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ANNOUNCEMENTS OF Candidates for office will be made on the same terms as heretofore, namely, \$5.00 for each announcement, strictly cash in advance.

OUR READERS must pardon us if we do not wholly agree with them in our views on Sam Jones. We must be allowed to express our convictions, and we do so in all charity towards those who differ with us.

We wish to refer our King's Mountain correspondent to what Rev. Dr. Pritchard says about the distinguished evangelist. It sounds as much like an orthodox view as anything we have read.

Those who have heard Sam Jones, or read his sermons, know how he sneered at the Apostle's Creed. With the exception of the phrase referring to Christ's descent into hell, the truths of this creed are, we believe, accepted by all protestant denominations as well as Roman Catholics.

Pray, what good can come out of sneering at these Biblical truths which have been instilled into the hearts of thousands of children by Christian parents? You are bound to teach the people to believe in God the Father Almighty maker of Heaven and earth; you are bound to teach them to believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, that he was crucified and that he arose from the dead; you are bound to teach them to believe in the Holy Ghost, in a Christian church, in the resurrection, and in eternal life, &c., whether you call these truths Apostle's creed, Nicene creed, or simply, scriptural beliefs. No believers, no matter of what denominations doubt, these fundamental truths. What good then, we repeat, can come out of sneering at the creeds that have these truths stated in simple, plain language?

But, as we have said before, Sam Jones is a remarkable man, and a genius. We are not prepared, however, to accept him as a divinely inspired preacher.

If what we say is to be called "sneering" at Sam Jones, let it be so called. If he sneers at fundamental Biblical truths, because they happen to be called creeds, then we claim the right to criticize his sneering. The Bible says, "preach Christ and him crucified"; the Apostle's Creed teaches us to believe in Christ and that he was crucified. The same is true of the entire creed that Mr. Jones chooses to trample under foot.

In many respects, however, we are willing to admit that Sam Jones may do good. His talks on drunkenness, profanity and other similar vices are keen and forcible and no doubt often put men to thinking, who never go to hear lectures on any kind of moral subjects. God can bring forth good out of evil. But we should not knowingly do evil though good may result therefrom. But whatever editors, or ministers, or anyone may say or write either for or against Rev. Sam Jones, God will be the judge as to what is right, and He is able and will take care of his truth.

Rev. Sam Jones to Visit Wilmington.

The Wilmington Star of Saturday says: Mr. J. M. Forshee yesterday received a telegram from Rev. Sam Jones in reply to the invitation extended to him to visit Wilmington.

Mr. Jones has consented to come, and will be here at such date as may be determined upon hereafter.

Rev. Sam Jones, it is said, is a nephew of Mr. Reuben Jones, who resided in Wilmington a few years ago.

Dr. Pritchard on Sam Jones

In the last issue of Charity and Children, a paper published at the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, Rev. Dr. T. H. Pritchard, of Wilmington, expresses his opinion of Rev. Sam Jones as follows:

I must confess that I have been really pained in reading the sermons of this very celebrated Methodist preacher recently delivered in Charlotte, N. C. They abound in wit and humor, it is true; but the wit is exceedingly coarse and the humor often low and vulgar, unbecoming a Christian minister in any circle, and in my humble judgment, a gross and grievous desecration of the pulpit. I grant that Mr. Jones has rare powers as an orator; that he often preaches the gospel with wonderful plainness and effect, and I hope that he does good; but there can be no question with all right thinking people that he is degrading his sacred calling and doing a vast amount of harm by using language which, in the nature of things, most demoralize society. I am no prude, as every one acquainted with me knows, nor have I any prejudice against Mr. Jones as a Methodist, or an evangelist; but as a public journalist and a Christian minister, I feel bound to protest against his manners in the pulpit. No matter what a man's gifts may be there can be no excuse or apology for his being a blackguard or a bully in the pulpit, and it really seems to be a reflection in this age and country that such a vulgarian is tolerated by decent people. I have heard that the cause of religion had been set back for years in some towns where he had been, and if his sermons in Charlotte are a fair specimen of his work, I am prepared to believe it. He seems to make immense use of Sam Jones in his preaching; but the Bible plays a very insignificant part in his performances.

What a contrast between this man and Mr. R. G. Pearson, in style, in spirit and in matter. Elijah the Tishbite and John the Baptist were not bolder or braver in denouncing sin than Mr. Pearson, but there was no vulgarity and smutty attempts at wit in his preaching.

