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Tecumseh House, London, April 28, 1896.

Making Their Bow.

Four Methodist Ministers Preach Their Introductory Sermons.

Before Their Respective Congregations at the Askin Street, Colborne Street, King Street, and Hamilton Road Churches.

In four Methodist Churches yesterday the recently-appointed pastors preached their introductory sermons, and, judged by their initial efforts, the Methodists of the city have reason to congratulate themselves on the acquisition to their pulpits power. The new pastors are Rev. George Jackson, of the Colborne Street Church; Rev. R. Hobbs, Askin Street; Rev. E. L. Middleton, King Street, and Rev. Mr. Ferguson, Hamilton Road. Rev. Mr. Knowles also assumed charge of the Queen's Avenue Missions, preaching in the North End in the morning and in Kensington in the evening. He created a very favorable impression.

REV. R. HOBBS. "A Speech from the Throne" was what Rev. R. Hobbs called the opening remarks with which he prefaced his first sermon in London at the Askin Street Methodist Church. And in those opening remarks Mr. Hobbs spoke plainly, and doubtless set the hearts of some of his hearers who had opposed his pastorate at rest.

"It is necessary for us to understand that everybody has a perfect right to their preference," said he, "a perfect right. And you have a perfect right to prefer somebody else other than the one who has been sent here. I want to say that if you have had such a preference, I do not think one iota less of you for having that preference. Indeed, I think that you were wise in having that preference. But, then, let us be willing that everybody should have their preference, and we must give and take, you know."

Continuing he warned them that preferences became carnal when one class would take none other than the person they wanted.

"And now, another thing I want to be understood," added Mr. Hobbs, "and that is, I am not here to do everything. I am here to do what God calls me to do, to preach the Gospel, and to be your pastor. But please do not expect that I am here to put my nose into everybody's business, and to interfere with all departments of the church work. If this church is what I believe it to be, you have men and women every where capable of being at the head of the departments to which they are elected, from year to year, by those who vote them into those positions. I have no sympathy with the idea that prevails in some quarters, though I trust it does not here, that the preacher should be there and there and everywhere."

"Then, I do hope," added Mr. Hobbs, "that you won't expect that the preacher's wife must be at the head of every institution, because they come and go. I don't think the pastor's wife ought to be the president of this society and the other. Why, the idea of these itinerant preaching over established institutions, such as the institutions of the church are, when they may be called out, at any rate, at the end of any year, is a very curious thing to a point where it seems in the middle of the year we may be called out—so that do not lean on these migratory creatures."

Mr. Hobbs afterwards preached a short sermon from the twentieth Psalm, continuing it at night. Mr. Hobbs is an earnest preacher, plain and outspoken, as his preliminary remarks indicated, and a man of energetic pulpit action. His energy also follows him all through the week. He was introduced yesterday by Rev. Mr. Sinclair, who has acceptably filled the pulpit since Mr. Cullen's death.

REV. E. L. MIDDLETON. Rev. E. L. Middleton, the new pastor of King Street Methodist Church, preached a most edifying sermon in the morning. The reverend gentleman commented upon the many changes that had taken place since the Sabbath morning, thirteen years ago, when he first occupied the pulpit of that small edifice. It was a great pleasure to look into the faces of some of those who were there thirteen years ago, and he hoped that all through his coming week he would have the hearty co-operation of the entire congregation, so that the intercourse between them might be pleasant and profitable.

He took for his text, St. Matthew, x. 33: "He that taketh not his cross and followeth after me is not worthy of me." This was a principle, said this sentence that applied to mankind upon every side of this complicated life of ours. It was a principle that man and woman should be the consummation of a perfection worthy of the cross of Christ. God had little use for the lukewarm Christian, and less use for the inconsistent man who was a Christian at all. The man worthy of Christ was a disciple of Christ's school, and ready to accept His word. They should lay hold of the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would they should do unto you." If this were accomplished, every wrong in the social system would be rectified at once. The trouble was that the church did not believe in Christ. If the church believed in Christ simply for salvation, it made a grand

