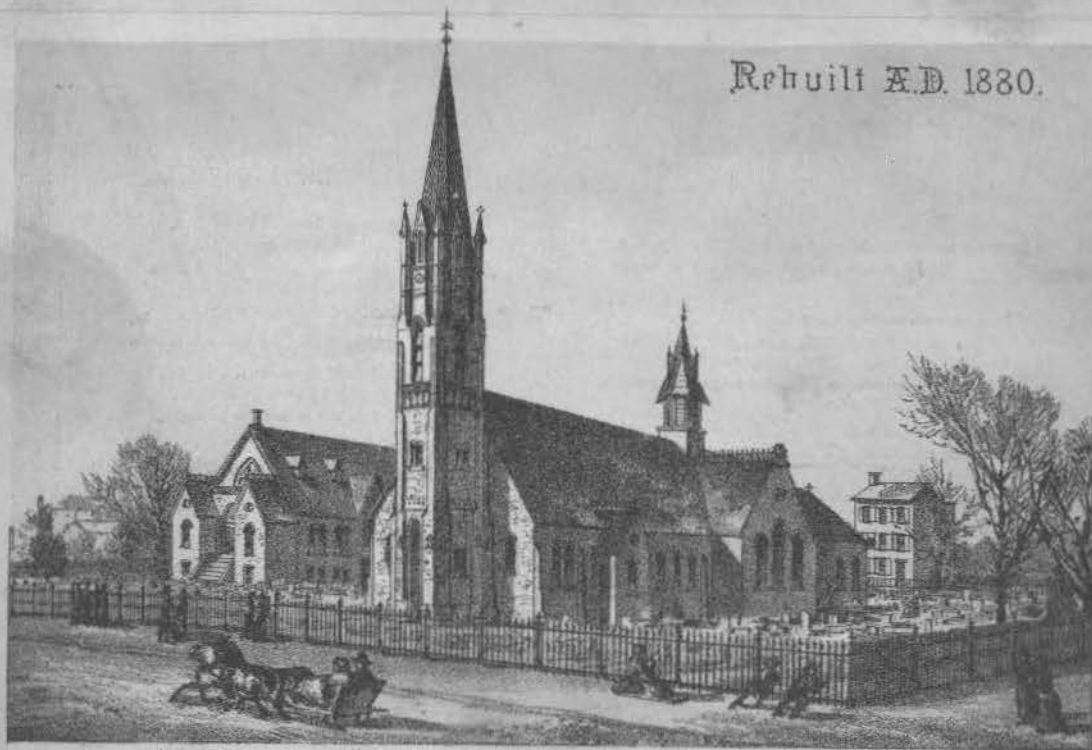


St. Davids P.E. Church: Manayunk



Founded A.D. 1832. Destroyed by Fire Dec. 23rd 1879.



Rebuilt A.D. 1880.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

March 4 - 1881

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A BEAUTIFUL NEW ORGAN.—A genuine surprise awaited the larger portion of the congregation of St. David's church on Sunday morning, and the effect was manifest as the parish building, in which they worship became gradually filled and the eyes of most of them turned to the western corner of the building, and a beautiful new pipe organ met their gaze.

The organ, which was made by Geo. Jardine and Sons, the well-known builders, 318 East Thirty-ninth St., New York, is remarkable for its sweetness, power, and purity of tone. It is enclosed in a black walnut case in the new open style, displaying a row of eleven gilt pipes in the centre, decorated with red and black bands, rising to a lancet peaked top, while there are four smaller pipes in green, gilt and black at each side, making nineteen show pipes in all. The instrument is ten feet high, six feet wide and five feet deep, and has a projecting keyboard. The specifications are as follows:

C. C. manual; compass, - - 4½ octaves
C. C. sub-bass; compass, - - 1½ octaves

Stops.

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| 1. 8 ft. open diapason, metal, | 37 pipes |
| 2. 8 ft. stop diapason, wood, | } 54 pipes |
| 3. 8 ft. clariana, metal | |
| 4. 4 ft. violino, treble, metal | } 54 pipes |
| 5. 4 ft. violincello, bass, m'l | |
| 6. 2 ft. flageolet, metal, - - | 54 pipes |

PEDAL ORGAN.

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| 7. 16 ft. bourdon, wood, - - | 18 pipes |
| 8. Manual to pedal organ. | |
| 9. Bellows signal. | |

10. Swell, improved vertical blinds.

The price of such an organ is \$800. The organ which previously stood there has been taken by the Messrs Jardine. Perhaps the new instrument will give some idea of what may be expected from the still larger instrument which, as we stated last week, the above firm is under contract to make for the new building, which, it is expected, will be completed next September. By the way, a good idea can now be had of what the completed structure will look like by a visit to the interior. On Sunday last the writer stood on the chancel step and talked to Mr. Orlando Crease, who stood at the other end of the building, a distance of 100 feet, in a tone of voice somewhat lower than the ordinary conversational tone, and Mr. C. could hear and repeat every word, showing that the acoustic properties of the building are all that could be desired. The same perfection may be expected to characterize all the other details, as to heating, lighting etc.

"THE CHIMES."—As a direct result of the suggestions, which appeared in the CHRONICLE some weeks ago, Mr. Orlando Crease has secured one subscription of \$500 from a manufacturer of this town for the purpose of contributing a bell to the set of chimes which are to occupy the tower of the new St. David's church, along with a fine public clock, and it is an open secret that at least two other large-sized bells are as good as paid for. This fact lessens the chances of those who could signalize their regard for the pleasure of our whole people by contributing the price of a bell, as it is likely that a good chime of nine bells will ultimately be determined on. Bell metal costs at present about twenty-five cents per pound, so that when the weights of the various bells is ascertained, the cost of a single bell can be readily calculated. Who bids for B flat?

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Its Sixtieth Anniversary.

The sixtieth anniversary of the Sunday School of St. David's Episcopal Church was held on Sunday afternoon. The exercises began with a processional, participated in by the children of the school, and an address was made by Rev. W. H. Cavanaugh. Rev. A. D. Launt, Rector of the church, conducted the services. Missionary offerings to the amount of \$498.21 were received.

The school is in a flourishing condition and has these officers: Orlando Crease, Superintendent; James Stafford, Assistant Superintendent; B. A. Mitchell, Jr., Treasurer; George Arnold, Secretary; Alvin W. Carpenter, Assistant Secretary; J. W. Jackson, Secretary of Business Meeting; James Gardner, Librarian; John Heywood, Sunday School Librarian; Benjamin Gardner and Thomas Dight, Assistant Librarians; James Lehman, Organist.

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A Memorial Pulpit.

