

## SOCIAL AIMS OF SAVIOUR.

Subject of Able Address by J. Roy Van Wyck.

Missionary Sermons in Centenary Church Yesterday.

Reception of New Members at Zion Tabernacle.

Rev. J. Roy Van Wyck preached the second of a series of special sermons in Sherman Avenue Presbyterian Church last evening, his subject being "The Social Aims of Jesus," and his text, Luke, 4: 18: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, wherefore He hath anointed me to preach good news to the poor." Among other things the preacher said Christ never gave a system of regulations either for the state or religion. He awakened the love-life in man and left it to accomplish the bringing in of the Kingdom. Never forget, however, that the supreme interest of Christ was the moral and religious life of man. The solving of the social problem is not the deepest nor the last problem to be solved. We might have the whole race in a palace, the heart might still be heathen. Beyond the supplying of every economic want is the other and deeper need of the soul for communion with God. And Jesus felt it was His highest social duty to lift men into the life of this communion. He came to redeem man from the life of sin. But Christ knew that the redeemed man would not be content simply with the inner change. That which had transpired within him the redeemed man would seek to see reflected about him in the social relations into which he had to enter as a member of society. Redeemed men will redeem society and establish the Kingdom of God on earth.

John the Baptist had called men to make a preparation for the coming of the Kingdom of God by the bringing of a brotherly spirit into life and an earnest attempt to equalize social inequalities.

The hope of Jesus for man was a social hope based on the redeemed individual. His purpose was to bring salvation for the whole social life of man. The transformed society of redeemed men will be brought into existence through the spiritual forces of love, faith and obedience. Who else than Christ could have hoped so much for the world? He was the only one who lived; and yet the results have justified his splendid faith in man.

Christ set about to establish a commonwealth of believing men who would love one another as He loved them. And through this love-life He would affect the emancipation of man. If I love my brother man I can not willfully do him any harm nor consent to his being injured. This life is saved which meets all its social relations and duties with the spirit and mind of Christ. It is the man immersed in his social relations that Jesus seeks to save.

Fraternity is the thing that must be protected at all cost. The men who try to establish fraternity in human relations are in the true apostolic line. I recognize no other. Brotherhood is Christ's watchword. Who ever establishes that which is doing the Lord's work, Jesus could only establish the brotherly love among men by setting the example and by love making men love. The Kingdom He sought to establish was a Kingdom of fraternal love.

This is the great social aim of Jesus to make of the human race one family, to make real brotherly love between men. This is the thing He has come to do. Have ye loved men? Have ye served them? Have ye done it unto one of the least of these his brethren? That is the doing of it unto Him. I declare that the life of loving service to man is the life of loving service to Christ. He accepted the two and did not surrender. He hath joined with Christ to live the love-life has within it a recognition of every man's right to opportunity of economic success, mental development and spiritual attainment; to all, in fact, that makes for fullness, abundance and completion of life.

Did they hear Christ gladly of old? Sometimes the slur is passed that no longer is the message of Christ heard gladly by the common people; and that the average man is finding his satisfaction in the gospel of fraternity preached not by the church, but by the doctrines of an economic theory, who have become prophets of a new era, whose "ism" is a new religion, whose adherents are every one a propagating agency for the new thought. Such a charge will take it a thing of the past when the church realize the social Christ and his call to preach the fraternal life, to reconstruct the state on the basis of love till every man have the opportunity to come to his best. Then again will the church be thronged with listeners, with men and women from the common walks of life, who will gladly hear the social message of the Man of Galilee and who will go out into the life of to-day to heal, to restore and to make alive.

What is involved in taking up the cross of Christ? Did you ever consider the cross you would have to carry for Jesus Christ if you tried to answer His call and give up all and follow Him to the reconstruction of our social life on lines dictated by the spirit of love rather than of self-seeking? Dare I venture to believe that the ideal of love will be realized in the social life of humanity? I dare. And I shall endeavor to make good in the coming days. Let us enter the world of evil and selfish men, not to call these hard names, but to make the life they now live a moral and spiritual impossibility in the presence of a better life, and an all-conquering, unselfish love, which, as it has completely mastered you, will master those whom you meet.

