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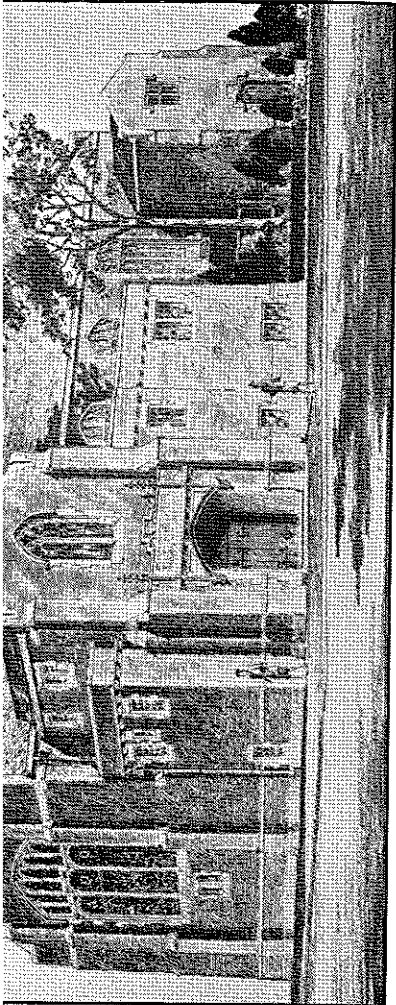


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DR. AND MRS. FRANK COLLIER

The death of Dr. Frank W. Collier, followed quickly by the death of his wife, Rose Carlisle Collier, will occasion many good and tender memories among the older members of the New England Conference. Both husband and wife were natives of Maryland. Dr. Collier received his A.B. from Johns Hopkins; his S.T.B. and Ph.D. from Boston University. He was ordained as a member of the New England Conference and remained on its-roll from 1897 until his death in August of 1945. He became related to American University in 1914, and was successively Professor of Philosophy, Dean of Graduate Department, and Director of Research.

He was a preferred student of Borden P. Bowne, and a close friend. When Dr. Bowne died, the widow gave the great teacher's academic gown to Dr. Collier — as to one who could worthily catch the mantle of so distinguished a philosophical prophet. Dr. Collier possessed much of the same power to interest and inspire students as marked the career of Bowne. Without question, as an instructor he has been the most influential member of the Washington faculty, and was probably surpassed by no man in our land in emphasis on the philosophy of personalism. Yet he possessed, as well, a distinct popular quality, and for many years drew lawyers, ex-governors, and other public men to the Bolgiano Bible class in Foundry Church.

The last four years of his life were marked by grave illness that prohibited all teaching service. In this long period his able and faithful wife cared for him sedulously and lovingly. Her friends felt that she could not survive a lengthy period after her beloved husband crossed the border into the other land. Someone said at her funeral services that the two were like roses that had grown on the same stem and that must therefore fade in a mutual season. So they rest together in an historic Methodist cemetery by the Stone Chapel, not far from Baltimore. Their epitaphs were written upon the tablets of many hundreds of youthful hearts.

REV. JAMES G. LANE

Rev. James Garfield Lane, minister for the last several years of the Hillside Methodist Church, Medford, Mass., died on December 23, 1945, after a long illness, at sixty years of age.

Born in Crawford County, Pa., he was graduated from Alleghany College, Meadville, Pa., and attended Boston University School of Theology. Since 1917, he has served pastorates in the New England Conference, besides rendering service for a year as General Field Secretary in the Southern Division of the American Red Cross. He took a deep interest in the social, civic and religious life of the communities he served, and was widely beloved.

The funeral service was held at Hillside Church, Medford, conducted by Dr. George E. Heath, Dr. John C. Wingett, district superintendent, and three young men whom Mr. Lane had led into the Ministry.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ethel (Boy) Lane, and two sons: J. Howard and James C. Lane, recently returned from military service; also, a daughter, Alice May Lane, assigned to the First Naval District, Boston.