

THE GOSPEL AS PREACHED IN THE CITY CHURCHES ON SUNDAY

WHAT CHURCH LACKS LAWS OF THE CHURCH PROF. SCOTT'S SERMON THE SHAM CHRISTIANS

A TIMELY SERMON BY REV. E. LE ROY RICE.

It Needs More Faith in Man and Better Attendance at Services—Mission Work is its Great Duty.

Rev. LeRoy Rice preached the second of a series of three sermons on Sunday evening at the First Congregational church, his subject being "What Is Wrong With the Church?"

In the church at the present time, said Mr. Rice, there are many critics. Some are honest critics, while the others are dishonest ones. They tell you that the church is illuminated by false lights. Any person of the church of to-day will acknowledge that the church is not all it should be, but at the same time it is going to be any reform, it certainly must start in the church. Some people never even pause to think that the church is the body of Christ. If the work of God is to be carried on, it is through the church and that alone.

In the church there should be no critics. The church of to-day should not merely have a fine choir and organ, carpeted floors and fine seats, but should have something more in it than that. The word of God was supposed to be preached at home and abroad, but how many of us ever think of preaching it in foreign lands? We may have everything in the line of those things, but if we fail the main business of the church, then our church is useless.

There is another thing the church lacks, and that is a lack of faith in man. We look at men on the streets to-day and think of them as outside of the church and as being below us. This is the very place where the Salvation Army do the greatest work with these men. There is little wonder that there are few conversions when the church looks on men in this manner.

There is also lack of interest in attending the services at the church. Some people go to church once on Sunday, if it is convenient, but if there is something else more important in their minds, they stay away.

Frank E. Fairbairn, Brockville, has left for Moosejaw, Sask., where he has entered a real estate firm and will take up residence.

Married at Belleville on January 27th, Henry Elbert Murphy, Tyendinog, and Eva May Oliver, of Deseronto.

At Belleville on February 1st, Walter Edmund Lambie and Violet Oliver, both of Foxboro, were joined in marriage.

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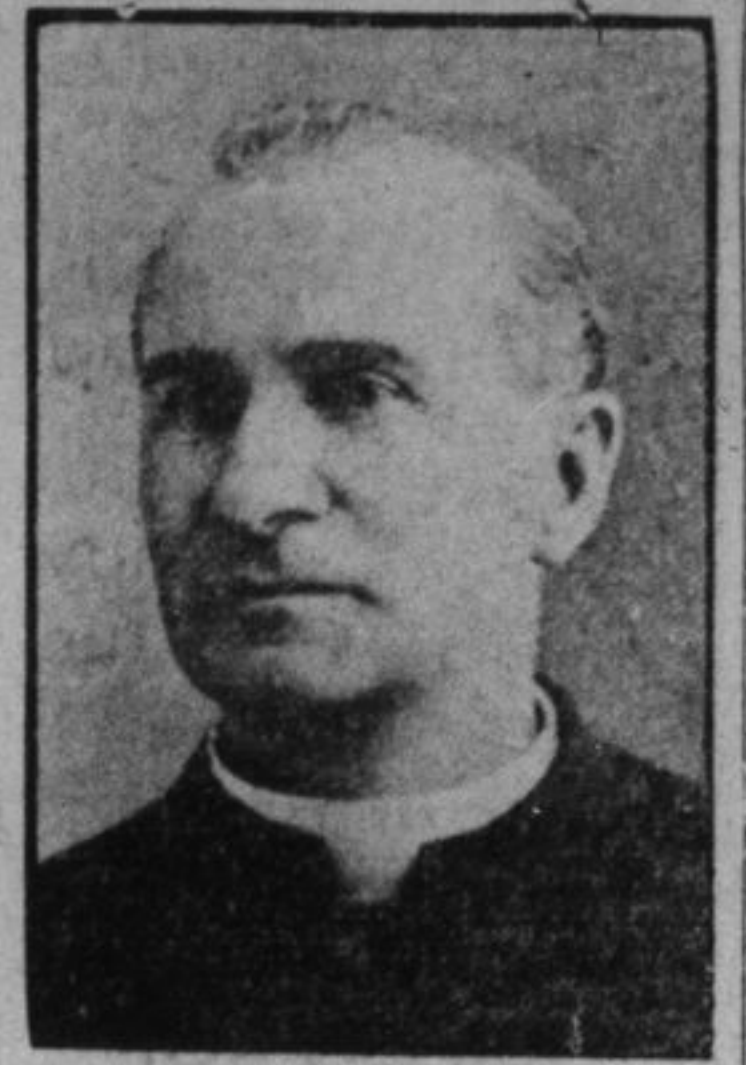
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TO ENSURE SALVATION OF HER CHILDREN.

