

REPENTANCE AFTER DEATH.

Is There a Chance For Sinners Beyond the Grave?

The following, written by a Concordian, appeared in Sunday's Charlotte Observer, and we publish it by special request:

During a short stay in a small town, recently, I attended services where I heard a sermon that has set me to thinking on this subject which is of vital importance to all people—the Jew and the Gentile—the Christian and the unbeliever—the enlightened and the heathen.

I once had a friend, a dear earnest little woman, but of small mental force, who said on one occasion when religious beliefs were under discussion, "Well I am glad I have had some one to tell me what to believe; and I just go on believing it." It is fortunate that we are not all like this, for there would be nobody to tell us what to believe; it is far better to arouse our minds to active research and investigation of these vital questions; in other words, to do our own thinking rather than fall in with the beliefs of others and from mere mental inertia, be led oftentimes into error.

The purport of the sermon was to prove that the punishment for sin in the great hereafter is not "forever and forever." The preacher gave several illustrations, which to my mind proved nothing, and as a finale said "All will be saved, for 'as in Adam all die even so in Christ shall all be made alive.'" These words, we all know, were uttered by Paul in proof of the resurrection from the dead. He said: "But now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

This clearly refers to the rising of the body from the grave and cannot possibly mean that those who die in their sins are, after death, forgiven and saved.

No doubt some of his hearers went away comforted with the thought that no matter how we live or die, here, there is a chance in the other world. A chance! Did I say? Oh, no! according to this man's teaching a surety that we will come out of hell and be saved.

There are many mysteries that can never be elucidated by any finite mind and it behooves us all to be very careful lest we mislead those who are glad to have some one to tell them what to believe.

I do not say there will never be another chance after we pass out of this world, for I do not know. God, in His great mercy, may have a plan by which we can explain our sins; by which we can make reparation or atonement for our sins, beyond the grave, but if He has, He has never revealed it unto us, and it is far better for us to feel and teach that we must make our peace with God, here, on this earth or be forever lost; then if we find, in the great hereafter, that those of our loved ones who have rejected the Savior, and been cast into perdition have, through God's mercy, another chance to be saved, 'twill be a glorious revelation. But, with no light upon this phase of the subject, and with so much in the Bible to convince us that there is no hope beyond the grave, what an awful responsibility it is to send poor sinners into eternity with the assurance that they are not lost "forever," and then have them awake to the terrible reality that their doom is sealed, and that their punishment is "forever and forever."

Is there ever any uncertain ring to the words of our Lord? When Christ tells us that on the last day He shall say to them on His left hand "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire," and "These shall go away into everlasting punishment" is there any way to prove that "everlasting" does not mean "everlasting?"

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SURVEYORS IN CONCORD.

Now Engaged in Making Survey From Albemarle to Concord for New Railroad.

Messrs. D. W. Lum, J. M. Clark and F. L. Nicholson, of the surveying corps of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, spent Thursday night here. They came here from Mt. Pleasant. The party is making the survey from Mt. Pleasant to Concord by Mount Pleasant and are making good progress with the work. The entire corps will reach here in a few days, the work now being in the vicinity of Mount Pleasant.

When the line of the survey reaches here it is very probable that the engineers will begin making surveys and plans for the road to enter Concord.

It is understood that a number of routes will be surveyed and it will likely take several weeks to determine just what route for entering Concord will be adopted.

There are three corps of surveyors in the field. One between Troy and the river, one between the river and Albemarle and one between Albemarle and Mount Pleasant. The corps between Troy and the river are camping in the Uwharrie Mountains. They will likely remain there for three months yet. This is the critical section of the route. The entire distance from the river to Troy leads through the center of the chain of Uwharrie Mountains and it will be necessary, should this route be adopted, to cut the very heart of them for the line. As the situation now is this is the most likely route to be adopted. It has been the opinion of many men who are familiar with the section of country beyond the river that the route leading from Mount Gilead to Albemarle would be adopted by reason of the fact that natural conditions were much more favorable toward building the line at less cost. In the section along this route there are no hills of much consequence as the line could run what is known as the river ridge and this would not necessitate near so much grading as the line from Troy through the hills. It is not likely, however, that this route will be adopted as it would make the road seven or eight miles longer and one of the engineers stated that it was the shortest possible distance the officials of the road were working for. For this reason he is of the opinion that the line will go out from the A. & A. at Troy.

