

the objective of everyone that takes training at our school. Rev. Anderson stated that a summary of what he wished to impart could be found in Paul's instruction to Timothy: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Following the address a banquet was held in the dining-room. After the supper a program consisting of the "Class Will," read by Lyle Harvey, and the "Class Prophecy," read by Belva Ingalls, was enjoyed by all.

Enos Cann, on behalf of the Alumni, presented a set of Clark's Commentaries to the College library.

The evening's activities were brought to a close by singing "God be With You Till We Meet Again." Prayer by Rev. H. S. Wilson.

GUEST EDITORIAL

THE TYPE OF MINISTRY THAT IS IN DEMAND

Editor "Preacher's Magazine"

The church had been without a pastor for some months. During this time a number of ministers had been present to preach "trial sermons," but as yet no one had been invited to take the pastoral oversight of the church. A layman, casting back over the experience of those few months, said: "One preacher would not do because he stood too close to the pulpit desk while he preached. Another was not acceptable because he stood too far away from the desk. Another was rejected because he stirred about too much during the sermon. And the last one was eliminated because he said 'widow woman' during his sermon."

But as we thought of the matter afterward, we felt sure that there were objections of a more vital nature than those which were brought to the surface. At least, we think there were fears that the faults observed were but symptoms of more underlying vices.

But despite the fact that there are a few "lop-sided" preachers who seem to make good in certain restricted spheres for a time, the sort of preacher that is really in demand is pretty well described by Dr. H. C. Morrison in "The Right Kind of Evangelists." Speaking of the choice of pastors, he says, "They want men who will make a respectable appearance in the pulpit—not over-dressed, not dudish, not slouchy. They want men who are perfectly discreet, who will be wise in their conduct toward the sisterhood, who know how to strike, strong, manly blows at sin—masculine men who will draw and please men; courageous, but not outrageous; fearless, but not reckless; kind-hearted men, gentlemanly, affable, but not gushy and jolly; soldiers on duty, girded for battle. Serious, burdened men. Men of prayer, spiritually minded, devout and true.

"They want men who will bring things to pass. They must not be monotonous; they must not preach too long or too loud, or too low, or too fast, or too slow. Men who will not be a long while getting into the service, and who will not let the service drag—who know how to close the service quickly and impressively. Who will send the people away with a good taste in their mouths. Men who are on their jobs, who know how to present the truths of the Bible, who love lost souls and can pray for their fellow-beings. Men who can attract the people, teach the people, hold the people, awaken and lead the people to Jesus."

Although written to describe "The right kind of evangelists," these words suit pretty well for describing pastors also. The fact that some preachers who are woefully wanting in some of the qualities mentioned are yet successful in the work of the ministry does not argue anything—they succeed in spite of their weaknesses and not because of them. And preachers that come up pretty well to the specifications enumerated here will usually be in demand, whether they are pastors or evangelists.

There is nothing more embarrassing and pathetic than for a preacher to come to the time when his ministry is not in demand. This is especially the case if there was a time when he could by no means fulfill the demand which was made for his services. And advertising in the fields of others does not bring very much returns. In fact, too much "boosting" is a hurtful thing. A preacher practically has to create the demand for his ministry and then he does well to remain always within the scope of that demand. As the demand grows the preacher should grow, and always he can do his life's work in fields which are ready and ripe for him. A preacher "seeking a location" is in a delicate relation. Not long ago I remarked to the brother of a gifted preacher that I was surprised to hear his brother had taken a church in which there was but a limited opportunity. The reply was, "My brother thinks it best to never be out of a job. At the close of his last engagement the church where he has now gone was the only one open, so he decided it must be God's place for him. And he said that if it is not God's place, God and the people can find him just as well in that small field at work as they could 'standing in the market place' waiting to be hired." That has been several years ago, and never since has the preacher wanted opportunities. Yes, preachers, we will have to create a demand for our ministry by doing something that needs to be done and doing it well.

FOREARMS AND SACRED WHISKERS

What passes for religion is frequently exciting. We confess to a certain thrill in reading the following in the news pages of 'The New York Times':

The right forearm of St. Francis Xavier, whose missionary endeavours earned him the title "Apostle of the Indies," arrived at La Guardia Airport at 7.27 o'clock last night (May 19) from Barcelona, Spain, with a group of five Spanish priests and twenty-seven lay Catholic pilgrims. St. Francis was an associate of St. Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuit order. The relic, in a metal case known as a relicarium, is being taken to Japan, where it will be venerated during celebrations marking the 400th anniversary of the saint's arrival in that country. The relic will be placed in the Church of St. Francis Xavier, 30 West Sixteenth Street, for public veneration this evening. The group will leave with the relic tomorrow for San Francisco en route to Japan. Auxiliary Bishop Thomas J. McDonnell of New York, the Rev. John Tynan, rector of St. Francis Xavier Church, and an honor guard of St. Francis Xavier cadets met the plane. The Spanish group was headed by Bishop José Lopez-Ortiz of Tuy, Spain.

We trust that no Protestant Episcopalian, after reading this, will give way to a feeling of smugness. Any such tendency can be corrected by recalling the notable story of "the

sacred whisker", the occasion when Father Orum carried a strand from the beard of King Charles the First of England in solemn procession during a celebration of the "martyr's" day at St. Andrew's, Tennessee, by the Protestant Episcopal Order of the Holy Cross. The Churchman printed the story—and a picture of Father Orum, the gold and jeweled encrusted reliquary in which the sacred whisker reposed, and the velvet cushion on which it was conveyed. Of course, we must admit that a whole forearm, in contrast to a mere whisker, gives the Romans a slight edge over our Anglo-Catholic Episcopalians.

—The Churchman.



NORMAN J. SANDERS
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A TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF NORMAN SANDERS

I was truly shocked to hear, through a friend, of our young brother's tragic death by drowning. He seemed nearer to me than most friends—as one of my sons, for I nursed his mother when he was born.

As a boy he was loveable, upright, and sincerely served his Lord and Master.

I never knew Norman to indulge in any worldly pleasure that would dull his spiritual experience, but rather his chief pleasure was to extol Christ wherever he went.

Norman was a good student, hence his desire to enter the ministry—which would eventually fulfill his wishes of returning to Africa.

When the sad news reached me I almost questioned the wisdom of God for the moment.

He had studied so hard and no doubt deprived himself of many necessities in order to prepare himself for his great work. Leaving his dear wife and two young children is to me too sad for words, and yet—and yet we know He doeth all things well.

May the God of the widow and fatherless comfort these sorely bereaved ones and supply all their needs.

I. M. KEIRSTEAD

WEDDINGS

Harvey-Hamilton

On June 3rd, at the chapel, Bethany Bible College, Yarmouth, N. S., Rev. F. A. Dunlop united in marriage Lois Jean, only daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Hamilton, of Shawville, Que., and Fenton Lyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Harvey, Seal Cove, N. B.