Love conquers. I am prepared to give up any and every institution in this world which does not embody and further fraternity among men. I want to see established a society in which Christ's unlimited faith in every man's redeemability will be made a practical possibility. I know that it will come only through religion, not the religion of mere form and ceremony and of subscription to a printed creed, but through the religion of Jesus, which is in simple terms the life of filial and fraternal relations: love to God and love to men.

I take Christ as the Son of God prominently. He possessed a sonship which I hope some time through my contact with Him yet to enter into. And I hope to enter into it with all men who share

with Him the spirit of self-renunciation, of obedience to God, and of loving service to the cause of a redeemed human race. All in this life is incomplete, but, thank God, it is coming to perfection in Christ. Christ is too great to become the Saviour simply of some inner experience of man, which pertains to the life of the soul, but makes no new earth, creates no new society wherein dwelleth social justice and economic and personal opportunity. His redemption is for all men, and for the whole man in every possible activity in which the personal life of man can find expression.

Here for Christian men and Christian organizations is the ideal life offered by Christ. In the name of a nobler conception of life, and of an emancipated race of men, in whom the life of brotherhood will, if it only can, prevail, I call you to do what you can to further the fraternal social life which Jesus came to establish. Let us rise to the noblest of tasks—to heaven society by the love service and the spirit of the Nazarene till the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of the Lord Christ.

**Missionary Sermons.**  
Special sermons in connection with the missionary movement were preached in Centenary Church yesterday by Rev. W. L. Rutledge, of London, formerly pastor of First Methodist Church here. Both sermons were powerful appeals to Christians to awake to their responsibility to send the Gospel to the people of heathen lands. In the evening, to a very large congregation, he preached of the opportunity as well as the responsibility, his text being Revelations iii. 8: "Know thy works; behold I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it; for thou hast a little strength and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name."

The preacher referred to the opportunities that have presented themselves to the Christian churches to do missionary work, the doors of many heathen countries having been opened in the past decade to the messengers of the Gospel. A spirit of unrest has marked the people of many dark countries, and there has been a readiness on the part of some of these peoples to accept of something better than they had. The close of the 19th century in western lands was marked by its materialism, and much regret was felt at the apparent inclination to neglect God's work for worldly things. But the movement in a mysterious way His wonders to perform, and this condition of affairs are met by the wave of evangelism that is spreading over the Christian lands, particularly in the western hemisphere. He then referred to the layman's missionary movement of 1906, started on the one hundredth anniversary of the Haystack movement. This movement has as its object the evangelization of the world in the present century—to give every young man an opportunity of hearing of the saving power of Christ. This means a great deal more than the giving of light to the heathen; it means the uniting of all Christians who take part in it. The religion of Jesus Christ is different from every other religion, for the reason that the more we export the more we have at home. The missionary spirit is the best indication of true Christianity and it strengthens those who have it. The church who has no missionaries and will send none, has no minister, as it will shiver up.

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## PLEA FOR THE SIMPLE LIFE.

Right Thinking Aid to Health Says Minister.

Advises Christians to Lift Fact From Fancy.

In Dealing With Christian Science and Faith Cure.

Preaching on the subject of Christianity and Health, a sermon dealing with the Christian attitude toward psychotherapy, Rev. J. K. Unsworth, pastor of First Congregational Church, admitted last night that there was an element of truth in Christian science, mental healing and faith cure—the fact that right thought was an aid to good health. "Sift fact from fancy," he advised, "and admit the truth of mind cure where found."

It proved an intensely interesting and thoughtful discourse. The reverend gentleman dwelt on reasons why a Christian congregation should be interested in health. The church was interested, for it was concerned with everything human. Every Christian owed it to himself, to his fellowmen and to Christianity to be well. It was a sin sometimes to be ill. The body affected the mind. There was no doubt health had much to do with mind and morals. Some had gone to the extreme of saying the physical structure determined man and morals. On the other hand, mind also influenced the body. It was worry and work that killed. In times of an epidemic depression and fear were one of the chief contributors to disease: fearlessness was one of the chief safeguards. Mr. Unsworth spoke at length of the many imaginary ills from which people suffered: hysteria in its many forms, victims of the drug habit, and quoted many instances in support of a statement that medical science was more psychic than the layman's missionary movement of 1906, started on the one hundredth anniversary of the Haystack movement.