Archbishop Spratt Preaches in St. Mary's Cathedral—All Who Have Sinned Must do Penance, His Grace Declared.

Whilst, as a rule, the people of the city evince a commendable disposition to attend the various churches throughout the year, this assiduity perhaps becomes more apparent as the penitential period of Lent returns. Besides being a season of special prayer, Archbishop Spratt was announced



ARCHBISHOP SPRATT.

to preach on Sunday evening, and hence the unusually large congregation which gathered in St. Mary's cathedral to hear his words. His grace has a manner with him which will win any audience. There is an earnestness and sincerity in everything he says that appeals to one's better nature, and hence the undivided attention he always commands. His words, too, are carefully chosen, his voice and gestures completing a meaning one cannot mistake.

"All things under the sun have their season," exclaimed his grace, in the

IN GRANT HALL ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

Spoke to the Students on Nation Building—All Great Men sacrifice Themselves for Their Fellows.

The Sunday afternoon service for students at Grant hall was conducted by Prof. Scott, D.D., whose sermon was especially adapted to students and deals mainly with nation-building. His text was—Hebrews xi. 40: "God having provided some better thing for us that they without us should not be made perfect." He referred to the foregoing part of the chapter, which recalls the great and heroic deeds of old testament heroes, and ends up by saying that they received not the promises for the reason given in the text.

The preacher said that it was the tragedy of all heroic effort that really great men seldom lived to see the fruit of their work. Moses, who wrought to bring the Jews to the promised land; Paul, who labored for the conversion of Rome; William Wallace, who fought for Scotch liberty, were examples of this. The inventor or the thinker wears out his life to give to the generations a great thought or invention. We all like success better than sacrifice, but the latter was the sublimest thing in life. The lesson of Christ was one of sacrifice. The uplift of the race is accomplished by the sacrifice of the lives of our noblest men. But their sacrifices are incomplete if we do not carry out their work so bravely before them. They looked to us to complete their work.

Our fathers died to win our liberty. They suffered hardship and privation to build up our nation and open our country. We should not look on these things as our work, but should realize the small part we have played, and qualify ourselves to continue their work that they, through us, may be made perfect.

Removal of Snow.

Police Constable Timmerman was a very busy man, on Saturday, notifying citizens about the removal of snow off the walks and off the roofs of the buildings.

EVANGELIST YATMAN SPEAKS OF THEM IN HIS DISCOURSE.

Series of Special Services Opened in Bethel Church on Sunday—Some Pointed Remarks.

"I wish to speak to you concerning counterfeit Christians; there are a great many and perhaps you are one. There are a great many sham Christians. Personally, I would rather spend all my energy and have just one convert—one who would live a Godly life, than to have a thousand converts who could not be found five years hence.

"There is a great difference between writing your name on the church roll and having it written on God's roll.

"May God give us genuine Christians; may we not have men and women to whom God will say: 'Depart from me, I never knew thee.'

"Because a man preaches that does not say that he is a Christian. What does God Almighty care for the cloth?

"Just because you carry a Bible is no proof that you are a Christian. You must put that Bible underneath your life, so as it will lift you to the character that is Christlike and Godly."

The above were some of the outstanding hints brought out by Rev. C. H. Yatman, evangelist, of Philadelphia, speaking to a congregation that filled Bethel church, on Sunday evening, opening a series of special services.

