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Should Old Sermons be Burned?

Should the preacher burn his old sermons? The question is asked us many times. The answer depends on the sort of preacher. If he is one that has grown we should say no, decidedly. If he is the other kind, let him burn them, by all means. Some sermons, no doubt, are good enough to preach again to a congregation, and such as are not may be very profitable to an audience of one—the preacher himself. If they are very thin and limp and tame, they are likely to be all the more suggestive. In the light of fuller knowledge and experience, the things they tried to say can be better said. Why not say them better, and thus let the stronger years of ministry atone for the weaker? Many a sorry skeleton can be nourished into robustness by the developed mind.

—*The New York Examiner.*

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Leave Baltimore.....3.15 p. m.
Arrive Queenstown.....6.00 p. m.
Arrive Chestertown about.....8.00 p. m.

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Leave Jackson Creek.....8.30 a. m.
Leave Kent Island.....9.00 a. m.
Arrive Baltimore about.....11.15 a. m.
Leave Baltimore.....3.30 p. m.
Arrive Centreville about.....7.45 p. m.

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Arrive Rock Hall.....6.15 p. m.

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BENEVOLENT ASSIMILATION.

A Poem Describing How Religion and Rum are Shot Into the Christians in the Philippines for Their Own Good

We're the "Great Assimilation, and the
Trade-Expansion Band;"
We're "expanding" like the smallpox, and
are catching every land;
We've "revised" the Christian Gospel and
enhanced its "business" worth;
We have "cinched" upon religion and we
soon will cinch the earth.
We have business and religion so combined
and sugared o'er,
You can take them both together and will
wink your eye for more.
Scarcely had the deal been buried, after
Dewey's famous fight,
'Till we landed in Manila for "converting"
all in sight.

We had clothing made of shoddy; we had
diamonds made of glass;
We had shoes with soles of paper; we had
watches made of brass;
We had endless schemes for plunder—all in
rainbow colors hued,
And ten thousand bales and boxes of adulterated food.
There were floods of shotgun whiskey; there
were countless kegs of beer;
There were gorgeous gambling outfits; there
were swarms of Shady Dear;
And our saintly sharks were waiting—singing
trade expansion rot,
To "benevolate" these natives and to spread
it thick and hot.

This old world is moving faster; get a grip if
you'd stay in;
Do your friend and down your neighbor!
What is life without the tin?
Golden Rules and humane precepts may adorn
a novel's page,
But they're laid away back numbers, in this
business christian age.
Moslem rules are more like business; and the
gattling gun and sword
Soon convert the unbelievers and "prepare
them for the Lord;"
And to christianize a people, and "thus save
their precious souls,"
We must rob them of their country and then
shoot them full of holes.

We've been "chosen, and elected, and
anointed," for the place,
To religionize the nations and to regulate the
race.
If wicked unbelievers carp of Liberty and
Right—
Or make crazy "Declarations" and deny the
right of Might—
If they question our "anointing," and our
"civilizing" gag;
Or hint we're canting hypocrits, and are only
after swag—
If they cannot be beheaded, or be drowned
within a bag,
Call them copperheads and traitors, and then
shriek about the "Flag."

We will "civilize" these natives; we will do
it with such care
That we'll leave them but the sunshine and
the circumanbient air;
Then to "elevate" these islands on the modern Christian plan,
We will stock them up with coolies brought
from China and Japan.
We'll "regenerate" these natives with a new
and lively birth;
We propose to own their labor—or, they'll
just get off the earth.
With the help of good Mark Hanna, and our
nations' "greatest" chief,
It will beat "protective tariff" and will lay
out "army beef."

Some may talk of Right and Justice, and of
Mercy for mankind;
Of the loss of bravest soldiers, and the
sorrows left behind;
What care we for wasting fevers, sickly
swamps or scorching plain?
What care we for wives or mothers for the
orphaned, or the slain?
What care we for blood or murder, woe and
sorrow, wounds or pain?
What care we for all things sacred, in our
hellish lust for gain?
And for all your blood and treasure what
will you, the people, get?
Why, we'll load you and your children with a
Thieving Bonded Debt.

Trade, Religion and Expansion are the catch-
flags we've unfurled,
And in league with British allies we are out to
rob the world.
We are holding onto Cuba—and have broken
every pledge;
We've enslaved the Sandwich Islands, and in
China have our wedge;
We're taking in the Philippines—taking lands
and mines and all,
While our "Christian" English allies are
"converting" in Transvaal;
Soon all poor and helpless peoples, will in
hopeless bondage be,
To the Princes of the Looters, and the Pirates
of the Sea.

—Fishback.

HOW CHINESE USE THE BIBLE.

Explanation of a Sudden Demand That Astonished Missionary Society.

"'What becomes of all the Bibles that go to China?' used to be a standing puzzle to the missionaries," remarked a Chicago preacher as he discussed the Boxers, says the Chicago *Inter-Ocean*.

