

MADAME BERNHARDT HERE

SHE DID NOT AS MUCH AS LOOK... Pierce Heath Savin interviews a...

The Divine Sarah passing through the city yesterday morning on her way to...

"There it is," said Pierce Heath Savin, otherwise Snake, as a neat looking short train pulled into the station.

"What is it?" said a newspaper man. "Sarah's special," answered Snake.

"About that time all eyes turned to the rear car, which was marked before and aft, 'private.' There were many interesting faces but none of them would do for that of the famous Bernhardt.

"She's a way back," said Snake, who knows more about the Southern trains than does Chas. Andrews.

"Let's go back and see if we can get a peep at her," said the reporter. "Why not interview her?" asked Snake.

"That wouldn't do. It's too early in the morning." By the time that Pierce and the Observer man could walk the length of the train a crowd had begun to congregate around the private car.

"There she is!" She's wearing a white duck suit. See her backing there?" declared the man with the alert eye.

"That's not her, for I seen her at Salisbury last night," volunteered a gentleman with fine raiment but little learning.

But those who had rushed up at the utterance of the first speaker had to see for themselves. As two dozen beaming faces and twice as many straining eyes were bending toward the thing, a man in a dark, patterned coat wheeled about and left the apartment by the inside door.

"There was a great scattering of spectators at that revelation. No man could be guilty of being there. Some fellows drew back and leaned against posts and looked sleepy, making out like they were bored to death. But about the time the crowd had settled down to pondering and talking again, somebody yelled: 'There she is!'

The rush for viewpoints was on again, with everybody interested. In the car a lady of many manners, about, arranging flowers and sofa pillows.

"Yes, that's Sarah," said the man who had been to Salisbury. "For I seen her last night." Everybody looked at the fellow who "seen" her at Salisbury.

"No, that ain't the great Bernhardt," declared a quiet mannered man. "She is resting in an easy chair by the far window, over there, but you cannot see her. She is very modest, and avoids stares."

At this suggestion of ill manners several persons walked away, but the majority of the congregation moved tiptoes and tried to see Madame Sarah. The hint did not knock any one down.

"I think I see Sarah," declared Snake Savin, as he stuck out his face, stood on his tiptoes and leaned forward. "That's her moving in there."

The porter has returned and Snake had seen his white jacket again. But the crowd was not to go unwarded for far down the train a small man, with black hair and marble face stepped off of a car and sauntered to a sunny spot. This lad, for such he was, wore a white, fried-egg hat, with varl-colored band. His long, raven locks, jutting from beneath it, made him look the part of one of Col. Don Amatt Richardson's crack musicians.

But that small head of his contained stacks of information. "Now, we'll have 'em," said Pierce Heath Savin, as he led the crowd to the young chap.

"Mister, we have been trying to get the name of that evergreen that hangs over the window in Madame Bernhardt's apartment. Would you be so kind as to give us the correct name for it?"

"That was the very Pierre woff after him. The multitude of eager followers stood with mouths and ears open; all eyes were fixed on the man.

"Ah, that looks good! Well, really I do not recall the name just now, but it does not signify anything. It is just an ornament."

"Oh, is that all?" said Pierce, as he started to explain. "We really thought it was something that the Madame fed on."

"Snake did not get to put that to the young fellow, somebody saved him by asking 'Well, where is she?' meaning Madame Bernhardt."

"Ah, well, I don't say just now, but really I think she is still in her coach as she is a very late sleeper. I have been with her for about 20 years, and I know her well."

"How fine," exclaimed Snake with a devilish glint in his eye. "Yes, I consider it a great honor to have named about with such a company."

"I should say so," put in Snake. "Yes, I have been in many lands, and times."

"What do you think of that?" said Pic, another news boy. It was late that a train from the south came puffing in and broke up the party. The special pulled out and the search for the Divine Sarah came to an end.

"Oh, well, you did not miss much," said the man who had seen her at Salisbury. "For I could not understand a word she said. She played 'Come!'"

"You mean 'Come!' suggested Snake. "Something like that. But, God, just to think that I was there!"

"Yes that meant a great deal," said Snake. Col. Sikes came up about this time and led the news gatherer off to one side and put a bug in his ear. Snake Savin and Pic broke away and began to cry their papers.