There has just been completed and set up in St. David's Episcopal Church, to the right of and immediately outside the chancel (N.E. side) a memorial pulpit of solid oak, handsomely carved and polished, which is likely to be widely admired by people of cultivated tastes. The pulpit is octagonal in shape, the general interior dimensions being some 4 by 6 feet, and is reached by a short stairway opening directly on the chancel. The bowl (so to speak) rests on a central pillar, six other pillars supporting the sides. These pillars have circular moulded bases, fluted columns and handsomely carved capitals, and stand probably 30 inches high; and these rest in their turn on a substantial tapering moulded base about 28 inches high and somewhat broaded than the pulpit itself. The latter has two rows of panels, upper and lower. The lower series has a fine surface carving resembling the wide circular crossing loops of a somewhat thorny vine. In the panel fronting the congregation there have been inserted ecclesiastical symbols taken from Old St. David's in Wales, and said to be over 1000 years old. The upper series of panels show some elegant tracery in Gothic designs, the style being uniform, and the cornice surrounding the top is an exceedingly elaborate and beautiful representation of a running vine, with leaves and fruit.

As already suggested, this ornate structure of solid oak is A Memorial Pulpit. Directly in front, but not large enough to be conspicuous, is a neat brass tablet inscribed as follows:

In Memory of
RICHARD HEY.
Died March 12, 1894.

The pulpit is the work of Messrs. Alcott, Rose and Scully, manufacturers of mill-work, mantels, tiles, &c., whose extensive establishment at 2917, 2919 and 2921 North Broad street is so well known to art connoisseurs and the building fraternity in general.

In closing this brief notice it is worth while to notice that it is much easier to hear the preacher at that elevation and clear of the encompassing chancel walls.

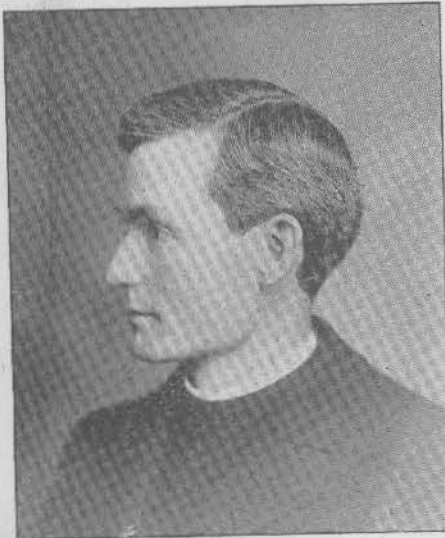
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THE CHURCHES OF PHILADELPHIA AND VICINITY.—No. XII.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH, MANAYUNK.

THE MOTHER-CHURCH OF THE TWENTY-FIRST WARD.

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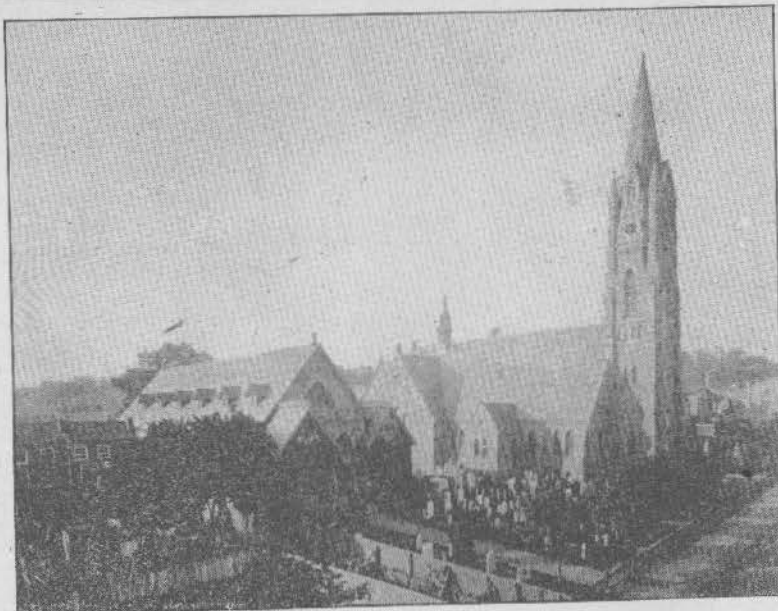
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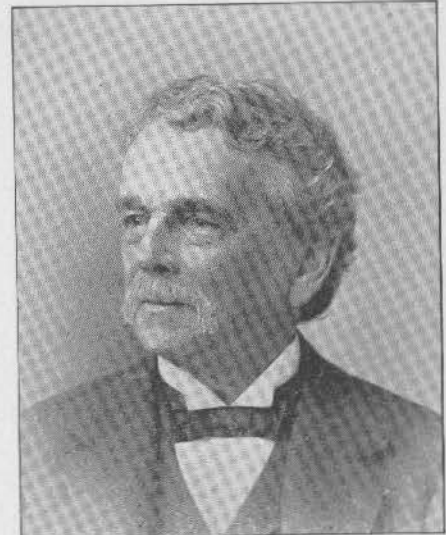
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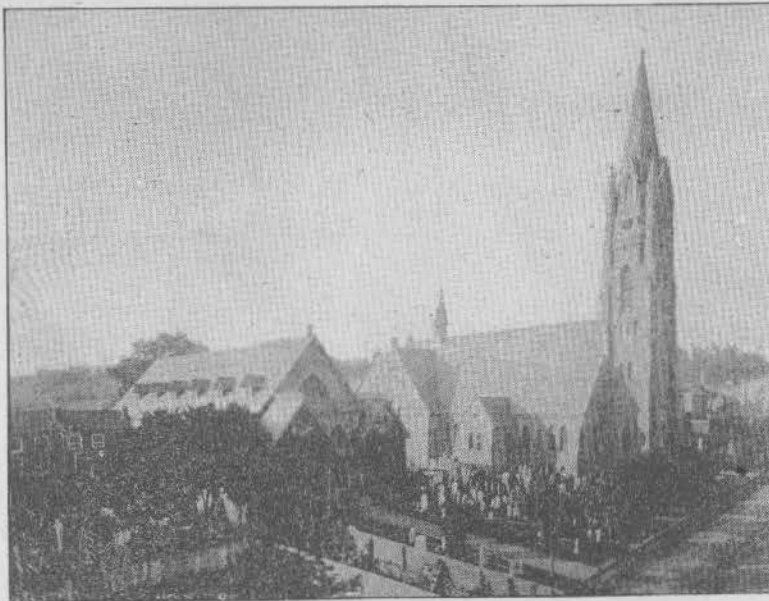
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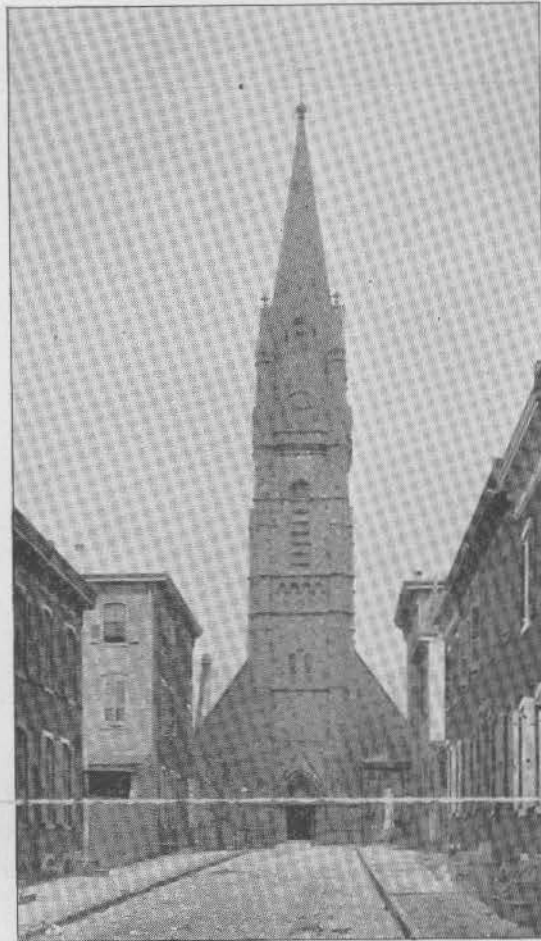
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The frequent cases of nervous prostration or utter collapse of the nervous system under which women "go all to pieces," as the saying is, have caused much thought and investigation on the part of physicians.

