

IS LONDON RECTOR DURING 40 YEARS

Very Rev. Dean Davis Celebrates Anniversary—Spoke at Both Services.

Completing an uninterrupted period of 40 years of faithful service in one parish, Very Rev. Dean Davis, rector of St. James Anglican Church, South London, occupied the pulpit at both services Sunday. The anniversary is a most unique one and will be celebrated by special services next Sunday. Dean Davis has endeavored to give to his parishioners the best of which he is capable, he stated, and would continue to do so as long as he was spared as pastor of the church.

Dean Davis came to St. James parish in 1874, coming from his first charge at Bayfield. The church was then only a frame structure of small dimensions, but under the able leadership of Dean Davis the parish grew and prospered until today it has become one of the most important in the city. Dean Davis is widely known not only in this city but throughout the diocese, and a host of friends will rejoice with him on this anniversary when he completes such a long and creditable record.

ARE NOT DISPIRITED BY LOSS OF CHURCH

First Congregational Church Members Look Forward to the Future.

The congregation of First Congregational Church gathered Sunday in Hyman Hall, the church building on Dundas street having been badly damaged by fire in the early hours of Thursday last. Two inspiring services were held, both of which were largely attended. The congregation are in no way dispirited by the loss occasioned by the destructive blaze of last week, but look forward with confidence to the future. "We are hoping that the fire will prove a real blessing," said Rev. H. D. Whitmore, the pastor, stated to The Advertiser Sunday. "The congregations at both services were large, and we had two splendid Sunday-school in the afternoon."

The pastor preached at both services. In the morning he took his text from the third chapter of First Corinthians, the latter part of the thirteenth verse: "The fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is." He emphasized the need of building one's life well on a good foundation if the completed structure was to be one which would stand the test of fiery trial. Referring to the burning of the church building, Mr. Whitmore stated that it was an example of the truth he was endeavoring to demonstrate, as had it not been for the splendid construction of the building, it undoubtedly would have been totally destroyed.

BARRIE HOTEL BURNED. Barrie, March 22.—The Railroad House, owned by W. J. Gibbs, was destroyed by fire at 2 o'clock this morning. The occupants escaped very recently clad. The loss is about \$6,000, covered by insurance.

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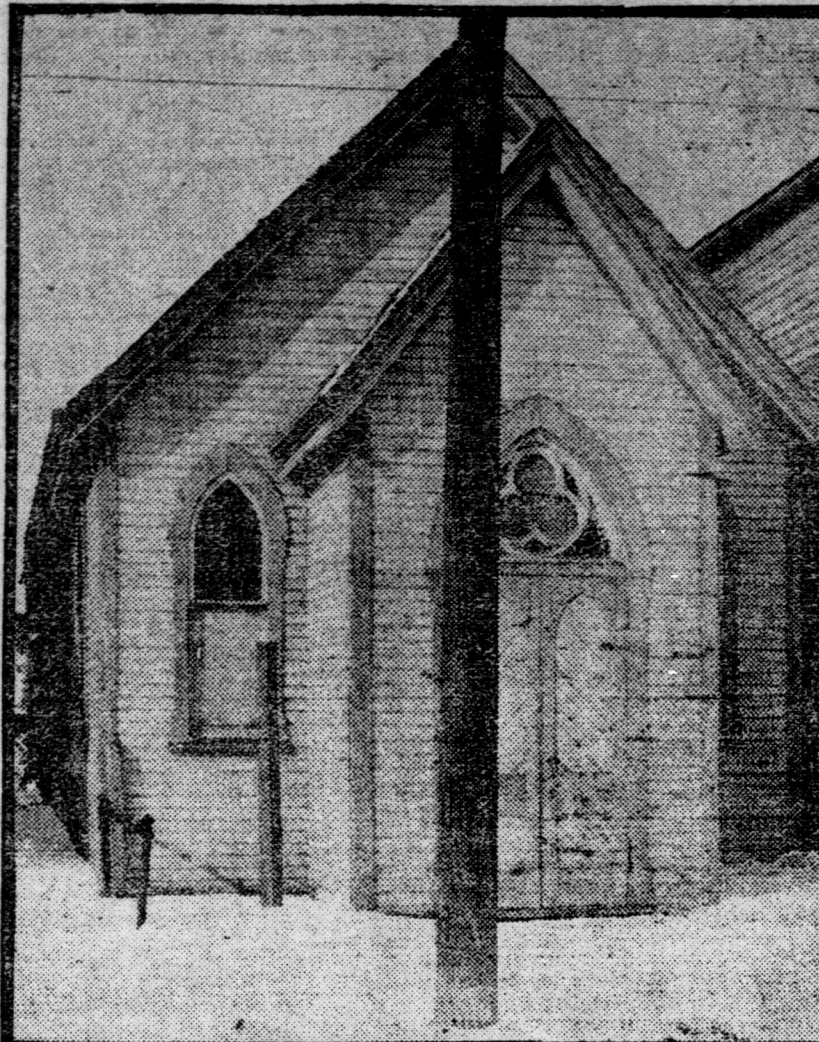


