

AT THE CHURCHES.

The following are the reports of services at the Kinston churches last Sunday:

Methodist Church.

MORNING SERVICE.

Subject: "Privileges of God's Children." Text, Rom. 8:16-17.

Eighth chapter of Romans, one of the grandest lessons in the Bible and the text is the centre of that lesson. There are twelve thoughts in the text. Six refer to child and six to the family.

Every child begins life with birth. "God breathed into man the breath of life"—physical and spiritual life. By sin man forfeited spiritual or the upper life and membership of God's family. Then by adoption we are received back and, being filled with the spirit, we have the spiritual mind. We then walk with God, and to walk with Him is to make progress.

Standing, walking and sitting is justification, sanctification and reigning with God.

We talk with God through the spirit. "The spirit maketh intercessions for us."

As the child reaches his father through his mother so we reach God through the spirit. The spirit takes our prayers to God and makes known our wants.

Finally we reach our majority and become a full man and woman in Christ.

In the family there is a likeness, family characteristics and similar features, etc. So in the heavenly family every child bears the same likeness. And there is harmony in this heavenly family.

God forgets none of his children, however small or poor, but attends to the needs of all.

By education and correction we are trained and disciplined and brought under proper subjection and discipline.

By obedience to the law we have perfect liberty. Law is a burden only to the disobedient, to the transgressor.

It is only when our wills cross God's that there is conflict. Our's should run parallel with His, then His will becomes our's and our's becomes His.

EVENING SERVICE.

The subject was: "Crucified with Christ."

Death is the gateway of life. No one ever lived this life unless he was in some way crucified. Paul was not ashamed of the cross. He gloried in it. That which was shame became honor. Paul was a man of high attainments and fine prospects. He was next to the highest priest position.

His whole course in life was changed by Christ. He descended from the high position and put himself by the despised Nazarene and exclaimed, "I am crucified with Christ. I am dead unto the law. It will not save. I once trusted my morality, but now in faith in Christ."

Law is the schoolmaster to bring us to Christ, but does not save.

To love Christ and live for him we must be crucified with Christ. We must cease our selfishness, affections, desires, etc., to the cross and there crucify them. It is painful, but it must be done if we would live the true life.

Our lives, even, must not be counted dear to us. Christ must be all in all. Everything that comes between us and Christ must be taken and crucified with Him.

Baptist Church.

MORNING SERVICE.

Subject: "Personal Attachment to Christ Necessary." Text, John 11:16.

It is a significant fact that Christ, overlooking every other detail of experience, repentance, of faith, should address a question to Peter simply, "Simon, of Jonas, lovest thou Me?"

Love to the person of Christ may be loving. Our professions alone do not give our love to Him. Peter was an elder in the church, yet he needed this love. He enjoyed great privileges at the Lord, but he needed it. He was zealous in his belief, but this question needed. Self denials did not make necessary.

EVENING SERVICE.

The subject and text were the same as the morning, the sermon taking up the text where it was left off at morning.

If we do not love Christ our profession is false.

There can be no religion without love for Christ.

There is nothing offered a sinful world, through all revelation, that does not come through and is based upon relation to Jesus Christ.

The ordinances of the church are vain mockery if we do not have love for Christ.

Our communion with God in prayer and praise comes through Jesus, the mediator.

Every light that is reflected from heaven comes through Christ.

Love for Jesus was Simon's test of devotion for service for Jesus.

Not an intellectual or a linguistic demand, but love for Jesus.

The world will try you, and love for the Master alone will enable you to triumph.

Love for Jesus inspires us to overcome difficulties.

The morning service was closed, the church held their regular monthly conference, which was of more than usual importance, this being the end of Pastor Ward's year with the church. The clerk, Dr. R. H. Lewis, read the report, which makes a splendid showing for the church and for the pastor.

A Berlin Scandal.

A Berlin physician of standing says, in a medical paper, that the nurses in the private hospitals are in league with the undertakers, who distribute among them circulars offering as much as \$25 by way of gratuity for a good job. He calls the attention of his professional colleagues to this infamous combination, which has been in force, so he declares, for half a century and exists in other large towns. He suggests the employment whenever it is possible of women working in sisterhoods or actuated by some higher motive than the mere pursuit of gain.—Berlin Correspondence.

Report by clerk of work done by Pastor Blanchard during the first year of his pastorate:

Absent, 8 Sundays—at religious meetings; present, 44 Sundays.

Preached at Kinston, 111 sermons; preached elsewhere, 117 sermons. Total, 228 sermons.

Prayer meeting talks in Kinston, 40; Prayer meeting talks elsewhere, 20. Total, 60.

Missionary addresses here and elsewhere, 18. Educational addresses, 6. Total, 24.