Certain inorganic substances are well known to cause various forms of nervous diseases which are readily traced to the poisons producing them. Further research leads to the belief that alum is a prevailing cause of so-called nervous prostration, for the symptoms it produces on the nervous system after its absorption into the blood are very remarkable indeed. Experiments physiologically made upon animals by Orfila, Professors Hans Mayer, Paul Seim and others, show that alum frequently produces no visible symptoms for many days after its introduction into the body. Then follow loss of appetite and other alimentary disturbances, and finally a serious prostration of the whole nervous system. The most prominent physicians now believe that "nervous prostration" and many affections of the nerves from which both men and women suffer are caused by the continued absorption of alum into the system.

It is probable that many medical men are unaware of the extent to which salts of alumina may be introduced into the body, being under the impression that the use of alum in bread is prohibited. Alum, however, is still used surreptitiously to some extent to whiten bread, and very largely in making cheap kinds of baking powder. In families where baking powder is generally used great care should be exercised to procure only those brands made from cream of tartar. The alum powders may generally be distinguished by the lower price at which they are sold.—British Medical News.

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75th ANNIVERSARY
of the
FOUNDING OF ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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This Anniversary will be observed on Sunday, December 9th, 1906. The early history of the parish is recorded by Rev. S. F. Hotchkin, Registrar of the Diocese, in these words: "The founder of this parish was Rev. Robert Davis. He was a man of scholarship and had published English translations of some of the Ancient Fathers. He sought new points to establish the Church, and the Epiphany, 15th and Chestnut Streets, and St. David's Manayunk, are the results of his labors. In the fall of 1831 he began the work of Church organization."

The corner stone was laid and the first Church edifice consecrated by Bishop Onderdonk, Assistant Bishop, although Bishop White was yet living. Some of the first vestrymen were also members of the vestry of St. Stephen's Church on 10th Street, and the first St. David's was a reduced copy of St. Stephen's erected a few years before. Later a parish house was built on a portion of the present grounds. In 1876 this building was demolished and the present beautiful and commodious parish building was erected

and opened on Thanksgiving day of the same year.

In 1857, what is known as the second St. David's was completed, although it was an enlargement and alteration of the original structure. At about this time the Rectory was purchased. In 1879 ^{on December 23.} the Church edifice was destroyed by fire, and the same month the vestry resolved to rebuild. The present, or third St. David's, begun and completed in the Rectorship of Rev. Charles Logan, is thus described by Registrar Hotchkin: ~~"It now stands in its glory overtopping the town like an English Cathedral, dispensing its blessings around. It is a brown stone building of magnificent proportions, and dignified architecture, making a beautiful picture for the beholder."~~ It is one of the largest churches in the diocese, ~~and architects have said that the spire is the best in Philadelphia.~~ The parish ^{is without} ~~has not a penny of~~ debt and the estimated value of its property is One hundred thousand dollars.

St. David's has had an honorable history. It has done much for Missions at home and abroad. It is the Mother Church of the 21st ward and of adjacent portions of Montgomery County; and many of the leading families of all this section have been its members. There are now ~~five~~ ^{four} self-supporting parishes in the ward, besides Calvary

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Church, Conshohocken, ~~are~~ fruits of these years of labor. Doubtless it will be news to the people of fashion of Bryn Mawr, to know that when the corner stone of their Church was laid the choir of St. David's furnished the music, driving over in a hay-wagon and carrying their own luncheon in order not to burden their poor brethren across the Schuylkill.

Three of the clergy of St. David's have been elected Bishops. Dr. B. Wistar Morris, to Oregon.

Dr. M. C. Leightner to Colorado, and

Dr. Charles R. Hale, to Springfield.

Dr. Meissner, long organist of Trinity Church, New York, and editor of the Church Hymnal, began his musical career in St. David's. A goodly number of young men from the parish have received Holy Orders, although there is no complete record of them.

A remarkable incident in connection with this anniversary is the fact that it also commemorates the fifty-third year of the service of Orlando Crease of Germantown, as vestryman and Rector's warden. In 1853 Mr. Crease's name appeared in the Diocesan journal as lay deputy to the Convention from St. David's and he has represented the parish ever since. For about half a century also he has been Superintendent of the Sunday School.

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A handsome souvenir has been published containing the names of the Missionaries and Rectors, and pictures of the Churches which have stood in the old church yard.

The present Rector, Rev. Dr. Launt, was elected in 1891.

At 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. next Sunday, December 9th, the choir, Mr. James Lehman, organist, will render special music.

The clergy of the parish will be assisted by invited priests; at 10:30 the Rector will deliver an historical address, and at 7:30 the sermon will be preached by Rev. Dr. Richardson, Rector of St. James', 22nd & Walnut Sts.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.00 A.M.—Holy Communion
9.30 A.M.—Church School. Men's Bible Class
10.00 A.M.—Women's Bible Class
10.45 A.M.—Morning Service
(Litany and Holy Communion, First Sunday of the month)
7.30 P.M.—Evening Service, excepting Day-light Period
Week-day and special services as announced

MEETINGS OF ORGANIZATIONS

Vestry First Monday in the Month
Parish Aid Thursday Afternoons
Women's Guild Tuesday Evenings
Men's Guild Tuesday Evenings
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Girls' Friendly Monday Evenings
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Baptisms

"One Lord, one faith, one Baptism."

