

Pastor Russell's Sermon

Choose Ye This Day Between Truth and Error.

Text: "Choose you this day whom ye will serve. If Jehovah be God, serve Him." (Joshua, xiv, 10.)

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 13.—Pastor Russell of the Brooklyn Tabernacle, New York, preached here twice to-day to splendid audiences. One of his discourses was entitled, "The Overthrow of Satan's Empire." We report the other one from our text above quoted. Pastor Russell said:

As Christians in the light of this wonderful twentieth century we stand at the parting of the ways, we must decide for right or for wrong, for truth or for falsehood, in respect to our religious convictions. Without questioning the sincerity of our fathers, we all object to their theology. It is in vain that ministers and Bible class teachers longer deny the facts of the case. For we are all honest people who agree that it is right that they should profess one thing and in their lives and general conversation they should ignore or absolutely deny the teachings of those creeds. Yet this is the position of practically all the professing people of Christendom. Their consciences will not stand for this much longer. If they refrain from telling the truth and taking their stand on God's side, they will not only see their consciences (I Timothy iv, 2) and correspondingly separate themselves from God's favor, but additionally their course will sooner or later bring upon them the disapproval and contempt of all honest people. For aforesaid the masses are not yet aroused on this subject, they are rapidly getting awake.

Do you wish me to illustrate what I mean? Do you wish me to show in what respect all denominations are ashamed of their creeds and anxious to hide the fact that they ever professed them or were anxious to show some new interpretation more consistent with the broader thought and more generous sentiment of the civilized man of this twentieth century? I will do it. Our Methodist friends are ashamed of the feature of their creed which declares that the Almighty is now doing everything that divine wisdom and power can accomplish on behalf of their poor race, but additionally their course will sooner or later bring upon them the disapproval and contempt of all honest people. For aforesaid the masses are not yet aroused on this subject, they are rapidly getting awake.

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The light of the millennial morning which for a century has been gradually breaking upon the world, stimulating thought in every direction, has made it necessary for our Methodist brethren, as well as for us, to awaken to the wonderful privileges of our day. We are studying to ascertain the real teaching of God's word, which in the past we have so carelessly misinterpreted. We are studying to ascertain the real teaching of God's word, which in the past we have so carelessly misinterpreted.

But, no, I must correct myself here. This is what they should have done. They should have been looking out for the old creed, not only from right and from order, they have merely covered the corpse which is admitted to be dead and placed the brier and better for it.

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so illogical and confused a manner that it fails to give them the needed strength. God permitted us to come to this very hour and here, and at the present time for the purpose of developing the characters of the "Israelites" indeed, in whom is no guile, and for the purpose of gathering out from them all the tares, all the chaff, and all not at heart copies of His dear Son. Let me now briefly summarize the errors of the creeds and briefly indicate the Bible remedy.

Our error and deception was the supposition that all who are not baptized into His death, all who do not drink His cup of ignominy will be eternally tortured. This is the teaching common to all Protestants and in the much modified form of purgatory shared also by Catholics. It is placed by the creeds in the hands of the rising generation. They are doing this intelligently, wisely, cunningly, but not with evil motives. Having seen their creeds these scholars men, concluding that the creeds truthfully presented the Bible, abandoned faith in the scriptures to the same degree that they have abandoned faith in the creeds which their intellects have repudiated. They are working hard and succeeding in the ignoring their faith-destriving theory into the minds of the rising generation thru the school books. From these they not only have a right to be proud, but they have a right to be proud.

As for the rank and file of Baptists and Disciples, probably three-fourths of them still hold vaguely and indistinctly to the creeds and their confessions of faith both of these denominations in their innocence of mind think that they are not doing anything wrong. As these dear friends awaken to the inconsistencies of their confessions and teachings they are in the most dangerous position. Their leaders in following their leaders into a repudiation of everything pertaining to the past—into higher criticism—infidelity and Darwinism.

VETERANS OF 1866

Will Assist in Organizing Patriotic Defence League. At a meeting of the executive committee of the Veterans of 1866 Association Saturday evening, President Alex. Wheeler in the chair, presided over the meeting.

The annual excursion will be held July 21 to Queenston Heights, when the veterans of the Niagara district will assemble. The excursion will be held July 21 to Queenston Heights, when the veterans of the Niagara district will assemble.

Yonge Street Mission. Despite the fine weather there is still a great need in the city of hungry men at Yonge Street Mission yesterday morning. The mission was gathered to partake of the hot coffee and bread and sandwiches provided thru the mission's efforts.

Stainer's Crucifixion. This evening, at Trinity East Church, East King-street, the choir of the church will render Stainer's Crucifixion. The soloists will be J. A. Arlidge, George W. J. Wilson, and others.

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Public Amusements. "Ben Hur." The "Ben Hur" company, the gigantic offering at the Princess this week, arrived in Toronto from Boston last night. Moving this attraction is certainly a big undertaking.

SOCIETY NOTES. Miss Ida M. Hunter, supervisor of domestic science, Toronto public schools, who has been seriously ill with diphtheria in the Isolation Hospital, returned to her home yesterday.

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Dustin Farnum Coming. The attraction for the week of March 21 at the Royal Alexandra Theatre is Dustin Farnum, King of the West.

"The Beauty Spot." To-night will usher in one of the most pretentious attractions of the present season at the Royal Alexandra Theatre, when the long-expected musical comedy, "The Beauty Spot," will begin its engagement.