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## THE RIGHT HOUSE

HAMILTON'S FAVORITE SHOPPING PLACE.

Visit the Great  
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Sales

## Beds and bedding: the big February sale continues with hosts of great bargains



THIS first day of the sale throngs of buyers have visited the department, and many were the pleased expressions heard relative to the great values and fine assortments.

Hamilton's greatest opportunity to buy good beds and bedding is now—and here. For months we have been making preparations for this great sale event—searching the markets and making special purchases at underprices until now we are splendidly ready with every good sort of bedding marked at prices that mean unmatched values.

### Buy now and save a third to a fifth

We would strongly urge that you investigate these great values to-morrow. You will find the largest assortments we have ever shown, you will find only dependable high-grade qualities, you will find values that even we have never equalled before. See the window and department displays and—

TURN THIS BEDDING SALE TO YOUR ADVANTAGE

### Warm wool blankets greatly reduced

SPLENDID reductions that merit your quick investigation, and the Blankets are the fleecy warm sorts that every housekeeper likes. They come direct to us from the world's best manufacturers who made them specially for The Right House.

Fine quality; white and well scoured; superior lefty finish; neat colored borders; finished at both ends. They are unshrinkable and good full large double bed sizes and extra heavy weights. Fill every Wool Blanket need now. On sale to-morrow morning at these underprices:

\$4.25, reduced from \$5.00	\$4.79, reduced from \$5.65
\$4.59, reduced from \$5.38	\$6.19, reduced from \$7.00
\$5.19, reduced from \$6.00	\$6.29, reduced from \$7.38
\$5.43, reduced from \$6.38	\$6.71, reduced from \$7.88

### White bedspreads: February bargains

NOW is the time to buy for a year ahead. Seldom, indeed, do such good white Bedspreads as these go on sale at below their regular good value prices. Dozens and dozens are in the sale lots. Handsome Marseilles patterns in crocheted, Damask, satin-finished toilet and other good styles. Extra large double bed sizes and easy washing qualities.

These Bed Spreads are best English and American makes and very fine superior qualities. They include several special purchase lots and some reduced lots from our own regular good stocks. We have divided them into three price groups for easy selection.

\$1.75 White Crochet Bedspreads at only \$1.39 each	
\$2.75 and \$3.00 White Bedspreads at only \$2.59 each	
\$3.50 and \$3.88 White Bedspreads at only \$3.29 each	

### White metal beds: remarkable values

A FINE and complete variety of attractive new designs in single and double bed sizes. There are about 20 handsome styles to select from. All are new—nearly all go on sale now for first time. The price saving is simply wonderful for such good quality and workmanship.

Some have brass tops and cross-bars, nearly all are trimmed with brass ornaments. Included are some new square post, colonial styles. These handsome Beds are very rich and effective. Only seeing them yourself will give you a full realization of their beauty. A wide collection for choice.

\$3.59, value \$4.00	\$7.79, value \$ 8.88
\$3.98, value \$5.00	\$8.98, value \$10.50
\$4.88, value \$5.75	\$9.20, value \$11.00
\$6.38, value \$7.50	\$12.38, value \$14.00

### Brass beds: extraordinary offerings

BEAUTIFUL new designs and effectively rich shapes bought especially for this sale at very low prices and marked so low as to ensure a tremendous demand. The savings average up to a third.

There are bow-foot and straight-foot styles, in polished bright finish, seamless tubing and malleable castings; heavy posts, with 4-inch knobs and ornaments. Included are some new square post, colonial styles. These handsome Beds are very rich and effective. Only seeing them yourself will give you a full realization of their beauty. A wide collection for choice.

\$17.88, value \$25.00	\$17.59, value \$20.00
\$23.98, value \$33.00	\$31.88, value \$38.00
\$29.00, value \$36.00	\$37.89, value \$45.00
\$30.88, value \$39.00	\$42.88, value \$50.00

Our Greatest February Sale Corner King East and Hughson Sts. **THOMAS C. WATKINS** Hamilton Ontario Our Greatest February Sale

## FRICITION IN VALLEY CITY

Between Mayor and the Citizens' Committee.

