WANTS NO NEW GOSPEL

OBEDIENCE TO OLD THE NEED.

Rev. Dr. A. A. McGeachy Preaches New Year Sermon in Second Presbyterian Church—The Opening of the Book of the Future by the Lion of the Tribe of Judah Proves That The Future of the Church and God's People is in the Hands of Its Founder and There is No Longer Doubt of the Issue Between Good and Evil—Should Look to the Future and Not to the Past.

"I have, unfortunately, known some men of such mustard-seed intellectuality as to want a new Bible, an expurgated edition, or a new Gospel. The thing we need is not a new Gospel, but a new obedience to the old. I don't want any new Gospel. I won't have it. If it's new theology you want, don't come to the Second church, for you are not going to get it."

Grounding steadfast faith in the future of the Church on the opening of the book of the future by Christ, as narrated in the Book of Revelation, Rev. Dr. A. A. McGeachy pled eloquently yesterday for a revitalized allegiance to the principles of Christian conduct. Preaching almost at the dawn of the New Year to a congregation which occupied every seat in the Second Presbyterian church, the minister delivered a discourse in which optimism and faith were the predominant notes. The text was Revelation, 5:9. "And they sang a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the Book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred and tongue, and people, and nation."

The first chapter in the Book of Revelation, said Dr. McGeachy, is the prologue to a drama. In it one finds an outline and a preparation for the teachings of the entire Book. It shows forth the triumphs of Christ and His Church over all the opposing forces of sin and Satan. It gives us a picture of the Church passing through the wilderness of sin and sorrow and emerging at last, singing a new song and flaunting triumphant banners. The 17th and 18th verses of the first chapter give the whole gospel in miniature. "And when I saw Him I fell at His feet as dead. And He laid His right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; for I am the first and the last. I am He that liveth, and was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore. Amen, and have the keys of death and hell." Under these three declarations we have the whole story of the Gospel of redemption. A Savior who died for our sins, who rose triumphant and who now lives and holds the fate of the Church in the hollow of His hand.

CHURCH PICTURED.

The second and third chapters of Revelation introduces one to the Church whose fortunes are to be traced. Here are given the messages to the seven churches in Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea. These present a picture of the universal Church at successive periods in its history and the various conditions in its earthly experience. The fourth and fifth chapters are consolatory in nature. In view of all the dangers that threaten the Church, God has given two inspiring visions, first in the fourth chapter, representing God on our side as our Creator, and in the fifth, Jesus Christ on our side as our Redeemer. The text of the morning falls in the heart of the second vision. The seer beheld one seated on a throne. With him was the book of the future, sealed, and in heaven and earth no man had been found who was worthy to break the seal or even to look upon the book. The prophet wept in despair. The sign between evil and good seemed to be yet doubtful. To comfort him came the news bidding to expect for the Lion of the Tribe of Judah is able to break the seals. And the Lamb of God, slain from the foundation of the world, appeared and took the book.

THE FUTURE SAFE.

This was a significant action. It meant that the future of God's people is henceforth in the hands of Jesus Christ, who knows it and will control it, that no element of contingency could be injurious to the life of God's people. And when the full significance of the scene burst upon them, all broke into the purest song, shouts of joy and thanksgiving. The saddest of the ancient prophets, looking to God's people, can see in the future that perhaps after all the future is still uncertain and the issue doubtful. "Thank God, we don't need more to trust and to hope. We do know." Weeping may endure for a night but joy cometh in the morning.

"This thought of a pulsating new colors the entire day," said Dr. McGeachy. "We are always on the verge of something great and glorious and blessed. A number of scriptural [illegible] are quoted to illustrate [illegible] Christ discarded the old decalogue of the ages [illegible] disciples a principle of action. 'A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another.' Behold, I make all things new. What is the attitude of God? His goal is ever in the future and not in the past.

"The new year which has just dawned should be a glad new year to us. It brings us nearer than we have ever been to the consummation of the things that are our hearts' desire. It brings us a little bit nearer God. It brings us a little bit nearer the loved ones whom we have lost awhile." It brings us a little bit nearer to the dream of God's people through all the ages. There were only seven seals to be opened. Lo! some of them have been opened by now. There were only seven trumpets to be sounded. Lo! some of them have been blown. There were only seven woes to be spoken. Lo! some of them must have fallen."

THE PAST IS ENDED.

Admitting that many who have been through dark valleys in the past, oft face the new year with dread and uncertainty yet, "I think God, the new year can't bring to us the sorrows of the past," exclaimed Dr. McGeachy. "God in His goodness may see fit to chasten us more in other ways, but the things that have been suffered will not have to be undergone again. The pangs of separation which we have already experienced, the sting of grief already borne are things of the past. The new year cannot bring these—and it may bring the Lord Jesus Christ! Think of it in that light this morning. Let our attitude be that of quiet expectancy of simple faith in Jesus Christ. 'Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth to those which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Jesus Christ.'"

