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# PRINCE ALBERT

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### FORMER MANNING MINISTER HAS BIRMINGHAM CHARGE

When one enters the beautiful auditorium of the Highlands Methodist church next Sabbath morn, redecorated rearranged after weeks of repair work and bustling, bustling people making it over, if you happen to be sensitive to "atmosphere" you will be conscious of a certain subdued note—a certain dignity, and a certain beauty of religious environment; not that next Sabbath morn will be different from another as far as "atmosphere" is concerned, for it is always there—has always been there since the coming of the beloved pastor, Dr. Preston B. Wells—but it is recorded in passing, merely because of the fact that the membership has missed the beautiful auditorium during the weeks of "repairs" and "overhauling."

The main impression that one receives of the service at the Highlands Methodist church is that of quietness and simple gentleness and the impression grows as the service advances; there is a breath on the face of the waters; the subtle breath of personality; perhaps the key is more minor than major, but it is appealing, poignant; the minister is in the grip of some strong emotion which colors hymn and prayer and lesson as though he has come from some sudden vision of the world's wickedness and the world's wrong doing; as if he hears the world thundering by to destruction in heedless riot; and raising his voice in supplication the troubled sea outside sinks into the calm of a hymn, and the peace of a benediction—and this my friends describes the beloved pastor of Highlands Methodist church, Dr. Wells, and his influence upon the congregation which sits under the ministry of his teaching.

Dr. Wells is an optimist, pure and simple; he is the type of the poet-preacher in the pulpit; he has the poet's intensity of vision, the poet's quick, emotional responses, and the poet's imaginative fervor; and he isn't afraid to express his convictions and stand by them like the true Christian soldier that he is.

Tennyson said of Swinburne that "he is a tube through which all things blow into music."

Of Dr. Wells it might be paraphrased into—"he is a tube through which all things blow into religion," for this sensitiveness to impression the faculty of seeing everything as reverting to the Christian faith, characterizes his daily life and work.

I heard Dr. Wells say one Sabbath morn that if he were offered a fabulous sum to forsake the ministry that it would have no effect whatever upon him, for he'd rather be a minister of the gospel than occupy the highest place in the world of finance and commerce.

Dr. Wells is the type of man who "grows upon one," if the bromide expression may be used, and to be still further bromide, "to know him is to love him," and the members of his congregation, day by day and month by month, have realized his ability and his high Christian character, and day by day, and month by month, have become closer to him and nearer to him in the great work that he is doing.

Although Dr. Wells has been a resident of Birmingham for three years it has never been my pleasure to write a story about him until now—and while I didn't need an excuse—still at the same time the opening of the auditorium of the Highlands Methodist church next Sunday, at which time Bishop James Atkins will conduct the morning service and in the afternoon

## Tired

"I was weak and run-down," relates Mrs. Eula Burnett, of Dalton, Ga. "I was thin and just felt tired, all the time. I didn't rest well. I wasn't over hungry. I knew, by this, I needed a tonic, and as there is none better than—"

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will assist Dr. Wells and Dr. George R. Stuart of the First Methodist church in the great "mass meeting" to be held in the Highlands Methodist church—made the way clear for me to ask Dr. Wells a few questions regarding the state of affairs with his church household and what he thinks of Birmingham generally.

Always affable and gracious, Dr. Wells answered the latter question by declaring that he didn't know why anyone would want to live elsewhere if he could live in Birmingham.

"Indeed," said Dr. Wells, "I don't know a more delightful place to live in than Birmingham and I have lived about considerably, being a Methodist preacher. I have never met anywhere more charming or more cultured people and I can see no reason why a minister would wish to serve any other church if offered the opportunity to serve the Highlands Methodist church."

