

A SPLENDID SERMON ON MISSIONS.

centuries. In the first century we have, as a leader, the apostle Paul and the missionary to the Gentiles. The second and third centuries are covered with dense darkness, so far as the records go, but none were more intensely missionary. From that time on to the present, every century, without exception, shows conspicuous names engaged in this work. These are some of them:

In the 4th century we have Ulphilas. He was a successful missionary among the West Goths, who were rank. He translated for them the Bible. Many were converted by his preaching.

In the 5th century we have St. Patrick. He was the missionary to Ireland. He gathered the people in the open fields and preached to them Christ.

In the 6th century we have Columba. He preached in Ireland, parts of England and to the Northern Picts. He founded the monastery of Iona.

In the 7th century Augustine was sent to England with a numerous train of followers by Pope Gregory.

In the 8th century Boniface went to Germany.

In the 9th century Ansgar was a missionary to Denmark and Sweden.

In the 10th century Vladimir was a missionary to the Russians.

In the 11th century St. Stephen of Hungary was a missionary to Bohemia, Hungary and Poland.

In the 12th century Bishop Otto of Bamberg was a missionary to the Pomeranians, Livonians and Prussians.

In the 13th century Raymond Lull went to the Saracenes in Africa. He was stoned to death by a mob while preaching.

In the 14th century John de Monte was a missionary in Pekin, China, for eleven years.

In the 15th century Las Casas was a missionary to the West Indies. He was the first man to receive priestly ordination in America.

In the 16th century Francis Xavier was a Jesuit missionary to India.

In the 17th century John Elliott was the missionary to the Indians. The principal monument of his labors is the translation of the Bible into the Indian language.

In the 18th century William Carey went to India. He is noted for saying, "Expect great things from God. Attempt great things for God." "I will go down, but you must hold the rope."

In the 19th century Adromian Judeon went to Burmah. When he arrived he said: "The prospect is as bright as the promises of God."

The 20th century is noted for its great host of noble heroes of the cross. These are just a few names out of hundreds known to us. And these are but a few out of tens of thousands known to the recording angel who in every century have braved peril and endured hardship that they might spread abroad the gospel.

All these missionaries have done nothing, but obey the charter of the christian church. The first command of Christ was, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." His last, "Go ye and make disciples of all the nations." The charter of the christian church is, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world, Amen." Three facts are written upon this charter.

1. The church was founded as a missionary enterprise. It was not intended to stand still, but to "go."
2. The missionary enterprise of the church has no geographical limits. The gospel is not for only one nation, but for all nations.
3. There is no limit in time to the commission which Christ gives the church. He does not tell his disciples to preach for one century and then stop. They are to preach and keep on preaching; to go and keep on going; for if they will do this he will be with them even unto the end of the world. The apostle Paul was conscious of these facts written in this command, given by Christ. That is the reason he desired to see the heathen city of Rome, "I must

also see Rome." This was not a desire on the part of the apostle just to visit the city and see its beauty. He knew that the influence of the capital city spread out over all the known world, just as the influence of America does to day. It was the strategic centre of the life of his age. "I must also see Rome," I must go to Rome and preach this gospel which is the power of God unto salvation. Realizing this great fact, is the reason that the Reformed church is putting forth extra efforts to establish Reformed churches in the leading cities of the country. It is the reason we have a fine church in Washington where President Roosevelt worships; it is the reason we are preparing to build a fine church in Chicago. These are strategic points in the life of our country. We have the apostle's sense, "I must also see Rome." The same is true as it relates to the foreign field. The church should realize now is the time to fasten attention upon Japan. China is waking from her long, long slumber. The question of the politician is, What shall we do with China? The question of the christian is, What will China do with us? A great tide of foreign population is coming to our country. We must meet the issue. These people must have the gospel preached unto them, because they are here. "If we do not Americanize them they will foreignize us." But the church of Jesus Christ should go to the very source of it all and christianize them as far as possible before they come to our shores. And especially is this true as it relates to China. We should remember that China is not going to be influenced by us. "If she desires Western civilization she will choose to take it from her neighbor and kin, Japan. If we did but know the hour of visitation and opportunity, we should evangelize Japan, and especially in the centers of learning, for from them are going forth the men who will presently effect the moulding of China. The church today ought to be restless through all her missionary societies, and her great cry ought to be 'I must see Japan.' Paul knew that to be at the center of the empire with the message of the gospel was to effect the uttermost part of the earth."