Banns of Marriage Published in Methodist Church.

Systematic Effort to Relieve Suffering in the Town.

Dundas, Feb. 3.—Friction has apparently arisen between the Citizens' Committee and the mayor. The Citizens' Committee is an organization independent of the Council, organized about three years ago for the purpose of improving and beautifying the town. Its first efforts were in the direction of improving the town park and in this the committee succeeded in raising considerable money and the work done at the park is tangible evidence of its industry, enterprise and perseverance. Some months ago it asked and obtained permission of the Council to erect in the park one of the pioneer log houses on the Ralph estate, donated by Col. Grafton. Later on permission was given by the Council to put a small skating rink for children in the park, to be flooded with town water. The friction, it seems, has arisen from the committee's contention that it should not be necessary to obtain permission from the town authorities to have the town fire team remove the material of the log cabin to the park, nor to secure a quantity of hose from the fire hall to flood the rink. It would be burdensome, the committee holds, to be obliged to ask formal permission of the authorities for every move made in carrying out the purposes for which the committee was organized. Mayor Moss, on the other hand, contends that using the town team or hose from the fire department, without permission from the proper authorities would be a bad precedent and might lead to confusion and trouble. He declares himself in hearty accord with the objects and purposes of the Citizens' Committee, but holds that the committee's work should be under control of the town authorities. The difference has grown quite warm, and it is reported that the committee's chairman, S. J. Lennard, says he sees no dignified course open to him but to resign. A meeting of the committee was called on Saturday evening in the parlors of the Y.M.C.A. Chairman Lennard tendered his resignation, but it was not accepted. A committee was appointed to confer with the Citizens' Committee to see if some satisfactory arrangement could not

be made. It is said the Citizens' Committee had the consent of the chairman of the Fire and Water Committee.

It is generally hoped that a settlement will be reached, as the Citizens' Committee has done good work.

Moved by many appeals being made for help, a movement, promoted by Mrs. T. H. A. Beque and Mrs. J. J. Steele, is being made to organize a Central Association in the town for the purpose of systematic effort to relieve the wants of the needy. The proposal is to secure the aid of all interested from all the town churches. In the purpose and announcements were made in the churches yesterday for a united organization meeting at the Y.M.C.A. parlors at 3 o'clock to-day. Every citizen who desires to help in relieving the wants of the unfortunate poor is invited to lend a hand in these efforts.

An announcement of a very unusual character was made in the Methodist Church yesterday morning. It was the banns of marriage of Miss Fannie Forrest, who has been here from China on a visit to her home for the past year, and George Meredith Frank, of Chentu, China, also a missionary worker in that far off land. Miss Forrest leaves in about three weeks to resume her work. The marriage will take place on her arrival there.

Miss Jessie Walker, of Strabane, a graduate of the Dundas High School, has been appointed to the staff of the Burlington School.

Charles Curry, an employee of the Grafton Corporation, fell on an icy walk on Friday evening and broke a leg.

Mrs. Hinchey, of Buffalo, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John O'Neil. A Syrian named George Josef, who says he was born in Bethlehem, of Judea, died on Saturday after a long illness. He leaves a wife but no family. He has been occupying a part of the Barton residence.

Miss Mary Taylor, of Mount Forrest, who has been visiting Miss Elizabeth Cummings for the past two weeks, has returned home.

Town Council meets this evening.

NEW WAY TO STOP TRAINS.

Automatic System Tried With Success in Austria and Germany. In Austria and Germany an automatic system of stopping fast railway trains without the co-operation of the engine driver or the brakeman has recently been tried, with satisfactory results.

The apparatus consists of two parts, one carried by the locomotive, close to the rails, and acting directly upon the brakes of the train, and the other attached to the track and connected with all signal points at curves, gates, etc. If it becomes necessary suddenly to stop an approaching train, the turning of a lever throws up a connection from the track to the apparatus under the locomotive which governs the brakes. At the same time an automatic signal whistle warns the engineer of what has been done. The brakes can be released in a similar manner.

Between Vienna and Krems the device has worked successfully with trains running 62 miles an hour.

## LAYMEN'S CAMPAIGN

Will Begin To-morrow Night With Banquet in Arcade.