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HORTON STREET BAPTIST (COLORED).

One of the oldest little churches in London is the Horton Street Baptist Church, the congregation of which was organized as early as 1848, and the present church edifice was built in 1853. This was in the days before the abolition of slavery in the United States and when Western Ontario was a haven of refuge to hundreds who escaped from the bondage of the slave-holders of the States. Horton Street Baptist Church is connected with the Amherstburg Baptist Association and is one of the oldest churches in this association, which is entirely independent of kindred associations in the United States.

Organized in 1848. The church was organized in 1848 by a little band of Baptist believers who met together and held cottage meetings at their own homes until 1853, when the land on which the Horton Street Church stands was deeded to the congregation by Mr. A. B. Jones and his wife Aurelia. A small building was shortly afterwards erected and has been somewhat enlarged and altered since then. The first pastor was Rev. George Turner and the first trustees were Henry Dawson, Abby Bedford Jones and Abraham Copeland.

Succeeding pastors were Rev. Alfred Scott, Rev. George Washington, Rev. Charles Davis, Rev. Mr. Charles, Rev. B. Johnston, Rev. George Holt, Rev. Mr. Phoenix, Rev. George Morris, Rev. James Moody, and Rev. J. C. Nicholas. The present pastor, Rev. J. H. Randolph, came to London from Paterson, New Jersey, about nine months ago, and under his ministry the church is making very favorable progress and has a present membership of 48. The present trustees are W. J. T. Berry and A. D. Jones. The speaker, Rev. J. T. Berry, H. Morehead, A. Jones, E. Winslow and A. Butler. Mrs. John Irons is president of the Women's Missionary Society and superintendent of a successful Sunday School which meets every Sunday following the morning service. Mrs. Frank Budd is president of the Ladies' Aid Society.

A Unique Feature. One of the unique features of the Horton Street Baptist Church is that instead of a time-honored collection plate, the worshippers themselves take their offerings to the front of the church and place them on the collection plate there while the hymn is sung. Rev. Mr. Randolph preached yesterday morning on "The Amiable Cyprian," taking his text from Psalm lxxxiv, i. The word "tabernacle," Mr. Randolph pointed

out was used in the plural, because the tabernacle of the Israelites had been moved from place to place in their wanderings. There had been many tabernacles. "And so shall you and I be moved about until at last we rest into everlasting peace," he said. The word "tabernacle" also brings to mind the wanderings of the church. "They stopped here and stopped there," continued Mr. Randolph, "but wherever they stopped Jehovah met them. And wherever the tabernacle was, Moses was always there, the advocate between the people and God."

"And a greater one than Moses, Jesus, is with us here today," said Mr. Randolph, "ready and anxious to be our advocate before God. The wandering church had no permanent place in the wilderness until at length the people came to the Promised Land. And so with you, dear brother and sister, if you are really, truly, child of God, you are nothing more than strangers and pilgrims here on earth."

Commanded to Worship. Rev. Randolph admonished his congregation that it was right for Christians to gather regularly in the house of God. They might say they could worship at home usually only an excuse, the seeking of a hiding-place for their own laziness.

"Hear me, Christians," said the speaker. "We are people set apart from the world. We cannot walk arm in arm with the world. God help us as a church to stand out prominently for Christ. If we hide our light in a bushel we become as sounding brass and as tinkling cymbals. Jesus living in us, is our salvation and our redemption. Jesus is a refuge and a hiding-place. He will hide and protect us under the cover of his wing."

