

## MOTHERHOOD

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Editor N. C. Christian Advocate,  
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**Augustana Lutheran Conference**

This body held its sessions this year as usual in Catawba county. Ministerial sessions were held Aug. 28 and 29th in the library of Concordia college, Conover. The professors of this college and three from the negro mission college at Greensboro, with some twelve pastors, participated. The professors are also preachers.

The only paper discussed at these sessions was one by Prof. C. A. Weiss on the origin of the Augsburg confession, being a beginning of a history of the origin of the Lutheran confessions. By consent, most attention was given to mission work. In regard to work among white people, the conference resolved to do more, with great support of the work by the churches.

Pleasant hours after supper were spent at Prof. Romoser's and at Prof. Weiss', in social intercourse. The cheerful presence of Rev. J. C. Schmidt, of Greensboro, was missed. He is about to remove to Pittsburg.

Members of St. Stephen's kindly conveyed a number of the preachers to their church on Friday morning. Three days then were spent public sessions and services there. Few delegates present from white congregations, one from Asheville, Geo. Fairbright.

The paper discussed at St. Stephen's was one of great importance and profit. The fulfillment and use of the law of God, was set forth by Rev. E. Koelder, pastor at Knoxville, Tenn. He treated first the question, "Who are to keep the Law?" Knowledge of this is necessary, as the law is necessary to salvation. By the law is the knowledge of sin. In the economy of grace it brings sinners to Christ that they may be justified by faith. The law is addressed to every one of us. Even the professed atheist is bound by it, must observe it. Ignorance of it is no excuse for its neglect. Hence it is the duty of everyone to study and teach the law.

It is natural for us to think we can be saved by keeping the law. But anyone who is taught the law by the spirit of God is convinced that he is a transgressor.

Next, Mr. Koehler treated the question, "How is the law kept?" Nothing short of perfection in every detail, throughout all time, fulfills the divine law. To offend in one point, violates the law as a whole. All are sinners. Love is the fulfilling of the law. This is possible only in the man who is justified by faith, which works by love. Love and works of love do not create faith; they show that we have faith. The roots of a living tree are manifest by the leaves and fruit.

A christian wants to lead a holy life. God teaches him how by his word. The law furnishes specific directions for a holy life. We must grow in holiness of life, but this is possible only by taking the law as our guide and rule.

By words of love, keeping his law, we show our gratitude for the mercies and blessings of God. Love of God ought to be our motive through life.

The law serves to check gross outbursts of sin, and so promotes decency and discipline in the world.

God made man in his own image and wrote his perfect law in man's heart. By the fall man lost that image and retains only a remnant of the laws, with no power to keep it. He is carnal, whilst the law is spiritual.

Yet, the laws of the state are derived from the law written in the hearts of all men.

Let us, as christians, use the law as a mirror, as a guide, and as a curb.

Interesting sermons were preached by four of the pastor's at St. Stephens.

J. S. Koerner.

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