

PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL.

DR. WHARTON'S SERMON AT THE FIRST BAPTIST.

The Divine Preacher From The Familiar Text to a Crowded Church Monday Evening—Many Persons Ask For Prayer.

The second evening's service at the First Baptist church last evening saw every pew crowded in auditorium and gallery, and, judging from the interest being awakened in the services, even this large edifice will be unable to hold the crowds that flock to hear the powerful sermons and the splendid singing.

On the platform with Dr. Wharton were Revs. H. E. Chretzberg, L. H. Baldwin and J. L. White. The Doctor preached from the familiar parable of the Prodigal Son, from the text: "And when he came to himself he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread and meat to spare, and I am perishing with hunger."

"I will arise and go to my father and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants."

"At the age of 25 I had my law office, but a lawyer without a case, because of my dissipation. I had had good prospects. Finally the thought of my mother's Saviour came to me, I got down on my knees and after a while God took me to his heart. I'll tell you, there is more joy in an hour's service for God than a lifetime for the devil."

"I think there is a fine piece of sarcasm in this parable, where it says 'and there arose a famine in the land.' There always is a famine when you get of money—did you ever notice it? Everybody is out of money. You ask a man for a small loan, and he will say, 'Well, I would like to let you have it, but I haven't got it.' So the Prodigal had to go to feeding hogs. He was a Jew, and if there is anything a Jew hates it is a hog. But after awhile he said, 'I will arise and go to my father.' Oh, my good man, would you do that? How many of our resolutions are broken! Why, it would take a four-horse team to pull the resolutions some of us have made and be kept in our lives. Now, to keep a resolution you must take God into partnership with you. The young man of the text lived up to his resolution. Perhaps some of his friends called him a coward. I would rather be called a coward in the Lord's cause than to be the bravest man on earth if not in His cause. Some men tell a young Christian that he is 'tied to his mother's apron strings.' When the heavens shall unroll as a scroll and God shall call us to Him, I would rather be tied to my mother's apron strings than to be anywhere else. I imagine the Prodigal's friends told him, 'You smell like hogs.' Well, you've seen men who were so close to the devil that they smelled like sulphur."

"Jesus does not want you to wait to patch up your clothes. He wants you just as you are. That is the way to go to Christ, and He will not turn you away. The trouble with you is, you don't think you are a sinner."

"When I was 17 years old I went to Mexico. Father knew my habits and begged me not to go. Soon after I got there I found myself having corn at 50 cents a day. And it seemed to me those were the longest rows I ever saw. The government gave me some land, which I sold for \$1 an acre and went home, where I was gladly welcomed by my father, and where for six weeks my life hung in the balance as I suffered from disease contracted in Mexico. Thank God, my father lived to hear me preach the Word from the pulpit at the old home."

"Our Father says 'Come and I will receive you.' He will receive you. I know it." At the close of the sermon a number of persons asked for prayer in their behalf. During the sermon Dr. Wharton said Asheville and the surrounding country was the prettiest spot he had ever seen. He had just written a letter to his home, saying that old Luray, in Virginia, would have to take a back seat.

The attendance upon the service this morning was a large increase over yesterday. Dr. Wharton spoke on "A Woman's Faith and a Mother's Prayer." At the close mothers and wives and sisters pressed to the pulpit requesting prayer for loved ones. It was an affecting scene. Those noble women stood weeping, while Dr. Wharton offered a tender prayer that God would save their husbands, sons and brothers. It was a glorious meeting.

Tomorrow morning Dr. Wharton's subject will be "The Christian's Wealth." The service begins at 10 and closes promptly at 11 o'clock. Why will not the business men close stores and offices for one hour and everyone attend these meetings? Dr. Wharton is a great preacher, a man full of the Holy Ghost. Such congregational singing was never heard in Asheville.

This evening Dr. Wharton will preach on the subject "Death at a Frolic."

A Card. I have learned that parties in Asheville are claiming to have Harris Lithia Water for sale. I will state, that I have not shipped any of the water to any one except Messrs. Raysor & Smith since May 16th. The public is cautioned from buying the Harris' Lithia Water from anyone except our sole agent for Asheville, Messrs. Raysor & Smith. C. C. Habenschlag, Prop. Harris' Lithia Water.

AROUND TOWN.

Washington, July 18—Forecast till 8 p. m. Wednesday—Probably local showers today or tonight, followed by clearing weather; winds shifting to westerly; slightly cooler.