Mr. Yatman is not an evangelist of the sensational kind, and he made this fact known at the very start. He simply preaches the plain gospel, and extends an invitation to the sinner to

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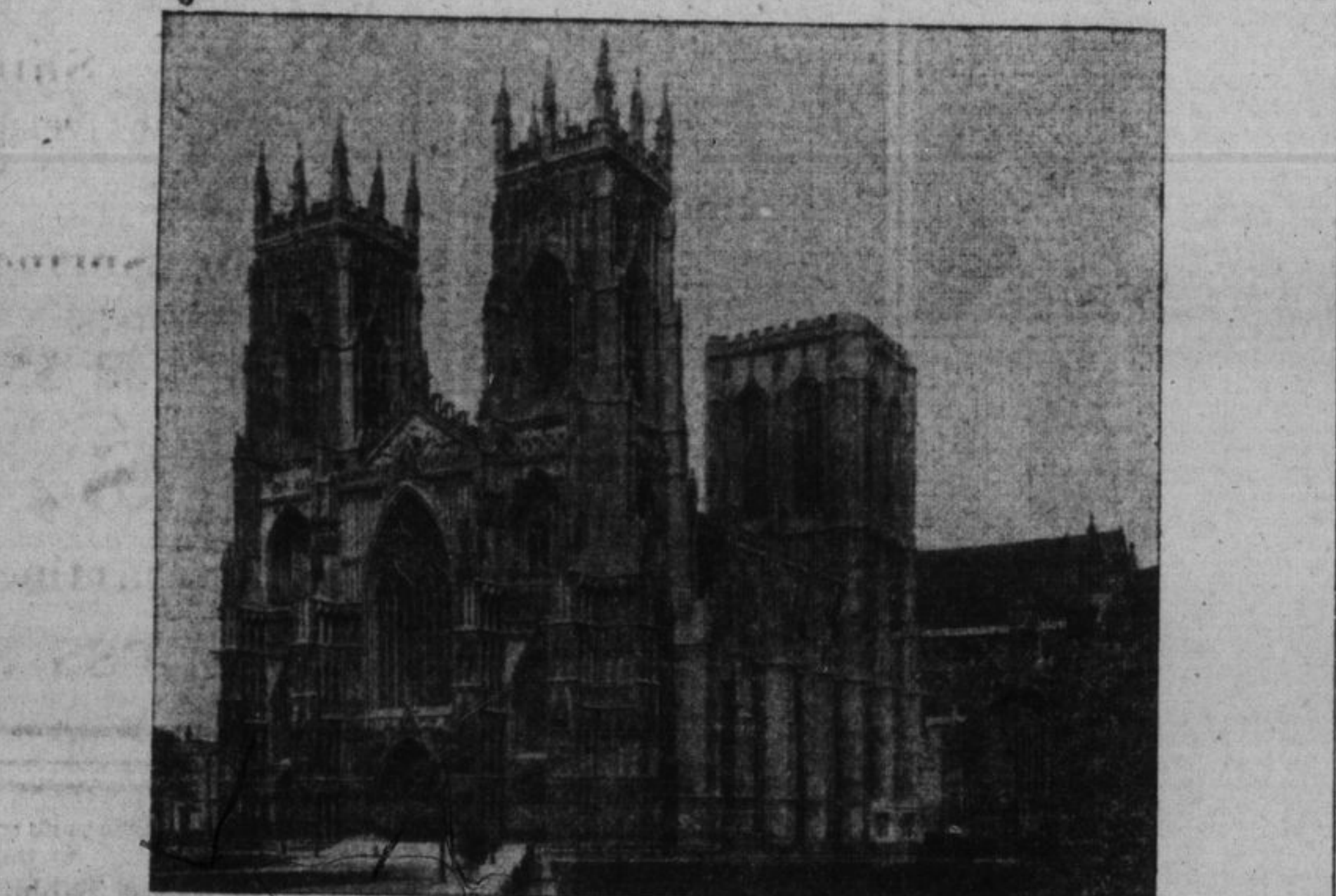
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used, which were sung very heartily. During the service the choir rendered an anthem and Miss Holland effectively sang.

Rev. A. P. Mershon, pastor of the church, conducted the service, reading the responsive lesson, and announcing some of the revival meetings' details. The afternoon meetings are for Christian people, and the unsaved of the city are especially invited in the evening. An office has been established in the school room, and a telephone installed. The pastor believes this should be run on business lines, and by personal effort and advertising to have the building filled every night.