The Sound Sleep of Good Health

Is not for those suffering from kidney ailments and irregularities. The prompt use of Foley Kidney Pills will dispel backache and rheumatism, heal and strengthen sore, weak kidneys, restore normal action, and with it health and strength. Mrs. M. F. Spalsbury, Sterling, Ill., says: "I suffered great pain in my back and kidneys, could not sleep at night, and could not raise my hand over my head. But two bottles of Foley Kidney Pills cured me." Sold by Gibson Drug Store.

That the quality of illuminating oil offered for sale in this State has reached a standard so thoroughly complying with the inspection laws of North Carolina that there has not been a sample that has proven on analysis to be below the standard for nearly two months. The North Carolina consumption of oil amounts to about ten million gallons.

The Twin City Daily Sentinel is celebrating its thirty-first birthday by installing a \$10,000 twelve page perfecting press of the Cox-Duplex type. It will enable the enterprising afternoon paper to improve its already good mechanical appearance as well as to facilitate the handling of its new service.

First La Grippe, Then Bronchitis.

That was the case with Mrs. W. S. Bailey, McCreary, Ky. "My wife was taken down with a severe attack of la grippe, which run into bronchitis. She coughed as though she had consumption and could not sleep at night. The first bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound gave her so much relief that she continued using it until she was permanently cured." Sold by Gibson Drug Store.

Editor R. G. Mace, who has edited the Albemarle Chronicle during the month past failed to close a deal with the publishers, and has gone to another field. W. A. Jones is again in charge as editor of the Chronicle.

A Warning Against Wet Feet.

Wet and chilled feet usually affect the mucous membrane of the nose, throat and lungs, and la grippe, bronchitis or pneumonia may result. Watch carefully, particularly the children, and for the racking stubborn coughs give Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It soothes the inflamed membranes, and heals the cough quickly. Take no substitute. Sold by Gibson Drug Store.

Attorney General T. W. Bickett, in a letter to State Treasurer B. R. Lacy, holds that the slot machines recently put in use in North Carolina are gambling devices and are therefore contrary to law.

Foley Kidney Pills will cure any case of kidney or bladder trouble not beyond the reach of medicine. No medicine can do more. Sold by Gibson Drug Store.

A SURPRISE MARRIAGE.

Mr. Clell S. Caldwell and Miss Lula Jay Harris Wed Thursday Afternoon.

A marriage that will be of wide interest to the people of this section was solemnized Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home of Mr. Shakespeare Harris at Poplar Tent, when his niece, Miss Lula Jay Harris, became the bride of Mr. Clell S. Caldwell. The home was appropriately decorated for the event and a number of friends and relatives witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. J. E. Summers, pastor of Poplar Tent Presbyterian church. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell drove to Concord and left on train No. 7 for Wilmington to visit Mr. Caldwell's brother, Dr. Morris Caldwell.

Miss Harris is a highly popular young lady of the county. She is a graduate of Elizabeth College, Charlotte, and has been sponsor at a number of Confederate Veterans' reunion for several years. Mr. Caldwell is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Caldwell and is a progressive young farmer of No. 2 township.

Chas. W. Morse At Home Again.

New York, Feb. 9.—Charles W. Morse, bank wrecker and pardoned federal convict, came back last night to the scene of his former triumphs and his conviction, crumpled up in a wheel chair, silent and impassive as a lay figure. With a white-faced wife at his side, he was pushed through the curious throngs at the Pennsylvania station, lifted quickly into a taxicab and whisked away to his home at 127 West 58th street, to remain for a week or ten days before starting for Badenauheim, Germany, where he hopes to recover his health, which physicians say prison life has shattered.

Farm Lands Come High.

Greenville, S. C., Feb. 8.—As an indication of the activity in Greenville county real estate, it may be stated that public sales of farm lands one day this week amounted to over \$25,000. Never in the memory of the oldest inhabitant have farm lands brought such fancy prices, and the demand is constantly increasing. Many old residents of the county, who moved to the west, to Florida, and even far-off Australia, have returned to the old home and settled under the shelter of Old Paris mountain of the Blue Ridge, within an hour or two's ride of the city.

To Greet Chief Scout.

New York, Feb. 9.—Several thousand young delegates from various points in the United States and Canada assembled in this city today to attend the second annual meeting of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America and to meet General Sir Baden-Powell, the founder and head of the Boy Scout movement. The famous soldier will conclude his New York visit with a lecture tomorrow night and the next day he will start on a tour that will end at San Francisco the second week in March.

