

THE INTERMEDIARY LESSON.

ELIJAH TAKEN UP INTO HEAVEN. The Most Glorious and Significant Event Before the Time of Christ-Who Had Set the Lord's House in Order.

Copyright, 1904, by Davis W. Clark. Of the two isolated events of Elijah's career one was to be added which should surpass them all, even in their surprising scenic effects.

It is an instinctive impulse on the part of the dying to bestow a last gift, the value of which shall be enhanced by the circumstances under which it is bestowed.

Elijah answered: "You have done hard in asking for the matter in not one of explicit revelation to me. However, we will put it into the Lord's hands."

My father, my father! (thou) chariot and (thou) horses, take up Elijah and set him down in the land of Horeb.

The remainder of the epiphany tells with Oriental picturesqueness what the "tribute was to Israel. The chariot, the strongest arm of Eastern military science, corresponding to our modern artillery.

Such a chariot, such a horse, such a tribute, such a power he had hurled himself into the ranks of idolatry. The meretricious blades of his wheels, the "Kishon with the blood of her hundred hostial priests.

How often the dying, out of consideration of their loving watchers, entreat them to leave them while for the sake of rest, and as often do the watchers respond in terms like Elijah's strong assertion.

The human heart craves certain evidence. It is quick to detect the analogies of nature. But these are insufficient on the death of man, and to appreciate the approaching dissolution, Cicero reasoned well of immortality.

Over against the morbid deprecation of the human body which was the earlier theology, there is a late and helpful tendency to assert the wholeness of man, and to appreciate the body as an integral part of that wholeness.

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KING'S MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERY.

Interesting Session Held at Shelby. Reports of the Week as to its Healthy Condition—Proceedings of the Presbytery—Personal.

Special to The Observer. Shelby, Sept. 9.—King's Mountain Presbytery, which includes the counties of Gaston, Lincoln, Cleveland, Ruthford and Polk, met in the Presbyterian church here, Tuesday evening and was opened with a sermon by the retiring moderator, Rev. J. M. Forbis, of King's Mountain. Rev. W. A. Murray, of Lincoln, was elected moderator.

There were present 15 ministers and 15 elders. Reports from all branches of work showed a healthy and encouraging growth. So large was the increase in membership last year that this Presbytery passed Albemarle Presbytery and now stands sixth in the Synod of North Carolina.

The Presbytery heard with much pleasure, sermons from Rev. Messrs. J. B. Cochran, W. A. Murray and J. M. Forbis. The spirit of prayer was held at Dallas, the second week of April, 1905. King's Mountain Presbytery is an active, earnest body of men.

The social feature of the meeting was delightful, and the Shelby Presbyterians felt the time all too short. After each service there was a pleasant meeting of friends, new and old, which will make the fall meeting of the Presbytery of 1904 a pleasant memory to all who were there.

Miss Mary Huffman, of Conway College, is visiting at the home of Mr. R. L. Byburn. Mrs. Brien Devoes is visiting her sisters, Mesdames Jenkins and McBryer. Mrs. Maggie Price, her mother, who has been with her for several months, came down with her.

GASTON REPUBLICANS.

County Convention Held at Dallas. An Address by Mr. J. B. Spence—Committee Appointed to Select a Ticket.

Special to The Observer. Gastonia, Sept. 9.—The Republican county convention was held in the court house at Dallas this afternoon being called to order at 3 o'clock by Chairman W. T. Jordan, of the county executive committee.

The convention did not nominate a ticket, but appointed a committee of five to make out a ticket and ascertain from the nominees whether they will run before the ticket is made public.

Stanley Personals and News Notes. Correspondence of The Observer. Stanley, Sept. 8.—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Carpenter entertained quite a crowd of young people last night at their beautiful and hospitable home in honor of their beautiful and charming daughter, Miss Hattie Toney, of Johnston, S. C.

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GASTON EDUCATIONAL MATTERS.

Selection for Special Tax in Dallas. News—Sudden Death of Mr. J. Wicker—Personal and News Notes.

Special to The Observer. Gastonia, Sept. 9.—The county board of education met Monday and Tuesday of this week and transacted an amount of routine business. On the strength of a petition from citizens of Dallas, the board recommended an election for the levying of a special school tax for Dallas township and the board of county commissioners ordered that such election be held on October 11th.