"My soul failed to come into the courts of the Lord. I would to God that the saints today would faint to get into the presence of God in his tabernacle. No, we today are more likely to faint to get into his tabernacle somewhere. If you want the glory of God to shine in your life, you must take a stand for God when the devil says that you must do this or that to be in his tabernacle. If you want the glory of God to shine in your life, you must take a stand for God when the devil says that you must do this or that to be in his tabernacle. If you want the glory of God to shine in your life, you must take a stand for God when the devil says that you must do this or that to be in his tabernacle."

toward both man and God," said Mr. Morris. Mr. Morris spoke on the Sunday school in the afternoon, which was "Decision Day." More than 100 children signed "decision cards," pledging themselves to God. There was a very large attendance for the service, which was the culmination of a series of sermons held for the past six months in the Sunday school.

Church Notes

The Y. P. S. of St. Andrew's Church will hold its regular meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in St. Andrew's Hall. A very enjoyable program has been prepared and all the young people connected in any way with the congregation are invited.

The First Presbyterian Church Guild will hold its first meeting tonight in the church parlors. The meeting will be in the form of a symposium evening together with musical numbers. Topics for discussion have been arranged, and impromptu addresses, together with discussion of same, will be of great interest.

At the close of the evening service in St. Andrew's Church last night, Mr. Maine, of Aankin Street Methodist Church, addressed the Men's Union in St. Andrew's Hall on "Evangelism." There was a large attendance, it being the second meeting held in the hall to consider the report of the special survey conducted by the Men's Federation.

The first offering for the "Preventorium" fund was ten dollars in St. Andrew's Church at both services Sunday. The ladies in charge of the work are attempting to raise \$3,000 before June and are asking for liberal support from members of the congregation.

This week Rev. R. W. Norwood, rector of the Cronyn Memorial Church, will go to Montreal to conduct special Lenten services in Trinity Church on Sunday and the first few days of the following week. During his absence Rev. Mr. Heakes will conduct the regular Sunday and mid-week services.

SEVENTEEN WERE CONFIRMED. Seventeen candidates were confirmed by the Bishop of Huron in St. David's Anglican Church yesterday.

KILLED BY FREIGHT TRAIN. Halifax, N. S., March 22.—The body of an unknown man was found near Wilmor Junction today. He had been killed by a freight train last night. He was poorly dressed and evidently a tramp.

NATION'S STRENGTH IN ITS INDIVIDUALS

Man-Unit in Everything, Declares Rev. Murray Tait, of Wallaceburg.

METHODS OF CONVERTING
Power of Church Depends on Strength of Its Weakest Member.

"A nation or a congregation is as strong as the strength of the individual. It is when the thought of individuality grips us that we rise to greater and better things. The strength of the church itself depends upon the strength and power of its weakest member." With these words, Rev. Murray C. Tait, D.D., of Wallaceburg, preaching in the First Presbyterian Church, Sunday morning, aptly expressed the strength of individualism, showing that to reach a nation and mold its opinions and customs for God, it is necessary to work from the standpoint of the individual, rather than attempt to deal collectively with its inhabitants.

Illustrating the text, the pastor compared the methods of evangelism of the world's noted prophets, Isaiah, Jeremiah and Ezekiel. Of the three, Ezekiel attained more, because he had appealed to the Israelites separately, missionizing rather than as a nation, rather than attempt to deal collectively with its inhabitants.

Prophet of the Masses. "Isaiah was a prophet of the masses," said the pastor. "His appeals were made to the people. Jeremiah, likewise adopted this form of winning the Israelites to Christ. But of typical vastness, it was his main characteristic."

"It remained for Ezekiel, then, to appeal not to the masses, but to the individual. He foretold that Israel could not be brought back by a collective appeal. It required more than that. The time was a dangerous one. It was in the days of Israel's greatness and fall. The empire fell, and the people were taken captive, Ezekiel amongst them. Then in the years of degradation, as he saw them living in the land of the heathen, he was inspired to do something for their uplift."

"He did not attempt to reach them from a distance. His appeal was made to the individual, and his effect was obvious. Christianity at its foundation has the value of the individual, and it was this path that the prophet pursued to win the Israelites back to Christ. The possibilities of the individual were limitless," the pastor declared. "Human life is small when measured by infinity," he said, "but when looked upon by the power of God, it stands greater and best in all history."

