

# STRIKING ILLUSTRATED ADDRESS GIVEN BY REV. DR. IAN MACKINNON HERE LAST EVENING ON THE CHURCHES OF ROME

Lecture to Theological School Largely Heard and Appreciated; Rev. Dr. J. W. Falconer, Rev. Dr. Trevor Davies Lectured In Afternoon; "Bible Greatest Example of Fine Literary Style" Says Rev. Mr. Davies

In his address before the Theological School in the Fraser Memorial hall last evening, Rev. Dr. Ian Mackinnon, of the faculty of Pine Hill Divinity Hall, Halifax, gave one of the most striking picture tours ever given in this city, on the subject of "The Christian Basics of Rome." In fluent manner he took the audience on a realistic tour of the Christian Churches in that ancient city, painting a flowing portrait of all the grandeur of Sainte Clemente, of Sainte Sabine, and many of the other edifices of the Christian religion in Rome.

A large audience heard Dr. Mackinnon's address and expressed their pleasure by hearty applause after the last slide had been shown. The afternoon's program was also one of great interest, illuminating lectures by Dr. J. W. Falconer and Dr. Trevor Davies being the highlights.

In his lecture Dr. Mackinnon described the great elements of the city which guard the ashes of the Caesars and the Apostles. He traced the city of the pagans and of the past and of the Christian Churches and the future.

Much of his discourse dealt with the world of the first century, and the buildings at that time. He followed this by a route about the city and the origin of many of these basilicas, dealing especially with the greatest building period of the city, the reign of Constantine the Great, which, he described as the age of building.

Possibly the best was the description of the church of Sainte Clemente, which was founded by an Irish Monk, Clemente, in the 11th century. The church is a fine edifice, inside and out, the pillars used in its construction having been secured from some ancient building of centuries before which had been lowered. Most interesting concerning this church is the fact that a monk discovered an odd arch, set in the wall and very close to the floor, and the position of the arch being curious, he gained permission to excavate and found that the removal of the stone led to a stairway.

The original church had been destroyed in a great fire of Rome, and the new church built on the same site. It was found in excavating that the new church stands exactly on top of the walls of the old, which are still intact, the old church having been sunk into the debris of the fire.

Under it also was found a private dwelling house, which has been established as that of Clement, third Bishop of Rome. Interesting also is the fact that the cellar wall of the sunken church is constructed of huge stones taken from the wall of Servius Tullus.

Another church described was that of Sainte Sabine. Inside it were shown the pillars from the famous Temple of June, which were used in its construction, and also the doorway which was moved in one piece and makes the door of the present church. In the panels, which are of cedar, and still intact after many centuries, are beautiful carvings and engravings of scenes of the day. In it also are several stones which have a legendary past. Some of the legends state that they are the stones hurled at St. Dominic, and others that they were used to tie to the feet of Martyrs drowned in the Tiber. The accepted history however is that they were the symbols of weight, used in the same way that the symbol of the metre, litre and other measures used in official establishment of measures.

In the course of the pictures several were shown dealing with the history of religion. Among the most notable was the judgment hall of Nero where St. Paul was tried.

Next the pictures came to St. Paul's Cathedral, showing first, the obelisk of Nero, where St. Peter was martyred. The wonderful interior of the building was shown, the lecturer stating that the great church of St. Sofia in Constantinople could be placed under the dome alone, of the Cathedral. The pictures also included one of the Tomb of the Sturats, the lecturer reminding the audience that the last of the Stuart family passed away in Rome while guest of the Holy See.

In the afternoon, Dr. Davies described the Bible as "the greatest example of fine style in literature," in his lecture which dealt with "Influence of Literature on a Preacher's Life." He substantiated his statement by saying that in all other examples of Greek and ancient poetry it was found that the sense is partly ruined through translation, and that the full meaning cannot be grasped. He stated however that although the Bible has been many times translated, the meaning is never lost.

Dr. Davies further spoke on the development of style by a preacher. He first emphasized the mastery of words, and the necessity of personality on the part of the minister. He further advocated that the material be compressed and kept simple, and at the same time interesting. His advice was to read well, think well, and beware of quotations and be yourself.

Rev. Dr. Falconer spoke on the matter in the work by Rev. Dr. C. H. Dodds, Professor of Theology at Cambridge University, and first non-conformist to hold a chair in either Oxford or Cambridge, titled "Recent Studies in the Parables."

His contention was that the parables dealt with scenes and ideas familiar to the hearers of the discourse, and that the meanings were in harmony with the history of the Christ.

Rev. W. I. Green of the St. Stephen Presbytery conducted the devotions of the evening.

## WHAT BECAME OF THESE TWO MEN?

A True Account of the Vanishing of Mechanics and a Doctor's Denatured Alcohol

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—Down in the William street insurance district the officials, brokers and underwriters, if they are in a mind to do so, can regale one with stories that make truth appear stranger than fiction concerning missing ships, cargoes, money, jewelry, but far more important than these items, the tragedy that engulfs human beings who go to the port of missing men. One such story even exceeds in its chronological sequence the mystery of what happened to former Supreme Court Justice Joseph Force Crater.

The authenticity of this story is supported by two independent sources. First, the records of the company that held the liability insurance, covering in detail reports of investigators and affidavits of persons who were close to the events that happened, and second, by the fact that money has been put aside in the event that an action might still be started after these many years.

This particular story was told by Arthur P. Woodward, whose death after many years of activity in the insurance district occurred but recently.

Mr. Woodward, who was in his middle sixties, was a delightful story teller, and had personal contact with the investigation that was so unsuccessfully pursued to solve this puzzling case.

