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PREACH THE GOSPEL.

"And he said unto them, go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation."—Mark xvi.—15.

There has been considerable criticism of the methods employed by the evangelists, both in Portland and Astoria as to their methods of preaching the gospel. Criticism is an inherent right which all people have a right to exercise, and its effect is measured from the standard from which it emanates. It is impossible for all classes of people to believe alike. No two churches of any denomination agree upon some of the fundamental principles of the Bible. Different ministers place different constructions upon various passages of scripture, but all agree that they are striving to reach the kingdom of heaven, even though by different routes.

Some ministers believe that the only way to reach the unconverted, the most wicked in cities; the young men who never attend church, is by religious revivals; to the extent of visiting the slum districts of a city, and even by preaching in saloons. Others believe that such methods are demoralizing and that the only way to reach the masses is by personal visitation and personal appeals. Yet all are trying to reach the kingdom of heaven, only by different routes.

If a minister of the gospel can go out on the streets in a quiet and assuming way and influence a young man to attend his church and by so doing that young man is prevailed upon and does lead a different life, such work is to be commended, not condemned. If a minister believes that he can best reach the unconverted by a series of revivals, and if he goes into the saloons and conducts a service and one young man is saved, he has done a grand work, even if 50 others are converted and backslide.

"I say unto you, that even so there shall be joy in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over 90 and 9 righteous persons which need no repentance."

Of course, everyone must find his own spiritual food. Ministers and ecclesiastics have sometimes made mistakes of offering exactly the same diet to different palates. You cannot compel uniformity in this particular. The fact that there are so many religions in the world and so many different forms of the same religion shows that a man must have a considerable latitude in the means which he employs to worship his creator, or the work he does in the Lord's vineyard and the manner of doing the work, and to cultivate his own spiritual life. Heaven has gates on all sides of it, but the point is, the man should feed his spirit with some pabulum as faithfully as he feeds his body and recruits his mental energies.

If revivalists can come to Astoria and stir up the great commonwealth by a series of revivals; and one young man is saved, the question is not by what means were employed, but the result. Look within. The process of spiritual upbuilding begins when a man gazes searchingly into the depths of his own nature; for there, first of all, he will find his God. Men sometimes do not really know themselves; they have not discerned that which is best within them; that which is a little fragment of the divine life itself. If in the midst of the tumult and push of our seething days, some evangelist comes along and rescues us, what matters it what methods are employed, as long as the object is attained?

Look around, see what forces your fellowmen to live strong, victorious lives. Find those who exemplify, not spiritual starvation, but spiritual health to such a degree that they can make it positively contagious. The manner of spreading the contagion should be left to the individual conscience and inclination, and harsh criticisms are productive of no good. And back through the ages and centuries one can go gazing upon those great souls who live in the world's memory, because they mirrored in their own lives the strength and peace and the glory of God. And

one figure towering above all in the retrospect, forever witnessing to the fact that the most perfect manhood is that which most perfectly embodies spiritual ideals.

Look above. You need some strong force to counteract the pull downward; you need food which your own unaided endeavors cannot supply. Lift your eyes to the hills from whence cometh your help. Let not the spiritual in you languish because of your unreadiness to grasp help that is right at hand. No matter by what means or by what methods or by or through which minister, be he evangelist or layman, the question is one that concerns you and not the methods employed to convince you.

There are many indications that throughout the country, and even in Astoria where the Salvation Army and the Pennel mission were compelled to abandon their work on account of the wickedness of the city, that there is coming a great reaction from absorption in things temporal that has marked the last few decades. Men are crying out for their true birthright; they begin to realize that though they may be clothed in fine linen and abundantly fed from the markets of the world, their souls are in danger of being starved to death. If spiritual food can be administered in one way by the Methodist, and in another by the Episcopalians and in another by the Catholics, it must be admitted that all are striving to reach heaven, even though by different routes. It is not a question of methods or expediency, but the question of accomplishing results.

WHAT WE WANT.

We want more time in which to live; more time to love; more leisure in which to taste our freedom. We want more time to be at home to improve our physical, moral and our mental natures. We want fewer bachelors and fewer spinsters. We want it so that every man can support a family decently, so that every good girl can have a good husband, and every man can have a good wife.—Samuel Gompers.

"We want fewer bachelors and fewer spinsters." Take that you young fellows of Astoria who are priding yourselves on your liberty.

