get the following particulars of the preliminary trial of Wm. Parker, charged with the murder of Gen. Bryan Grimes, which trial was had in Washington on Friday and Saturday last, and was concluded at 9 o'clock on Saturday night. Parker was committed. Geo. Brown, Jr., and Geo. A. Sparrow appeared for the prosecution, and James E. Shepherd and Chas. F. Warren for the defense.

The main point of the defense was to prove that the general Grimes was killed, Parker was at a man's house by the name of Dixon, some three or four miles from where the road crosses Bear creek. To this several of the witnesses swore straight up and down. Dixon's wife swore that her husband was at her house between sundown and dark, "but nigher dark than sundown," (this expression was used word for word by at least two if not three of Parker's witnesses), on the Saturday evening General Grimes was killed. Dixon himself swore that he got home that evening from Washington, between sundown and dark, that his wife said to him that if he had got back just a little sooner, he would have seen Will (Parker); that he had hardly got over the fence. His wife had just before sworn that she had said this very thing to him.

James Arthur (son of the late John A. Arthur) swore that Dixon was dead drunk, lying upon a goods box in front of his store, in Washington, between 5 and 6 o'clock on the same evening, and the evening General Grimes was killed. Carroll, the keeper of the ferry, swore that at sundown he was still drunk, lying upon that goods box. Everstein testified that Dixon passed his house on the same Saturday evening, at "dark dusk," and that he lived four miles from Dixon's. Everstein lives five miles from Washington.

The negro, Chapman, from whom Fowler learned most about Parker's connection with the murder, and who told Fowler that Parker left between 3 and 4 o'clock on that Saturday afternoon, and that he did not see him again until Monday morning, and that then (Monday morning) Parker told him that he would be accused of killing General Grimes, and that he wanted him to swear that he worked with him all day Saturday chipping boxes, when he was put upon the stand denied that he had ever told Fowler anything about it. To every question that was put to him in regard to what he had told Fowler, he had his answer pat, "I did not."

Dr. John McDonald happened in the jail while Fowler was talking to the negro, and his evidence seemed to stagger Parker, and he appeared to change color. Dr. McDonald's cogent cross-examination, completely broke down the negro, as Arthur, Carroll and Everstein had broken down Dixon and his wife. It was so evident that the negro had sworn to a lie, that upon the conclusion of McDonald's and Fowler's testimony, the justice ordered him to give bond or go to jail to answer for perjury, and upon the bench announced that he would issue a warrant for Dixon and his wife to answer to the same charge.

A Bloody Murder. Cor. News and Observer.

NEWBERY, Sept. 28.—A horrible murder committed here last night. James Thomas and Nathaniel Tisdale got into a dispute in J.F. Woman's bar room, and the quarrel resulted in the death of Thomas. Tisdale cut his throat in the left side, and he died in a few minutes. Thomas was generally liked by all who knew him, and leaves a wife to mourn his sad death. Tisdale is of good family, and has a wife and several children. He is now in jail to await an examination. No inquest has yet been held. It will be held tomorrow.

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