

The Modern Mind.

AT GEORGE ST. CHURCH.
The Rev. R. E. Fairbairn, Pastor of George Street Methodist Church, is preaching a series of sermons during the Sunday evenings of this month on the subject of "Christ and the Man of Today." The first of the series was preached to a large congregation last Sunday. The subject "The Modern Mind," as the phrase is interpreted as denoting a method of thought essential to the modern era which was evolved about two hundred years ago, and which time modern Science had its birth. The previous method of thought gave more attention to the things than to the observed phenomena, from which it was created. Thus, the theories, grotesque and absurd, were formulated on hasty observation, the way the illusions of Astrology, Chemistry, and, later, Phrenology, gave distorted impressions to life and thought. The method reversed the process with facts, let the theory be what it may eventually. In this way, modern science was developed, Astronomy, Chemistry, Phrenology, and so on. Great progress was made, for the first time, by the method of the modern mind, however, does not by any means mean that modern thought where cults break claim modernity whose roots are as old as the Ark and as old as sin. Thus, materialism is sometimes called modern thought, but materialism as an ideal of living is as old as the food, and philosophical materialism is a dead letter. Rationalism again falsely claims recognition as the superior modern mind, as a test of thought it is both old and time-worn. That is the common method of thought today? Slavish loyalty to traditions, resulting in superstitions and confusion. The true modern mind with courageous investigation has wrought wonders in discovery. It has been adopted by men of science. There is not a realm of life but is under its influence, and not a department of truth but may be won by its development by its adoption. Religion the challenge of Jesus across the centuries. "Why ev-

en of yourselves judge ye not what is right?" Faith is not merely acquiescence. The spiritual realm challenges courageous thought from those who possess their minds of platitudinous conventionalities mildly absorbed and are bold enough to face the issue with the energy of the explorer. To such an investigator who will lay prejudice aside and who will be loyal to reality at any cost, rich rewards of clear conviction and solid assurance are attainable. What Christians require is a vigorous dynamic faith born of clear conviction. Much that is called faith is mere acquiescence which fails to grip the mind, and which results in freakish cults and sentimental rubbish. The next sermon is on the subject "The Quest of Reality."

Obituary.

MISS BRIDGET (TOSS) MURPHY.
After twelve months patient suffering, Miss Bridget Murphy, after passing the last rites of the Catholic Church, passed peacefully away on Sunday evening at her mother's residence, No. 2 Alexander Street, Toss, as she was familiarly known, was of a kind and retiring nature, and was always a general favourite amongst her friends and associates. Up to a year ago she enjoyed the best of good health, but contracted a heavy cold some months ago, and although the best medical skill was called in, death ensued, and has removed from amongst us, a young lady of sterling character and kindly disposition.

There will be a meeting of the T. A. & B. S. Ladies' Auxiliary on Tuesday night, March 7th, immediately after Prayer. LIZIE O'DEA, Secy.—march 11

Weather and Ice Report.

Springdale—Strong East winds, dull and cold.
Nipper's Harbor—Strong N. E. winds, Bay clear; few old hump seals seen last week and some killed.
Change Islands—Wind S.W., fine and clear; ice conditions unchanged; no seals.
Gander Bay—Southerly wind, clear and mild.
Tilt Cove—Wind fair and cold; no ice.
LaSalle—Strong South wind, fair and cold.

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

RECOGNITION AND TARIFF.
OTTAWA, March 6.
Official recognition in Canada of Ireland as a sister dominion in the British Commonwealth of Nations, comes on April 1. Commissioner Farrow of the Department of Customs and excise has sent out the following circular to officials of his department. "Ireland will be designated separately on all entries of exports or imports to or from that country commencing April 1, 1922."

LITERARY AWARD.
OTTAWA, March 6.
The National Geographic Society of United States have awarded the Great Squires prize to Vilhjalmur Stefansson for his book, "The Friendly Arctic." The announcement characterizes Mr. Stefansson's book as the "outstanding geographic publication of 1921." It adds that the explorer's work shows that Arctic Canada must inevitably be added to the World's area of food production.

MAINTAINING ITS RECORD.
BELFAST, March 6.
Two persons killed and twenty-one wounded completed the casualties list in the disorders in this city, over Saturday and Sunday. The city was quiet this morning.

COMMUNISM VS. CAPITAL.
RIGA, March 6.
A united front on world problems, affecting capital and labor and meeting of all internationalists, are recommended by executive leaders of the third international conference. The vote was 46 to 10. Leon Trotsky, and other Russian Chiefs, explained that the move simply was in keeping with new tactics, having as their purpose, a frank attack on capitalism, instead of the old open battle for an immediate world revolution. Some opponents, however, consider that this step means the ultimate destruction of the third international, which would only become the left wing of a united body if a conference were held, and Amsterdam and other groups agreed to general union.

MARTIAL LAW AT HONG KONG.
MANILA, March 6.
Marital law has been declared at Hong Kong and the port has been closed as the result of a strike of Chinese seamen, according to unofficial advice received here by the British Consul. Press reports state that the Hong Kong strike has been settled.

POLISH CABINET RESIGNS.
WARSAW, March 4.
Cabinet of Premier Ponikowski has resigned, following failure of the negotiations with the Vilna Delegation, on text of the Act of Annexation of region of Vilna to Poland.

TRAIN CRASHES INTO BUS.
CLEVELAND, OHIO, March 4.
The death of an injured man today brought the toll from the collision between a New York Central passenger train and an automobile bus at Painesville, late last night, to fourteen. Five others were seriously injured, three of whom are expected to die.