Pastoral visits, 456.

Published Exponent seven months in the interest of Bible and Baptist work.

Net gain of members, 28. Total membership, 161.

RICHARD H. LEWIS,
Church Clerk.

Only One Boot to Clean.

The French soldier is as easy to lead as a child. His cheerfulness and gay philosophy enable him to endure the greatest hardships without a murmur. All he wants is justice. When he has received his provisions, he straightway goes to weigh his meat, his bread, his coffee, his sugar, even his salt. All he wants is his due, and if he finds that he has not received short weight he is satisfied and cheerful. A kind word from an officer will make him happy, a cigarette offered to him if he is short of tobacco will make a hero of him.

I remember one day passing a young soldier who was being taken to the hospital. His right hand had been shot off clean. "Cheer up, my boy," I said to him, "no more fighting for you. They will nurse you and take care of you." "Ah, lieutenant," he replied with a look pitiful to contemplate, "how am I to roll my cigarettes now?"

I put a small box of cigarettes in his breast pocket. I shall never forget the expression of gratitude on his face.

In another instance a devoted orderly was pitying his captain whose leg had just been amputated. "Don't cry, old fool," said the captain to him. "I am going to keep you, and in the future you will have only one boot to clean every morning."—Max O'Rell in North American Review.

The Nonchalant Canton Merchant.

Frequently on entering a Canton shop you will find its owner with a book in one hand and pipe or fan in the other and wholly absorbed in his studies. You will be doozed to disappointment if you expect the smoker to start up at once, all smiles and blandness, rubbing his hands together as he makes a shrewd guess as to what he is likely to take out of you and receiving you with obsequiousness or with rudeness accordingly. Quite the reverse.

Your presence is apparently unnoticed unless you happen to lift anything. Then you hear that the fan has been arrested and feel that a keen eye is bent on your movements all the while. But it is not until you inquire for some article that the gentleman, now certain that you mean to trade, will rise without bustle from his seat, show you his goods or state the price he means to sell at, with a polite yet careless air which plainly says, "If it suits you, we make an exchange."—"Through China With a Camera."

Her Idea of It.

"Journalism For Women," a book recently published in England, relates a story of a woman journalist in the north of England who wrote to a London paper for permission to act as its special correspondent during the visit of some royal personages to her town. The editor of the paper, knowing her for a good descriptive writer, gave the necessary authority, with explicit information as to the last moment for receiving copy. The moment came, but not the copy, and the editor had to go to press without it. The next day, no explanation having arrived, he dispatched to his special correspondent a particularly scathing and scornful letter. Then came the excuse. It was long, but the root of it amounted to exactly this: "I was so knocked up and had such a headache after the ceremonies were over, that I really did not feel equal to the exertion of writing. I thought it would not matter."

A French Way to Cure Baldness.

A French surgeon announces a novel cure for baldness, which, however, is only within the reach of the wealthy. The first thing is to find some poor, starving wretch with a fine head of hair of the color which the patient desires. The former having consented to part with his hair for a stipulated sum, the doctor scalps the pair delicately and applies the hairy scalp of the subject to the bald client, and vice versa. With luck the graft is said to be a success.—New York Sun.

Healthy Cheerfulness.

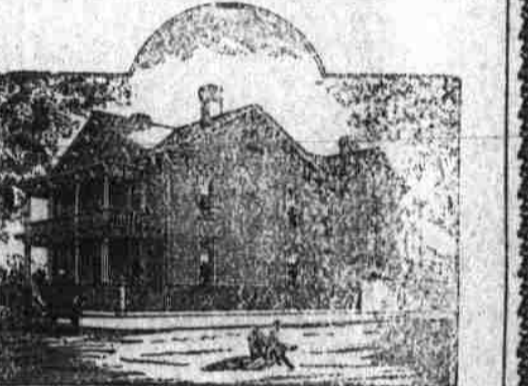
Do not allow a melancholy person to enter the sickroom. There is nothing so absolutely necessary to an invalid as cheerful companions. A nervous woman may be thrown into a relapse by a well meaning but mischief making friend relating to her how a mutual friend suffered with a similar disease.

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A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
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9:14	4:32	10:12	6:00
9:28	4:41	10:00	5:18
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11:15	5:14	9:30	3:30
11:31	5:20	9:22	3:20
1:30	5:35	8:57	10:47
2:12	6:10	8:33	10:10
2:30	6:13	8:20	10:00
2:43	6:25	8:20	9:40
3:12	6:33	8:06	9:05
3:25	6:44	7:58	8:47
3:31	6:49	7:52	8:35
3:51	6:57	7:48	8:15
4:01	7:10	7:35	7:50

†Daily except Sunday.
*Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
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