- July:
19. John James Reagan
- September:
27. Loraine Catherine Chase
- October:
3. Dorothy Gertrude Thomlinson
3. Charles Finley Smith
11. Charles John Stickle
11. Maralyn Florence Habby
25. Joan Doris Wager



Burials

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

- April:
20. Ann Jane Smith
- May:
23. J. Frederick Schneitman
- June:
3. Asaph Dewes
8. John W. Dutil
17. Walter G. B. Peacock
29. Mary A. Reger
- August:
1. John A. Bussell
- October:
3. William Hilton
5. Walker Graham



Marriages

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

- June:
27. John Joseph Radick and Hazel May Drennen

- August:
21. Thomas Black Gourlay and Dorothy Jones
- September:
26. George Frederick Greiner and Catherine Jane Booth



The Anniversary

Everybody is looking forward to and working for the celebrating of St. David's One Hundredth Anniversary. It will begin Sunday, November 29th, first Sunday in Advent, with Corporate Communion at 8 A.M. for all the men of the Parish. For many years this has been a custom for the members of St. Andrew's Brotherhood. This year it fits in admirably with the celebration. Therefore let every man of the parish make an effort to be present.

Then comes the Church School—when it is hoped the attendance will be 100 per cent. Teachers and scholars will march into Church for the 10.45 service singing that great favorite, "Onward Christian Soldiers." Many will remember how Mr. Crease loved to have the school sing that hymn. Many of the younger members may not remember him but his enthusiasm and influence are still with us. Dr. Warfield will preach at this service and we hope an address by the Warden. The Choir will be enlarged and give some fine music.

The Rev. Francis B. Barnet, former rector of the Parish, will be the guest speaker at the evening service. Let every one be on hand to give



him a hearty greeting and warm reception.

Then every night during the week there will be something of interest and entertainment. For instance, Monday night will be Organization Night, when a representation of each organization will have something of interest to present and a play will be given. The committee for Thursday night, called Community Night, have been rather reticent about their plans. So they may have some pleasant surprises.

Wednesday, Sunday School Night. What a varied program for that night!

Thursday, Music Night, will be observed in the Church. Here will be visiting organists, performers on other instruments, the Roxborough Male Chorus, soloists.

On Friday night there will be a dinner for members of the congregation, a happy get-together affair.

Saturday night will be for the Young People.

So kindly keep all other dates off your calendar for that week and attend every night. The One Hundredth Anniversary is a rare occasion. It isn't likely any of us will be here to celebrate the next so let us do our best now.

Then Sunday, December sixth, will be the closing of the celebration and what a happy and fitting closing it ought to be with the visitation of the Bishop for the rite of the Laying on of Hands and to celebrate the Lord's Supper that those just confirmed may make their first communion without the intervention of time, and to have Corporate Communion for the whole parish.

What a great occasion it can be if every communicant of St. David's would be present at the 10.45 service that day, to take the Holy Communion at the hands of our Bishop and the Rector! Not only the present communicants but many of the former ones whom circumstances has caused removal to other parts and other churches. Reader, if you know of any such, kindly tell them about this service and urge them to be with us once more.

Let us not merely take a great interest in this celebration and work for its success but let us pray for God's blessing upon the parish that it may continue in the years to come to be a bulwark of Christian influence to those who may come, linger for awhile and move to other parts, that their lives may be the better for having been here. And may the old bell in the lofty and noble spire continue to peal forth the invitation to come, worship God!



Church School Notes

Church School

The recent Parents' Night when the contents of the box to be sent to a Japanese Mission for Christmas, were on display, was quite a success. The gifts from the classes were both useful and enjoyable.

The room had displayed upon the walls Japanese posters made by scholars. The following were awarded the School Service Program Pin for their posters: Richard



Milner, Nancy Binns, George Sugden, Dorothy Rhoads and Mildred Smith.

Mr. Dennis gave a lecture on "Japan," illustrated by attractive colored lantern slides, with Harvey Birkmire running the lantern, while members of Mr. Wylie's Bible Class had charge of the opening service. Toward the close of the evening light refreshments were served by young ladies in Japanese costume.

Miss Jane Stitzel and Miss Isabel Stitzel are expected to be back in the School shortly and resume the duties of teachers.

Unfortunately, the school's money is tied up in one of the closed banks and if not released before Christmas, we hope means will be provided whereby the children's Christmas festivities will not be interfered with. There was about \$200 in the Christmas Fund besides considerable money for other purposes.

Two of our young ladies are this Fall attending Normal School at the Church House. We wish it were possible for all the teachers to attend. Would our teachers be interested in having one of the Normal School courses delivered in our Parish House? If enough were interested to justify it no doubt such arrangements could be made. Kindly let us hear your opinion as soon as possible.

The Harvest Home Services will, as last year, be held in the Church at the 10.45 A.M. Service on November 22nd, the Sunday preceeding Thanksgiving. Will every member of the school kindly bring some gift of food in can, package or carton. Of course we would be

pleased to receive similar donations from any members of the congregation. After the service these things will be divided, some to go to the House of Rest in Germantown, and some distributed at home.

It may be a little early but we wish everybody to keep in mind the Manger Service on Sunday preceeding Christmas, December 20th, at seven o'clock in the Church. This service has been so popular and successful in the past. We trust it will be equally so this year and the gifts of new or partly used clothing and toys will be abundant that some little people may have a happier Christmas.

Then on Holy Innocents Day our own Christmas Tree Festival will be held. Just try to remember all these dates.

Mr. Wylie's Class recently re-varnished the platform furniture, and presented the school with large dossell of a beautiful shade of blue. The presentation was followed by a service of dedication. The large brass cross from the sacristy has been placed upon the table and each Sunday there have been given fresh flowers.

Some new scholars have entered the school recently. Parents are encouraged to visit the school and keep in touch with the teacher of their children. Such encouragement is of much value to the school.

Mrs. Habby's little daughter, Maralyn Florence, was recently baptized, and made her debut in Sunday School to meet Mr. and Mrs. Habby's scholars.

On Rally Day these children were promoted to Primary from



Kingarten: Franklin Temple, Anna Owens, Ella Stickle, Catherine Hunter, Joseph Jones.

Those advanced to the Main School were presented with a Bible and were: Jane Rhoads, Mary Williams, Ada Crowley, Ethel Beaver, Eleanor McManns, Anna Rusdin, William Leeser, Richard Milner, Charles Booth, Charles Beaver, Walter Keely.

The piano in the school has been much repaired and it is requested it be not moved from its present position without permission from the Property Committee.



Bazaar

As we go to press everybody is looking forward to and working hard and fast for the Bazaar.

By the time the "News" is published it will be over so we wish to thank Mr. Wylie for his leadership and everybody for their energetic assistance. Mr. Harry Kent is treasurer, and what delayed receipts or gifts there may be kindly turn over to him as soon as possible. Please remember we owe something on last year's coal bill in addition to this year's supply. The big objective of the Bazaar, therefore, is to pay for coal. We went over the top last year. We are hoping to repeat it.



Confirmation

December 6th is the date, 10.45 A.M. is the hour, Bishop Taitt is to visit St. David's for Confirmation. This will be the closing service of the week of celebrating our One Hundredth Anniversary of the

founding of the parish. What an honorable record of the past! What opportunities for the future! What a happy and fitting time for Confirmation for a group of people to receive the laying on of hands, inspiration and blessing to carry on the spread of Christ's Kingdom in this part of the vineyard.