They say that the rude, rough things he says do not seem so bad when you hear him, but for the life of me, I cannot see how a man's manner of saying a low and dirty thing can make it anything else than filthy and impure.

Depend upon it, every religious excitement is not a revival of religion, and I hereby publicly express my want of confidence in Sam Jones's converts.

If there is any place on earth from which slang, vulgarity and blackguarding ought to be excluded, it is the pulpit, and to listen to such a harangue as Sam Jones delivered in Charlotte last Sunday seems to be a desecration of the Sabbath. I sincerely hope he won't come to Wilmington in my day.

Dr. Pritchard and Sam Jones.

The criticism of Rev. Dr. Pritchard on Rev. Sam Jones, published in yesterday's News, stirred up quite a commotion in Charlotte and various criticisms on Dr. Pritchard were about as severe as was Dr. Pritchard's criticism on Sam Jones. Many of Dr. Pritchard's Charlotte friends openly expressed their regret that Dr. Pritchard had not withheld his pen until after he had heard Mr. Jones.

The News received a letter from one of its Concord subscribers this morning which says: "It is a matter of great surprise to me that so many men of good sense express themselves similarly when they have never heard Mr. Jones. While The News deserves great credit for its full reports, I think it must be conceded that there is a great deal in the way, the spirit, the expression, etc., that it is impossible to put on paper. And for this reason, it seems really beyond all reason for a man of intelligence to set up as a critic in such a severe manner, without going to get all the evidence in the case by hearing. I am astonished at Dr. Pritchard. How can he swallow the good opinion of Mr. McManaway and hundreds of other good men?"—Charlotte News.

A tariff on hides is a big thing for the farmer. He may get ten cents more possibly for his hides, and pay a half dollar more for his boots, etc. He will make money by this operation.—Wilmington Star.

It has about gotten to that point, a man can blaspheme, make fun of Apostles' creed, curse, sell himself to patent medicine firms or anything else, and it is all right so long as he does it in the name of the Lord.—Press and Carolinian.

"R" on Sam Jones, etc.

ED. COURIER.—If you will kindly pardon the delay in fulfilling my promise to write again for your worthy paper, I will renew this obligation and faithfully endeavor to carry the same into practice.

This is Sunday, the Lord's day, and this article will be devoted to moral and religious thoughts regardless of the fact that I may be called an enthusiast or fanatic.

Our town and country seem greatly aroused at this time on the subject of religion. Let them not only be aroused on the subject but may every man have sufficient grace and backbone to carry his religious convictions into practice.

The Rev. Sam P. Jones meetings held in Charlotte, N. C., from April 24th to May 2nd inclusive were well attended by our citizens. I am told that the R. R. agent here sold 110 tickets to as many people eager to hear the great evangelist.

Many, no doubt, went to the tabernacle through mere curiosity, but it appears, that everyone came away either dumfounded, or singing out in no uncertain sound the praises of the man in his work.

I have read, with interest, the press comments on Mr. Jones' sermons, and am glad that so few news papers, in our country, have had the boldness and affrontery to publicly attack and criticize the evangelist's sermons and sayings.

It was with especial interest, Mr. Editor, I read, in your issue of May 2nd, your comprehensive editorial on the man, his ways and works. What you say about the evangelist appears to me the honest sentiments of an honest man. Who pray is warranted in condemning the man as some have condemned him. It is true, the Press is free to approve or disapprove, to denounce or praise the Preacher; but it strikes me as unbecoming, to say the least, for any Christian gentleman to endeavor to snatch one laurel from the brow of the man who is, perhaps, more outspoken, against sin and vices of all kinds, than any man that has ever lived since our Saviour, the God-man. I attended a part of the services in Charlotte and know whereof I speak and when I say the man is doing good surely the half is not told. "By their fruits ye shall know them." I would kindly refer the learned critics, editors, yea, ministers of the Gospel who condemn or find fault with Rev. Sam Jones to that passage of scripture found in St. Marks Gospel IX chapter and from the 38 to 40 verse inclusive and reads as follows: "And John answered him saying 'Master we saw one casting out devils in thy name and he followeth not us, and we forbade him because he followeth not us. But Jesus said forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name that can lightly speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is on our part.' Now is Mr. Jones against us? Let those speak out who know him best and have heard him most; and if you don't agree with him in all points, give him credit, like a man, for the good he is doing. Christian Charity says Let him alone, Common Sense says Let him alone and Duty comes up and exclaims Let the man alone and hurl your anathemas and denunciations against cheating, lying, stealing, drunkenness and hosts of other sins sapping the very foundations of our churches, our government, and society.