Rev. Mr. Yatman, after reading the scripture of Jacob stealing his brother's birthright, spoke, basing his discourse on the prevailing prayer for Kingston, and the revival meetings. Surely, the preacher said, prevailing prayer prevails. We all know from experience that it prevails to genuinely good men and women.

Here, Mr. Yatman said the church was full of such people as Jacob was—religious, but not pious. This revival was to make men good, not only for Sunday, but for the week days. When (Continued on Page 3.)



York Church of England Cathedral, Recently Given First Place by a Committee of International Architects in Competition With the Handsomest Cathedrals in the World.

scriptural phrase. There was a time for mirth and a time for thought, a time for cheer and a time for sorrow, a time to sow and a time to reap, a time to be put into the grave and turn to dust and a time to appear before a Judge who takes no bribe and whose sentence is irrevocable. All who have sinned must do penance or perish.

The archbishop then explained the law of fasting and the obligations it imposes. Fast is the expression of penance. Human nature revolts at privations, but the will must overcome human weakness and the spirit conquer the flesh. The church was a good mother, and the laws that she makes are to ensure the eternal salvation of her children.

See to what hardships, whilst training, athletes will submit in order to win a little paltry glory. We are competing for eternal life and a crown inextinguishable! What efforts should we not put forth in order to ensure our final triumph!

The musical part of the service was also particularly good last evening. The sermon in the morning was preached by Rev. Father Mes, with his accustomed ability. He spoke of Christ being tempted in the desert, and drew therefrom the most practical conclusions.

To Vote on Church Union. A vote on church union will be taken in Sydenham street church on Thursday evening of this week when the official board meets. The impression is that the vote was taken some time ago. It is the Methodist church at Sydenham, where the vote was taken, not Sydenham street church, of the city.

No man ever saw his Father by the light of this brother. That soul is truly lost that gathers darkness of the light. If wishes were wings good works would soon cease.

PRESENTED WITH A CLOCK.

Police Constable Armstrong Was Recipient of Fine Gift.

A pleasant affair took place at the police station, on Saturday night, just as the day men were dismissed from duty and the night patrol was about to go on duty, when the sergeants and men of the police force made a presentation to Constable Marshall Armstrong, on the occasion of his marriage, of a fine mantel clock. He was made the recipient of a fine mantel clock, the presentation being made on behalf of the men, by Mayor F. J. Hoag.

Sergeant Nesbitt lined the men up and, as Chief Basille came forward with the clock, Constable Armstrong was asked to step to the front, when Mayor Hoag, in a neat address, presented the clock to Constable Armstrong, expressing his own best wishes, as well as those of the members of the police force.

Constable Armstrong, taken completely by surprise, returned thanks for the fine gift, in an able address, and in a jocular way, stated that he hoped he would soon have an opportunity of taking part in a presentation, to some of the other bachelor members of the police force. He referred to the good feeling which existed among the members, and expressed the hope that this good feeling would always exist. Congratulations have been extended to Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong by a host of friends.

Short cuts to fortune are oft'n bot-tomless cuts.

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report of his sins. In fact, he pointed out that he was preaching to secure converts who would live Godly lives to the end of their days. He does not wish for any "religious circus" as he termed it.

"I have been in towns where they had a great many converts," added he speaker, "but they were only converts as long as the evangelist was with them."

Mr. Yatman is a forceful speaker, has a pleasing manner, and tells the gospel story in such a way, so even the youngest in the audience can understand. And he also speaks out from the shoulder, to use an old saying, as he termed it.

"Because you sing, that is no proof that you are a Christian. You have got to be good and be Christianlike. It is a very easy matter to walk up from the congregation and shake hands with the preacher," continued the speaker, "but you cannot shake the hand of God 'unless you are clean."

"Modern prayer prevails; when we pray, there will come something from God.

"The minute you begin to pray you stop sinning; the minute you stop praying, you will start to sin."

"Counterfeit Christians are like the man who built his house on the sand. It does not matter what any minister says. You will be judged by Jesus, and you are just what you are. Maybe you think that God's kindness towards you is a sign that He will show you mercy. Do you know



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