To-day is ours and to-day alone. The past belongs to history, the future belongs to God, the present is a vanishing moment, and we should fill it with praises to God.

But another interesting thing you will notice if you pay attention is that it is not a new song after all. It is the old, old Gospel that has thrilled in human hearts through 2,000 years, and has been a savor of life and hope to men. We do not need a new Gospel. It is a new obedience to the old that we need. "I don't want any new Gospel. I won't have any new Gospel." Some men the speaker had known of such "mustard-seed intellectuality" as to demand a new Bible. Phrases and expressions in it are repulsive to the refined sensibilities of some, who suggest an expurgated edition. "This book was well enough for a crude age," they say, "but our progress and enlightenment demands something different." Dr. McGeachy expressed total lack of sympathy with this view. "The Bible is the only book in the world which you can swallow whole without having mental and spiritual indigestion afterward. If it's new theology you want, don't come to the Second church, for you're not going to get it. God help me, having tasted the sweetness of a certain salvation, and having been sealed with the grace of God's love, I'm never going to give the people whom most I love anything except that which has given me joy."

The preacher exhorted his hearers at the beginning of the new year to resolve to render this new obedience, to read the Bible more every day, to strive against sin as if all depended on themselves, to speak not the words which will cut and hurt, but those which will cheer and inspire. "Do this and see if you have not merely a new Gospel, but are not a new man."

The song of the heavenly hosts is not different from that of the Christians on earth in substance, but only in the conditions under which the song is done. With those on earth salvation is a process, with those above it is an accomplished fact. Dr. McGeachy expressed his belief that he would one day enter into through the gates into the city of the redeemed, through personal faith in the Christ.

TO FURNISH JACKSON SCHOOL.

Invitation Extended to Everybody to Contribute Articles to Furnish the Buildings of the Stonewall Jackson Manual Training and Industrial School—Should Be Sent to Mrs. Falson.

An event of critical importance to the Stonewall Jackson Manual Training School which will be formally opened at Concord Tuesday of next week, the 12th, will be the giving of household furnishings which it is hoped will descend in torrents next Monday. There is pressing need of a wide variety of articles and a cordial invitation is given to all who are willing to contribute to this cause to do so. Those in Charlotte who have articles which they prefer to ship direct may address them to Mr. Walter Thompson, superintendent, at Concord; otherwise they should send them to Mrs. E. W. Falson, of this city, who is a member of the board of trustees, and will have personal charge of contributions from Charlotte. It is desired that the articles be sent to her this week, if possible in the next few days.

A suggestive list of some of the things which will be most welcome is as follows: Sheets 54x90 inches, pillow cases, 18x24 inches, bed spreads, size of sheets, blankets, size of sheets, towels, doilies, table covers, 6 feet and 8 inches comfts, napkins, blacking brushes, shoe polish, wash cloths, buckets, tubs, pans, dippers, whisk brooms, foot mats, brooms, laundry soap, handkerchiefs.

The following invitation has been issued: "The superintendent and board of trustees of the Stonewall Jackson Manual Training and Industrial School, Concord, N. C., respectfully invite you to be present at a service of household furnishings to be held in one of the new buildings recently erected, and to have its auspicious opening January 12th, 1909, for the reception of children and unfortunate boys. Any hour from 9 A. M. to 4:30 p. m. R. S. V. P."

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[illegible] will be an and great [illegible] the most important work [illegible] North Carolina has begun in [illegible] The beginning of the work, who have [illegible] a chance to right themselves, to secure their [illegible] for worthy standards of right of more worth and good citizenship. The institution that is to be is based on a theory, as everything rational must be, but nothing could be farther from a theoretical proposition, purest than it is. It is in the hands of a company of practical workers who are striving for results and who have, in the already tangible fruitions of their efforts, signs and and brilliant augurs of what the future holds. Every article sent will be a means of making home like and comfortable the apartments which must be the lending place of pathetic wandering youngsters, upon whose plastic lives the scenes amid which they live will inevitably leave their impress.

DECEMBER'S DEATH ROLL.

Classification of Charlotte's Deaths by Cause—Thirty-Three in All—Pneumonia Claims Seven.

Thirty-three deaths occurred in Charlotte during the month of December, of this number there were 8 white males, 1 white females, 8 colored males and 7 colored females. Each of the following diseases claimed one victim: Consumption, Bright's disease, duo bonal disease, tuberculosis, heart disease, dropsy, paralysis, malarial fever, gastritis, uremia, congestion of lungs, diphtheria, hemorrhage of stomach, chronic indigestion, carcinoma of stomach, pulmonary hemorrhage, effects of operation. Pneumonia sealed the doom of 7, croup 2, while 6 died from unknown causes.

