FORTY YEARS OF PENINSULA METHODISM

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wine were founded, when a rest of ten years was taken. 1865-'75gives us Epworth, Grace, Madeley and Kingswood. After another ten year rest period in which only Silverbrook was founded, in 1880 and Swedish Mission in '83, we have Wesley in '84, Cookman in '85, Harrison St., '91 and Eastlake about the same time.

Wilmington is to-day ripe for a greater Methodism and an advance along all lines. We should profit by mistakes of the past and instead of letting CIRCUMSTANCES CONTROL US WE OUGHT BY CARE AND FORESIGHT CONTROL CIRCUMSTANCES. The next advance will be a new church at Madeley and one at McCabe Memorial. Trinity and Kingswood require attention, and historic St. Paul's will sell and move when their price for their valuable property is offered. Congregations have been organized and housed last year at Hillcrest, Cedars and Richardson Park. The City Missionary Society was organized last year. The greatest need of Methodism is a united interest and effort on the part of our laymen for a greater Methodism and a city revival.

The Boy Who Told The Truth.

By Humes Hart.

Robert Lindsey wanted many things, but of them all the one object that was most desirable, in his eyes at least, was a bicycle. Todd Raymond, the little boy next door, had received one from his uncle as a Christmas present, and had great fun learning to ride it during the holidays when there was no snow on the ground.

Now Todd was about Robert's age and his most intimate companion, and every time Robert saw him he thought of the bicycle so that he was almost continually worrying about it and wishing that his father would get him one.

As the case stood Mr. Livesly would have been willing to gratify Robert's desire, but his mother, like most mothers, thought that he was too young to be trusted with such a thing as a bicycle, that he would be sure to fall and hurt himself. She could not understand how Mrs. Raymond could allow her boy to have such a thing.

However, an event soon took place which claimed Robert's attention and kept him from thinking about the bicycle much, although he by no means forgot about it. The Christmas holidays passed slowly by and at last came that inevitable day on which school reopens and which is greatly disliked by all school boys on that account. But this, too, passed and the month of January dragged slowly on. Now came the first really cold weather of that winter and with it snowballing, sledding, and a general good time.

Robert, however, could not help thinking as he went flying down the hill on his sled, "How much more fun this would be if I were only on a bicycle instead of a sled" and in fact his continuous talk had grown so bothersome that his father had at last been compelled to tell him not to say anything more about it.

The month dragged on and at last came to an end and the reports were given out. That night at the supper table Robert handed his report to his mother and sat waiting breathlessly for what she would say. "Why, Robert!" she exclaimed suddenly, "only eighty-five in deportment, I'm sure my boy can do better than that if he tries." "Well" replied Robert, "you can't help whispering once in a while, or shooting paper cards, especially when all the other fellows do. And then I don't tell a lie about it as some of them do." "That's right, my boy," said his father, "tell the truth whatever you do. Still I think you can do better than that, and to help you along I have decided to make you this proposition. If you will get over ninety in deportment every month from now to the end of the year, I will get you the bicycle you have wanted for so long." "With a coaster brake?" asked Robert breathlessly. "With a coaster brake," replied his father.

Robert was now all joy and clapped his hands and capered around the room so that not even his mother could find the heart to raise an objection. He went to school the next day determined not to whisper a word the whole day. However, habits once formed are not so easily broken, and more than once he remembered just in time to keep from speaking to Charlie Weston, the boy behind him. But the hardest of all was to keep from answering when he was spoken to, or to tear up a note passed to him and put it in his pocket. However, he fought bravely and in spite of several times when he was beaten by temptation he was able to bring home a report that month with ninety-two marked in the deportment column.

The next month, however, he had a new kind of trouble to deal with. The other boys had not been slow to notice the change in Robert's actions and began to call each other's attention to it, to call him a goody, goody boy, teacher's pet, and various other names of the same kind.

Todd had noticed it also, but he had in him the natural reluctance with which one boy speaks of such things to another. At last, however, he did so, and Robert told him all about it. The same thing happened with one or two other boys, and finally quite a number came to know about it. Most of them stopped calling Robert names immediately, and some even tried the same thing on their own families with varied success. There were a few, however, who continued to annoy him on purpose, to make him fail.

The teacher on the other hand, who had noticed Robert's change in conduct, complimented him on it, and he came near telling her the reason, but he did not for she was his teacher. If he had it would probably have been better for him in the end.

It was now easier for him, but he found that he still was liable to fall back into his old ways, and one month he barely made his ninety.

One hot June morning the teacher was angry over some trouble she had had and declared that if any one was out of order she would take ten off his deportment. Now it happened that at recess that same morning Robert had a dispute with one of the boys and as a result came in very hot and out of sorts, and the teacher being out of the room one of the boys took advantage of the chance and crumpling up a sheet of paper he threw it at him striking him in the face.

Robert was very angry at this and picking it up threw it back, without stopping to think what he was doing. The teacher, however, coming into the room at that moment, saw the paper fly without seeing who threw it. "Jerry, did you throw that?" she demanded. No ma'm. Henry? No ma'm. Robert? "Yes ma'm" replied Robert resolutely, but almost bursting into tears, which, however, he held back "Very well, sir, ten off your deportment."

Robert was almost stunned; was he to lose his precious bicycle after all? Perhaps he might get a hundred and the ten off would leave him ninety, or perhaps the teacher might not really take ten off after all. Still neither of these things were probable, and for the rest of the month he lived in intense anxiety.

At the end of the month he found that he was an honored pupil and would not have to take the examinations. There fore he must wait three days for his report, and then if he had ninety in deportment he must wait another two days till his birthday to get his long hoped for bicycle.

Three days later he went back to school and received his report, which he opened with fear and trembling. There was eighty-three in the deportment column. Seeing this he burst into tears, and running home to his mother sobbed the whole story out in her lap. That night they told his father and it was a gloomy party that left the supper table.

Two days later it was a very disconsolate little boy who came slowly down stairs to breakfast. It Robert's birthday, but it seemed very unlike any birthday he had ever had before. He turned the corner of the hall and entered the dining room, and there standing before him was a bicycle, a much better one than Todd's, in fact a better one than he had ever dreamed of, and there on the saddle lay a card on which was written, "For the boy who told the truth."—The Western Christian Advocate.

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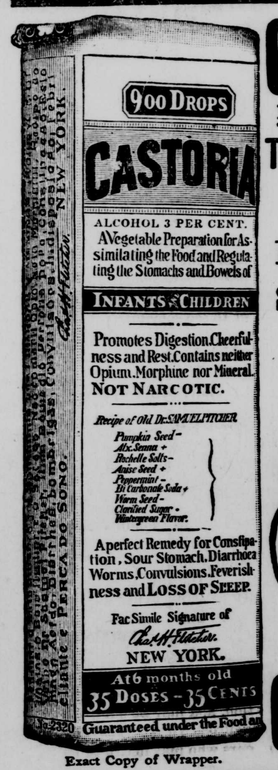

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