The Swannanoa registered 73 arrivals yesterday.

Alfred Ansbach of New York is at the Battery Park.

The Greenville excursion left Asheville this afternoon.

A. E. Cochran of San Diego, Cal., is visiting Asheville.

Editor Griffin, of the Marion Free Lance, is in Asheville.

Rev. A. H. Lester of Spartanburg is here on a pleasure visit.

City Tax Collector Farg went down to Hot Springs yesterday.

R. M. Tuttle, of Hartland, N. C., is autographed at the Grand Central.

P. J. Johnson of Lenoir is at the Grand Central on a business trip to Asheville.

The Glen Rock hotel, and here are now running as usual, under Receiver Southwick.

J. H. Ibbel, formerly a resident of Asheville but now living at Murphy, is in the city.

Messes Bertha and Clara Nelson have gone to Blackwell's Springs for a 10 days' stay.

C. H. Speights, now living in Greenville, S. C., but formerly an Ashevilleite, is up on a visit.

G. P. Nichols and wife and Miss Jane (Huguley of Jacksonville, Fla., are guests of the Swannanoa.

Ex-Lieutenant-Governor W. L. Mauldin of Greenville, S. C., came up on the excursion yesterday.

Internal revenue collections for the 14th North Carolina district yesterday amounted to \$4,804.08.

One case, a family quarrel, occupied Mayor Patton's time for awhile this morning, and the fine was \$10.

Among the Battery Park's late arrivals are D. T. Swindell and son, Raleigh; T. B. Bailey, Mocksville; R. P. Spencer, Columbus, Ga.

Dr. H. B. Battle, director of the agricultural experiment station, B. W. Kilgore and R. E. Noble of Raleigh were at the Swannanoa today.

Misses Berdick and Sellers, who have been stopping at "Ingleside" for some time, left this afternoon for Blackwell's Springs for a stay of a week or ten days.

"Henry" Poland, an old-time ball player, propounds this query: "If Asheville makes 14-3 with one umpire and 14-10 with two umpires, what would she do with three umpires?"

The president of the Asheville Library association requests the directors of the association to meet in the library room on Wednesday, July 19, at 11 o'clock a. m. for the transaction of important business.

Alderman B. H. Cosby left today for Raleigh, where he goes to attend the grand encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of North Carolina. The encampment began today, and will continue till Friday.

David Robinson, business manager of the Savannah, Ga., Press, gave THE CITIZEN a pleasant call today. Mr. Robinson, accompanied by Mrs. Robinson, is at the Kenilworth Inn, where they will spend several weeks.

There will be a baseball game at Carrier's track tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock between colored players. The contesting teams will be the Independent Champions of Greenville, S. C., and the Lone Star team of Asheville.

Albert Strassburger, of Montgomery, Ala., general representative of the New Orleans Times Democrat, was in the city today and remembered THE CITIZEN with a pleasant call. He is spending the heated term at Hot Springs.

Judge Thos. A. Jones will hold his first session of the Buncombe Criminal court beginning next Monday. There are now about 80 cases on the docket. The case of Geo. Whit, charged with complicity in the killing of Deputy Marshal Brooks, will go to the grand jury at this term.

In the Collector's Office.

Today Collector Elias announced the appointment of G. R. Hask of Piney Creek, Allegheny county, to the position of brandy gauger, at a salary of \$3 a day and expenses. Mr. Hask is a prominent farmer of Allegheny.

Ex-Sheriff J. G. Neal of McDowell county, who was yesterday appointed distillery surveyor, was in Asheville today to see Collector Elias.

To Whom It May Concern.

Harris' Lithia, \$2.50 crate; \$1.00 for return crates at Pelham's. Bottles 10 cents; 7 cents for return bottle.

WE DO NOT ANY LONGER BUY FROM C. C. HABENSCHLAG. He thinks we sell the water too cheap and that it will demoralize his trade. Refuses to sell us, writes July 8th.

"Pelham's Pharmacy, Dear Sir:—In consideration of the price you are selling H. L. W. it would not do the sale of the water any good, consequently I have decided, in protection of sale of water, simply to sell one party, Messrs. R. & S. I regret to do this but could not do otherwise. C. C. Habenschlag."

