

CHURCH AND STATE

Able Discourse by Editor Bailey of Biblical Recorder

AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The Church Must Maintain Foundation of Moral Conscience in the Body Politic—Must Purify Politics and Reconcile Capital and Labor—A Daily Mission and Message Through Pulpit and Laity to the World

Mr. J. W. Bailey, the gifted editor of the Biblical Recorder, conducted the services at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning and evening; and during his evening discourse he made a very timely and forcible reference to the part the church, and especially the pulpit, is to play in the destiny of the State, the nation and, indeed, of the world. He insisted that the pulpit should have a message for North Carolinians in the present crisis, and that if the State or the nation materially deteriorates it will not be so much the fault of political parties, but of the church, whose duty it is to maintain a foundation of moral conscience in the body politic of the State and nation, purify politics and reconcile labor and capital.

Mr. Bailey's theme Sunday night was "The Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand." The discourse was especially interesting character that extended reference in this connection will not be amiss. After setting forth the introduction of the kingdom of heaven as an historic movement, Mr. Bailey defined, in part, its characteristics, and declared that the very fact that its purpose is the regeneration of the human race by saving men to purity, holiness and love, stamps it as of God.

Mr. Bailey said Mr. Bailey has the world immensely in his debt. "The Kingdom comes," and it is coming all the while, and it will continue to come. The passing of the amphitheatre, the fall of the throne of the Caesars, the coming of the kingdom, the survival of hope and faith through the Dark Ages was the survival of the kingdom; the new birth of time when light and power brought forth the Reformation; the recognition of civil rights, the recognition of the individual, the establishment of free government were the coming of the kingdom of heaven upon earth.

Mr. Bailey declared that God has a divine order for individuals and nations, and His order is absolute. This world, said Mr. Bailey, will be saved and will make progress in proportion that it accepts the will of God. From now on, men and nations will be judged by the will of God. It is written that the nations that forget God shall perish from the earth. In the past, the nations that possessed every element of permanency except that of the city which had foundations whose builder and worker is God, America is great in many respects, but if America turns against the kingdom of heaven and its righteousness, all the wealth and all the men and all the platforms in the world cannot save her.

God's kingdom on earth was set forth by Mr. Bailey as a moral kingdom, and the moral relation as fundamental. Anything morally wrong, no matter how politically, commercially or personally right. He declared that God's kingdom on earth is a moral kingdom. The State, the market-place and the home are to receive their essential moral life therefrom. If, said he, the United States shall fail it will be because they shall have fallen away from God's moral law. And when that occurs, the political parties will not be to blame, but the churches of the kingdom of God. Mr. Bailey said that the churches have a duty here. If they do not maintain a foundation of moral conscience in the body politic of our country, who will? Our nation was founded for the glory and in the name of God. Mr. Bailey took the position that the kingdom of heaven has a mission yet; that its work is only begun. It has politics to purify, capital and labor to reconcile, the problem of poverty to cope with, the immense work of making men of sinners, of redeeming fallen men, of saving the straggling of respectable character, and to these ends the pulpit and the Christian have a daily mission and message.

In conclusion Mr. Bailey referred to Mr. Brooks Adams' book entitled "The Law of Civilization and Decay." One said that he was especially impressed with the statement therein that "though nations decay, civilization moves onward and upward." That, said he, is the kingdom coming. The interpretation of history is the coming of the kingdom. John, on Patmos, saw the vision in which the seventh angel sounded and great voices were heard in heaven saying, "The kingdom of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ, and He shall reign forever." We shall find the new kingdom founded on the revelations of this work. Its law will be the law of righteousness; its principle will be the principle of love toward God and man; its ideal the ideal of holiness, as set forth in the life of its King.

HILL-PHILLIPS
Wedding Celebrated with a Ring Nearly Two Centuries Old.