A Promising Water-Power Plant at Lowell. Messrs. W. T. Love, of Gastonia, and John C. Rankin, of Lowell, are constructing a water-power plant on the south fork of the Catawba River, near Mountain. The dam is already built and 3,000 horse-power will be developed. This plant is designed to furnish power for mills at Lowell, Gastonia, Belmont, Lincolnton and other points. The contract for lighting the town of Gastonia has been secured. The Spencer Mountain Power Company is the name of the concern, and Mr. Love is president and Mr. Rankin, secretary and treasurer.

TORTURE BY SAVAGES. Speaking of the torture to which some of the savage tribes in the Philippines subject their captive residents of the islands suffering I endured for three months from inflammation of the kidneys," says M. Sherman, of Charleston, S. C. "Nothing helped me until I tried Electric Bitter, three bottles of which cured me. It cured my Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Blood Disorders and Malaria, and restores the strength and nervous system. Guaranteed by E. H. Jordan & Co., Augusta, Price 50c."

BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT.

Rev. H. K. Boyer Preached an Interesting Sermon at Tryon Street Methodist Church Yesterday Morning—A Large Congregation Heard Him.

The service at Tryon Street Methodist church yesterday morning was a very interesting one. There was a very large congregation present, almost every seat in the church being occupied.

The service was an old-time Methodist service, the simple order of worship that has been a part of the church since its organization was observed and the congregation entered heartily into it. The pastor, Rev. H. K. Boyer, preached a sermon that was marked by great earnestness, and showed his deep interest in the spiritual welfare of his people, and in the salvation of the unsaved. The service closed with a handshaking of the people with the pastor, by which the people expressed their desire for the spirit-filled life.

The text of Rev. H. K. Boyer's sermon was this passage: "Be filled with the spirit." Eph. 5:18. In part he said: "We have been talking to the church members for a week past, teaching what is necessary to make of them real workers in the Church. It is impossible to reach the unsaved and bring them into a saved relation with God unless the Church is equipped with the spirit of power. This equipment of power is the possession of the Holy Spirit. In the beginning when the Holy Spirit came, He came in answer to prayer and preaching—the preaching of repentance. It is a fact that remains unquestioned that when the Church becomes cold and inactive, the devil has little trouble in getting in his work. When a community enjoys material property in a large degree, the heart is easily drawn away from things that are of vital interest, and mind you, this drawing away is not sudden, but gradual, so gradual as to be deceptive."

"The words of the text this morning I am taking from a man who knew Jesus Christ—a man who understood the sufferings of Jesus Christ. The apostle Paul was a man who understood the full meaning of the words which he wrote to the Church at Ephesus and said 'Be filled with the spirit.' He was a man who went through life with a thorn in the flesh, and he understood the great need of being filled with the Holy Spirit which is the gift of God."

"The power of the Holy Spirit is a promise of God the Father if we as His children will meet His conditions. We may continue these meetings for a year, but if the church membership has not become filled with the Holy Spirit, does not become equipped with the power of God these meetings will result in nothing more than a mere mockery. The membership of this church can never be saved until this great interest becomes the central thought in all our minds and in all our lives. We must give up our worldly interests first and give these his first attention and get a blessing out of these meetings. Never can we have a spirit-filled church until we surrender ourselves unconditionally to God, and make the great interest of our lives the getting filled with the Holy Spirit, and subordinate every other interest to this. If we would wait long enough upon our knees, and pray earnestly, we would be so filled with the Holy Spirit that our church would become so fully awakened to the great work before us that we would be a power for good in this city. I want all of the members to be active workers for Christ. I fear some of you have misunderstood my pleas during the past week for you to be personal workers. I fear you have done only one kind of work, and that is to keep yourselves at home, when I have wanted you to be filled with the Holy Spirit that you would influence others in the Church, but in Christians to come to the service."

"The Holy Spirit creates new desires and aspirations in our hearts. He also inspires and directs us in the way in which we should go. He will guide us into all truth if He can only gain admission into our hearts. Do you want wisdom to guide you? Admit the Holy Spirit and you need ask no more."

"Again, the Holy Spirit creates a new heart, and regenerates the penitent heart, and finally baptizes the heart that surrenders and fills it with the spirit of God."

"I believe there is not a man to whom I am speaking who has not at some time resisted the influence of the Holy Spirit. Thus it is that the work of God is hindered and thwarted because men resist."

"Do not believe a man can live out of the Church in a Christian community and get to heaven unless surrounded by unusual conditions. If he understands the teaching of the word of God cannot understand ordinary conditions, unless he surrenders to the Church and becomes filled with the spirit of God. Jesus Christ founded the Church to help men to be saved, and not many are saved outside of the Church."