It happened during the prohibition period. Two mechanics employed by a utility corporation were sent to the home of a physician in Manhattan to make repairs in the basement of his residence. They were young men, of the type that the average householder might encounter when requesting assistance from a utility corporation.

The physician told his wife that the men would arrive at their home, and to let them in the basement to make the repairs. In the day the men worked several hours in the cellar before completing their task. The doctor was busy making his professional visits and arrived home long after the men had departed.

Upon learning that the repairs had been made, the physician remarked to his wife that he had been a little uneasy during the day, because he had stored in the cellar a cache of fine whiskey and wines. He intimated that perhaps the repair men might have discovered this, and helped themselves to his booze. With this suspicion haunting him the physician went to the cellar to investigate.

He returned some minutes later, greatly agitated and concerned. He reported that the whiskey was intact but that a large glass jar containing a gallon of denatured alcohol and specimens from his surgical operations had vanished. The doctor said he had looked everywhere, but could not find the poisonous alcohol, although he was positive it had been in the cellar.

It was late in the evening and efforts to communicate with the utility corporation and locate the men proved futile. The next day the physician

went to the office of the corporation. This resulted in a check on the time sheets, which disclosed the fact that the two men had not reported for work. The next step was to find their homes. They had not come home. The investigators found their clothes and trinkets in the rooms they'd occupied in a furnished room house.

Days passed, and although wages were due them, the two mechanics never came to the cashier. They have never appeared up to the present moment. No one has seen or heard from them. The search was kept up for months in hospitals and through such agencies as the police and private detectives. Years passed. Prohibition and the days of drinking any old thing moved into the background.

The two mechanics have never been found. A decade has passed. They are still being considered 'alive' in the records of the insurance men. The alcohol was never found. It has all been a puzzling mystery. Did they drink it and die death result? Were they shanghaied on a rum ship? Where did they go? Such questions have never been answered. They are just two men gone to the port of missing men with no clues left upon which the searchers might have been able to close the insurance record.

## GIANTS SPLIT

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ed because of darkness after 4 1-2 innings, 1-0.

In St. Louis, the Browns handed Detroit its first three runs on a platter but scored four in the sixth on Joe Vosmik's double and Harland Clift's 29th homer to win the game 7-6.

The Red Sox picked up half a game on the Indians in their fight for fourth place by taking both ends of a double-header from the Senators, 3-1 and 7-4.

## CONTROVERSY OVER PIGTAIL'S CURL REACHES HEART OF HOG COUNTRY

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 30.—Come now the answers from the heart of the nation's farm country to the poster on pigs posed by a naive 16 year old farm girl to the New Jersey department of agriculture.

The girl's question: "Which way does a pig tail twist?" was asked of numerous Minneapolis citizens and none lacked for the answer or some answer.

A resume of the answers indicates that a pig tail whirls clockwise, or counter clockwise or in a conelike spiral, stands straight up or droops, or inclines toward the forepart, depending on the pig's diet, the weather and the whim of fate.

Said James Mullen, Minneapolis captain of detectives: "When a pig is not in good condition, well fed and well cared for, the tail sticks straight up, and when it's poor and measly, the tail sort of flops down. I know, because I'm a pretty good farmer."

The more erudite and considered opinion of Dean Walter C. Coffey of the college of agriculture, forestry, and home economics, at the University of Minnesota, was:

"Most of the pig tails that I can remember turn right. The New Jersey pigs' tails probably curl mostly to the left because they're east of the Mississippi."

But Ray Bross, boiler manufacturer believed: "Pigs' tails run from the southwest quarter to the northeast quarter except when they run due south."

A Minneapolis alderman said they twist left, and declared he would so provide by ordinance if any pigs in the city were contrary.

Elizabeth Owens, assistant county attorney, speaking 'strictly in support of the female pigs,' said: "Tails are just tails, and probably run to the imagination."

According to George H. Hemperly, clerk of the district court, it is purely a matter of relativity.

"If you stand on your head," he pointed out, "they curve right or left, and if you stand on your feet, they curve left or right."

W. H. Peters, chief of the division of animal husbandry, University of Minnesota, said they curl both ways,

but added: "A hog whose tail curls to the right is no snootier than one whose tail curls to the left."

## C. W. L. Protest Against Dr. Norman Bethune

Members of the Saint John subdivision of the Catholic Women's League recently went on record as opposing Dr. Norman Bethune in his campaign for funds to support the work of the Canadian Committee for the Preservation of Spanish Democracy in Spain. Members of the C.W.L. were asked not to attend a lecture which Dr. Bethune, globe trotter and surgeon adventurer, is to give in St. John on Monday. At this lecture, Dr. Bethune will present his much talked of film, "The Heart of Spain," presenting from the committee's angle scenes from the civil war in Spain. Ontario censors deleted several sections of the film which dealt with Hitler and Mussolini. Dr. Bethune, one of the world's leading authorities on tuberculosis, has been active with the committee in Madrid during the past year.

## Hertzog Says Versailles Responsible For Unrest

(Special to The Daily Mail) GENEVA, Sept. 29.—The South African Prime Minister today addressing the 23 nations at the League of Nations Assembly Committee, stated that famous Post War Treaty of Versailles was the real cause of the distrust of the nations of Europe.

## Ontario Provincial Elections October 6

(Special to The Daily Mail) TORONTO, Sept. 29.—Today is nomination day in the provincial elections which is to take place on Oct. 6. 250 candidates will seek nomination today. Premier Hepburn returned to his constituency at St. Thomas today to be present at nominations. There will be 2,120,000 votes cast.

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