mistake. They believed in Christ for forgiveness, but did they forgive? Many forgave, but few forgot. This was not the manner in which Christ forgave, but he blotted out the debts and remembered them no more. To forgive simply because they were going to die did not count for much. Christians talked of self-sacrifice, but this was hardly understood by them. In the individual homes, the young people were reluctant to comply with the request of the parents—who seldom, if ever, asked anything great—because some slight effort was necessary. Oh, what paltry excuses! It was the little things like these that want to make the Christian life more Christlike. Continuing, he asked if they exemplified Christ in the quality of humility. The church sought the high and mighty, but when Christ came, He sought not the palace, but the lowest place. He was willing to perform the humblest service, and take the lowest place. People would perform services, provided they were allowed to choose the service. All should be like Bunyan, who searched everywhere in the Valley of Humiliation for the footprints of the Master. They must endure for Christ. The cross meant more than simple endurance. To Christ it meant suffering, agony and death. As Christians, they must be willing to take up the cross and endeavor to "walk as in the light of God, and to do that which is right in His sight."

REV. GEORGE JACKSON. Rev. George Jackson was welcomed by a large congregation when he made his first Sabbath appearance as pastor of the Colborne Street Methodist Church yesterday morning. The reverend gentleman is thoroughly at home in the pulpit, and his delivery at rather of the colloquial character. He speaks in an easy, conversational tone, occasionally breaking out into rounded periods and heightened accents when he wishes to emphasize a point or clinch an argument. His morning sermon was based on Acts ii. 17, 18, which tells of the outpouring of the Holy Ghost on the apostles at Pentecost, and Joel's prophecy of the same. Mr. Jackson pointed out the fallibility of human foresight and understanding by instancing the conflicting views of the public men of Canada on the requirements and future of the country. How could they expect men to look down the avenue of the future when they differed so about the present? And yet men did arise, who by the power of the spirit of God did foretell what was to come, just as Joel, 700 years before the events recorded in his text, prophesied that they should come to pass. The prophecy of the past constituted the history of the present. It was said the church still had power to work miracles if she remained true to herself, and that if she had lost that power it was her own fault. In this connection some author had remarked that with the miracles of inventive genius the necessity of actual miracles had disappeared. There was some truth in this. The apostles on the day of Pentecost spoke through a miracle some sixteen languages. Today through the miracle of educational advancement, 400 nations heard or read the Gospel in their own language. The preacher earnestly asked his people to pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit that they might secure and realize God's blessing to the utmost.

HAMILTON ROAD CHURCH. Rev. Mr. Ferguson began his ministrations in the pulpit of the Hamilton Road Methodist Church yesterday morning, preaching from the text, Luke xiv. verse 14: "Come, for all things are now ready." The sermon was an able exposition of the duty of church members, whether pastor, of defunct members or the flock generally, to aid in spreading and emphasizing the Gospel invitation. There is a word for everyone to do, which no one else can do, the emphatic manner in which the duty was set forth. At the close of the service Mr. Ferguson was warmly welcomed by his flock. He begins his ministrations at the Hamilton Road circuit under the most favorable auspices, and as he is not only a good preacher, but a kind-hearted pastor and an energetic worker, a successful term will undoubtedly be his.

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The speaker was Commissioner Eva Booth. She stood on the stage of the Grand Opera House in the same spot where her father and brother have stood before her. She has a pale, earnest face, the most striking feature of which is her likeness to her father. When she speaks she usually locks the fingers of both hands together in front of her, and works them up and down in an emphatic manner. She has a way also of fingering the button-holes of her jacket when talking. The commissioner is tall and sinuous, and dresses in the regulation poke bonnet of black straw, beneath which she hides a wealth of wavy black hair. The bonnet strings are looped up in a pretty knot over the left shoulder, and her blue half-length jacket remains open from the neck down to the waist, revealing the red garment worn by all officers of rank. Her manner, placid at once as a woman of intense personal sympathy, large-heartedness, gentleness and kindness.



When the commissioner arrived in the city on Saturday noon she remained but an hour or so, and then went over to St. Thomas and conducted a special welcome meeting there. At 11 p.m. she was escorted from the station to the citadel by the London and Ingersoll soldiers, a large number of whom were present to meet her. The commissioner was accompanied by Staff Captain Minnie and Ensign Cowan; Adjutant and Mrs. Hunter; Stratford; Ensign and Mrs. Savages; London; Ensign Green, the new junior adjutant secretary; Ensign and Mrs. Wiseman; Ingersoll; Ensign and Mrs. Toronto; Capt. and Mrs. Fisher; St. Thomas; Capt. and Mrs. McLeod; Capt. and Mrs. Massena; Col. Miller, Dover and Duck, and Lieut. Pynn and Parkinson.