The Rector is using Sunday evenings for Confirmation instruction in lieu of a sermon.

The class is growing. There is a short time remaining for others to make a decision. Consider the happy occasion and at the same time the fortunate opportunity to receive immediately the first communion from the hands of the Bishop. This opportunity will never occur again. Don't let it slip.

If for suitable reasons you can not come Sunday night get in touch with the Rector and he will gladly make arrangements for the individual. Parents give this prayerful attention.



Men's Guild

Quite a turn out and good deal of discussion at November meeting. The president likes members to express their minds. Doiceburg cups have been installed but now that the weather is cooler the taking of ice has been discontinued.

The question of having a radio was talked over. Some favored it, maybe they needed exercise by dancing, others thought it would be too noisy while games were going



on, it might interfere with the skill of the pool shooters, but the chief reason for deferring the matter at present was the lack of funds.

The treasurer, who unfortunately missed the previous meeting was present and reported the funds at present were tied up in a closed bank. It was decided to open an account in another bank to express confidence.

Mr. Allen Evans, of Dupont and Baker Streets, was elected a new member having been recommended by the Membership Committee.

A member was able to secure as a gift from one of our neighborhood mills large pieces of cardboard with which to cover the shuffle boards. These boards having been recently been done over and waxed instead of using sand, effort is being made to protect them. It is hoped those using the room at other times will in no way abuse them.

The Men's Club of St. Bartholomew's Church, Wissonoming, has invited to make us another visit Tuesday, November 17th. Let all of our men turn out in full force on that occasion.

As the funds which have been accumulating for months for the celebration of the annual New Year's Party were in a bank now closed the question of observing it this year and suggestions for it will be taken up at the next meeting, tho' the consensus of opinion seems to be it must be held.

The Guild expects to have for the bazaar this year a pig and chickens, instead of turkey, at the Bazaar. So be sure to visit the barnyard and consult the custodian on the breeds

and laying qualifications of fowls, by the way this very important position has not been filled. Applications may be filed with the president. The members will, as last year, have charge of the supper one of the Bazaar nights. Tickets are to be donated by Mr. Carwadine. Many thanks!

During the centennial week it has been asked that the members do not use the room for games.

If you haven't tried deck shuffle board come, try it and feel the motion of the boat. Bring your imagination with you.



Parish Aid

The Supper given November 4th, was considered quite a success. It has been estimated about 200 suppers were served, and yet there was no crowd nor inconvenience. We are greatly indebted to all those who worked so faithfully and hard and to those who contributed in various ways, which among other things included 6 pounds of coffee, 45 pounds of cabbage, bushel of potatoes, one-half basket of peppers, dozen and one-half cans of peas, and pies, home-made, galore. To date the profits are \$69.63, and it is expected more will come in from the sale of tickets, which it is hoped will net \$75.00. Everybody who ate supper seemed to enjoy it and we trust were well pleased and we thank them for their support.



Girls' Friendly

With our money unfortunately tied up it was nice in another Friendly to give us an order for one hundred stockings which they wish to use for Christmas.

We expect to send some stockings filled to the Philadelphia Hospital to brighten some little people in the ward at Christmas time.

The basketball games have not yet begun—they will after Christmas, but we are again in the league. Dorothy Rhoades is Leader of Recreation. We are looking for fun accompanied with success.

It is a great pleasure to welcome some of our old members back. We are always glad to have them and also have the members bring visitors.

Some of our older girls are assisting Miss Rowley on Friday afternoons with the Candidates and the attendance there is very encouraging.

Girls, here is something to look forward to—leather tooling. If you wish to get in on it turn in your name. It may be that we will have two teachers. Have you visions of book covers and other attractive things?

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The Altar

The following have beautified the Altar with flowers and kept afresh the memory of dear ones: Mrs. Hale in memory of her husband, the late Rector of the Parish; Mrs. Anna Crawford, Miss Bertha Howard, Miss Emily Shaw, the Parish Aid.

Those who have sent flowers from their gardens for the baskets in the Chancel are: Mrs. Sudcliffe, Mrs. Sharp, Mrs. Ashworth, Mrs. George Hansell.

Since fixing up the platform in the Parish House Mr. Wylie and Miss Helen Deaves have provided flowers for Sunday mornings.

Kindly keep in mind flowers for the two Sundays of the centennial. If the weather keeps mild maybe gardens will still be producing.
M. H.



Women's Guild

Members and their friends have had opportunity to enjoy card parties and other games in the homes of the President, Mrs. Kirkpatrick, where over \$12.50 was taken in, and Mrs. McFaddens, when \$9.25 was realized. After the Anniversary Celebration it is expected other members will entertain in their homes.

The trip to Breyer's Ice Cream Plants was much enjoyed by twenty-two ladies. At the last moment several were unable to attend, but about six dollars has been added to the treasury.

We are now looking forward to a trip to the General Electric, the day after Thanksgiving. Let us have a large group. Ask your friends to join us. Now we are all very much taken up with the Bazaar.
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CHAPEL FOR QUEEN LANE MANOR

A chapel is to be built at Midvale avenue and Thirty-second street for the Episcopal Sunday School of Queen Lane Manor. Plans have been prepared for an attractive building measuring 30 by 52 feet. Many houses have been built in recent years in Queen Lane Manor, the region west of Wissahickon avenue, Germantown, and the population has grown wonderfully. Hitherto, however, that part of the suburb has been without a place of worship. A Sunday School was started two years ago, and its sessions have since been held in a little local business office. The Sunday School is under the care of Calvary Episcopal Church. To provide for the increasing attendance, the chapel is to be built.

Good Shepherd

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*Coc's East Falls Herald
July 8-1926*

Another Church for Queen Lane Manor

The property of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Thirty-second street and Midvale avenue, has been purchased by the Park Congregational Church, Thirty-second street and Montgomery avenue. The congregation will take possession early next spring.

The three sons of the late Henry W. Brown, an insurance man, have presented to the Church of the Good Shepherd a valuable piece of ground on Oak road, in the Queen Lane Manor district, on which the sons will erect a church as a memorial to their father and mother. The cost of the new building will be approximately \$225,000. The ground alone is reputed to be worth \$50,000.

Reynolds D. Brown, member of the bar and an executive secretary of the diocese; Henry I. Brown, who was associated with his father in the insurance business, and Theodore E. Brown, widely known in business circles, are the sons by whom the gift has been made. Henry I. Brown is a vestryman of the Church of the Good Shepherd. The others are communicants of other Episcopal parishes. The name, Church of the Good Shepherd, will be retained.

Oak road was constructed by Henry W. Brown, who dedicated it to the city. The site on which the memorial church will be built is a short distance from their father's home, and is near Midvale avenue and Oak road.