WE STILL SELL AT THE ABOVE FIGURES. Absolute proof of genuineness furnished. Another thing; the testimonials now being used by Raysor & Smith in another column are testimonials given to us and are our property. In each the address "To Pelham's Pharmacy" was omitted. Call at drug store and see originals or ask Mrs. T. W. Branch, Dr. John Her Williams or Mr. R. P. Walker. We are now sole agents for Glenn Springs water. Crate, \$3.25, \$1.00 for return crate; bottles, 15 cents, 5 cents for return bottles. A. F. PELHAM'S.

DUMMY LINE SCHEDULE.

Leave Court House Square on Charlotte street electric car for Sunset Park at 9 a. m., and every 30 minutes thereafter until 12:30 p. m.

Commencing then at 2 p. m., take car at square every 30 minutes until 7 p. m.

Soda Water.

In your choice of soda, choose only the best. And be sure of the sparkle—there lies the zest. Obtained at Pelham's—this tells the rest.

Boarding Houses Take Notice!

A special privilege tax of \$5.00 having been levied upon all boarding houses, whether advertised as such or not, you are requested to call at my office in the city hall and settle the same at once. H. C. FAGE, City tax collector.

The finest fruit flavors come from nature's laboratory, not the chemist's. But we are chemist enough to recognize this and only use pure fruits at Pelham's.

See the splendid assortment of portieres and folding screens at Law's.

THE MARKETS.

New York Market.

New York, July 18—Cotton futures, opened firm; June, July, 7.00; August, 8.01; September, 8.11; October, 8.21; November, 8.31; December, 8.41.

Stock Quotations.

New York, July 18—Brie 12 1/2; Lake Shore 9 1/2; Chicago and Northwestern 11 1/2; Norfolk and Western, 15 1/2; Richmond and West Point Terminal 2 1/2; Western Union 7 1/2.

Baltimore Market.

Baltimore, July 18—Flour, dull; wheat, firm; spot, July, 67; August, 68 1/2; milling wheat by sample, 68 1/2; corn, firm; spot, July, 47 1/2; August, 47 1/2; bid, white corn by sample, 48, yellow, 49.

Nickel and Brass Lamps.

A full supply on hand now. Special attention is called to the \$1.75 nickel lamp, at Law's, Patton avenue.

Highest Prices Paid for Railroad Tickets—Special Rates Offered—Accident Insurance. Clarke, G. C. Hotel

Index to New Advertisements.

For Rent—L. Brown. Statement—Battery Park Bank. Statement—National Bank of Asheville.

MISS ALICE PUGH, teacher of voice and piano, a former student of the College of Music of Cincinnati. Testimonials show Residence, 79 Chestnut street. (274th)

FOR RENT—Three or four desirable rooms. Cool well of water, garden full of vegetables. Rooms on first floor. No. 17 Central avenue. L. BROWN, Market House, July 18th

Statement of the Condition OF THE BATTERY PARK BANK OF ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Table with 2 columns: Resources and Liabilities. Resources include Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, Furniture and fixtures, Real estate, Bonds, Merchandise, Expenses, Due from banks, Cash on hand. Liabilities include Capital, Surplus, Profits, Bills payable, Due banks, Deposits.

Statement of the Condition OF THE NATIONAL BANK OF ASHEVILLE

Table with 2 columns: Resources and Liabilities. Resources include Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, U. S. Bonds to secure currency, Stocks, securities, etc., Due from approved banks, Due from other National Banks, Due from State Banks and bankers, Banking house, furniture and fixtures, Other real estate and mortgages owned, Current expenses and taxes paid, Premiums on U. S. Bonds, Checks and other cash items, Merchandise, Bills of other banks, Fractional paper currency, notes and bills, Special deposits, Legal tender notes, Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, 5 per cent. of circulation. Liabilities include Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, National bank notes outstanding, Individual deposits outstanding, Demand certificates of deposit, Certified checks, Cashier's checks outstanding, United States deposits, Deposits of U. S. disbursing officers, Due to other National Banks, Due to State Banks and bankers, Notes and bills rediscounted, Bills payable.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, County of Buncombe, I, Lawrence P. Pulliam, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of July, 1893.

D. C. WADDELL, Jr., Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: A. J. LYMAN, W. J. BARBER, W. B. WILLIAMSON, Directors.

WE CARRY THE Largest and Finest Assortment of these goods in the State!

Law's Silver and China House. 35 and 37 Patton Avenue. Sterling Silver and plated Ware. Crockery, Glassware, Cutlery.

Advertisement for W. B. Williamson & Co. featuring an illustration of a man carrying a large sack. Text: DOWN THEY COME! GREAT MARK DOWN!