ANTI-CHINESE SENTIMENT.
KINGSTON, J.A., March 4.
A proposal has been submitted to the Legislative Council, which would prohibit Chinese and any aliens, who might be considered undesirable, from landing, except they pass a test providing they are not illiterate, and pay one thousand dollars. Feeling is high here against Chinese immigration.

NEW PARTY IN THE OFFING.
LONDON, March 4.
What was regarded in political circles here as seemingly plain intimation of the early resignation of Premier Lloyd George, with an endeavor to form a new national centrist party out of moderate conservatives and coalition liberals, was given by Winston Churchill, Secretary for the Colonies, in his address at Loughborough this afternoon. This party, as Mr. Churchill described it, would be "liberal progressive and pacific in its outlook at home and abroad and resolute also to uphold and maintain the traditions of state, and the power and unity of the Empire." Mr. Churchill spoke in support of Prime Minister Lloyd George, and declared there was certain to be a political battle in England in the near future.

ASKS EXTRADITION.
KEY WEST, FLA., March 4.
Blackhester, first mate of the British schooner Lewis Brothers, in jail here, charged with the murder of Capt. Chute of Nova Scotia, established his United States citizenship on Saturday. The British Government has asked for his extradition.

MISSIONARY MURDERED.
ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 6.
Rev. Dr. Albert L. Patton, medical missionary of the Disciples of Christ (Christian Church), who was the first Christian Missionary to be allowed to enter Tibet and who was kidnapped and held by Chinese brigands for sixty days, two years ago, was murdered by Chinese robbers on February 17 last, it was announced here Saturday.

THE SITUATION IN BRITAIN.
LONDON, March 6.
Within twenty-four hours, or at most forty-eight hours, the world will know definitely whether Premier Lloyd George has decided to resign or continue as the Chief of the Coalition Government. This is only a substantial conviction, emerging from a tangle of contradictory rumors, in the crisis which engrossed political observers over Saturday and Sunday. Experts, this morning, were diametrically opposed in their opinion as to how the crisis stands. Even if the Premier stays nobody believes that Coalition can last much longer, though it may be prolonged until the Irish League and the Genoa Conference are out of the way. It is credited in certain quarters that nothing will be definitely announced until the speech of Sir Arthur Balfour on

Tuesday. It is declared that the pre-eminent interest in Sir Arthur's utterance will be a positive declaration as to the Premier's decision. If this expression is for the resignation of Mr. Lloyd George, Sir Arthur will not, in any event, assume the premiership, according to repeated statements made to-day, but will be willing to take office under Austen Chamberlain as premier. Mr. Chamberlain is the Government leader in the House of Commons. Friends of Mr. Lloyd George assert that he is exceedingly tired and will gladly quit the responsibilities of his office. If he holds on it will be only because of the recognition that chaos is likely to follow his retirement in the present peculiar circumstances. Whether he goes or stays, he has decided to take an immediate holiday, which he will probably enjoy at his country home. If Mr. Lloyd George does not resign, this vacation will practically fill the entire period until the Genoa Conference.

The New Earth.

There was a good congregation present at the Adventist Church last evening, and a good interest was manifested. The topic of the evening was, "The Home of the Redeemed." Evangelist Manuel pointed out very clearly from the Scriptures that the earth renewed would be the final abode of all the redeemed. Mr. Manuel took his text from Acts 3:19-21, which clearly points to a time of restitution. The speaker said in part, "It must be clear to all that some time, somewhere, something was lost or taken away from man, hence the need of having it restored. When man was created, the image of God, he was given a beautiful home in the Garden of Eden. Through sin, however, he lost his home, he lost the image of God and the dominion that has been given to him. All this must be restored through Christ, the second Adam. And this is clearly proven from the following Scriptures. Luke 19:10, Micah 4:8.

The earth was made for man to inhabit. Isa. 45:18, and for mankind had not sin entered, but because of sin and knowing that all would not accept the Christ who was to come God said to the woman, "I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception, in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children, Gen. 3:16. Thus it must be clear to all that the great majority of the human family will be saved and will not have to be in order for God to carry out His divine plan. Christ says, "Strait is the gate and narrow is the way that leadeth to life and few there be that find it." The earth renewed to be the home of the saved. Christ pointed forward to a time when the meek shall inherit the earth, Mat. 5:5. In Ps. 37:11, 29, and verses 9, 10, and 34 we learn when it will be.

The promise to Abraham and his seed (Gen. 3:15) was that God would give him and his seed the earth. (see Rom. 4:13). Paul tells us the seed is Christ, Gal. 3:16, and all that accept Christ come under the same promise. Gal. 3:29. It is worthy of notice, however, that the promise of the earth is not only to Abraham but also to his seed. Thus all are to have an inheritance in the earth some time. That promise has not yet been fulfilled. Acts 7:5. In fact Abraham did not look for a possession in the earth in its present condition, but after it is renewed and becomes again like the Garden of Eden. He looked for the New Jerusalem not the old. Heb. 11:10 and for a better country than this, Heb. 11:16. He did not die a disappointed man.

The promise of the New Earth will be fulfilled. "For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, Isa. 65:17, and the apostle Peter says we look for a fulfillment of that promise. 2 Pet. 3:13. It will be, however, after this earth is renovated by fire and sin is forever more destroyed. John says, "I saw a new heaven and a new earth . . . and I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven." Rev. 21:1-2. This is the city and the country for which Abraham and his seed looked, and will be the abode of God's people throughout eternity.

May we all have a home in that beautiful country? Read Rev. 21:1-7. Revival meetings are being held every night this week except Saturday in the Adventist Church, Cooktown Road. Song service begins 7.45. All are cordially invited.

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