The Park Congregational Church will enlarge the old building and will use it for worship until another building can be erected. The Rev. Clinton Baltzell Adams, who has been pastor of the church thirty years, will direct the new enterprise.

The Falls of Schuylkill Presbyterian Church some time ago bought a lot in Queen Lane Manor and it expects to build a church thereon.

GIVE CHURCH AS MEMORIAL

Announcement of Gift to Episcopal Congregation at Queen Lane Manor

FROM H.W.BROWN'S SONS

The three sons of the late Henry W. Brown, Philadelphia insurance man, have presented to the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd a valuable piece of ground on Oak road, in Queen Lane Manor, on which the sons will erect a memorial church to their father and mother.

The announcement of the gift and the offer to build the new church was made on Sunday to the congregation by the Rev. William Y. Edwards, rector of the parish. The vestry has already accepted. It is estimated that the value of the ground alone is close to \$50,000. No estimate of the cost of the church building can be made until the plans are completed.

Reynolds D. Brown, a member of the Philadelphia bar; Henry I. Brown, who was associated with his father in the insurance business, and Theodore E. Brown, widely known in business circles of this city, are the three sons by whom the gift was made. Henry I. Brown is a vestryman of the Church of the Good Shepherd. The other communicants are in other parishes.

During the father's lifetime he had expressed his desire and purpose to erect a memorial to his wife, Alice P. Brown, whose death preceded her husband's by a few years. Mr. Brown died shortly before Christmas. Under the power given by him, his trustees, who are the three sons, decided to have the memorial include their father and mother.

Mr. Brown frequently worshipped at the Church of the Good Shepherd, although he was a communicant of another parish. His late home, on Oak road, is a short two and a half blocks from the present Church of the Good Shepherd, on Midvale avenue.

Oak road, which is one of the most beautiful avenues in that part of the city, was constructed by Mr. Brown, who dedicated it to the city. The site on which the sons will build the new church is a short distance from their father's late home,

and is near Midvale avenue and Oak road.

It is understood that, after necessary formalities have been arranged, it is the intention of the Church of the Good Shepherd to dispose of its present church property and to use the proceeds for the erection of a parish building on the new plot, to conform to the architecture of the memorial church. The name, Church of the Good Shepherd will be retained.

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BISHOP GARLAND AT DEDICATION

Prelate Assisted by Four Other Bishops; Consecrates Church of the Good Shepherd

COLONIAL ARCHITECTURE

The new Protestant Episcopal Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd was consecrated Sunday morning and the new parish house of the church was dedicated in the afternoon by Bishop Garland, assisted by four other Episcopal bishops. The church buildings, recently completed on Oak road between Midvale avenue and West Schoolhouse lane, Queen Lane Manor, represent an investment of \$350,000.

The church and grounds are the gift of the three sons of the late Henry W. Brown and Alice P. Brown as memorial to their father and mother, and the parish house was built by the congregation. Placed on one of the section's most beautiful avenues, the buildings are a fine example of Colonial brick architecture.

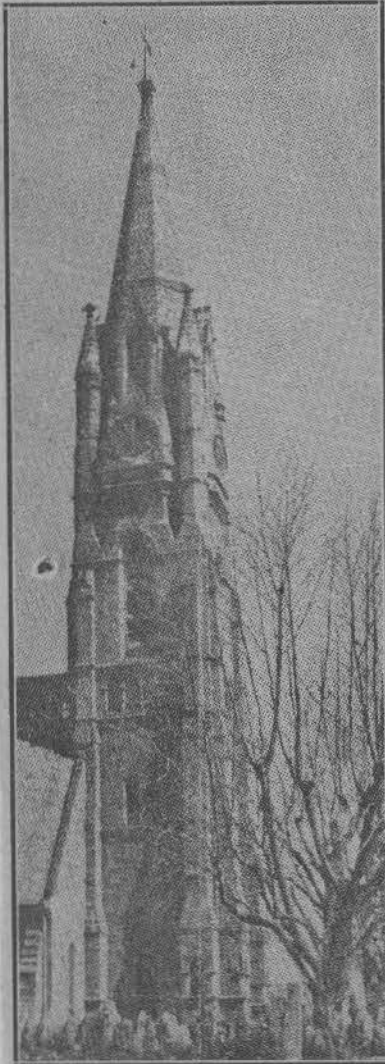
The consecration ceremonies began at 11 o'clock and the dedication ceremonies at the parish house at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. In addition to Bishop Garland, the four other bishops of the Episcopal Church who took part in the ceremonies were: Rev. P. M. Rhinelander, formerly bishop of Pennsylvania and now attached to the National Cathedral in Washington; Rev. Philip Cook, bishop of Delaware; Rev. J. DeWolf Perry, Jr., bishop of Rhode Island, and Rev. Samuel B. Booth, bishop coadjutor of Vermont. Rev. William Y. Edwards, rector of the Good Shepherd parish.

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St. David's Parish Was Formed A Century Ago

Episcopal Church, in Manayunk, Established December 3rd, 1831.—Is "Mother" Church of Neighboring Congregations.—Special Services Being Held all Week

A CENTURY OLD



St. David's P. E. Church, on Dupont street, Manayunk, the members of which are this week celebrating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the parish.

Special services marking the 100th anniversary of St. David's P. E. Church, on Dupont street, Manayunk, started last Sunday morning with Corporate Communion for men, at eight o'clock.

Every night during this week, there has been, and will be, some observance relative to the centennial celebration of the church.

Monday night was Organization Night, with all the church groups taking part in the program.

Tuesday night was designated Community Night, and pastors of neighboring churches were invited by the rector, Rev. Dr. J. Ogle Warfield, to participate in the services.

Last night was Sunday School Night, and young and old, alike, joined in the exercises commemorating the birth of St. David's Church and Sunday School.

Tonight will be Music Night, and a long and varied program of instrumental and vocal selections will be provided by visiting organists, artists on other musical instruments, soloists, and the Roxborough Male Chorus.

A Congregational Dinner is planned for tomorrow night, as a general "Get-Together" occasion, and Saturday is reserved for young people.

The closing of the Centennial Week will be held on Sunday, when it is expected that Bishop Taitt will be present to celebrate the Lord's Supper.

It is recorded that in the year 1831, the town of Manayunk contained 317 dwellings and 2070 inhabitants. This estimate probably included adjacent portions of Roxborough, as well, but up to that time, as far as is known, there had been no Episcopal services held there, unless by British soldiers, during their stay near here, during the Revolution.

The story of the beginning of St. David's Church contains a recital of determined enthusiasm and faith. Three members of St. Stephen's Church, of Philadelphia, who resided in the neighborhood: Tobias and Samuel Wagner, of School House lane, and Charles Valerius Hagner, of Manayunk, were largely instrumental in having the parish formed. One morning in November of 1831, Mr. Hagner received a call from Rev. Robert Davis, who sought Hagner's interest in the establishment of an Episcopal church in Manayunk. When Mr. Hagner attempted to dissuade him, the clergyman showed the manufacturer the names of almost 300 persons, affiliated with

the church, which he had personally gathered by a house-to-house canvass. As a result of this interview, on November 26th of that year, a notice was posted on a building, known as the "Academy", that there would be a meeting held in the structure on Saturday, December 8th, for the purpose of organizing a congregation.

