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Dean Robt. Reyburn Dead

Dr. Robert Reyburn, Dean of the Medical School of Howard, died Thursday night after an illness of several weeks. The news comes as a great shock to all the students, teachers, and friends of the University, for in the death of Dr. Reyburn, the University loses the last of her first friends who remained in active service until the last.

Dr. Reyburn was one of those who was active in securing the charter for the University from Congress, and from the day of its establishment, through thick and thin, he has remained a consecrated worker in the interest of Howard, and the race for which it is established.

The story of Dr. Reyburn's connection and labors with Howard is a pathetic story of heroic self-sacrifice and consecration to a cause. 'Tis said that when he first left Georgetown to take up his work at Howard, he was hissed and jeered at on his way to and from his work, and on occasions was pelted with stones and called a "Nigger Lover." But through it all he remained faithful to his cause even till death claimed him from his labors.

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Madam Mountfort at Howard

One of the most interesting and instructive lectures of the year was the one given by Madam Mountfort to the faculty and students in chapel last Friday at 2 p.m.; on the subject, "Jesus the Good Shepherd."

Madam Mountfort came here from Philadelphia where she established a record of 100 nights with this and kindred lectures. She is a native of Palestine and out of the fullness of her knowledge of shepherd life which is, and has been the same through the ages, she was able to make that life very realistic, re-enacting for us many of its scenes, and in order to do this more effectively, she came upon the platform arrayed in full shepherd's costume, which included a long, seamless robe, a rod and a staff, or shepherd's crook. She said that Palestine is a land of shepherds and that Christ made no mistake in presenting himself to them as the good shepherd, because that was a relation which they could instantly grasp. The green pastures on the sides of Mt. Hermon, fed by its snows, were to them symbolic of the green pastures into which he would lead them.

Often, in order to reach the pasture spots, they must go through thick undergrowths of thorns and shrubs which were filled with hissing, venomous serpents. This is the "Valley of the Shadow of Death" Hebrews speak of the serpent as the "shadow of death" because it brought death to the first pair in Eden. The undergrowth is beaten down with the rod and the head of the serpents are crushed by the shepherd's heel, and the sheep pass through unharmed. Also, there are ravenous wolves which infest the caves which abound, and the shepherd's roll stones over the mouths of the caves and from behind the hungry wolves glare at the sheep. Thus is a table prepared in the presence of enemies.

The rod, which she compared to Roosevelt's "big stick" and which looked very much like the cartoons of that famous weapon, was shown to be indeed a real comforter to the shepherd in the...

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Peter's question should come with solemn and significant emphasis. "What is that to thee?" I have a plan for him, "Follow thou me." Your business is what you will do, to decide and to do it.

After all how weak and futile a thing is human judgment. Our eyes are taken with the glare, the glitter, or the lack of it, and we overlook the real man. Teachers laud brilliant students, but valedictorians are seldom heard from in after life. It is the plodder who goes steadily on to the top.

In the University of Cologne, back in the middle ages, there was a young man who was so quiet and so evidently stupid that his mates dubbed him "Bos Musum," but "the dumb ox" wrote a treatise on doctrines which is a standard until to-day. Shakespeare was a butcher's son. Bunyan, whose "Pilgrims Progress" is the allegorical gem of the language, was a simple rustic. We read in the scriptures, "the stone which the builders rejected is become the head of the corner." God often chooses the "despised things" of this world to "confound the mighty" in order that "no flesh should glory in his presence."

Let us not waste any more time in conceit and envious forecascings of the other fellow's future, but gird ourselves for our own work, bend to our own tasks.

Let us not waste any more precious moments dissipating our strength and discouraging our fellows. Life, teeming and strenuous, is ahead of us, and it is going to require a long pull and a strong pull all together in order to stem the tide. What is required of each is that he pull hard on his own oar, catching the stroke that, with the unwasted strength of all, the goal may be reached, the race may be won.