"Before you can be filled with the spirit of God you must make an absolute surrender of your hearts to God. Christ cannot gain admission to your hearts and lives until you make this surrender."

"This warfare against sin such as we are making in the city at this time is the hardest warfare we can experience, and of old people and of children, and may God grant that no parents will stand between their children and salvation."

"We cannot be saved without being filled with the spirit of God, and when we become filled with His spirit there will be certain consequences noted in our lives. One of those consequences will be a change of our habits. We will stop our worldly work with enthusiasm. I have witnessed a revival that was not marked by common sense excitement and fanaticalism, but by common sense excitement. Of course we will be criticized, but we care not for criticism if only souls can be saved."

"I never know a meeting of this kind to be in progress that the evil one did not present a strong objection to the attention of men and women from the services of the Church."

"I am not here to condemn every attraction at the Academy of Music, but that to member of the Church is such a right to witness. And every man and woman, who are members of the Church, who went to Salisbury yesterday, and about their home and their Church, for while I know not what she may be now, a few years ago that woman's character was black and those who went to see her are not filled with the spirit of God."

"We cannot be filled with the spirit of God unless we are willing to make sacrifices and self-denial."

"May God help us to examine ourselves and search our hearts until we come at the root of the matter that keeps us from being filled with His spirit, and then let us put God to the test. The conditions of the spirit-filled life are not with God, but in the hands of men professing to be God's children."

"May God help us to get our hearts and lives free of everything that is a barrier to the entrance of the spirit of God, and may we as individuals and as a church be filled with His spirit."

AN INTERESTING RUMOR.

It is Said That the Southern Power Company Has Bought the Whitney Power on the Yadkin—A Most Probable Result—Some Observations.

A very interesting rumor to the effect that the Southern Power Company has bought the Whitney Power on the Yadkin is now being spread in the city. The Whitney concern is now constructing a plant above the town of the Yadkin that will yield 48,000 horse-power and it has another power that will, when developed, give quite as much. The company owns a railroad from New London to the power plant now in progress of construction. If the Southern Power Company has bought the powers of the Whitney Company the combined power would amount to about 275,000 horse-power.

The Whitney powers are valued at about \$10,000,000. The very fact that Messrs. J. B. Duke, E. N. Duke, J. E. Stagg, W. S. Lee and Martin, who were with the Whitney plant, on the Yadkin, the other day, gives force to the current rumor and any report is not surprising.

The Southern Power Company is already a great big proposition and Charlotte and the surrounding country is feeling the effect of its enterprise. If the Whitney powers come under its wings and Charlotte is the center of action, there will be great development in this immediate territory within the next few decades.

In talking with an Observer man about the rumor, a cotton mill machinery man said: "Why, that seems to me the right thing. The Southern Power Company has already planted itself and is now selling its power. North of The Narrows is the 'Pries' power plant, owned by the men who control the cotton mills of that section. On the east is the Bluff Falls property. The Whitney company is being bought by powers. The Southern Power Company is on the south and can go to Concord at as small expense as can the Whitney company. It is perfectly natural that the one should absorb the other."

This rumor is given for what it is worth. It is interesting to people in this section of the country to say the least.

DEATH OF MR. J. SOL REID. The End Came Suddenly Yesterday Morning—A Man of Fine Character and Noble Traits.

Mr. J. Sol Reid, one of the leading citizens of this county, died at his home near Matthews yesterday morning. For a year and a half Mr. Reid had been in failing health but he was able to be up to go about the farm. Saturday he was better than usual, and yesterday morning he got up early, as was his custom, and ate a hearty breakfast. After returning to the sitting room he leaned back in his chair and made himself comfortable by elevating his feet. A few moments later someone heard him call, and, on going in, found him dying. His heart had failed and life had left the body.

Mr. Reid leaves a widow, who was Miss M. Grife, and the following named children: Messrs. S. W. and A. W. Reid, of Matthews; E. L. Reid, of Charlotte, and Mrs. Dr. T. N. Reid, of Matthews, and Mrs. Lydia Funderburk, of Charlotte.

Mrs. Martha McKee, a sister of Mr. Reid, died last fall. The funeral will take place at the home at 11 o'clock this morning, the services being conducted by Rev. Alexander Martin, of this city, and the remains will be interred in Matthews Cemetery.

