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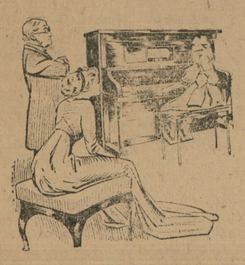

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A MEMORIAL

TO THE LATE SAMUEL VANNORT BY THE OFFICIAL BOARD OF ST. JAMES M. P. CHURCH

When one whom we hold dear reaches the end of life and lays his burdens down, it is but natural for us, his friends, to pay some tribute of respect and love, to tell of his virtues and to express some sense of loss.

On the fifteenth day of January, 1921, in the full possession of his mental powers, ripe in years which had been fruitful and happy, useful and instrumental for good, both by action and example, there was ushered from this realm, where love and fancy, hope and fear, misery and hate, hold the center of the stage, to enrich the realm of death,—where "moths do not destroy and where thieves do not break through and steal,"—one of our noblest and best men,—Brother Samuel Vannort.

Brother Vannort was born in Chestertown, Kent County, Maryland, Aug. 14, 1837. He received his education in the public school and at Washington College. Upon leaving Washington College he engaged in the agricultural industry on the Buck Neck farm, on Worton Creek, where he remained about a quarter of a century, sowing and reaping, watching the coming and going of the seasons, in a place where he loved well.

During a great many of these years he was a member of St. James M. P. Church. He represented his church most efficiently at Annual and General Conferences, was superintendent of the Sunday School for twenty-five years, a member of the Official Board, and always took a deep interest in St. James Church affairs, and when in October, 1883, he went to Chestertown to reside, he did not sever his connection with the church in which he had been so active, maintaining his membership there until the end of his career. It was in this connection that we knew him so well.

Brother Vannort took as his bride in 1865 Miss Allettia A. Usilton, daughter of the late Joseph Usilton, who remained his happy and loving companion until death severed for a time the holy alliance.

He was a director of the Chestertown Bank of Maryland, a director of the Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Kent County and a member of the Board of Visitors of Washington College, in all of which positions he maintained a quiet dignity and gave such earnest attention to the work of each that he was marked as a man of unusual intellectual ability. Brother Vannort was also a member of the Maryland Legislature in 1889 and rendered efficient service to his county and his state.

Brother Vannort was a gentleman of the old school,—quiet, dignified, honest, upright, kind, just,—and what words of ours can pay a just tribute to a man who lived his life with such ideals as he had? We can but pause, and in the hush of silence, think words which our pen cannot frame.

One of the chief characteristics of Brother Vannort's career was his promptness in meeting all his obligations, whether pertaining to church, private or business life. Though living in times of turmoil, he led a quiet life, preferring the deeper things of mind and heart rather than the spectacular happenings of the moment, and upon such sturdy foundations as Brother Vannort rests the ideals and the safety of our government. If we would seek to touch the source of his real power, we would lay our hand upon his heart, for there was the furnace wherein was fused the best in him, and in a quiet way he did much good.

There is something pathetic about the death of the young, the strong, in the very May of a career, but when the duties of life have all been nobly done, when the sun touches the horizon, the tired traveler grows weary; then surrounded by loved ones, death comes like a sweet dream. The way has been long, the pathway sometimes rugged, and the traveler gladly knocks at the welcome inn.

He lived a long and useful life. As he lived, so he died. Fearlessly he entered the realm we call death, unflinchingly he passed beyond the twilight's purple haze, out of pain, out of suffering, forever.

The undersigned have been his companions many years,—through times of joy and sorrow, of peace and conflict, of quiet pastoral life and turmoil and unrest,—and we know he stood and lived for the best things in life. We have, from our homes in the county, seen the light come over the eastern hills in glory, driving the lazy darkness like mist before a sea-borne gale, till leaf and tree and blade of grass sparkled like diamonds in the morning rays,—and we knew it was grand; we have watched the autumnal sunsets, when the whole west was a mass of golden glory,—and we knew that, too, was grand; we have seen the lightning leap at midnight across a storm-swept sky, till the shadow-haunted earth flashed in an instant into mid-day splendor, — and have realized that, too, was a magnificent sight. But one of the grandest things that we have ever seen is the light of a noble and beautiful life, shining in benediction upon the lives and hearts of our fellow men.

We hereby tender Sister Vannort and daughter our sympathies in their bereavement and commend them to the All-Wise One for comfort; resolve to publish the above memorial in the county papers and the Methodist Protestant; and to place it upon the records of St. James M. P. Church.

Signed:

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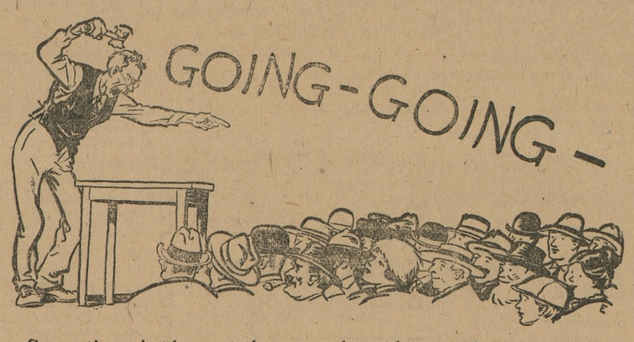

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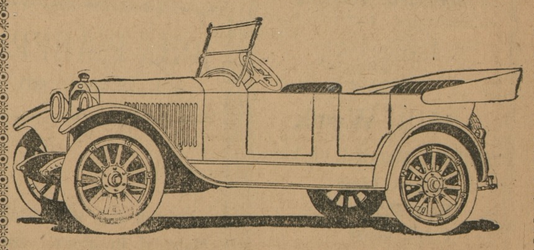

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