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THOU SHALT NOT KILL.

Rev. G. H. Cornelson Defines the Commandment—Do Not Kill Power for Good in Other.

Rev. G. H. Cornelson, the pastor of the First Presbyterian church, who is preaching a series of sermons on the commandments took for his text on Monday night the words, "Thou shalt not kill." He said the revised version puts the commandment in these words, "Thou shalt do no murder. The American revision, however, reverts to the terms of the St. James version, "Thou shalt not kill." He said that murder means the killing of a human being with the element of hate or malice and not with the consent of the law, and is therefore narrow in its application. "Thou shalt not kill" has a much wider meaning and has its best definition in the words of the Saviour himself, the violation of the spirit of love.

Murder is but the less frequent way of killing. The injunction includes the wanton destruction of anything which God has placed in the world for the benefit of man. He clearly defined the privilege and the duty of man to destroy the wild beast, the reptile, etc.; that is an enemy to man and that kills him or stands in the way of his progress and development.

He who wantonly destroys the beautiful flower, though, or the bird or the insect that gives cheer and comfort to man, displays the elements of a murderer and violates this command.

The speaker emphasized the fact that destroying the usefulness of another by crushing an element of good in one's character and life or by hindering these developments is essentially a violation of this commandment.

Nor has a man a right to destroy his own gifts or power.

At this point the speaker grew deeply impressive as he portrayed the possibilities of good in the child lying dormant for want of education. He appealed to parents not to kill the best elements in the life of their children by a failure to educate them. With education they develop what the Creator has implanted within them. When you fail to educate them you kill within them that which would have grown into towering characteristics of success.

The speaker here declared that it does not require the hundreds and the thousands to begin with in their education but the gifts of ordinary strength to labor at some calling by which the parents can make a support and send the children to school. He warned parents against the terrible consequences of killing

within their children the noble attributes depending upon education for development and practical operation.

While the speaker did not neglect the gravity of taking human life he presented the too often overlooked forms of violating this comprehensive injunction that are just as flagrant and even more far reaching in their consequences and more unnatural than the taking of human life.

The presentation was broadly novel but none the less forceful and timely.

YOUNG MAN DROWNED.

John Landingham Dies in Mickey's Pond Near Winston-Salem on Sunday—Bad Feature in the Case.

John Landingham a young man in his 16th year was drowned in Mickey's pond two miles from Winston-Salem on Sunday the 27th.

His companion Joseph Helton says he ventured beyond his depth and could not swim and that he called to him, Hilton, for help but that he could not save him and could only have lost his own life.

Noah Albody who was on the opposite side of the pond, however, says that Helton took Landingham in and abandoned him, telling him to learn to swim and did not try to help him out.

The body was secured but could not be resuscitated.

Helton has been arrested.

Mr. Frank Beatty Leaves Home.

Our sympathies are extended to Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Beatty in the absence of their son, Mr. Frank Beatty.

From our best information he went to Washington City Sunday night where he has a special friend of his boyhood in New London. The only presumption is that he aspired to a chance for the better, which is always legitimate in a young man, and with the hope of improvement he wished to try a new field.

He has always been a model of obedience to his parents and of great tenderness to his mother. He doubtless wished to go and could not tell her. He left Sunday night not realizing the grief it would cause.

We have no reason to believe any crime attaches to the young man's life and if it proves that there is none, which we devoutly hope, the poignancy of parental grief will be greatly ameliorated.

Things of this kind have occurred and seemed eventually to have borne satisfactory fruits though sown in human sorrow.

We will hope hope for the best.

Later we learn that he left everything clear with his employer and even some wages to his credit.

OUR CHEMICAL FIRE FIGHTER.

Tested Saturday Evening Very Severely—It Displayed Fine Powers—Has Been Accepted.

The first test for the new Chemical fire fighter was given at 6 o'clock Saturday evening on the Concord High School grounds.

A rough board shed was erected for the purpose, containing about 500 feet of surface most of which was saturated with kerosene oil. A match was put to it and in a fearfully short time the building was in flames.

The heat drove the immense crowd back when the signal was given to apply the fluid. It was a severe test and it seemed at one time that the flames would get the better of it, but progress was being made when the structure fell. The stream was kept at play and in a surprisingly short time the black charred lumber lay without a coal of fire about it.

The building was all on fire inside and out and the wind was blowing the flame in dashes toward the nozzle men.

The gas was necessarily less effective than it would be in a house, too, and it was a test peculiarly severe, much more so than in a house, but the way the flames were subdued when the structure fell left no one in doubt that the machine is highly effective. The general verdict is favorable and there are few, we think, that would be willing to send the wagon back. The committee accepted it and we now have another means of protection from fire. No one will claim for this "soda water fountain," as some jocularly call it, that it is equal to a heavy stream of water for putting out a fire but it has the merit of being applied where hose cannot reach for want of hydrants and it is so much less destructive to goods than water when thrown on in torrents.

We learn that Philadelphia is soon to have its 53rd machine of this kind and where supplied with these wagons 95 per cent. of the fires are extinguished with them.

Early Gobble Fatally Hurt in Salisbury.

Mr. Early Gobble, a young man of Spencer, was fatally injured Saturday morning on the Southern's yard at Salisbury in some unknown way. He seems to have attempted to board a freight train. He was found with his head crushed and his death was considered only a matter of time.

Mr. Gobble was unmarried.

Political News.

Mr. W. T. Crawford will be a candidate at the Hendersonville Democratic convention against Messrs. Gudge and Campbell.

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