"And by the way I must take occasion right here to say," Dr. Wells continued, "that the acoustics of our church which have been so defective have, during the past weeks of repair work, been corrected; the work has been done by skilled experts—the Johns-Manville company of New York—and I have every reason to think that their work has been successful. The method which they used was to pad the entire dome with heavy felt, covering over 300 square feet of space. The walls have been repainted, and the entire building thoroughly repaired. The lighting system has been rearranged, and other necessary improvements have been made. In my judgment, we have now the prettiest auditorium in Birmingham—in fact, I

do not believe that there is a more beautiful auditorium in the south. As to the acoustics, we are willing for the audience to pass judgment next Sunday, which day, we hope to make a "Red Letter" day in the history of the church, beginning with our Sunday school exercises, which Mr. Paul Wright, our superintendent, will conduct; and by the way, Mr. Wright is a "live wire"—an indefatigable worker and worthy of the high place he occupies.

"I want to say right here," Dr. Wells continued, "that in my opinion the outlook for satisfactory and effective work at the Highlands Methodist church was never brighter than it is today. It has not been my privilege to serve a people who have more genuine culture and religion. Numerically, we are growing. We expect to have this year a net increase of 25 per cent in our active membership. All of the interests of the church show progress. The officials of Highlands are among the leaders of thought and activity in Greater Birmingham. Our church is only a baby in years, but a giant in strength. There is every rea-

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son to believe that in a few years it will be at the very head of our southern Methodism. From a financial view point, we are in the best shape on our entire history. Much of the success of the recent months has been due to the wise leadership of Mr. M. P. Messer, Mr. Jay Smith, Mr. Leo Akerman and the committees who have worked with them.

"I should say you are an optimist," I suggested to Dr. Wells who answered:

Yes, I thank God that I am! I know that the outlook for the Christian faith was never brighter. There is no place today for pessimism. The church of God is moving on to new triumphs, and her best days are yet to come. The great centenary movement in the Methodism of America is our answer to the whine of the pessimist and to the challenge of the world. This is the day of the church's opportunity, and it is increasingly the day of her power. With eye undimmed, and with unshaken faith in the Son of God, she is prepared today as never before to move on to the conquest of the world.

"Then you do not believe the statement that 'the church is out of touch with the world?' I asked.

"No! The church has never meant as much in the life of the world as it means today," said Dr. Wells. "The church of today is making itself felt in every sphere of life. She is planning more wisely than ever before for the conquest of the world. Her real strength is not to be measured by mere numerical growth. There is a leavening influence for righteousness exerted by the church which cannot be tabulated."

"You do not think that the church is in danger of being supplanted by the Y. M. C. A. and kindred organizations?" I queried.

"No! These are by-products of the church, and owe their very life to the leavening influence of the church," Dr. Wells replied. "While I am in hearty sympathy with these and all other great organizations having in view the uplifting of my fellow men, and while I do not fail to appreciate the greatness of what they have accomplished, at the same time I trust that they may never forget the mother who gave them birth. The one divinely established institution in this world for the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ is the Christian church, and the twentieth century pulpit is the mightiest throne of power that any man can occupy."

"What do you think of the state-

ment that the preachers talk of narrow doctrines and faith, and vague traditions?" I asked.

"We preachers, most of us, do place an emphasis upon the 'narrow doctrine' that there is none other name under heaven whereby we may be saved but the name of Jesus; and we do say that the uplifted cross is the only hope for the world! We do not think it necessary to leave these 'narrow doctrines' in order to tickle the ears of men. We have no desire to substitute 'community service' for faith in a personal savior," was Dr. Wells reply. "We believe that the best way to 'improve the morale of a people' is to point them to the Lord Jesus Christ. I do not believe in 'community service' as a substitute for regeneration, but as the expression of our change of heart and loyalty to the Son of God. The trouble with this old world is sin, and men need a savior who saves from sin. Picture shows and club rooms are a poor substitute for the uplifted cross, a poor preparation for the responsibilities of life, for death, for judgment. We have no desire to leave the church, we seek no substitute for Calvary.

"Then you do not believe that the 'preachers say nothing—and take too

long to say it?" I asked.

"This may be true of some. There are failures in the ministry, just as in other walks of life," Dr. Wells replied. "It is not true of the great majority of preachers. The preachers whom I have met who have been loyal to Christ, have preached 'Jesus and Him crucified,' and their ministry has been fruitful."

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Friend—You forget, old man, that you are now wearing your winter underclothes.

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