MATTINGS, REFRIGERATORS, ICE CHESTS, HAMMOCKS, FLY SCREENS, ETC., ETC. W. B. WILLIAMSON & CO., FURNITURE, CARPETS, ETC., ETC., 16 Patton Avenue, Asheville, N. C.

Advertisement for Whitlock Clothing House. Text: WHITLOCK CLOTHING HOUSE, EAGLE BLOCK, CORNER STORE. SPECIAL SALE—All light colored suits reduced from \$2 to \$5 on each suit. Now is your opportunity. SPECIAL SALE—All underwear in gauze and balbriggan stripes reduced below value. Prepare for hot weather. Our stock is large and complete. SPECIAL SALE—Straw hats. The balance of our straw hats will be sold below usual prices from this date. Good shapes are scarce; better select your hat today. SPECIAL SALE—Negligee Shirts, Neckwear and Belts, new stock of each just received. Styles elegant, prices lower than ever. SPECIAL SALE—Children's Clothing, desirable styles and seasonable goods. Will be closed out at 50 per cent. below value. CALL - AT - ONCE!

Advertisement for Blair & McDowell. Text: FURNITURE! : FURNITURE! BLAIR & McDOWELL, No. 45 Patton Avenue. CALL - AND - EXAMINE - OUR - STOCK. Bed Room Suites, Parlor Suites, Dining Room Sets, Mattresses, Chairs, Window Shades, &c.

Advertisement for C. E. Moody. Text: WE CAN SAVE YOU MONEY. COAL AND WOOD YARD, No. 20 North Court Square, (FORMERLY CARRINGTON'S.) COAL, COKE, PLASTER PARIS, FIREWOOD, KINDLINGS, LAND PLASTER, CHARCOAL, LIME, SEWER PIPE, CEMENT, HAY AND FEED. C. E. MOODY, TELEPHONE NO. 121. DEPOT YARD AND WAREHOUSE, TELEPHONE NO. 73.

Advertisement for Mustin, Fakes & Company. Text: FINE BREAD IS THE GREATEST LUXURY OF LIFE. TO MAKE IT YOU MUST HAVE GOOD FLOUR. "OMEGA" PATENT Is the Finest Winter Wheat FLOUR. On the market. Ask your grocer for it. It is not cheap, but quality justifies price. We Sell Only to Merchants. MUSTIN, FAKES & COMPANY.

Advertisement for Asheville Ice & Coal Co. Text: Avoid Disease By Using PURE ICE Made From Distilled Water ASHEVILLE ICE & COAL CO., 34 Patton Avenue, Telephone No. 40.

Advertisement for Asheville Milling Company. Text: ASHEVILLE MILLING COMPANY, MANUFACTURERS OF Roller King and Electric Light Flour, Choice Corn Meal, GRAHAM FLOUR. Dealers in All Kinds of GRAIN and MILL FEED!

Advertisement for The Carolina Ice and Coal Company. Text: The citizens of Asheville drink the water of the Swannanoa river. If that water is impure, it must be conceded that the ice taken from its surface is likewise impure. BUT if there is danger in the ice, it is a patent fact that there is awful danger in the limpid, sparkling water itself, and the incoming administration should hasten to provide a new untainted supply from an undefiled source. Meanwhile the anxious and perspiring citizens can obtain pure, wholesome ice, BOTH NATURAL AND MANUFACTURED, at reasonable and seasonable rates from only THE CAROLINA ICE AND COAL COMPANY, No. 39 Patton Avenue, Telephone, 130.

Advertisement for Headquarters: For: Feed! Text: HEADQUARTERS: FOR: FEED! 67 NORTH MAIN STREET, TELEPHONE 67.

Advertisement for C. S. Cooper. Text: Call Get Prices! Will Save You Money! We also keep in stock Wilbur's Horse and Cattle Powders and other stock medicines. We have testimonials from leading men in Asheville as to their value. C. S. COOPER.

Advertisement for Great Sale. Text: Great Sale OF Silk Waists

Advertisement for At Mimnaugh's. Text: AT MIMNAUGH'S Those lovely Plaids, Wash Silk, Plain India, Fancy Empire, Surplus, all new. This summer \$7.50, \$8 and \$10 Goods all reduced to \$5. This is the Best Bargain to be presented this season. Parties wishing to procure any of these goods should call at once before sizes get broken.

Advertisement for F. P. Mimnaugh. Text: F. P. MIMNAUGH