The "Academy" was a school house that stood on a knoll on the west side of Main street, near Lock street. In that building, in response to the call, fifteen persons met and determined to form a parish and erect a church. They elected twelve vestrymen, and appointed a committee to arrange immediately for regular services. Plans were at once laid for the purchase of a parcel of ground, on which to place a building. The name of St. David's was adopted—probably from the name of some "old country" church which one or more of the vestry remembered sacred associations—and the leaders of the enterprise set diligently to work to secure funds for the place of worship, obtaining money, not only from people residing in the neighborhood, but from other members of the Episcopal Church in the diocese as well.

On June 13th, 1832, the title to a portion of the present lot was secured, the price being \$600; the erection of a building measuring 39 by 64 feet inside, was begun, and on August 2nd of that year, the cornerstone was laid by the late Bishop H. U. Onderdonk. Rev. Christian F. Cruse was appointed by the Advancement Society of Pennsylvania as missionary for six months.

On Friday, May 1st, 1835, the church was duly consecrated by Bishop Onderdonk, Rev. Mr. Cruse, Rev. Mr. Rodney, of Germantown, and several of the city clergy.

The building is of Birdsboro brownstone, with the roof rising 50 feet above the floor, and the spire rises 156 feet.

Almost immediately following the consecration of the church, Mr. Cruse resigned, and on August of 1835, Rev. Frederick Freeman was unanimously elected rector, a position he held for three and one-half years. In November of 1839, Rev. Mr. Jansen accepted the position and held it for about the same length of time. For five months after the resignation of Mr. Jansen, the parish remained without a rector.

Rev. Azariah Prior, the next clergyman, served from 1843 until 1848, and the prospects of the church brightened and its strength increased, the people never having lost hope or faith.

Rev. Mr. Prior was followed in November of 1848, by Rev. Milton C. Lightner, who later became one of the most distinguished clerics of his day. He labored in Manayunk but eighteen months, when he resigned and was succeeded by Rev. B. Wistar Morris, who became the Bishop of Oregon. For six years Mr. Morris threw all of his energy

into the work of St. David's parish. He secured the lot on which the parish building stands, and accomplished the erection of the first Sunday School building, before he was called away to Germantown.

In the spring of 1857, Rev. J. W. Claxton became the parish leader. He established a Sunday School and afternoon service, two miles away, on Ridge avenue, and by 1862 this mission had grown into what is now St. Alban's Church, in Roxborough, its first rector being the former assistant at St. David's, Rev. Marcus A. Tolman.

Rev. Mr. Claxton was also present in 1858 at the first service held in the old Poor House, at Ridge avenue and Righter street, which subsequently developed into the establishment of St. Timothy's Church. Mr. Claxton resigned St. David's Church in 1862, and for a long period following, the parish was once more without the services of a rector.

On April 23rd, 1866, Rev. F. H. Bushnell accepted the rectorship and during his time the church was renovated, the grounds improved, and the lot on the corner of Terrace and Hermit streets, where St. Stephen's Church now stands, was secured for a mission building. That building was put under roof and plans for a new Sunday School at St. David's prepared before Mr. Bushnell resigned on December 8th, 1874.

Easter of 1875, saw Rev. Charles Logan serving as rector. The cornerstone of St. David's Sunday School building was laid on June 17th, 1876, and it was opened on Thanksgiving Day of that year.

On December 23rd, 1879, the old church was destroyed by fire, after forty-four years of sacred use and associations. In May of 1880, the cornerstone of the present building was laid by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Stevens. Messrs. James Stafford, Orlando Crease and George Missimer, formed a building committee which was in charge of the construction. It was hoped to have the church finished in time for the fiftieth anniversary on December 3rd, 1881, but that occasion had to be celebrated in the Sunday School building. Three weeks later, however, the new church was consecrated on St. Stephen's Day, December 26th, the Bishop of the Diocese again officiating.

On Easter of 1891 Rev. Mr. Logan resigned as rector of St. David's and was succeeded by Rev. F. A. D. Launt, D. D., who served a long term of service until 1911.

Rev. R. W. Woodroffe was the next spiritual leader of the Manayunk church, but stayed but one year when his place was taken by Rev. Edward Stewart Hale, who directed the destinies of the parish, until 1918, when he was stricken with influenza, which was then epidemic, and he died. His body rests, as stated in a history of the church, "until the day break," in St. David's churchyard.

The deceased clergyman was succeeded by Rev. Francis B. Barnett, and in February of 1923, Dr. J. Ogle Warfield became the rector and still serves in that capacity.

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St. Timothy's 37th Anniversary.

Special services were held all day Sunday in St. Timothy's Protestant Episcopal Church, Roxborough, in celebration of the thirty-seventh anniversary of its organization.

At the morning service Rev. Dr. William M. Jefferis, late of Tacoma, Wash., now of this city, preached the anniversary sermon from the text, Isaiah, vi, 2: "Above it stood the seraphim; each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly," while in the evening a discourse was delivered by Bishop Coleman, of Delaware, in the presence of all the church guilds, which attended each in a body.

St. Timothy's parish had its origin in a small Sunday school, opened on December 1, 1859, at the entrance of Dr. Camac's drive, Wissahickon, under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. D. Rodney King. Subsequently they removed to the "Old Poor House" on Hermit Lane, where the first church service was held by Rev. J. W. Claxton, April 22, 1860.

From that time till February 5, 1861, when they were granted a charter, over twenty clergymen officiated, after which date an organization was effected, and Rev. J. L. McKim was chosen rector. He was succeeded by Rev. Samuel Hall, who, in turn, resigned in 1867, when Rev. William Augustus White took charge and remained for ten years.

The present rector, Rev. Robert E. Dennison, was chosen assistant in 1875, and became rector in 1878. Since then the church has had the following assistants: Rev. N. Frazier Robinson, Rev. H. E. Thompson, Rev. H. O. Riddle, Rev. C. N. F. Jeffery, Rev. Edmund Banks Smith and Rev. James B. Halsey.

The corner-stone of the present edifice was laid by Bishop Potter in July, 1862, since which time the church has several times been enlarged.

The anniversary services were continued until last evening, when they closed with the Parish Tea in the Sunday School building, which is always a great event.

Rev. Robt. Evans Dennison,

for over twenty years rector of St. Timothy Protestant Episcopal Church, Roxborough, is one of the best known Episcopal clergymen in this city.

He was born in Londonderry, Ireland, July 30, 1843, being the eldest son of Hugh Dennison. He came to America in May, 1844, with his parents.

They first settled at Albany, New York, subsequently moved to Utica, and finally took up their residence at Geneva, New York, in 1853.