VESPERS

Rev. Samuel Bishop of New York delivered the address at Ves­pers last Sunday. In speaking from John 10:11, "The good shep­herd giveth his life for his sheep; I know my sheep and am known by mine," he said, many Chris­tians think of Christ as a lofty character, and even, that he is highly religious. They think of Him as an idealist, but that He was not discriminative regarding specific things. "But Christ was not perplexed over the difficulties of life, for in his thought every problem carried with it the means of solution. The principles of success, he said, lie in the fact of knowing one's subject and being known of it.

Directing his remarks to the student body he said that every student who has any purpose must be looking forward to the life of a shepherd. He deprecated the action of graduates who go out from the various institutions to become servants, characterizing it as the shameful and outrageous trave­esty of the purposes of education. They must be teachers for the conditions of the times necessitate this. There are but 2,500 gradu­ates yearly from the various insti­tutes.

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tutions against 400,000 youths between the ages of 14 and 20, and 1,000,000 children under the age of 14 to be taught.

He also expressed the belief that relatively the condition of the race problem of to-day is nothing in comparison with the race problem of the future. When the southland is well developed and reaches its highest marketable value, then comes the race problem. It will be of the highest advantage to the colored people to hold and develop the soil against that time.

Bishop Harding, of Washington, said he had not come to speak but to hear Mr. Bishop, whose experience and ability he acknowledged were great. He also emphasized the fact that no man can be of any real value, no matter how well qualified intellectually, unless he has the spirit of the Good Shepherd and realizes that to whom much is given of him will much be required.

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time of danger from wild beasts or enemies.

But most vivid of all was the portrayal of "the lost sheep." At night when the special or holy flock of 100 sheep which every shepherd has, approaches the gate of the sheepfold, the shepherd makes them jump over his rod to see that none of them are lame. He calls each of them by name and counts them as they pass. He sees that none of them are lame. He also emphasized the fact that much be required.

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**Sense and Nonsense**

**THAT AWFUL DAY**

It is reported that on the morning of March 4th, Mr. Taft vowed that his first official act would be to abolish the Weather Bureau, but as the forecasts are still coming in with their accustomed regularity and reliability it would seem that the report was exaggerated.

**THE HOWARD YELL (A SUGGESTION)**

Wilbur P. Thirkield!!!

"Too many cooks spoil the broth"

"Paul’s Defense before Agrippa"

"The Sublimity of the Bible"

"Thirky”!!!

He watched with glee the board list grow.

"To Miner Hall they troop."

He telephones the kitchen, "Put more water in the soup."

Congress has voted ninety nine thousand dollars for a new Science Building at Howard University. There are ninety and nine that safely lay in the coffers of the Gov. And the one that’s out, they’d better be careful about, or “Thirky” will get it some day.

**ANTI-CRIMAX**

The purposes of God and the policy of Tillman.

**The Y. M. C. A.**

Prof. E. P. Davis lectured to the Y. M. C. A. last Sunday on the subject of ‘‘Truth.” His talk was practical, instructive, and to the point. Dr. Parks was present and gave quite an inspiring talk to the personal workers from the book, “Taking Men Alive.” The speakers for next Sunday are Messrs. Grissom and J. Anderson.

In addition to our Sunday service, an early Sunday morning prayer meeting has been established in Clark Hall. This prayer meeting will continue as one of our regular weekly meetings. The hour is 7 o’clock. We hope all the young men will attend these services as far as possible. Their good effect is already being felt in Clarke Hall.

**Theological Literary Society**

The program for Wednesday, the 17th was as follows:

1. Oration, M. W. Winfield
   "Paul’s Defense before Agrippa"

2. Oration, W. M. Wyatt
   "The Sublimity of the Bible"

3. Impromptu Speeches
   "The Promises of Christ" by T. Austin
   "Rewards of the Ministry" by Dr. Parks

This week Mr. J. J. Derrick an alumnus of the department and of the Law School will deliver an address, subject “The practical development of the mind.”

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**A Howard Seal**

Only a few more left.
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Now, he has gone to join the "Choir Invisible," and to enter into rest with those good men with whom he labored long and faithfully. But the work he created stands as a living monument to his effort and his spirit shall dwell in the hearts of the freedmen forever.