The marriage of Miss Theda Buford Phillips and Mr. Francis Edwards Hill was quietly celebrated at the old Buford mansion in Brunswick county, Virginia, on Thursday, August 23, at 11 o'clock a. m. The bride wore a lovely creation of silk, chiffon and applique, which she exchanged for an outfit more befitting the long trip and intense heat. The bride, well known and widely connected in North Carolina, is a niece of Capt. Charles Buford of Winston. She enjoys the distinction of being the only lady in her section of Virginia who graduated with University honors, and is widely known as a teacher of distinguished ability. The groom, a prominent and successful young business man of New York, is a son of Mr. Theo. H. Hill of this city, the author of "The Star of Bethlehem" and other fine poems. An interesting circumstance connected with the marriage is the fact that the wedding ring that sealed the happiness of this young couple had served as the wedding ring of the bride's great-great-grandmother, nearly two hundred years ago. The bridal presents, almost exclusively of cut glass, sterling silver and imported china, are very numerous and

elegant, and speak eloquently of the high regard in which the young couple are held by a large circle of friends. They left immediately for a Northern trip, after which they will reside in Bloomfield, N. J.

POSTSCRIPTS

Prof. W. F. Massey left yesterday for Fayetteville.

Mr. Sam Harper of Fayetteville was here yesterday.

Mr. A. D. Zachary went to Rocky Mount yesterday.

State Treasurer W. H. Worth went to Richmond yesterday.

Judge George H. Brown was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Miss Cleo Denton is visiting the Misses Green in Durham.

Mr. George D. Bennett returned to Goldsboro yesterday.

Mrs. B. R. Lacy has returned from a visit to Jackson Springs.

Mr. J. Foster Hanks of Lexington, N. C., was here yesterday.

Mr. John McKee left yesterday for Fayetteville on a business trip.

Mr. W. C. Brewer, of Wake Forest, is a guest at the Carrolton hotel.

Superintendent J. M. Turner of the Seaboard went to Hamlet yesterday.

Insurance Commissioner James R. Young went to Charlotte yesterday.

Mrs. Gilmore Ward Bryant, of Durham, is the guest of Miss Jessamine Higgs.

Deputy Sheriff Wooten of Lenoir county brought four convicts to the penitentiary yesterday.

Mr. T. C. Sturgis, the clever ticket agent of the Southern Railway here, returned yesterday from a trip to Washington, D. C.

Mr. Benj. Mell, Jr., of Wilmington, returned home yesterday afternoon after a very pleasant visit to his friend, Mr. Henry Turner.

Miss Iva Uplchurch passed through the city Saturday on her way from Wilmington to Durham.

Miss Pauline Elliott, of Cisco, N. C., is visiting Mrs. J. A. Sanders on West Jones street.

Miss Anne Purnell, of Gastville, Va., is visiting Mrs. J. C. Duke on Halifax street.

Mr. Walters Durham of the Mechanics' Lane Savings Bank went to Richmond yesterday.

The reserved-seat sale for Al G. Field's Greater Minstrels at the Academy of Music September 5 will begin Thursday, August 30, at the Bobbitt-Wynne drug store.

Rev. J. W. Nobles, of Kenley, N. C., who has been conducting a series of meetings at Inwood Baptist church, near this city, returned to his home yesterday. The meetings were very successful.

There was a conference of the trustees of the Baptist Female University yesterday for the purpose of transacting business pertaining to the opening of the school for the fall term.

General Manager Arendell of the State prison says reports from the State prison farms are encouraging. The Anson farm as well as the Halifax farm has been visited by good rains.

Ex-Judge James E. Shepherd and Mrs. Shepherd left yesterday for Asheville, where Judge Shepherd will resume the taking of testimony in the railway taxation cases.

Col. J. W. Hinsdale and Capt. W. H. Day went to Asheville to attend the hearing by Standing Master Shepherd in the railway taxation cases.

Mr. P. H. Hugburn, manager of the Postal Telegraph Company at Savannah, Ga., who was formerly a resident of Raleigh, spent the day in the city yesterday.