Almost every square foot of the interior of the Opera House was covered with loyal-breathing banners, sent by the different army corps throughout the Western Ontario district. They hung from the sky scenery above the stage, they decorated the boxes, draped the galleries, covered the walls and flanked the stage—loyalty everywhere.

Staff-Capt. Minnie, who speaks with a beautiful Glesca accent, was the first speaker. He said that he had been said that the American people had apparently made up their minds to be as un-Englishlike as possible, but he thought a very nice feeling existed between the Canadians and the English. He thought further that there was a striking likeness between the people of Canada and the people of Scotland—but he hoped that likeness did not extend to a similar persecution of the army, which he proceeded to tell about. "The soldiers fired a volley" when Commissioner Booth arrived on the stage, and they fired another volley when she arose to speak. In her soft and pleasing English accent she told them that since she had touched Canada she had been poured upon her one continuous stream of expressions of loyalty, and it had been a matter of perplexity and anxiety to her as to how she should return the deep appreciation she felt for such manifestations of affection and confidence. She then went on to speak of her life experiences in bringing joy to the sorrowful and comfort to the lonely, and the mention of her godly parents, and the mention in which God had blessed her work; of the principles of the army

and of its vast extent. Their flag waved over 39 different countries, and their papers and literature were printed in something like 27 different languages. Their private soldiers were almost beyond computation, and they had 14,000 officers. She was there to be spent in the interests of the Salvation Army of this country. She had every faith in God and every confidence that he would see far greater things, far nobler things, far mightier things, and far higher things in the future than they had ever seen in the past.

Then she addressed some words to the children, and told them of a little 2 1/2-year-old orphan, Pearl Hamilton, whom she had brought to Canada, with her, simply because she could not part with her. Pearl sang her first public solo in Hamilton recently, and the commissioner raised a laugh by explaining that her voice was loudest and she preferred to sing best between 4 and 5 a.m., much to the discomfort of the rest of the household, who preferred to sleep.

Then came the beautiful and extremely impressive ceremony of dedicating Kathleen Grace, the infant daughter of Brigadier and Mrs. Margot. The commissioner held the babe in her arms, the parents standing behind holding over all the army flag. The people sang: "I think when I read the sweet story of the Lord, and to the work of the Lord, and to the work of the Lord."

When Jesus was here among men: How he took little children as lambs to his fold. How I wish I had been with him then."

The baby behaved wonderfully well. She was dressed in long white clothes. Across her breast was pinned a red ribbon, fastened over the heart with the army badge.

From a book the commissioner read the dedication formula. "Do you give your little lamb to the Lord, and to the work of the army?" she asked eventually.

"We do," replied the parents. "Unless you," answered the commissioner. A prayer of consecration followed, in which Eva Booth asked that the child's name being Grace, it be made a means of grace indeed to tens of thousands of earth's poorest and most despairing people.

A volley completed the ceremony, and the meeting shortly adjourned.

Western Ontario.

Latest Happenings in this Section of the Province

John Cousens, of Doon, had a leg taken off in an accident in the Doon brickyard Thursday.

Henry P. Myers, aged 80 years, an old resident of Windsor, died Friday at his home on Goyeau street. He had no relatives, and deeded his real estate, valued at \$20,000, to his housekeeper, Jane McDonald.

A pleasant affair took place in Hamilton on Wednesday, which was the marriage of O. S. Clarke, manager of the Bank of Hamilton, Berlin, to Miss Emily Martin, eldest daughter of the late Richard Martin, Q.C.

In Waterloo county rural deanery of the Episcopal Church there are seven churches. From the returns for the year just closed, it is found that the seven churches contributed \$8,679.86 for parish purposes, and for all outside purposes \$1,032.34. There are nine Sunday schools, 78 teachers, and 688 scholars. The church membership is 1,558.

Wesley Widdis, a Gesto, Essex county, storekeeper, was shot in the right shoulder by a bullet from a 22-calibre rifle in the hands of Harry McGregor, a blacksmith, Thursday. The men were standing on opposite sides of the street when McGregor raised his weapon and fired, the bullet entering Mr. Widdis' shoulder, and passing through the right arm. The injured man was resting easily at last reports, and will probably recover. McGregor has not been arrested.



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