Ezekiel's Method. "Ezekiel saw Israel's sin, and scored them for it, and his effect was obvious. He saw life as it was faced from their standpoint. He put himself in the other fellow's place, resulting in the changing of his perspective toward them. It was then that he was able to understand their lot, and lend his assistance to the bettering of their spiritual condition."

"We hear much about social order and social unrest today," said the preacher in concluding. "But it is not fully comprehensive until we put ourselves in the other man's position. It is then that we see clearly that which we did not see before. Because a man has sidedepped from the procession of life, there is no reason he should not enter it again."

GOD MAY PRESERVE OR SCATTER RACE

Rev. R. W. Norwood Makes Veiled Reference to Existing Trouble in Ireland.

BALANCE IN GOD'S HANDS

God Is Present When Foulest Crimes Are Committed and Catastrophes Occur.

"And he said, go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord. And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and broke in pieces the rocks before the Lord; and after the wind an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire, and after the fire a still small voice. H-12. From this text Rev. R. W. Norwood preached his sermon at Cronyn Memorial Church on Sunday morning.

God Is Everywhere. "But God was in the wind, God was in the earthquake, and God was in the fire," declared the speaker in opening. "From the minutest particle of matter to the greatest star of the heavens, God is present and reigneth. God is in many things that we are unaware of, for we are often entertaining God when we imagine we are not. He is present when the foulest crimes and sins are committed, and overwhelming catastrophes occur, for the present great balance of our national history, the balance is in his hands, and he may preserve us or scatter the race like the sands of the desert before the wind."

"These statements may seem to contradict a beautiful text, but the answer lies in the knowledge of what Elijah was. For a man is after all but a man, a soul in the process of development, and there are often solitary moments, when like Elijah he will fling himself down and say: 'I am not; now, O Lord, take away my life; for I am no better than my fathers.' Even after this God will not forsake him, but sends an angel, who is but a comrade, and without whom he could hold no communion with man or man with God, and raise him up."

"It was after his solitary spell that God sent an angel and had Elijah lead through the desert and over crags until he was left at the mouth of that dark, yawning cave, from which place of vantage he heard the wind rush down the gorge, felt the earthquake, and saw the lightning, but God was not in any of these forces, for Elijah, but in Elijah himself. He spoke to him in the form of his reason or conscience as the whispering of the soul self to the body self. You will understand this

last seemingly strange statement when I say that the kingdom of heaven is in you just because you are what you are.

Angels Will Strengthen. "It is nothing for a big soul to be lonely, for we read of Christ saying, 'My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death,' as he entered the Garden of Gethsemane. Each one knows that terrible mood, and just because of that let me reassure you that it is no loss of faith for God will have an angel strengthen you."

"Elijah was the greatest thinker of his age—he was a man ahead of his times—he was in a quandary, for he lived on a different plane than his people, for they saw God in the physical and were afraid, just as you find people in primitive religion, who see God in the grotesque, and show their manifestations through the fear for their God and see him in physical forces, and not through the intellectual or spiritual. Are you like these—afraid of your God? Is that the kind of religion you instill into the hearts and minds of your young boys and girls? No, you are giving them that of the New Testament, that of love."

"God appeals to us as he did to Elijah by the still small voice, and not as he appealed to the countrymen of Elijah—by the wind, earthquake, and fire."

"Elijah was the intellectual and spiritual leader of his day, and like many men of today could speak with God in his inner circle and had no need of the visible."

"It is a far call from the God of the fire to the God of the still small voice, and God is to many of us today but the God of fear manifested in the fire, and the very fact that there are churches today that have the belief of everlasting fire is but an incident of their primitivity. God speaks to you by the still small voice then all obstructions are eliminated. Search your own mind, if you are conscious, and see how God is really speaking to you?"

BEWARE OF AVARICE SAYS REV. J. H. BOYD

Adelaide Street Baptist Pastor Denies Prevalent Sin of Greed.

THE DECEPTION OF JUDAS

"Black Sheep" of Disciples, Unable to Resist Temptation Falls Into Degradation.

