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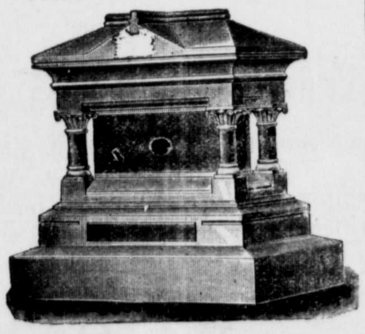

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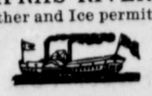

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METHODISM AND EDUCATION.

Rev. S. Reese Murray's Sermon at East Baltimore Church.

At the East Baltimore Methodist Episcopal Church recently the Rev. S. Reese Murray, representing the Woman's College, preached on the higher education of young women, his theme being "The Elevation and Perpetuity of Methodism Through the Womanhood of the Church." His remarks were based upon the text—"I will cause thy name to be remembered forever"—found in the 45th Psalm.

"It has been lately contented," said Dr. Murray, "that Methodism is making no substantial gains in Baltimore. But no permanent influence on the age will result from Methodism, much less on the future, if it relies wholly upon the instrument of the past for its power and does not adapt itself to the new conditions imperatively demanded by the age.

"And foremost, perhaps, among those demands is that of a higher intelligence among the millions of our people, and especially the highest mental equipment of our young women. Dr. Herbert Adams, of the John Hopkins, was wise to pin to his teacher's desk the words of Jules Siegfried: 'The education of the people is the first duty of democracy;' but our religious ancestors anticipated him by declaring that the first duty of the church of Jesus Christ is the education of the people, as upon that depended the salvation of the unborn generations and the permanence of the divine kingdom on earth.

"John Wesley maintained that the gospel could not be wisely preached without the preaching of education, and asserted that no Methodist preacher was worthy of a pulpit who did not preach on education. His admonition had, however, two often fallen on dull ears, and enthusiasm and fervor have been made to stand in the place of progress and power. But can they stand today in this age of realism when the 'roaring loom of time' is turning out such mighty patterns of industry and everything is in vast stride of pondrous rush after mammom; when thought and fact are applied to life, and sentiment and excitement in religion are critically and coldly dealt with? Can revivals be the sweep of emotional religion instead of the upbuilding of the whole life of the Christian man and citizen? Can anything endure which neglects to note the radiant advances of intellect, and how its triumphs lend beauty and richness and power to Christian conscientiousness and deed?.

"Methodism, says a notable writer in the church, 'needs to widen its somewhat narrow faith and cease to sail round on the shallow pond of reiterated exhortation, and its methods of evangelism in the future must be more and more educational.' And to have this result the church must equip its colleges and send out its students to conquer the intellect of this world and bring all its rational activities in industry, in empire building, in solid and permanent social comfort into captivity to Jesus Christ.

"But what students? Men only! Perish the thought! Are not women needed for the guidance of the life of the coming age? Is not a woman's hand upon the very fabric of government itself in the character of her sons? and will not her enormous force in and beneath public life settle the destinies of republics and mold the very being of the church? Does she not, therefore, need all the equipment of her brother, her husband, her son? And when she has this she will be tenfold more his helpmeet and a blessing to the whole human race. As the archbishop of Canterbury has so recently said: 'The happiness of human life depends upon this, and not only its happiness, but the purity, the refinement, the nice sense of honor, the sweet example.'

"Would that this eminent prelate could speak for us today, as he has so nobly done in England, for the emancipation of women's intellectual powers! And that he could speak for our Woman's College, which shares with Johns Hopkins in the effort to give the highest culture of the mental faculties! For that college, to quote our bishops, has widened all Methodism with its quickening touch. It has given some of the richest activities and noblest example to the forign mission field. It has purified, enlarged and directed the religious aspirations of its student body in their toil among the lowly and the neglected classes. It has created an atmosphere for Methodism which has meant the vitalizing the ideas of many homes. And to quote Dr. Maltbie Babcock—it elevated the standards of living among all the young women of Baltimore with whom he was acquainted. Herein, then, is the permanence of Methodism assured. Let it develope the life of its colleges, the Christian culture of its youth, especially is young women, and its name will be remembered forever.'"

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Their forms are bent with weight of years and some with weight of woe;
But their shields are just as spotless and their souls are just as true
As when they charged at Gettysburg the bristling ranks of blue.
They are coming out to visit us, these old and grizzled men,
And we'll give them such a welcome as will make them young again.

We are going to take our boys along that they for once may see
The men who in the wilderness fought under princely Lee,
And then the men of Shiloh, who, 'mid canister and shell,
In pity paused to drop a tear when Sydney Johnston fell.
And Shenandoah's heroes, too, who, with a rebel yell,
Had Stonewall Jackson ordered, would have stormed the gates of hell!

And who shall write an epic of those days of fire and blood,
Nor name the dauntless warriors of Forrest and of Hood;
Of Morgan, the bold raider; of that dashing cavalier
"Jeb" Stuart; of young Pelham, the immortal cannoneer,
And all those knights of chivalry who rest in peace profound
In graves which jealous Fame hath blessed and marked as holy ground.

The puny wars which nations wage on nations of today
Are but the mimicry of war—the games which children play—
When gauged by that Titanic strife, when southern valor hurled
Its thunderbolts against a foe whose ally was the world,
Then avalanche met avalanche, and loss was reckoned then
By squadrons and whole regiments, and not by single men.

The world, grown old, had never seen, and never more may see,
A host like that whose sabers flashed about the flag of Lee,
And when the shrines for which they fought have crumbled into dust—
Aye, when this great republic, shall have perished, which it must,
When Truth shall wake her silent harp to songs of mighty wars,
Their names and deeds will blossom with the splendor of the stars.

It was not ours to wear with them the hallowed cloth of gray,
Nor share with them the stress of march, the horrors of the fray;
It was not ours to hunger and to thirst on war-swept plain
And bivouac on the battlefield 'mid ranks of comrades slain;
'Twas not our fate to hear the jeers and face the victors frown
When Christ at Appomattox wept and pulled the curtain down;

But well we know the story from Fort Sumter to the end,
And on our hearts is laid the charge to honor and defend
The cause for which they struggled and for which they bravely bled;
To love and aid the living and to reverence the dead;
To wreathe the sacred mounds where sleep those loyal hearts and true,
And while the thread of life holds out, please God, these things we'll do!

Upon our walls three pictures hang—the faces of the three
Immortal gods of warfare—Stonewall Jackson, Johnston, Lee.
We placed them with the purpose that our little ones may grow
To learn the truth and love the men who in the long ago
Surrendered all save honor in a grand unequal fight
For homes and country and for what they still believe is right.

So we're going down to Dallas, those fast-thinning ranks to meet,
Which, only when outnumbered thrice, stacked arms in proud defeat.
The sun is fast declining, and the march is nearly o'er,
And now and then there comes a sound from yonder mystic shore.
It is Death's bugle calling in some weary form in gray,
Let's hasten on to cheer them for the last time while we may.

—*W. L. Sanford, in Dallas (Texas) News.*

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