

The church was reported vacant in 1881.

Rev. Alexander Bartlett, in 1882. He died on November 19, 1883. He assisted Mr. Reagan in a sacramental meeting at Eusebia on the day before.

Rev. John T. Reagan, from 1883 to 1886.

Rev. Claudius B. Lord, for a second time, from 1887 to 1889.

Rev. Samuel T. Wilson, alone, in 1890.

Rev. Samuel T. Wilson, with Rev. Elmer B. Waller, on alternate Sabbaths, 1891 to 1894.

Rev. John M. Alexander, 1894 to 1909.

Church vacant in 1909 and 1910.

Rev. Edwin W. Hall, 1910 to the present 1924.

V. What has Eusebia contributed to the Civil welfare of its parish? It has labored loyally to contribute its full quota to the development and prevalence of law and order. Nor has it labored in vain. The people of this neighborhood have always been noted as a law-abiding community. The church has done its utmost to implant such reverence for God and his law—such (Eusebia)—that the laws of the country would be unnecessary so far as the Eusebia people are concerned. That has been the glory of our American republic; and no more disquieting anxieties can assail a patriotic heart than are those aroused by the many recent exhibitions of lawlessness in different sections of our country. Such churches as Eusebia are the only hope of a great democracy like our nation. The lack of such churches results in such barbarism as was so long rampant in poor Mexico. Eusebia has joined her sister churches throughout Blount County in pleading for and upholding a high standard of morality, in trying to create deep reverence for law both human and divine, and in building up such a wholesome public opinion as will develop a worthy and law-respecting citizenship. And the outcome of these efforts has been most gratifying; and we who love Eusebia boast of the honorable history of respect for law on the part of the region in which her work is done. We who have ministered to the congregation have seen the same gravity and decorum prevail in the church services as prevailed in old Londonderry; and it has been like church, like community.

My subject is, "Eusebia's Contribution to the World." Eusebia's world is, naturally and principally her own parish. However, she has her relations to the world beyond the county limits, and the State's borders, and the nation's frontier lines; and even to earth's remotest bounds. And Eusebia has made her contributions even to these other parishes.

VI. She contributed four of her sons to the gospel ministry—Revs. Campbell Boyd, William David Malcom, John Baxter Creswell, and Robert Lockhart Houston. Another one of her sons who hoped to enter the sacred calling, died in prison during the civil war. Others have attended Eusebia for years and received much helpful training here, who have entered the ministry of sister denominations. Three of Eusebia's ministerial sons are in the full strength of their manhood rendering noble service in the church of their fathers. And who can estimate what the sum total of their life's labors and influence shall be! And Eusebia thankfully claims a partnership in their service, for are they

not her sons! And may God Almighty hear our united prayer today that they may have long lives and very fruitful ministries; and that God may call others of Eusebia's sons to the same sacred calling.

VII. Possibly Eusebia's greatest contribution has been in the great host of Christian laymen who have gone out from their old homes to make new homes in other places in Tennessee, and in many other States of the Union. New Providence church has among her 700 members a body of Eusebia's sons and daughters large enough to make another goodly Eusebia. Former Eusebians are scattered among the Knoxville churches, and I have met them very unexpectedly in other sections of East Tennessee. They have taken with them to their new homes their old training, and many of them are most honored and useful officers and members of other Presbyterian and sister churches throughout the country.

What greater contribution could the old mother church make than is found in this gift of her sons and daughters to the cause of Christ in other fields! It is hard for Eusebia to give them up, but they are not lost to that cause which is greater than any individual church. They are not lost, but lent, lent to the Lord for use wherever he may call them. Were they all here, their presence would cheer up the present membership; but their absence is rather a challenge to those to whom the responsibility of conducting the church has been left, to double their zeal and activity that the necessary service of the church may be continued throughout the future. Thank God for the new workers who have arisen to bear the burdens and insure the blessings of the church of today. In 1886 when some of us took part in celebrating the centennial anniversary of Eusebia, we should have been appalled had we known that so many of our leaders should move away or pass away before thirty-eight more years should have elapsed. But instead of the fathers, are the children, and the work goes on. And, please God, the work shall continue to go on till our beloved church shall make even greater contributions to the church universal and to its world-wide field.

For the best is yet to come. The country is coming to its own. Country life is going to become the most comfortable and remunerative life there is. That day is hastening toward us. When it comes, the church will share in the general prosperity. Eusebia will be the center for her parish of the social and educational life of her membership and neighborhood, as certainly as in all her history she has been the religious center of her people. And she will exert a far greater influence for man's upbuilding than ever, and will not be content until she shall follow her gifts by her prayers for the conversion of other lands, and shall establish a "Eusebia parish abroad" in some heathen land.

Let us who have entered into the inheritance of one hundred and thirty-eight years of other men's labors, do our work so well, and push forward the church's activities so enterprisingly that even in our lifetime we may have the happiness of seeing Eusebia a greater benediction to the world than ever before in her history. In no other way can be better prove ourselves worthy of our inheritance from our noble forefathers than by passing that inheritance augmented on into the hands of