It is true that the church is doing and has done a great work in Japan and China. (The Reformed church supports 51 missionaries. 28 are in Japan and 23 are in China.) Here are a few statistics relating to the work of the church in Japan and China. There is a population of 45,000,000 in Japan, 67,000 are Protestant christians. Let us look at China as it was in 1807 and then look at it in 1907. In 1807 not a single Chinese Protestant Christian. In 1842 after 35 years, there were only six church members; and in 1860 only about one thousand. Morrison was the only Protestant missionary, and in 1860 the total missionary force numbered only 100. There was no native helpers. No part of the Bible in print. No christian books or tracts in Chinese. China closed against the gospel. Even in 1857 only five treaty ports were open to the missionary.

In 1907 more than 150,000 church members, representing a christian community of about half a million souls, in every province of the empire. More than 3,800 foreign missionaries, including 1,143 wives. About ten thousand Chinese preachers, colporteurs, etc. More than a million copies of the Scriptures were sold in China last year. From Hankow alone, during the past thirty years more than 26,000,000 books and tracts have been issued and circulated. The whole of China open to missionary work, eager for new light, new knowledge, new life.

In the face of all these facts that we have in favor of the great missionary enterprise there are many who cry out and say we do not believe in foreign missions. You ask them why, and they will often say that they are not a success.

What do you call success? Is it a success to have opened up new continents to commerce? Then missions have succeeded. China, Japan, India, Africa, Australia, and all Asia have been opened up to commerce by the faithful missionaries. And today honest commerce and business

gets more out of this in one year than the church has ever put into it. Suppose these countries should close their doors to our trade, it would be worse than any panic that has ever struck our shores.

Is it a success to make vast contributions to human science and literature? Then missions have succeeded. Carl Ritter says he could never have written his geography if it had not been for the missionaries. So our school children are getting the direct benefit of this in their study of geography. Is it a success to adorn the page of history with glorious examples of faith and self-sacrifice? Then missions have succeeded. For there is no roll of honor that shines with brighter names.

Is it success to win souls for Christ out of the heart of heathendom? Then missions have succeeded as I have already pointed out. "And when you, my brother, have found one hardened sinner at home, and turned him from error, and brought him into the church of Christ, against the opposition of his friends and family, and at the sacrifice of his worldly prospects—then, and not till then—will you have right to find fault with the missionary enterprise which had one that thing for thousands of heathen while you have been sitting still and finding fault."

Brethren, we are not realizing the great responsibility that rests upon us. We have seen America, but we must also see Japan, we must see China, etc. We must have the spirit of the apostle, "I must also see Rome." We are simply trustees of the gospel. That is all. "To know our duty and do it not is sin." "If our religion is not true we ought to change it; if it is true we are bound to propagate what we believe to be the truth." The great trouble with us as a christian nation and as a christian church is, that we are in the same condition and state of mind as the apostles who were on the Mount of Transfiguration with their Lord. After being up on the Mount with their Lord they said, "It is good for us to be here." That was true. It was good for them to be there. But the mistake was, that they wanted to stay there all the time. They proposed to make three tabernacles and abide there. But that was not in accord with the wishes of Christ. He says, they must come down the mountain and find something to do. There is a work that must be done. So we are living amidst christian opportunities and on the mount of privileges; we are saying, it is good for us. But the trouble is, we are not coming down the mountain. We like to sing the old hymn, "Here I will sit and sing myself to everlasting bliss." Let us come down the mountain. At the foot of the mountain are the Japanese and Chinese, etc. Let us go and see them. If the mercies of God have blessedly beset us, let us not build three tabernacles that we may abide; but rather like Paul say, "I must go to Rome," and push, thank God, and take courage until we arrive there. But in order to go to Rome, Japan, China, etc., we must put forth personal effort, give our money, pray (but do not pray unless you give something) and love. "If your love cannot cross the ocean it has a broken wing."