"A few years ago," he continued, "there went up a great cry for 'Missionelly Bibles' in the Flowery kingdom. The Bible society was extremely gratified. The demand was unprecedented and thousands of dollars were spent in sending them nice red morocco testaments.

"This sort of thing went on for a long time, but the number of native converts did not increase accordingly. The missionaries investigated. What do you suppose they discovered?"

"That they used the Bibles for gunwadding?"

"No. They made firecrackers of 'em. Practically all the nicely printed Bibles that we were sending over there were rolled up in nice little rolls, a page at a time, and made into firecrackers. The Chinese make firecrackers at home, for an incredibly low price, and the paper that they were getting free cut a considerable figure with them. But it taught us a Celestial lesson, as I might say."

CHESAPEAKE ITEMS.

Money is in hand for Kesley Chapel improvements, new roof and other parsonage improvements. Our Children's Day services at Wesley Chapel, June 10, under the superintendence of Marion T. Miller, superintendent of the school, was a great success. The large church was crowded, both morning and evening. The music was very sweet, recitations by the children interesting, and the collection $30.38, nearly $10 more than a year ago. Interesting services of a similar character were held at Kesley Chapel, June 3d.

The Kent County Union C. E. Convention will be held in our Wesleyan Chapel Church on Thursday, August 2d, Brother Walter Gale, of our St. James charge, president, and Miss Bessie Miller, of this, our home church and C. E. Society, county secretary. From the past this charge has the reputation of royal entertainment, so that in more ways than one a joyful time and feast of good things are expected.

Yesterday was a time of great rejoicing in our Wesleyan Chapel Church. It was "Decision and Consecration Day." The time had been named by the pastor weeks before and general prayer solicited.

Five persons—one gentleman and four ladies—presented themselves at the church altar, thus publicly declaring "It is settled; I do now give myself to God." The church was very happy and many were in tears. Captain George E. Mariner was the first to present himself at the altar in decision for a new life; his wife followed.

All five then and there joined our church. In the evening Captain Mariner subscribed for our church paper, the *Methodist Protestant*; both himself and wife gave in their application for active membership in the C. E. Society; blessed results; all praise to our dear Lord. Following the communion services at the same time and place a free-will offering was made at the church door way as the people passed out, and besides the regular collection the sum of $10.31 was contributed for the famine sufferers in India. A contribution by the pastor and wife will be added to this and handed over to Dr. Tagg for the Baltimore committee.

Our Christian Endeavorers will hold a lawn fete on Thursday evening of this week at the home of the president, Miss Bessie Miller, in Rock Hall, the proceeds of which are to be used in purchasing a supply of new music books for the society and church, and a lamp for the church yard. At the suggestion of the pastor a Sunday school anniversary will be held some time during the year.

F. H. MULLINEAUX.—Pastor, in letter to *Methodist Protestant*.

Mock Hall, July 2, 1900.

SEASON OF CALIFORNIA FRUITS.

Their Time of Ripening and Their Best Conditions.

There is always a certain amount of controversy concerning the "season" of California fruits in our markets. That we may know when they are at their best, the following table, compiled by a California fruit-grower, shows the remarkable variety of fruits produced in Southern California and the long season through which they may be gathered fresh from the trees, bush or vine:

All fruits bear in some time of the year in Southern California. During the 12 months orchards and vineyards may be depended on to yield as follows, with minor changes as to latitude and location:

January—Oranges, lemons, olives, strawberries and occasionally apples, guavas, peaches and raspberries.

February—Oranges, lemons, olives, guavas and strawberries.

March—Oranges, lemons, olives, guavas and strawberries.

April—Loquats, oranges, lemons, limes, guavas and strawberries.

May—Currants, loquats, oranges, lemons, limes, guavas, strawberries and occasionally cherries, apricots and peaches.

June—Cherries, plums, apricots, currants, prunes, peaches, loquats, oranges, lemons, guavas, strawberries, raspberries and grapes.

July—Figs, apples, grapes, cherries, nectarines, plums, prunes, apricots, currants, peaches, loquats, oranges, lemons, guavas, strawberries, blackberries and raspberries.

August—Pomegranates, quinces, apples, cherries, plums, prunes, figs, grapes, apricots, peaches, oranges, nectarines, lemons, guavas, strawberries, blackberries and raspberries.

September—Pomegranates, figs, nectarines, quinces, grapes, apricots, apples, plums, prunes, peaches, lemons, guavas, strawberries, blackberries, gooseberries and raspberries.

October—Pomegranates, quinces, figs, grapes, apples, plums, prunes, peaches, lemons, guavas, strawberries and raspberries.

November—Persimmons, pomegranates, quinces, grapes, apples, figs, plums, prunes, peaches, oranges, lemons, guavas, strawberries and raspberries.

December—Persimmons, quinces, figs, grapes, apples, peaches, oranges, lemons, olives, guavas, strawberries and raspberries.

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