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MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Synopsis of an Address by Rev. O. B. Whitmore at Ross' Opera House March 6th, 1887.

The memorial address delivered by Rev. O. B. Whitmore, at the Upchurch memorial services of Seaside Lodge No. 12, A. O. U. W., last Sunday evening, was a very creditable production. The reverend speaker took for his text "True Charity." He said: Father John J. Upchurch, the subject of this memorial service, was born in Franklin county, North Carolina, the 26th day of March, 1820. His father being a farmer, the first seventeen years of his life were spent upon the farm, but at 17 years of age he began to learn the trade of a millwright. Then he worked at house carpentry for awhile. At 21 he was married, and undertook to run a hotel at Raleigh, N. C. Again, at 25, we find him in the employ of the Pennsylvania railway company, where he remained for a number of years, and then engaged with the Atlantic and Great Western railway company, and was fore-man of their shops at Meadville, Penn. It was here that he became disgusted with both the spirit and the practice of the trades unions, which he believed to be based upon principles altogether too narrow and selfish, each trade organizing and supporting a Union of its own, and each in their intense selfishness willing to sacrifice every other interest in order to advance their own. Says Father Upchurch: "They were selfish and envious; the blacksmith was ready to sacrifice the business of the machinist in order to build up his own. There seemed to be no sense of fairness toward employers, and often strikes were organized without sense or justice." He believed this to be all wrong; that there ought to be rather a union of the whole for the greatest number. And thus the idea of the possibility of another organization based upon broader and more liberal principles, where capital and labor might be harmonized and their common interests promoted, dawned upon him, and gradually took shape until finally, on the 27th day of October, 1868, he organized, with 14 members, what is known as the A. O. U. W. The first five years of its existence it passed through a number of struggles, being confronted two or three times by seemingly insurmountable difficulties, but finally, in the year '73, it tided safely over all difficulties and began to spread with great rapidity, so that when Father Upchurch died on the 18th day of January last, the order numbered 180,000, being organized in almost every state and territory in the union, and in the dominion of Canada, and having disbursed for the widows and orphans more than \$15,000,000.

This is purely a benevolent and beneficent organization. "It has no connection with any religious sect, or political party, or organization for affecting the prices of labor, or commodities, but is designed to promote fraternity, mental and social improvement, and mutual assistance." But while it has no connection with either politics or religion, it antagonizes neither, but rather from that book, the Bible, which contains the great underlying principles of all true government, and is the only perfect guide of a truly religious life, its chief motto being "Faith, hope and charity, but the greatest of these is charity." Here follows a glowing eulogy on practical charity, that all embracing charity which makes a man look upon the world as his country and to do good as his religion. "It is this spirit of Christ life, and which permeates all of his teachings," continued the speaker, "that was the ruling passion of the life of Father John J. Upchurch, and out into both of those departments of life's activities, of which we have spoken, did he thrust the A. O. U. W., of which he was the honored founder."

"The primary object with Father Upchurch was to harmonize and unify the common interests of men, and then to provide for the widowed and fatherless, and so

broad and deep were the foundations laid, and so wisely has the magnificent superstructure been reared, that men of all professions and avocations in life are sheltered under its dome, while its rich dispensations of charity to the widows and orphans amount now to more than \$3,000,000.

My friends, let this charity which never faileth, but suffereth long and is kind, that inclines us to think favorably of our fellow men and do them good, which was the ruling passion of this man's life, become the great underlying principle of action along every avenue of life's activities, in every department of life's work, and this world would be lifted by this mighty, moving impulse of the Divine life, onto a higher plane of living where vice, crime and want would cease; and righteousness, peace and prosperity would reign.

Talk about building monuments out of perishable things, to the memory of such men! I tell you they build their own monuments, which are more enduring than shafts of marble or piles of granite. Listen!

"Abou Ben Adhem—may his tribe increase—
Awoke one night from a sweet dream of peace,
And saw, within the moonlight in his room,
Making it rich, and like a lily in bloom,
An angel writing in a book of gold.
Exceeding peace had made Ben Adhem bold;
And to the presence in the room he said:
"What writest thou?" The vision raised
Its head, and with a look made all of sweet accord,
Answered: "The names of those who love the Lord."
"And is mine one?" said Abou. "Nay, not so!"
Replied the angel. Abou spoke more low,
But cheerily still: "I pray thee, then,
Write me as one who loves his fellow men."
The angel wrote and vanished. The next night
It came again with a great wakening light,
And showed the names whom love of God had blessed,
And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest."

Nearly two years ago I went sight-seeing in the city of New Orleans, with a man for my guide who had lived there more than half a century. He took me first to Lee's place at the junction of St. Charles street and St. Charles avenue, where stands a monument of granite 150 feet high, erected to the memory of General Robert E. Lee. Then he pointed out Lafayette square, named after that honored Frenchman; then he took me to "Margaret place" near one of the large orphan asylums, where a monument was erected to the memory of Margaret. It was a piece of sculpture carved from a block of marble—the figure of a woman sitting in a large chair, with her left arm encircling the waist of a girl standing by her side. In outline of form and feature it is said to be a faithful representation of Margaret; and the girl by her side is supposed to be an orphan. Do you ask who was Margaret? Go and ask the inmates of half a dozen orphan asylums in the city of New Orleans, who have been blessed by her benefactions, and they will tell you that a few years ago she came to that city a poor, unlettered German girl, and was employed in the asylum near which her monument now stands, where her sympathies were soon enlisted for the poor children who came there to be sheltered, clothed and fed; that in a little while she saved enough from her small earnings to buy a cow, then another and another; that she went into the dairy business, and finally bought a large bakery; that while she lived, her benefactions to the orphanages of the city were constant and liberal; and when she died she bequeathed her business, with an income of several thousand dollars a month, and all she had, as a dispensation of charity to those asylums. And I said, as I looked upon that piece of sculpture erected to her memory, and listened to the recital of the story of her life as it fell from the lips of my friend, Mr. Spearling: "This piece of sculpture will grow old and become tarnished as the years go by, and finally, like all material things, will waste away, but Margaret will live in the memory of a grateful people, who, as the years go by, are blessed by her benefactions in those asylums of the crescent city of the south."

For charity never faileth and the dispensers of charity being dead, yet speak. Even so Father John J. Upchurch will live while

time lasts in the memory of a grateful people who are blessed by the benefactions of the A. O. U. W.

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