"The Gathering Storm" was the subject of a Lenten sermon preached last night by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Boyd. The speaker warned his hearers against the ever-ready temptations of the devil, and the sin of avarice. He chose as his text the passage on St. Matthew, chapter xxv, the story of the anointing of Christ, and his betrayal by Judas, beginning at the third verse. "Then assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the Jews, unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas."

The speaker compared the story of Mary anointing Christ, to the avaricious Judas, who then came from that box of costly ointment will go down through the ages wherever the gospel is preached," said the speaker. "Time shall never obliterate it. In the gathering storm, when they were closing the net around Christ, this woman came while He sat at the table and poured over His head the precious ointment. Christ said, 'Whosoever this Gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this that this woman has done be told for a memorial of her.'"

A Dark Story. On the other hand, what a dark story is the story of Judas. Matthew, in our text, tells of his avarice, but this is not the whole story. Back when he first entered the company of the apostles, the step in the direction of his greed was taken. They made him the treasurer of their company. They slung a bag over his shoulder, and the money in it was altogether in his keeping. No doubt, he said, "I will do my best." But one day he helped himself, thinking it would not be noticed, according to pay back when he had the money. No one knew. Jesus apparently did not know. He did it again and again. The spirit of avarice grew. Then came the day when Mary poured out the costly ointment over Christ's head, and Judas cried out, "To what purpose this waste?" Finally he betrayed his Master for a paltry 30 pieces of silver, the price of a slave.

Throttle It. "When that chance to help yourself comes throttle it, or it will throttle you," Mr. Boyd charged, "just as it throttled Judas. 'Judas did not mean to steal at first, but the devil whispered to him sitting at the table, and it led to the deed which he repented all his life.'"

"We are men in London who are throttling their own souls. They turn their backs on all that is good and holy, disregarding the prayers of their own mothers and dear ones. But they alone are responsible. Don't listen to the charmer who whispers, 'You will get a chance to repay soon.' Turn your back on such charmers," advised the speaker, "and listen to Him, who said, 'Come unto Me and I will give you rest.'"

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DR. THOS. TROTTER HEARD
McMaster Professor Preaches on "Temptation," Depicting Causes of Falling Into Sin.

Rev. Dr. Thomas Trotter, professor in McMaster University, preached morning and evening yesterday in Talbot Street Baptist Church to audiences that taxed to the limit the seating capacity of the church on the occasion of the 69th anniversary of the founding of the congregation. He preached on the subject of "Temptation," selecting his text, the Epistle of James I, 13: "Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God; for God cannot be tempted of evil, neither tempteth he any man."

Source of Temptation. "No other subject is of so great moment in the lives of the young," said Dr. Trotter, "yet it is an experience of a stage beyond which we never get." Dr. Trotter treated his subject in two divisions, the source of temptation, and the dread results of yielding to temptation. From Adam down, man had said to God, "Thou temptest them, but they speak falsely. Adam said, in blaming Eve for his temptation: 'The woman thou gavest me.' Burns was wrong, said Dr. Trotter, when he wrote that the light that leads men astray 'is heaven's light.' Any man who talks of freeindom, and his own moral constitution or otherwise, to himself, is speaking falsehood. In a certain sense temptation is necessary as a condition of experience in man's moral development. Temptation is necessary to the moral testing of man. But God does not tempt man. If God does not, who does?"

Every Man Tempted. "By the evil in his own nature," said Dr. Trotter, "every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed." said the Apostle James. Man is tempted when his lower desires rise up and make an assault to God. James teaches that no external tempter, though it be Satan himself, can draw man down unless the tempter enters the door of man's own evil desires.

"James is nothing if not practical," continued Dr. Trotter. "If we are wise we will get into the company of this practical man James. There are inevitable speculative questions that we might ask, but they are insoluble. Let us get within the circle of the practical, and from that standpoint James has said the last thing on temptation."

Mystery of Sin. "We see one young man who has yielded for the first, another who has been struggling with temptation for years, and then another who has been mastered by sin. There is no greater mystery in life than the mystery of sin and temptation. Temptation arises from the tide of evil thought and evil desire. There is great confusion in men's minds as to what is right and wrong. Moral judgment, conscience, faith, it is a complex deflected by the lodestone of evil. The natural conscience is inadequate. Had it been adequate, God need not have given us the Bible, or sent Christ into the world. Christ is the light of the world."

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