Say Renomination is Already Won for Taft.

Washington, Feb. 9.—President Taft's managers in a statement today say that his renomination is already won. The statement claims that Taft will have 780 votes in the Chicago convention and concedes 300 to the opposition. Representative William McKinley has been selected to manage Taft's pre-convention campaign. North and South Carolina are claimed for Taft.

How Colds Affects the Kidneys.

Avoid taking cold if your kidneys are sensitive. Cold congests the kidneys, throws too much work upon them and weakens their action. Serious trouble and even Bright's disease may result. Strengthen your kidneys, get rid of the pain and soreness, build them up by the timely use of Foley Kidney Pills. Tonic in action, quick in results. Sold by Gibson Drug Store.

Animals Die in Agony of Flames.

Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 8.—Thirty-eight sheep, three horses, ten cattle, farm machinery and a large amount of provender were burned together with two barns on the farm belonging to F. P. Harman, of Lynchburg, in a fire that is believed to have been of incendiary origin. The loss is upwards of \$6,000, with little or no insurance. The fire was several miles west of the city and was burning fiercely when discovered.

An Epidemic of Coughing

Is sweeping over the town. Old and young alike are affected, and the strain is practically hard on the little children and elderly people. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is a quick safe and reliable cure for all coughs and colds. Contains no opiates. Sold by Gibson Drug Store.

The Correll pants factory at China Grove is offered for sale by Jno. K. Patterson. This includes all machinery, and will be sold at half price. Machinery nearly new.

For a sprain you will find Chamberlain's Liniment excellent. It allays the pain, removes the soreness, and soon restores the parts to a healthy condition. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by all dealers.

CANNON & FETZER CO.

Mr. Bernard Fetzer to Remain in Concord and Be Connected With the Business of This Firm.

Although the firm of Cannon & Fetzer Co. has suffered the loss of its head, the lamented Mr. P. B. Fetzer, under whose guiding hand the business has been directed for many years, the business will continue to be conducted at the same place. Mr. Bernard Fetzer, who has been in Mexico for several years, engaged as a mining engineer, will remain in Concord for some time and will be actively engaged in the management of the business. With him will be associated the able corps of energetic young men who have been with the firm for several years. All of these young men are recognized as capable young merchants and command the highest confidence of the community and under their guidance the firm of Cannon & Fetzer Co. will no doubt continue to play an important part in the commercial life of the city.

Weekly Cotton Review.

New York, Feb. 9.—Cotton has latterly advanced sharply after a violent reaction early in the week. The rise of Wednesday caught the shorts napping and there came upward turns Thursday and Friday, so that the bears have undoubtedly suffered severe punishment. Heavy covering of short obligations for Southern, local Wall street and Waldorf-Astoria bears has fanned the flames already started by big buying by spot houses, Liverpool people and commission houses acting on orders from various parts of the country. The West has been buying. Wall street interests have taken profits to some extent but they are in many cases bullish as to the outlook, the Pell-Thompson interests, it is believed, being the leaders in that quarter. Memphis and Texas shorts have covered it is said on a big scale. The Liverpool spot sales have much of the time been 12,000 to 15,000 bales. Manchester, according to all accounts, is doing an enormous business, principally because of the depleted stocks in the countries which it chiefly serves, favored by a rising price for silver which has reached 27 1/2-16d. in London, the highest quotation for seven years.

It is not speculation which has put up prices at New York during the past week so much as the voracious buying by the consumer. Big spot houses have bought in some cases 50,000 bales in a single day.

Baxter Shemwell to Make Final Appearance.

Greensboro News, 10th. Judge C. M. Cook will return here Monday to begin three weeks court, the first two weeks being devoted to the civil calendar and the last to the criminal docket. On the criminal docket are several cases of general interest, notable ones being against Ed Hodgkin and Dave Settle for murder and John and Bob Lambeth, of Thomasville, for conspiracy to produce abortion. Of the three it is more than probable that continuances will be granted in all except the case of Ed Hodgkin, it being understood that his counsel will press for trial while those of the other defendants will seek continuances.

Another feature of interest during the criminal term will be the final appearance of Baxter Shemwell to show good behavior. It is remembered that Shemwell has been under sentence to appear before the February term of Guilford court each year and show his good behavior during the past 12 months.