Mr. Jeremiah Solomon Reid was born in Providence township 75 years ago, last January. He was a farmer of the best sort and stood well. He was a man of fine ability and sterling worth. His character was of the highest type. For five terms he served as a member of the North Carolina Legislature, three times as a representative of the Lower House and twice as a Senator.

Mr. Reid was a man of great influence in the county. His causes were sought by those who knew him. Mr. E. L. Reid and Mrs. Funderburk left here yesterday to attend the funeral. A number of Charlotte people will go down to-day.

MUCH INTEREST MANIFESTED. Rev. W. W. Orr Begins by Arousing His People.

Rev. W. W. Orr, D. D., pastor of the East Avenue Tabernacle, preached the early sermon yesterday morning, his text being "Lord, What Will Thou Have Me to do?" Acts 9:6.

The following is a brief outline of the sermon: "A graphic description of the soul, the bigoted, conceited Jewish proselytizer, was given. Saul met the Lord Jesus face to face and there was a sudden conversion and he said, 'Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?' 'I have said unto thee, Saul, and thou art afterwards he was the consecrated self-forgetful, devoted servant of Christ.'

There must somewhere, somehow, be a personal meeting of eyes. This is saved and the usefulness or lack of usefulness on the part of the convert depends on how much stress is laid on 'Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?'

There is abundant work for all to do. 'What part of that work are you doing?' asked Mr. Orr. Then he showed how every one could do something. He summed up the lives of Paul, Abraham, Daniel, Shadrach, Mischeek and Abednego, and others, and asserted that only the surrendered life had ever done great and lasting work for the Church of Christ.

The service ended with a call for all that were willing to pledge this hearty co-operation and earnest effort, and prayers during the meeting now in progress to come forward and give the pastor their hands, at a large per cent. of the audience responded and it was one of the most inspiring sights that has ever been witnessed in that church. Strong men broke down and cried, and the meeting closed with an earnest and beautiful prayer by Rev. S. W. Johnston, of the Presbyterian church.

A SCIENTIFIC WONDER. The cures that stand to its credit make Burken's Anicura Salve a scientific wonder. It is the only medicine that is sold by the Patrons of Husbandry, Waynesboro, Pa., of a distressing case of Piles. It heals the most obstinate hemorrhoids, Ulcers, Cuts, Wounds, Chancres and Salt Rheum. Only 50c at R. H. Jordan & Co.'s drug store.

DR. BATTLE TO PREACH HERE.

He Will Conduct a Series of Meetings in the Sunday School Rooms of the First Baptist Church.

Rev. Dr. Henry W. Battle, pastor of the First Baptist church, Greensboro, who is one of the most noted ministers in the State, will arrive in the city this afternoon and commence, to-night, in the Sunday school room of the First Baptist church, a series of meetings.

While these meetings are for all of the members of the church and congregation, and the public generally, yet they are held especially for the members and friends of the Sunday school and will be conducted in the Sunday school room every night at 8 o'clock.

The Religious Herald, in speaking of a meeting conducted by Rev. Battle, said: "Dr. W. H. Battle, who was called to conduct the meeting, captured and swayed its multitudes like a mountain breeze sweeping over the yielding pines. He is a rhetorician and orator, powerfully and masterly, but he is also eminently gifted as an evangelist. We have heard many of our greatest evangelists, but none greater than our brother, Dr. Battle. He has conducted very successful meetings, North and South. May the Lord continue to use him as a soul-winner."

There is probably no man in North Carolina better fitted for the work of conducting a protracted meeting. He is eloquent, loveable and tender, and those who are so fortunate as to hear him will be greatly benefited.

A number of extra seats have been provided, so that there will be plenty of room for all, and a cordial invitation is extended, not only to the members of this Sunday school, but to all of the people of Charlotte.

Southern Cotton Mills Securing New Machinery. The Saco & Pettes Machine shops, Newton Upper Falls, Mass., have received an order from the High Shoals Company, High Shoals, for slubbers, intermediate and roving machinery.

The Rhode Island Company, Spray, which is equipped with Saco & Pettes machinery, has recently placed a repeat order with that company for cards, drawing, roving and spinning machinery.

The Saco & Pettes Machine Shops, Newton Upper Falls, Mass., have received an order for slubbers, intermediates, roving and spinning frames from the Virginia Cotton Mills, Swepsonville. These mills are already equipped with Saco & Pettes machinery which is giving most excellent results.

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