The county board of elections met the first of the week at Dallas and appointed the registrars and judges for the November election. The board is composed of Mr. John O. Rankin and Mr. L. L. Jenkins, of Gastonia, and Mr. E. L. Wilson, of Dallas.

The fire company was called out yesterday morning to extinguish a small fire in one of the Lora's houses, occupied by Mr. John Howell, night watchman. The fire was extinguished, however, before the company could reach the scene.

Mr. J. K. Dixon, Jr., has returned to Chapel Hill to resume his studies at the University. Mrs. W. C. Dixon returned yesterday to Charlotte after a brief visit to Mrs. H. M. Edleman. Mrs. J. T. Chalmers, of Charlotte, is the guest of Mrs. J. H. Kennedy.

A POWER FOR GOOD. The pills that are potent in their action and pleasant in effect are DeWitt's Little Early Biscuits.

THE AGE OF MIRACLES. A noted doctor in divinity in Florida, came to us suffering from Bright's disease, brought on by indigestion. He remained with us two months and then wrote us this:

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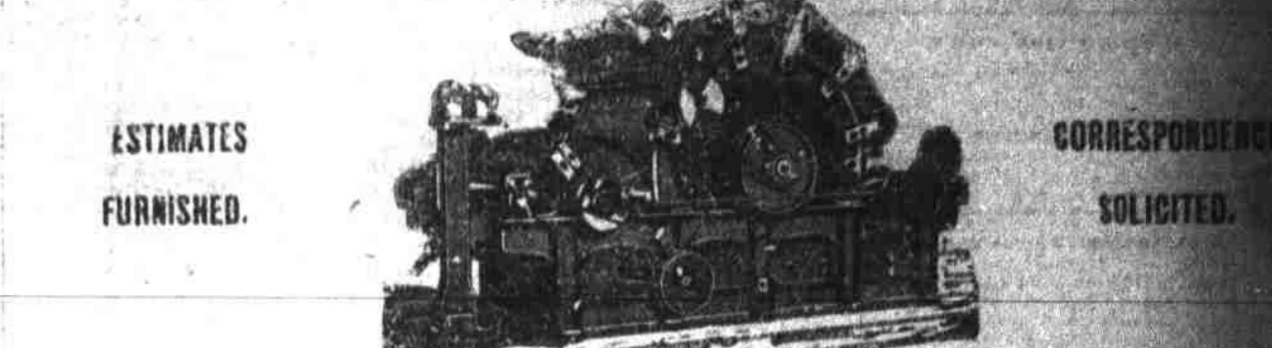
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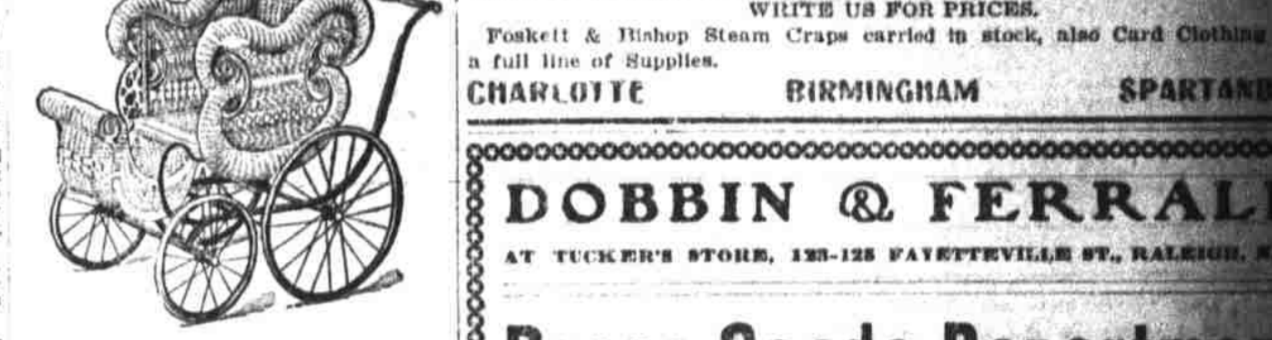
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