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An Actor's Suicide. CHICAGO, March 13.—Thos. Thorne, aged 24, who played part of poet in "The Fourth Estate," at the Studebaker Theatre, hanged himself from the waist cord of his bath robe in his room at the Alexandria Hotel.

Slightly Used Upright Pianos at Bargain Prices. Heintzman & Co., Limited, 115-117 King-street west, are offering an assortment of slightly used upright pianos for immediate sale.

Ernest Thompson Seton. arrived in the city last night to deliver his two famous illustrated lectures, "The Queen's Own Beavers" and "The Story of the Beaver."

People's Sunday Service. Few seats were vacant at the People's Sunday Service in Massey Hall last night. The Queen's Own Beavers rendered several excellent selections, and the fine singing of the Cornish choir was a notable feature.

"Superba" Next Week. Seats are on sale for Hanlon's "Superba" the attraction at the Grand Opera House, which will open on Saturday afternoon.

New Majestic Music Hall. William Morris' big road show, headed by Taylor Granville and a company of people, presenting "The Star Bout," will hold forth this week at the New Majestic Music Hall.

United States. Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada, will meet President Taft at the University Club dinner at Albany, N.Y., on March 13.

Fremont Killed or Injured. BOSTON, March 13.—One Fremont was killed and one injured by a falling wall, and \$200,000 damage was done in a blaze which destroyed the workshop of the Boston Electrical Railway.

"The Empire." The attraction at the Star Theatre, Edmund Hayes, the Wise Guy, his big beauty chorus of 30 girls, this is one of the largest and the most popular shows in the city.

Globe Editor Calls on Taft. AS WASHINGTON, D.C., despatch of Saturday said, the editor of the Toronto Globe, called upon President Taft to-day to talk over the tariff situation between Canada and the United States.

Seven Miners Suffocated. WILKES-BARRE, Pa., March 13.—Seven miners were suffocated in the Lehigh & Wilkes-Barre coal mine, near here, last night in an explosion of gas.

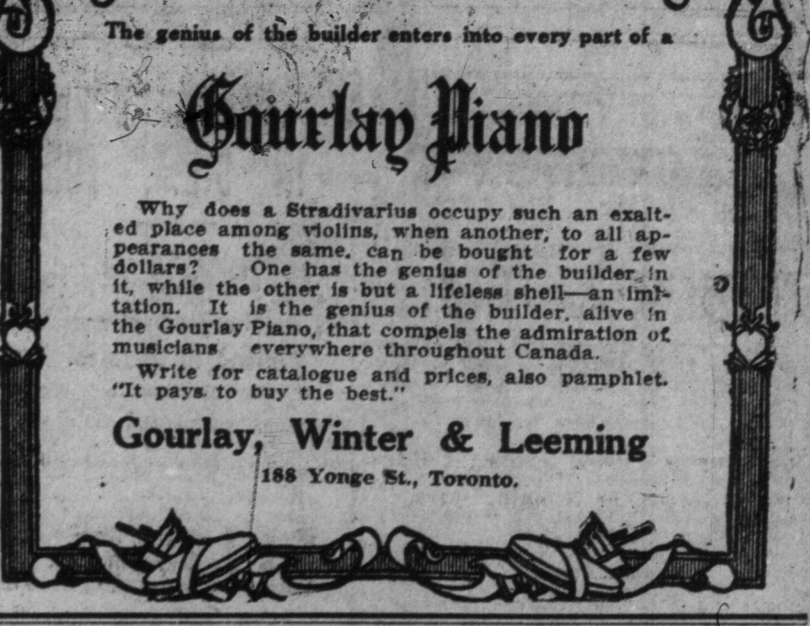
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AN HEROIC LIGHT-KEEPER. On Constant Duty Eleven Days, Altho Almost Starved. SOUTH NORWALK, Conn., March 13.—After being continuously on duty for eleven days, with the light always burning and the greater part of the time with the foghorn sounding, Le Roy C. Loughborough, assistant keeper of the Norwalk Light, in Long Island Sound, was found lying prostrate by the side of his engine, starving and exhausted by his long hours of duty.

Local. The Canadian Cement and Concrete Association, executive on the subject of the annual show, to be held in London, opening March 29.

John Thomas, Marikham, was elected president of the Centre York Conservative Association.

It is the Rev. John Salmon (not Solo) who is the Rev. John Salmon, who was taken ill with malapox on the SS. Montague, now at Vancouver, B.C. He has been touring the world. The attack is not serious.

A new trial has been ordered for the next sessions of the cases against Rev. G. M. Atlas, owing to the crown-attorney's question to Mrs. Atlas as to whether her husband had served time in prison.

President Shaughnessy of the C. P. R. declines to tell of the company's Toronto profits.

Canadian. Grandin Park has been sold to W. H. Little, representing a Cleveland realty company, for \$60,000.

Ottawa politicians believe Canada's a favored nation in the United States is that a tariff war would be the ruin of President Taft.

Judge Hugh O'Leary of Thunder Bay and Justice J. T. Garrow of Toronto have been appointed judges of the admiralty court.

A double account of a ghost, seen by Fred Johnson and Hannah Fitzgort, of Carleton Place, Durham County, is discussed by Dr. J. S. King, president of the Canadian Society of Psychical Research.

At Jamestown, N.Y., one man was killed and several others injured at a blaze which destroyed the Dorky shoe factory; loss \$100,000.