BRIEF OF CAREER OF DR. REYBURN

Professor in Surgery, Physiology, Hygiene, etc. 1865-73, 1873-1900. Dean of Faculty, 1879-1, and again 1909-9. Was born August 1, 1833, in Glasgow, Scotland. Came to America with his widowed mother in 1843. Settled in Philadelphia, where he received his classical and medical education. Graduated M. D. 1856, Philadelphia College of Medicine and Surgery. Received the honorary degree of A. M. Howard University in 1870. Practiced medicine in Philadelphia until June, 1862, when he entered the Federal service as Acting Assistant Surgeon; was commissioned Assistant Surgeon U. S. Vols., June 4, 1863; promoted to Surgeon U. S. Vols., June 10, 1863, and served as such until the close of the war. Brevetted Lieutenant Colonel U. S. Vols in 1865. Remained in the volunteer army until 1867; was then appointed Captain and Assistant Surgeon U. S. Army, but resigned the same year and began the practice of medicine in Washington, D. C., where he has lived ever since. Was Chief Medical Officer of the Freedmen's Bureau during the last two years of its existence, 1870-72; Surgeon in charge of Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, 1865-75; Professor of Clinical Surgery, Medical Department, Georgetown University, Washington, 1866-7, Professor of Anatomy in same school in 1873. Member of the American Medical Association, of the Medical Society and Medical Association, of the Microscopical Society and Biological Society of the District; member and vice-president of the American Microscopical Society; member of the Association of American Anatomists and Congress of American Physicians and Surgeons; consulting physician to Providence Hospital, etc. Was president of the Board of Health, Washington, 1870-1; School Trustee of Washington 1877-9. Was one of the first councilmen elected in Georgetown, D. C., in 1865, but served only a short time and resigned. Was for some years the only surviving surgeon who attended the late President Garfield.

A Negro Language

There is in use on the West Coast of Africa a system of writing of native invention which is said to be successfully competing with English writing. It is called the Val language, and was invented by Doalu Bukire, assisted by five of his friends. The characters resemble Egyptian hieroglyphics, but the tongue is said to be harmonious, relatively easy to pronounce and with a grammar that is reasonable and far from difficult. It is being more and more used in West Africa, and will probably become the dominant form of native speech in Liberia and adjacent countries. — The Southern Workman.

And thus the Negro goes steadily on meeting pessimistic objections as to his ability by actually doing the things. We remember that it was said at first that the Negro could not be educated, could not master the languages, did not have any civilization back of him. These claims have all been refuted — Prof. Scarborough refuted the first two when he published his Greek grammar. And the more light we throw on history, the more we see that Ethiopia was one of the greatest nations of antiquity. Their last claim was you have no language, so Africa responds by making one.

A Gift of Books

The students of the School of Theology are indebted to the Vir Publishing Company, of New York, for the handsome donation of thirty-five copies of a choice work on "Immortality" by Rev. W. E. Seabrook. His views of the "great beyond" are interesting and helpful.

The Rush of Wings

It is reported that soon after the Charleston earthquake some years ago, there appeared simultaneously in several small Southern towns, prophets, who declared that the Day of Judgment was near at hand, and the ignorant people were greatly stirred up.

Almost immediately afterwards there appeared in these same towns other prophets who even went so far as to name a certain day not more than a week later, at twelve o'clock. These last had large numbers of huge wings, and, they told the people that only those who possessed wings could escape to heaven.

These wings were sold at $50.00 per pair as long as they lasted, the people mortgaging houses and land to secure them.

The fateful day arrived, and as the hour of noon approached, the house tops were seen to be lined with men, women, and children with their wings securely strapped into place, waiting for the end, and secretly pitying those of their neighbors who were unable to raise the necessary money to equip themselves. One old man was especially noticeable because of his hump like rotundity of figure, he probably weighed over 300 lbs. He had climbed with much difficulty to the top of a shed adjoining a stable, and at the first stroke of the clock the old man without waiting for any further signs, threw up his arms and with a loud shout sprang into the air.