In most of the churches of the city special reference was made at the services yesterday, to the campaign of the Laymen's Missionary Association, to be held in this city this week. The local committee expects a most successful series of meetings. They begin to-morrow night with a Laymen's banquet in the Arcade Hall. As only 300 can be accommodated at this event the tickets to that number have been appropriated for the various churches. J. Campbell White, of New York, and W. T. Ellis, of Philadelphia, will be the principal speakers; ever heard in this city are promised. Their meetings will be held on Wednesday and on Thursday evening there will be a great interdenominational mass meeting in Wesley Church.

## PERKINS SUITS.

Libel Actions Have Been Settled Out of Court.

Most of the libel suits instituted by Mrs. Mattie Perkins, Thomas McDonald and Ralph Curry, of Cayuga, against Ontario papers with reference to statements and allegations about the Perkins murder case have been settled. Some forty or fifty papers were served with writs for alleged libel, and with the exception of five or six all have settled out of court.

Most of the papers affected banded together to fight the cases in common since practically the same articles appeared in them all, and these are the ones to have come to an agreement. The other suits are still dragging along, but from what could be learned last night some arrangements of settlement with these will shortly be arrived at. The damages asked altogether totalled over \$900,000.

## DEATH OF MR. HILLS.

For Many Years Secretary of Canada Life.

The death occurred on Saturday at his apartments, Spadina road and Lowther avenue, of Mr. Lollard Hills, Secretary of the Canada Life Assurance Company. Deceased had been ill since June. Since the age of sixteen he had been in the employ of the company, starting with it first in Hamilton and gradually rising until he combined the actuarial duties and those of secretary when the head office was moved from Hamilton to Toronto about eight years ago, and he then assumed the work of secretary also. The late Mr. Hills was

with the 13th Regiment during the Fenian raid. He was a member of the A. F. and A. M. and an enthusiastic curler and bowler. In Toronto he was also a member of Bloor Street Presbyterian Church. He was in his 65th year. A wife and two daughters, Misses Ina H. and Muriel M., survive. The funeral takes place to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock to Mount Pleasant.

During the many years of his residence in this city Mr. Hills was looked upon as a man of exceptional ability, and a progressive citizen. His death will be regretted by a large circle of friends. He was a brother of Mr. Lucien Hills, of the City Assessment Department. Mr. Hills was for ten years a member of the Hamilton Board of Education, 1882 to 1891, inclusive, and was chairman in 1887. He belonged to the Thistle Club and was a member of Mount Lodge of Perfection, Hamilton Rose Croix Chapter and Moore Sovereign Consistory of the Scottish Rite in this city.

## The New Surgery.

In a short time, according to a prominent surgeon, it will be a common thing to transplant with success the vital organs of lower animals to man's body.

Bill Smith was in a railroad wreck—the cars were ground to pieces—and when the surgeon got to him Bill Smith was mostly patches. But soon with pair of rabbit's ears, Bill Smith was keenly harking. While lungs from out a setter dog had set him up completely. The doctors solved most capably the missing stomach question: Two stomachs from a mullu cow built up Bill Smith's digestion. And when a horse contributed (with no thanks to the giver) Bill Smith would not have taken back his ancient faulty liver.

A pair of cat's eyes tickled Bill and fixed him up completely. And when folks asked if he was pleased with all his borrowed tackle Bill Smith would just throw back his head and give an old hen's cackle! Denver Republican.

## Worth Considering.

The short cut to happiness is goodness. It's the things we don't say which cause the least regret.

The hungriest man draws the line at eating his own words. We never know what a good time we are having till it is over. Ambition gets along faster when unhindered by a tender conscience.

The worst of the man with strong likes is that he has also strong dislikes. The only people who really enjoy rising early are those who don't have to. When a man begins to brag about his honesty it's time for his friends to be careful.

Clear up the little tasks to-day, and you will be ready for the big tasks to-morrow. The race is not always to the swift, but the man who makes an early start has an advantage.

A woman dislikes a man who flatters too much almost as much as the man who doesn't flatter at all.

Damage estimated at \$250,000 was caused by a fire at Burn & Co's, book-binding mills at Esher on the 14th inst. Five hundred employees were thrown out of work.