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The Pulpit.

RETRIBUTION. SERMON BY REV. DR. BEWORTH.

To a congregation that crowded every pew in the vast auditorium of the Church at the Disciples, Dr. Beworth preached on Sunday his second sermon on the subject of retribution.

of the sandy plain was consumed, the giraffe fed on the branches of the trees and was compelled to obtain his subsistence in that way or not at all.

Meeting." on Monday morning, and heard an elaborate essay in defense of Methodist Church policy, intended, as I thought, to neutralize and attack from within.

Communicated.

Mr. Eaton.—Dear Sir: It was our pleasure to attend a festival given by the ladies of the Methodist Church, under the auspices of the Young Ladies' Aid Society, in this town, on Wednesday evening last.

WHAT TO DO WITH IMMORAL NEWSPAPERS.

The secular press has shown great interest in the discussion of hell. We do not wish to be unjust or uncharitable.

HOW TO MAKE CLASS-MEETINGS POPULAR.

In our Church, constitution the office of leader is next in importance to that of minister.

A GREAT EVIL.

The love of American social life is in the tendency to luxury and effeminacy among the well-to-do young women of our American cities and large towns.

PLEASANTRIES.

hydrogen gas through a glass wall, 15 millimetres in thickness, during a period of fifteen years.

LETTER FROM BISHOP PIERCE. Mr. Eaton: A brief account of a Northern trip, will make (by your permission) an item for the columns of your paper.

Twenty three years ago I went to Newark, N. J., to aid in the dedication of St. Paul's M. E. Church. For reasons, ecclesiastical and social, the brethren determined to celebrate the twenty fifth anniversary from the foundation of the building.

It is a noticeable fact that a festival given by the ladies of the M. E. Church is attended by an astonishing degree of success; and on this occasion, notwithstanding the distressingly dull times, and the extremely low price at which the numerous articles were disposed of, the Society realized a net profit of about \$100.

Before closing this letter, we purpose saying a good word for the Ladies Aid Society; and it may suit right at this juncture: This society is composed of the young (unmarried) ladies of the church, who have banded themselves together for the purpose of devising ways and means to provide for the poor of the church—to supply the destitute families with the comforts of life, and to clothe and educate the children.

We have observed two very suspicious indications in the current newspaper treatment (we cannot say discussion) of the subject of hell.

Intelligent Acquaintance with the Word of God.—Let my heart be sound in thy statutes, that I be not ashamed, was the psalmist's prayer, and leaders cannot do better than echo it on behalf of their members.

ANCESTRY OF THE PEN. The earliest mode of writing was on bricks, tiles, oyster shells, stones, ivory, bark and leaves of trees; and from the latter the term, "leaves of a book," is probably derived.

—A rich, but parsimonious old gentleman, on being taken to task for his uncharitableness, said: "True, I don't give much; but if you only knew how it hurts me when I give anything, you would be more generous."

THREE PROPOSITIONS. Allow me to put before you these propositions and to ask for them your careful consideration. As long as the soul is in the very nature of things it must be punished.

I met Bishop Simpson again—heard him preach, and was delighted. He is a strong man, clear in thought, simple in expression, and earnest in manner. Indeed, his style is so easy, so transparent, that a profound thought (and he abounds in them) unless you pause to examine it, will pass as commonplace.

At night I went to hear Talbauge, but was woefully disappointed. The morning and evening were both devoted to raising money to pay a heavy church debt. Mr. Kimball the great "Church debt lifter" occupied the hour.

PARTEISANT. Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 23d, 1878. Dr. ROBBITT: In viewing the state of human nature, we are all given to accept of it without ever once thinking of change—thus it is many, old very many, poor miserable human beings are cast aside, no attention for their fellow beings, and their names never mentioned except to deride and demean them.

But men have done this who claim to be opinion-makers—who tell us that the newspaper is the very guardian of liberty and conservator of virtue.

TO THE POINT. John Stuart Mill advised all who would prove the Divine existence, to adhere to the argument from design. Even Matthew Arnold says that all he can say against the argument from design is, that he has had no experience in world-building.

AGRICULTURAL HINTS. A good lubricator for wooden axles is made of six parts of clean tallow and two parts of fine smooth plumbago.

—You can save food and trouble by getting rid of your poorest stock now. This is particularly true of sheep. Get rid of the miserable scrawny ones that you know will not winter over, or if they do will be worth nothing when the spring comes.

THE CHAMBER OF HORRORS. Now let me take the next step. Can that disposition ever become permanent? This is entering upon the chamber of horrors. I should like to close the door and bolt it so fast that no man can open the threshold.

I saw some things in Northern Methodism to admire. In their love-feasts there is more freedom from constraint than with us. It is a family meeting—all is free; they are not afraid of each other. Their speeches are not stereotyped—they say something—make a point; they are short and fresh.

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There is another thing of infinite importance to a divinity student. I mean a spirit of prayer. I am convinced that nothing in the whole Christian religion is so difficult, and so rarely attained, as a praying heart.

SCIENCE. The outer satellite of Mars, like the planet itself, is not.

—The London Missionary Society has removed the headquarters of the Pagan branch of its New Guinea mission to Murray's Island.

Fifty women of the Essex district, Massachusetts, petition the Legislature of that State to do away with the marriage ceremony. The petition calls Moses a foreign barbarian.