The cows below were as much surprised as he, when he landed in the hay among them. He got up feeling himself all over to see if any bones were broken. Finding himself whole he uttered a whoop and started on a run for the wingshop; joined by the rest who had by this time reached the ground.

Needless to say, they found it empty. The real birds had flown.

Weeding out the Spring Poets

He who writes and gets no pay, may not live to write another lay.

If a cook writes a book, is it necessarily a cook-book?
A Gymnasium for Howard

We rejoice in the fact that our blessings seem to have acquired that habit heretofore monopolized by trouble, that is, of never coming singly. For in addition to the new library and the science hall which are now assured, Howard is soon to have a new gymnasium. The Alumni Association, at a called meeting on Saturday night, pledged itself to raise $10,000 which will be put with the $5,000 offered by the trustees as a gymnasium fund.

Prof. Kelly Miller, President of the Association, presided and appointed as a committee of five, who will choose ten others to assist them in soliciting funds: Prof. G. W. Cook, Mr. Robert Pelham, Dr. J. R. Wilder, Mrs. A. V. Chase, and Prof. Jesse Lawson.

Such enthusiasm has been already shown that there is every reason to expect that the amount will be quickly subscribed. Each of the 3,000 graduates will be asked to give $5.00.

The following committee on the Annual Alumni Dinner, during Commencement week was also appointed: Prof. W. V. Tunnell, Dr. J. R. Wilder, Mrs. Glen, Miss Cora Jackson, Mr. Carr, Miss Alma Scott.

Sorority News

Miss Lavinia Norman entertained the sorority at her home on Defrees St., N. W., Friday evening, March 19. The earlier part of the evening was spent with music and other amusements. About ten o’clock a most delicious repast was served. A most enjoyable evening was spent by all who were present.

Ella V. Albert

Don’t forget the fraternity drama

“The Toastmaster”

Friday April 30, 1909

The Maynard Prize Debate

“They that run, run all, but only one obtains the prize,” says St. Paul, but things have changed since St. Paul’s time for although the judges had two prizes to bestow, they openly expressed their wish for a third, so meritorious were three of the picked speakers from the Theological Department who ushered in the debating season when they met in Andrew Rankin Chapel on Friday, the 19th inst and debated this question, “Resolved, paternalism and not individualism is the ideal principle in civil government.”

After a fierce but friendly contest which lasted more than an hour, the judges awarded the first prize to Mr. J. J. Minor, Theol. ’10, and the second prize to Mr. A. H. Whitfield, Theol. ’11, with honorable mention for Mr. W. E. Bain, Theol. ’11. The debate was not a contest between affirmative and negative, but each speaker was judged on his individual merit; two points being allowed for argument and one each for style and delivery. The prizes are provided annually by Mr. Henry G. Maynard of Northampton, Mass.

Mr. Minor, the second speaker on the affirmative and winner of the first prize, on account of his evident grasp of his subject and his forceful delivery was generally picked as winner of the first prize.

Mr. Whitfield, the last speaker on the affirmative and winner of the second prize, was perfectly at home on the stage. His gestures were good and his delivery pleasing. There was an evidence of approval on the part of the audience when he was given the second prize.

Mr. Bain, the first speaker on the negative, had a good grasp of the subject and his well balanced sentences and carefully turned phrases, coupled with his splendid

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Personal

Prof. Kelly Miller delivered a stirring address on the subject, “Loyalty,” before a mass meeting of men at the Col. Y. M. C. A. on Sunday.

Rev. R. D. Brister, Theol. ’02, at one time associated with Mr. Benson at Kowaliga, is now preaching and teaching in Bessemer, Ala., and is meeting with much success.

Rev. P. B. Oldham, Theol. ’05, is at the Head of Boyd’s Institute, Oakwood, Texas.

Rev. W. A. S. Wright, Col. ’08, who for the past two months has been visiting his home in Jamaica, B. W. I., sailed for America on the 25th.

