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EDITORIAL

HOLINESS

How wonderful are God's plans and purposes for the human family. He who was and is sinless, holy, incapable of sin, "for he cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man." Our eternal and everlasting God, as he looked down through the ages, saw the wreck and ruin of the human family; even before he created him, he made provision for his full redemption. God must have something among his earthly creations, that he could fellowship with, and so he created man in his own image, after his likeness; then he breathed that creation into a tenement of earth which he formed out of the dust of the ground and man became a living soul. Man was holy as he came from the hand of God. There was given to him volitional powers, also the passions and appetites that were necessary to sustain and generate life; these God intended should be used in a holy relationship, that is to say if man had followed the law of God he would have been preserved in holiness. Dire calamity came upon the human family when man fell, but God's demand on man to be holy did not cease; we contend that the demand has always been such and always will be. It was so in Abraham's time, for the demand on him was, "Walk before Me, and be thou perfect." Gen. 17-1. It was the demand under the law. Ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy. Lev. 11-44-45. It was the demand of Jesus: Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect. Matt. 5:48. The Apostles experienced it, when they received the Holy Ghost at Pentecost, "giving them the Holy Ghost even as he did unto us; and put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith." Acts 15:8-9.

The Apostle Paul reveals the necessity of it: "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12-14. Peter also makes the requirement plain: "So be ye holy in all manner of conversations. I Peter 1-15. "What manner of persons ought ye to be in all manner of conversation and godliness. 2 Peter 3-11.

God has made provision for our obtaining it, "Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good

works. Titus 2-14. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. I John 1-7.

The demand is upon his people today. Thank God that provision has been made through Jesus Christ our Lord. Let us then appropriate what He has provided.

A FAREWELL GATHERING

Rev. F. A. Watson, pastor of the Reformed Baptist Church, has resigned his pastorate here, and left Monday, June 17th, for Fredericton.

Everyone is sorry to lose such valued friends as Rev. Mr. Watson, his wife and daughter, Gertrude.

During their stay among us they have each won a place in the hearts of the people, and have made life long friendships, not only with the people of their church, but with everyone else as well.

Miss Gertrude will be greatly missed at school, where she is a member of the sixth grade.

Rev. Mr. Watson labored among us for four years, and with his going, we feel that we are losing a faithful pastor, and a kind friend and neighbor.

Wherever his work may call him he has the right to feel that the people of Beals are wishing him success in all his undertakings.

On Monday evening, June 10, a farewell surprise party was given in the vestry of the church in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Watson and daughter Gertrude.

Their friends gathered, then sent a message to the parsonage asking them to come to the church. When they entered the church the lights were snapped on, and a large gathering started singing: "What a Gathering."

As the programme had been arranged by "The Class in the Corner," the class president, Mrs. Harold Alley, then told the guests of honor the purpose of the meeting. They were then seated, and an interesting program was given, which consisted of prayer by Rev. Brewster, of the Adventist Church, two piano solos by Edmund Beal; reading by Thelma Simmons, "The House by the Side of the Road"; vocal duet by Mrs. Mildred Beal and Mrs. Gertrude Woodward—"My Wonderful Dream"; reading by Mrs. Simmons—"My Place Within"; congregational singing, "Brighten the Corner Where You are"; vocal duet by Mrs. Vinton Beal and Mrs. L. H. Simmons—"Shall You, Shall I?" Reading by Sylvia Alley—"The Man in the Road."

Refreshments of different kinds of candy were served, after which Rev. and Mrs. Watson were presented with a purse of money, with a few fitting remarks by Mrs. Annie Simmons, teacher of "The Class in the Corner."

Next in order was a candle light service conducted by Edmund Beal, who lighted a large candle and set it on the pulpit. Rev. and Mrs. Watson were given medium sized candles which they lighted from the large one, then the others in turn lighted their still smaller ones from theirs, the ladies from Mrs. Watson, and the gentlemen from Mr. Watson's. The service was very impressive as the guests stood in a circle and sang "Blest be the Tie that Binds," and "God be with you 'Till We Meet Again."

The Benediction was then pronounced by Rev. Mr. Brewster.

THELMA B. SIMMONS

SHOCKING FASHIONS

Shocking fashions! What spectacles are to be met with today upon the streets, in the trains, in the homes and in the churches! Our young women (and alas, great crowds of mature women of age and experience) are conforming to the goddess of fashion to a degree never known before in the history of America. Fashion has always had a terrific influence upon women. Many years ago it made them hideous with over dress, today the other extreme is to be met with, and many of our women—young and old—furnish in public and at home the vilest exhibitions of depravity and the gravest want of modesty, chastity and virtue we have ever witnessed in the late centuries. The average young woman of today is only half clad. The abbreviated skirt, the silk hosiery, the tiny slippers, the painted face, the bobbed hair, is making of our young women (and older ones too), the most ridiculous, nonsensical, absurd, outrageous, unreasonable, unlovely, unhappy, immodest creatures that fashion has ever dominated or that the god of this world ever perpetrated upon the age. And the pity and tragedy of it is that these vile exhibitions are everywhere—in the churches, in the choirs, in the Sunday School classes (both as teachers and scholar) in the prayer and regular meetings, in official meetings and in the leadership.

Not so long since we attended an evangelistic meeting addressed by a very distinguished evangelical preacher. A great crowd was present, for he always draws a crowd. Before preaching, his daughter was called to sing a solo. Alas! Oh, Alas! It put a serious damper upon the great man's message, because she was attired on that Sunday night in opera dress. She was a sight to make angels weep and good people to hang their heads in shame. She was dressed not for church, but for the place of play and fashion, and the world. It was a grave reflection on the father to have put her up to sing that night. She ought first to have gone home and put on modest attire as becometh the house of God, and attired herself for worship instead of the opera. Is it any wonder that the church is no longer a place of worship. Is it to be wondered at that the Spirit does not fall on the singing as in other days when painted half-clad dolls occupy the choirs or lead in special singing?

In conclusion, what shall we say? We can do no better than to give way to the Word of God: "Wherefore come out from among them—(the worldly, the sensual, the fashion devotees) and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing (the unclean in dress, movies, theatres, the filthy magazines, the vile dance, etc.) and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."—Sel.

PERSEVERANCE WON A SOUL

Dr. Chalmers visited a dying infidel in Glasgow twenty-one times, and was refused admission every time. But at the twenty-second visit the infidel invited him in because he wanted to see a man who could be refused twenty-one times and still keep coming. And then Dr. Chalmers had a chance to tell the dying man of Him who can save.—The King's Business.