Increase Reward in the Hawkins Case

Hendersonville, Feb. 9.—Noting the extreme interest here and in other sections relative to recent developments in the Myrtle Hawkins case, Governor W. W. Kitchin, during his brief visit here yesterday stated that he would increase the reward offered by the State for the apprehension of the person or persons responsible for Myrtle Hawkins' death from \$250 to \$400. This, added to the sums originally offered by the county of Henderson and the city of Hendersonville, brings the total reward up to \$750.

The governor in a short interview said he had no power to give funds to help the investigation of the Hawkins case, although he would very much like to do so. He said that he hoped the mystery would be solved at an early date.

For Law Enforcement.

Raleigh, Feb. 9.—Raleigh's law and order league, formed last night with Dr. Charles Lee Smith as president and T. B. Eldridge as secretary, is launching its campaign for law enforcement, there being already a membership of over two hundred. Special investigation is being made into the availability of the search and seizure clause of the 1907 charter of the city, the question being raised being as to the constitutionality of this section as to shrdluetaoinshrdluetaoi section of the Raleigh charter, if in force, and to whether subsequent charter amendments and revisions have abrogated the section. The law and order leaders declare their purpose to invoke if possible.

Mr. J. W. Fisher, who sold his barber shop here a few days ago, has moved to Charlotte, where he has accepted a position as a barber.

FEATURES OF LAST DAY OF LUTHERANS

Convention at Salisbury Remained in Session to Last Moment

Salisbury, N. C., Feb. 9.—The Lutheran Laymen's Convention closed here tonight with the men staying for the last minute that the Southern railway would hold its trains for the adjournment of the session.

There was never such a meeting held in the Lutheran church, is the statement made by delegates and speakers and the forecast is that a new era of missionary activity is dawning among the men. Promise has been made for the \$5,000 necessary for the continuation of the movement and the prime executive committee was re-elected.

The committee is made up of Geo. B. Cromer, of Newberry, S. C.; Dr. O. B. Mayer, of Newberry, S. C.; J. H. Rehder, of Wilmington, and J. E. Cooper, of Manchester, Va.

There was an insistent demand that the addresses of the convention be published in book form and the men in ten minutes subscribed for enough copies to assure the publication.

At the afternoon session there were four magnificent addresses. The first was by the president of the Foreign Mission Board, Dr. R. C. Holland who made a strong plea for a policy adequate to the work.

Mr. J. C. Campbell White, of New York, the national secretary, made a splendid address in enlisting the whole church. Dr. Isaac Cannanay, just home from India, made a clear and telling presentation of the present conditions and future prospects of the New India.

Robert E. Speer, who is a prince among missionary speakers, thrilled every one of the one thousand men present, and the several hundred men in the gallery by his marvelously convincing address.

The night session was the climax of the whole meeting with addresses by J. Campbell White, Dr. Charles L. Fry and Mrs. Robert E. Speer. The meeting was impressively closed by the general secretary, E. C. Cronk, with the words of the great commission of the church.

Indigestion Is Poison.

Thousands of men and women are suffering from diseases caused by foul decaying food in their stomachs. This causes dangerous poison gas which makes the breath unbearable, poisons the blood, deadens the brain, shatters the nerves. The evil effects of indigestion and dyspepsia are too well known to be dilated upon. The new remedy for these troubles is a natural

Slot Machines Go By The Board in Statesville.

Statesville, Feb. 9.—Statesville's flippers yesterday ordered a ban on a half dozen or more slot machines under the gambling law interpreted by Attorney General E. H. Elliott this week. In each case the owner of the machine stated that he would put it out of business. The ban, though all said they did not care to operate, was considered a gambling law. It was said that one of the machines in \$40 Saturday night.

Tigers Sentenced to the Reformatory.

Elizabeth City, Feb. 9.—Two men and eight negroes were sentenced today to the reformatory for violating the prohibition law in the county roads. The men were caught by private spotters, having sold sale raids and a suit case of whiskey bottles was placed in evidence.

Wilmington Dispute.

Degree, Charles K. ... drama, was the offering of my last night, and at present satisfactory to an audience large in spite of the storm. All of Klein's plays are of the same high character, dealing with the problems, and they are well acted. "The Third Degree" is the best, and it is a masterpiece of intensity. It was capably acted last night, and given a stage mounting, the scenery and effects lending the atmosphere necessary to make the performance complete.

Rev. and Mrs. C. A. ... returned to their home in ... after visiting relatives in ... for a week.

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