The pink and white carnations worn by the speakers at the Maynard Prize Debate, Friday evening, were the gift of Mrs. Clark, wife of our dean. We gratefully acknowledge the courtesy.

Messrs A. F. Oliphant and J. R. Sabo, who matriculated last year with the class of ’09, are now in Bishop Payne Divinity School, Petersburg, Va.

Mr. Geo. W. Hines, Col. ’09, who has recently returned from a business trip to his home in Shelbyville, Ind., reports a narrow escape with his life in a railroad accident on the trip.

In the spring the young man’s fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love; and those of the young woman, leads the way as per above.

Of all the colors, Miss Marguerite Young prefers “Brown.”

There is a contest on between Misses Albert and Gilbert to decide which will keep “Young” the longer.

We did not know that Roberts was a farmer until he showed such fondness for “Barnes.”

Rumor has it that Miss Essie Rust is on the “Chase.”

Buck Hunt has been wearing a happy countenance of late; the famous soprano singer who has been ill is better.

Aphonzo Cook is praying five times a day with his face turned towards the “West.”

Rev. Anthony Deans has tried to get a city girl, has tried to get a Miner Hall girl, has tried to get a girl in his country parish, and now, alas, he cries out in desperation, “I can’t get a girl anywhere,” and from his bachelor’s retreat he cries that girls are not so essential as they seem to be.

If I write down my troubles
Every day,
And after a few short years
When I turn to the heartaches
Passed away,
I’ll read them with smiles
Not tears. B. E. McK.

Is the Theolog baby still living (stone)?

An Englishman was accustomed to sign his name thus:

Bilston
Pshiy

A year’s subscription to the Journal, or a Howard Seal, to the Dept. Editor the man’s name. No transposition of letters necessary. The correct name and the name of the winner will be published in an early issue of the Journal.

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We'll sound her name, resound her fame
Forever, and a year;
Hurrah for the banner of Howard.
Her valiant founders sagely stood
For wisdom's wider span,
Fraternity and brotherhood,
The higher side of man;
We'll ever hold the true, the good,
Upon their noble plan;
Repledge our hearts anew
Forever to thee, dear old Howard.

Her sons rejoice three thousand strong
She's forty years today;
Then pass the gladsome word along
To cheer her on her way;
Now join the glad triumphant song,
The song we love alway:
Still upward and onward and forward.
Hurrah! Hurrah! for Alma Mater dear;
We'll sound her name, resound her fame
Forever, and a year,
Glory and honor to Howard.

Lovest Thou Me

Lovest thou me? the voice is clear
The tones are meant, child, for thine ear.
They come from Christ, thy Master, dear—
"Go thou and feed my sheep."

Lovest thou me? the field is great
There is no reason you should wait,
And though thou mayst be somewhat late,
"Go thou and feed my sheep."

Lovest thou me? the time is come
The slaves of sin thou canst not num,
No longer then, oh child, be dumb—
"Go thou and feed my sheep."

Lovest thou me? Thou, Lord dost know
No more would I thy call ignore,
But with my heart now all aglow—
I go to feed Thy sheep. T. B. L.

A certain theolog put Madam Mountford's "big stick" doctrine into practice Friday night, and spent most of his ten minutes on the platform shaking his fist at the judges, but they refused to be intimidated and gave the prizes to the ones who won them.

"And their good works do follow them," quoted the thoughtful one laying down his paper.
"Yes and their evil ones will probably be there waiting when they arrive," replied the cynic.
round of applause from the audience and honorable mention from the Judges.

Mr. G. U. Dickens, winner of last year's first prize, also spoke on the affirmative. He made, what was considered by many, one of the most clear cut and forceful arguments of the evening.

Mr. Perkins, the last speaker on the negative, made a strong argument for individualism. His speech rather stood out in the splendid summary he made at the close.

Mr. Nichols also spoke on the negative. He showed, by his bearing in a difficult position, that he has in him the making of a first-class public speaker.

The judges were Rev. Chas. E. Guthrie, D. D., Judge Robert E. Terrell, and Rev. M. W. D. Norman.

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