Another Fire at Thomasville.

Sunday afternoon about 4 o'clock the factory of the Climax Chair Company was found to be on fire. The alarm was given and every effort made to check the flames but they had gained too much headway. The fire originated in the second story of the plant and quickly spread all over the building. From the main building the finishing department, about 100 feet away, caught and it was destroyed with a large stack of chairs. The origin of the fire is not known. The loss was about \$16,000, with \$5,200 insurance. Messrs. Will and Tom Harris owned the plant. Their loss is heavy, especially in view of the fact that they had another costly fire in the last few years. It is not definitely known, but it is thought that the plant will be rebuilt as soon as possible. —Thomasville correspondent of the Lexington Dispatch.

Wood! Readers of THE WASHINGTON who may wish to pay their subscription with wood are invited to do so now.

Adopt 8-Hour Day.

At a largely attended meeting of the North Carolina Case workers Association in Greensboro, in which 95 per cent of the output of North Carolina furniture was represented, it was decided to reduce the output by curtailing the hours from ten to eight per day, excepting where employees preferred to work five ten-hour days per week, and lay off one day. The question of shutting down was discussed, but was not considered seriously. The association also discussed but did not favor selling goods at reduced prices, but resolved to continue manufacturing goods and storing the products until the market got better. There is depression in the market, but the manufacturers are confident and feel that the market will soon pick up.

There will be no shutting down or discharge of employes in the factories. It is understood that High Point factories will run on the 8-hour day plan, leaving other communities to act on the five-day plan, if they so select. Of course an 8-hour day will mean less wages for the workmen, but it is hoped that this Roosevelt panic will let up soon, and all the shops will run same as ever.

The Lexington factories are running on the regular winter 9-hour day. They make this time every winter, and will no doubt continue to do so this winter. Up to November 1st, before this panic began to be felt, every factory in Lexington, and perhaps all other state furniture factories, had received more business and had done more than ever before in their history. Naturally there was some disturbance when money conditions grew tighter and some orders were countermanded. However the outlook is brighter and it is easy to believe that soon conditions will be normal. The crisis has passed.—Lexington Dispatch.

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Prohibition Tactics in Alabama.

The Alabama Senate Tuesday passed a bill, previously passed by the House, providing for State prohibition. The most remarkable incident of the Alabama contest was the appearance of women as lobbyists against prohibition. The daughter of Admiral Raphael Semmes, of the Confederate Navy, and Mrs. Augusta Evans Wilson, the noted writer, presented a protest signed by about 1,000 women of Mobile and other cities in Alabama. The basis of the protest seemed to be that the passage of prohibition law would cripple the schools. The bill, however, passed the Senate by a vote of 32 to 2, and a dispatch from Montgomery says:

When two carloads of Mobile women came to the city today to lobby against the prohibition bill, passed by the House and pending in the Senate, they found that delegations from Montgomery, Selma and Birmingham, who favored the prohibition measure, had filled the Senate galleries until not a seat was left. It was a plan to crowd them out and carried. Little children stood in the lobbies and pinned ribbons on every one who came in. The children were kept out of school to work against whiskey.

And so the sisters who tried to oppose prohibition were treated somewhat as the Morally Stunted of the male persuasion are in this State. They were shut out.—Statesville Landmark.

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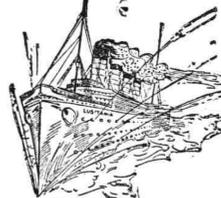
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Little Dattie }
vs } Action for Divorce.
Murtie Dattie }

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced against him in the superior court of Rowan county to obtain a divorce from the bonds of matrimony on the grounds of infidelity; that the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the February term, 1908, of the Superior court of Rowan county to be held on the 3rd of March, 1908, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief therein demanded.
November the 1st, 1907.
J. F. McCUBBINS,
Clerk Superior Court Rowan County.
P. S. CARSTON, atty.

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LONA CODY,
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