Five houses were quarantined during December on account of diphtheria, 2 because of scarlet fever, 10 on account of mumps, 1 account of measles, whooping cough 1, and chicken pox 4. Four houses were fumigated. One thousand five hundred and thirty-four premises were inspected.

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Columbian Line of Woodworking Machines Hereafter to Be Manufactured in Tennessee—Business Good With American Machine and Manufacturing Company.

It has been announced that the Columbian line of saw mills and kindred woodworking machinery, developed by the American Machine and Manufacturing Company during the past year, has been transferred to the Columbian Iron Works, of Chattanooga, Tenn., a company recently formed by a number of aggressive manufacturers in that progressive city so fortunately situated with reference to raw material, transportation facilities and other conveniences much appreciated by manufacturers. The Columbian line combines in a high class economic production every known improvement and eliminates all disadvantages of patents of earlier dates. The American Machine and Manufacturing Company was so successful in securing orders and creating a demand for this machinery that it became an imperative necessity that arrangements be made for manufacture in an increased wholesale way, more than was possible at the Dilworth plant of this well-known concern, which has been taxed with the output of long-established lines of machinery for cotton and cotton oil mills and waste cleaning systems in connection with a large machine shop and general foundry where a varied line of machinery is repaired, adjusted and manufactured complete.

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The American Machine and Manufacturing Company states in regard to its regular line of business that, at present and for the past three months, the opening up of the cotton mills together with other evidences of confidence in a decided permanent advance along commercial lines, has taxed its plant to its limit to respond to all the calls which have been received. The business in October, November and December was fully to the stage of normal good business and future contracts indicate the substantial character of present conditions.

Officer Henderson May Get $50 Reward.

Officer James M. Henderson, one of the most faithful of the city force, will be the happiest man in town this week if a letter is received from Richmond confirming the arrest of John Kirk, colored, believed to be an escaped convict from the Virginia penitentiary at Richmond. Mr. Henderson came upon the man on East Trade street and was told by another, when he made inquiry, that he was wanted in Virginia. His photograph has been sent to Richmond and Kirk is being held awaiting further instructions from that place.

Mr. Henderson will receive $50 reward if the negro proves to be the one wanted.

To Aid the Rescue Home.

An earnest appeal for the support of the Alexander Rescue Home was made by Rev. Dr. A. A. McGeachy, at the Second Presbyterian church yesterday morning, at the close of the regular service. It was stated that the institution, which had done and is doing a commendable work, is in times of straits so that frequently the ladies in charge have thought of giving it up. Twenty children are now there. In the past 17 years 400 have been cared for and put into good families where they have done well. The baskets were passed for subscriptions and a liberal offering was made.

Death of Little Child.

The many friends of Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Nicholson will be pained to learn of the death of their infant daughter, Ellie, at the age of one week. She died yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock at the Whitehead-Stokes Sanatorium in Salisbury. Mr. Nicholson left at once for that place. The remains will be brought to Charlotte to-day and the interment will be at Elmwood.

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A SUNDAY BLAZE.

Small Damage to the Roof of the Home of Mr. C. McNeils Wrought at Noon Yesterday.

Flashing into flame perhaps from a spark from a nearby chimney, a lively blaze in the roof was beginning to jeopardize the residencee of Mr. C. McNeils, No. 801 South A street yesterday at noon when an avalanche of chemicals hurled from the fire department's engine smothered it into smoking nothingness. The only damage was to the shingle roof, ranging in the neighborhood of $20, more or less.

It was almost on the stroke of noon that the alarm pealed, its later strokes coinciding with the competitive tones from the clock on the city hall, announcing the hour of 12. A few of the firemen were at nearby churches but they caught the wagons as they whirled out of Fifth street and clattered up Tryon toward the square. Both departments answered the call and the fire was soon given attention.

The dwelling is a two-story frame structure and the fire was at the top. The alarm was given by telephone, the firemen turning in the alarm from box 26.

Stole Legless Man's Trousers.

"I don't believe in carryin' coal to Newcastle, nohow. What use has a no-legged man got for pants?"

Thus reasoned Roy Little, colored, to himself about a week ago, so alleged the State, and suiting his action to his philosophy, he "lifted" a pair of trousers which belonged to John Thomas, the crippled colored man who drives a goat wagon about the streets frequently, scorning automobiles and other artificial means of getting over ground.

Little was arrested yesterday. He was "caught with the goods on" in a very vital sense.

Tom McIlwain Under Duress.

Officer Mack Earnhardt arrived yesterday morning from Rock Hill, S. C., acting as escort of honor to Tom McIlwain, an escaped convict from Little's camp, of this county. Tom was sent up about six months ago to serve a term of eighteen months on the roads for entering Messick's store and stealing about $16. The authorities of Rock Hill were written in regard to him, with the result that he was landed.

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