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EASTERN SHORE VIRGINIA.

Dedication of a Handsome Presbyterian Church at Onancock, Accomac County.

[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.]

ONANCOCK, VA., Nov. 29.—This has been a proud day for the Presbyterians of Onancock. The handsome new church which they have just completed was dedicated today with very impressive ceremonies. The dedication sermon was preached by the Rev. W. W. Moore, D. D., professor of Hebrew in the Union Theological Seminary of Virginia. He preached in the morning and at night, and both his sermons were of the highest order of excellence. Dr. Moore is about forty years old, and is justly regarded as one of the profoundest scholars in the Southern Presbyterian Church.

The church dedicated today stands in the centre of the town at the junction of Main and Poplar street. It is modern in architecture, built of wood and finished with everything that can minister to the comfort of the worshippers. The main audience room is 33x56 feet, with a Sunday-school room 18x30 adjoining. These rooms are separated by folding doors, which on special occasions can be thrown open, thus forming one large room with a seating capacity of about four hundred. The front entrance is through a tower, which is surmounted by a graceful steeple rising 82 feet from the ground. The interior is finished in hard oil and the pews are of the most improved pattern. There are in the church twenty windows of superior stained glass, eight of them being memorial windows. The two windows on the right and left of the pulpit are in memory of the Rev. Francis Makemie and his wife, Naomi Makemie. Francis Makemie, who came to Accomac about 1690, is known as the founder of the Presbyterian Church in America. He established two churches in this county, one of them near Deep Creek Mill, about two miles north of this town. The church at Accomac Court House still bears his name. The other windows are in memory of Mrs. S. T. Young, John T. Powell, Robert H. Miles, Robert J. Poulson and his wife, the late Mrs. Catherine P. W. Poulson, one of the noblest Christian women that this State has ever produced.

The large memorial window fronting Main street is a present from the Sabbath-school. All these windows are of handsome designs and are illustrated with appropriate figures, emblems and legends.

The pulpit furniture and communion table are of oak, finished in hard oil, and are beautiful in design. The reading desk is a present from Mrs. S. M. Coatis in memory of her grandfather, Mease Smith, who was born in Washington county, Pa., in 1796, and died in Accomac county, Va., in 1830. He was once the principal of historic old Margaret Academy and after president of its board of trustees. The massive oak communion table was presented by Mrs. Charlotte Taylor, of this town, in memory of her late husband, Cornelius T. Taylor, who was long engaged in business in Baltimore.

The church is lighted at night by three handsome chandeliers, pendant from the roof, and is heated from a furnace in the basement. The cost of the building is about $4,000, and when it is remembered that the Presbyterians in Onancock are but few in number, their enterprise and liberality in this great achievement are highly to be praised.

The Onancock Presbyterian Church was organized about twelve years ago with less than a dozen members. They at first held services in the town hall, and afterward in the old Southern Methodist Church, which they bought. During this time the church has had three pastors—the Rev. John G. Anderson, now of Kentucky; the Rev. Wm. Cheen, now pastor of the Presbyterian church at Suffolk, Va., and the Rev. Byron Clark, who but recently completed his third year of service here, and under whose pastorate and direction the present beautiful church has been built and furnished. He has just resigned his pastorate here to accept a call from the Presbyterian church at Mount Washington, near Baltimore. He is a graduate of Davidson College, North Carolina, and of Princeton University, and is regarded as one of the rising young ministers of his denomination.

The Rev. Henry L. Derby, for the past four years rector of St. George's parish, in the southern part of Accomac, has tendered his resignation to the vestry, to take effect December 31.

Mrs. Georgie Quinby, wife of Mr. Upshur B. Quinby, is dangerously ill at her home, in this town. She is one of the most widely known and highly esteemed ladies of the Eastern Shore, and the news of her illness will cause sincere regret among her friends in many regions of Virginia and Maryland. Dr. George W. Le Cato, of Wachapreague, State Senator from this district, was yesterday united into consultation with Mrs. Quinby's family physician. They both reported her to be in a very critical condition.

Mrs. Susan Hallett, who has been visiting friends in Onancock, has returned to her home, in Baltimore.

Mr. George W. Burke, Jr., of Onancock, has gone to Danville, Va., to teach in the commercial department of the Danville Military Academy.

Mr. John Wise Kelley, principal of Churchland Academy, near Norfolk, is visiting his mother in this town.

Several days ago Mr. Charles Coard, residing near Accomac Court House, fell and broke his thigh bone.

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