Take that you floaters who are drifting through life without a fixed purpose or ambition. Take that you spendthrifts who are earning good wages and saving nothing, but blow, or have blown it in, in the back rooms of cigar stores, and have contributed largely at "21" and craps, and who save nothing because you have no one for whom to save. We want fewer bachelors and fewer spinsters. Think of it you girls who don't consider it worth while to be civil to a young man if his clothes don't fit. Think of it you maidens who are dreaming of wonderful millionaires, of fairy princes that are to appear some day and carry you away to their palaces—but that seem, in some way, to have missed the train. Think of it young ladies who are studying bank accounts instead of studying the men who own them. Better think of it now than to begin thinking five or ten years from now, when the gray hairs refuse to be hidden and the false teeth ought to be ordered and a crow's feet are already here.

"We want fewer bachelors and fewer spinsters." We don't want more hasty weddings of people who have just been introduced to each other; we don't want 15-year-old girls and 17-year-old lads rushing to the minister; but more sane marriages—more homes that are founded on love and honor and mutual confidence—more men and women who are willing to plan together and each for the other, ready to give up their own whims and inclinations if needed, to make their life partners happier; ready to forget sometimes to assert their precious "rights" or "dignity," or authority; willing to play the wonderful old game of courtship and love winning all their lives.

We want them for their own sakes, for the nation's sake; for the sake of the future; for the sake of enterprise, morality, honor and happiness; for the sake of the young men and women of today; for the sake of the old men and women of 40 years from now, that they may walk down the shaded lanes of life together, not tottering lonesomely, drearily, tediously to unnoticed graves.

Last Hope Vanished.

When leading physicians said that W. M. Smithart, of Peking, Ia, had incurable consumption, his last hope vanished; but Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, kept him out of his grave. He says: "This great specific completely cured me, and saved my life. Since then, I have used it for over 10 years, and consider it a marvelous throat and lung cure." Strictly scientific cure for Coughs, Sore Throats or Colds; sure preventive of Pneumonia. Guaranteed 50c and \$1.00 bottles at Chas. Rogers' drug store. Trial bottle free.

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OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Epitome of Anecdotes and Incidents With Comments by a Layman.

Jesse James, Jr., says he will become a lawyer. And they said he had reformed!

Manuel Garcia is 100 years old and still refuses to be chloroformed.

Russia has lost half a million men, and if it wasn't for the cost of cablegrams the correspondents would have finished the job.

It is now said that Castro is a cigarette fiend. That is the meanest thing that has yet been said, of the cigarette.

It is too early to decide whether Colorado is reformed or tired out.

The socialists' offer of \$1000 to anybody who can convince the socialists that socialism is not right looks like a safe proposition economically speaking.

The maple sugar crop of Vermont is short and New England may have to get its chief supply of pure Vermont sugar from Chicago as the rest of us do.

The report that Vice President Fairbanks at once established himself in favor with the United States senate as a presiding officer may have been started by those who are opposed to his presidential aspirations.

After more mature deliberation, the missionary authorities of the Congregational board have concluded that the souls of the benighted heathen are in greater danger from sulphur than from kerosene.

Portland is getting religion in big bunches. Visitors to the Lewis and Clark fair will be first introduced to the mourner's bench before hitting the trail.

The astronomers sent from New York to Chile report having discovered 20 double stars. Bromo seltzer is the best thing for that.

The treasury department is calling in all the \$10,000 bills in circulation. If you find any of these in your old clothes kindly send them on.

Milwaukee is said to be suffering from a milk famine. There may be a milk famine, but it is too much to believe that Milwaukee is suffering from it.

Good Program.

Lovers of vaudeville will have an opportunity to see one of the best shows commencing Monday night at the Star that has been in Astoria for a long time. Among the attractions that will be offered will be the Margesons, Master Norman and Maude. "The Big and Little of It," the celebrated comedy sketch portrayers, something entirely new in Astoria. Leonard and Degarro, the mystic marvels of the Roman rings, is an entirely new feature never before presented and is considered a whole show in itself. Klein and Klein, the funny clowns, will provoke sufficient merriment to keep the audience good natured. Maude Carter the character ingenue, presenting "The Widow," is another entertaining feature which will be appreciated. Richard Charles, the celebrated baritone, will sing new and popular songs. The bill at the Star is certainly one that should be seen by all amusement loving people.

OCCIDENT HOTEL DINNER.

- Toke Point Oysters
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First Congregational church, Rev. Mahone pastor. Preaching 11 a. m. by Rev. Gilliam; 3 p. m. a special meeting for men; Dr. Gilliam will preach; Sunday school 12:30 p. m. No evening service on account of union service.

Special evangelistic meetings will begin in the Lutheran Bethany church to continue for some days. The pastor, Rev. Hoacham, will be assisted by some visiting brethren.

Grace church—Services Sunday as follows: At 11 a. m. and 4 p. m., there will be preaching by Rev. E. T. Simpson at both services. Services in Uppertown at 7:30.

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