The evangelist Effe has been conducting religious services for one week in our neighboring town Gastonia. A great many of our citizens have availed themselves of the opportunity to hear this great sin denouncing and soul stirring evangelist; and we judge from the signs of the times his preaching and work have been telling and effective for good. Mr. Effe is a very serious, earnest and consecrated worker. His manner and style of preaching is quite different from that of Mr. Jones; but have we the right to complain of the manner, or means, of the earthly vessel as long as it brings the pure religious ointment to heal and save the sin sick soul.

Now, I hope, that while these evangelists are at work, no one will have any fears that our country will become too religious. If christianity is a good thing—and all admit that it is—let everybody strive to possess it in its broadest and purest form; and let those who enjoy religion help those seeking to be saved from their sins by every possible good word and work. I will assist for the present with a

quotation or so from the Rev. Sam Jones. He says "It is hard to get men to talk as they think and hard to get them to stand by what they say. If a man is right he will get there with both feet, world without end." And again, "God expects every man on his side to do all he can for good and the devil expects every one on his side to do all he can for evil." "The devil never made whisky or ran a saloon, but he found a man to make it, another to retail it and a fool to buy it and drink it." Respectfully, R. King's Mountain, N. C., May 11th, 1890.

Sam Jones Strikes a Snag.

The Danville Register says: In his sermon on Thursday night, Rev. Sam Jones intimated that there were flagrant violations of law in this city of which the courts had not taken cognizance, and also intimated that some of the city officials and juries were not doing their duty.

Judge A. M. Aiken, of the Hustings court, after reading the report of the sermon in yesterday's Register, got his friend, Mr. F. M. Hamlin, to wait on Mr. Jones and say that he (Judge Aiken) had done what he could to suppress crime and to punish criminals in this city, and that if Mr. Jones knew of any violations of the law of which the court should take cognizance, he would be pleased to summon a special jury on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock, that Mr. Jones might go before the jury and lodge such information as had come into his possession.

Mr. Hamlin waited on Mr. Jones as requested and delivered Judge Aiken's message, and in reply Mr. Jones sent his compliments to the judge with the explanation that he had not heard that Judge Aiken had been derelict in his duties. On the contrary he had heard that the judge had discharged his official duty like a man, but his information was that heinous crimes committed in this city had gone unpunished because of the moral cowardice of juries which were composed of church members.

In conclusion, Mr. Jones asked Mr. Hamlin to say to Judge Aiken that he did not care to go before the grand jury, but hoped the judges would come to the tabernacle on Sunday afternoon, where he would speak out in meeting and tell all he knew.

It is understood that the heinous crimes to which Mr. Jones alludes are the crimes against society in houses of ill fame, violation of the Sunday liquor law and selling liquor to minors.

Give Water to Infants.

A distinguished children's doctor believes, from his practice, that infants generally, whether brought up at the breast or artificially, are not supplied with sufficient water, the fluid portion of their food being quickly taken up and leaving the solid too thick to be easily digested. In warm, dry weather, healthy babies will take water every hour with advantage, and their frequent fretfulness and rise of temperature are often directly due to their not having it. A free supply of water and restricting the frequency of nursing have been found at the nursery to be a most effectual check in cases of incipient fever, a diminished rate of mortality and marked reduction in the number of gastric and intestinal complaints being attributed to this cause. In teeth-cutting, water soothes the gums, and frequently stops the fretting and restlessness universal in children at this period.

CUPID GONE ASTRAY.

A Widower 101 Years Old Married to a Widow Aged 83 Years

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., May 4.—A remarkable wedding took place last night near Lunenburg, in Boone county. The contracting parties were James Sevall and Miss Amy Terrence. The groom, who was a widower but had outlived his children, was 101 years old, and the bride, a widow, also without encumbrance, was eighty-three. The best man was eighty-one years old and the bridesmaid seventy-eight. The bride and groom are still quite sprightly for their age.

The affair was widely attended and is the talk of the entire State. The bride was dressed in a handsome silk gown, made sixty-four years ago on the occasion of her former marriage.

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S. G. FINLEY, att'y. J. M. ROBERTS, secy LINCOLN REAL ESTATE AGENCY.

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