Miss Marie E. Stunkel left yesterday for Norfolk, where she will join her sisters, Misses Bertha and Emma Stunkel. On Tuesday they leave for the Bermuda Islands to be absent some time on a visit to relatives.

Mr. C. J. Anderson, who is doing special work for the Southern Baptist Mission Board in North Carolina, returned yesterday from Goldsboro. Mr. Anderson leaves for Italy in October, where he enters the mission field for Southern Baptists.

Mrs. M. J. Emory of Verona, Lee county, Mississippi, wishes to find out the company, regiment and officers of the company to which her husband, George William Emory, belonged during the civil war. She states that he is listed at Raleigh. It is necessary for her to have this information before she can draw a pension.

Capt. Beavers Reported Killed
A report gained currency here last evening to the effect that Capt. W. R. Beavers, who is with the army in the Philippines, had been killed. Captain Beavers' parents know nothing of the report. The War Department at Washington is without any such information, and a telegram elsewhere states. The report is believed to be unfounded. Captain Beavers has not been heard from in two months, but if he has met with any accident the news would doubtless have been received here.

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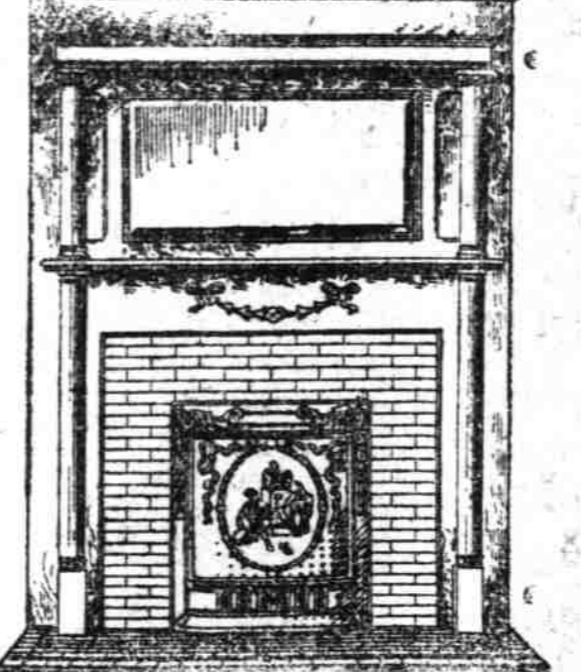
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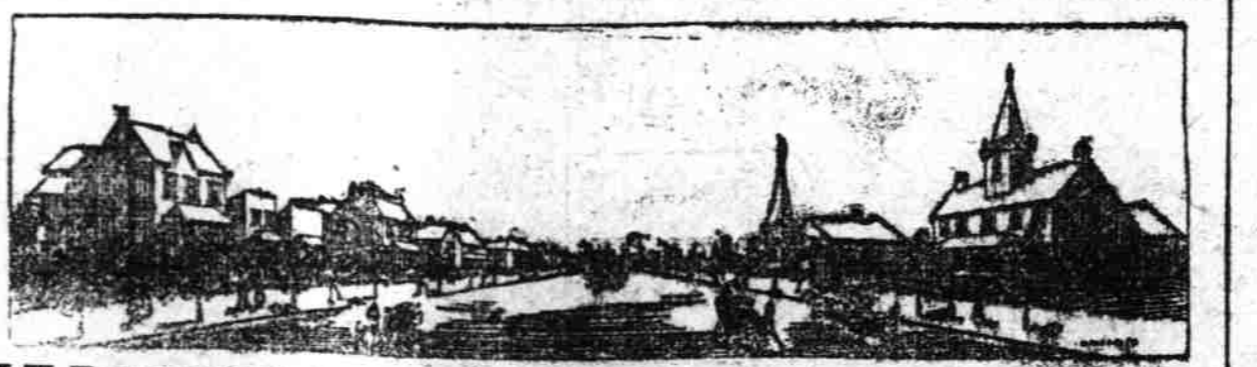
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