Mr. Dennison was educated at the classical school of Walter T. Taylor, and afterward matriculated at Hobart College, Geneva, where he took his degree of B. A. in 1863 and of A. M. in 1866.

He soon became master of Christ Church Parochial school, at Redwing, Minn., remaining there for a year, and entering, in 1865, the General Theological Seminary, of New York city, a postulant for holy orders.

In June, 1867, he was ordained to the diaconate by Bishop Coxe, and a year later was admitted to Priests' Orders, in Trinity Chapel, New York city.

While still a deacon and during the first year of his priesthood he was assistant to Bishop Southgate, in Zion Church, of the same city. In May, 1869, he was transferred to St. Mark's Church, this city, as one of the junior clergy, remaining there until 1871, when he became rector of Grace Church, Newark, New Jersey, in which capacity he was very successful.

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The parish under his charge has enjoyed a wonderful period of success and prosperity in every way.—*Press*.

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St. Timothy's P. E. Church.

December 3, first Sunday in Advent
—7.45 p. m., Evensong. Annual service of St. Agnes Guild. Preacher, Rev. Dr. Foley. A short recital of selected numbers from the "Messiah" by Handel. Soprano, Master Harry Runacres; tenor, Mr. E. Wilby; bass Mr. A. Fothergill.

December 10—7.45 p. m., Confirmation by Bishop Garland.

December 17—7.45 p. m., Evensong followed by a short recital. Soloists, Soprano, Mrs. Helen Weber Stevenson, "Ave Maria," Kahn; 'Cello, Mr. Godwin Stevenson, "Weihnachtsleid," Krug; Violin, Mr. Lawrence Miller, "Abendlied," Corelli. Organ solo, in memory of the late Mr. Wm. Lawton, "Prelude in C minor," Rachmaninoff.

December 25, 7.45 p. m.—Christmas eve carol service.

December 25, Christmas Day—Holy Eucharistic and sermon, 10.30 a. m. Schubert's "Mass in G"; recitatives, "There Were Shepherds," "And the Angel Said," etc. Chorus, "O Thou That Tellest Glad Tidings," "The Messiah," Handel.

Gounod's motet, "Gallia," will be rendered at a special service shortly, with Mrs. George C. Bowker at the piano and Mr. Thomas at the organ.

A PICTURESQUE ENCLOSURE.

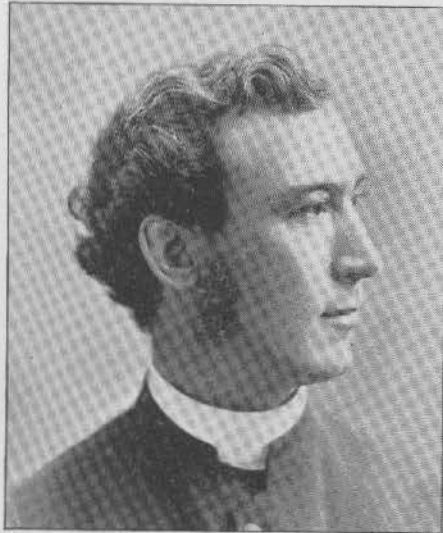
We mentioned lately that a wall was being erected in front St. Timothy's church, Roxborough. The work is approaching completion and deserves more particular description. The front on Ridge avenue is about 265 feet in length. The wall is of rubble stone work, pointed on both sides, and is quite low, topped with two courses of red and black brick surmounted by a rough coping of rough rounded or pointed stone, laid up on edge and pointed with cement. Beside the two small gates near the ends, there is a wide carriage gate, and near it a covered gateway called a "Lych-gate," the sides of which are stone pilasters, and the roof-frame of finished and oiled yellow pine of very ornamental appearance, covered with oiled pine roof-boards slated in red slates. The ridge is topped with terracotta tiles. This gate derives its name from the Saxon word "Lych" or "lich" (from which "*Lichfield*," *lichen*) signifying "dead;" and in England is often seen along the front of the Churchyards, especially the more ancient ones. Its use is to afford a waiting place for the Clergyman and the bier, when expecting funerals; and in that country of rainy weather often affords a shelter from the storms.

It is believed that few specimens of these gates (if any) exist in this country; and it certainly enhances the quiet beauty of the church and furnishes a framing to its approaches, which is quite appropriate. The cost of the whole improvement, is between \$900 and \$1,000, which has been contributed by the congregation very generally, and without any apparent effort. The mason work is by Mr. John Lehman, and the woodwork by Mr. Sylvester Yardley. Mr. C. M. Burns is the architect. The picture of the work, from the Heliotype Printing Co., of Boston, now lying before us, is pretty enough for an artist's portfolio.

THE CHURCHES OF PHILADELPHIA AND VICINITY.—No. XIII.

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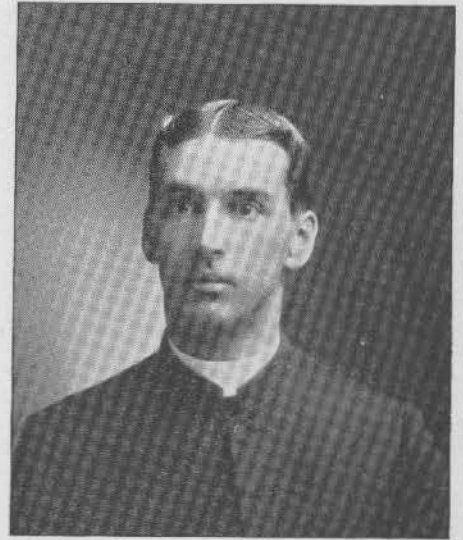
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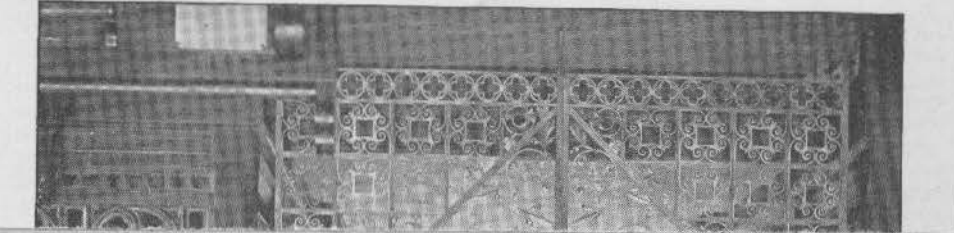
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In the smaller sizes ivory backed and silver backed brushes cost about the same, but in brushes of larger size ivory backs cost more than silver, and an ivory backed hand mirror would cost about twice as much as one of silver. The relative cost of single articles in which ivory is used over pieces of corresponding size in silver increases with the size. The average cost of ivory mounted articles is considerably more than that of similar articles silver mounted, as, for example, a set of toilet requisites, including a hand mirror, two hair brushes, a cloth brush, a velvet brush and various other articles, all of ivory and with monograms of gold, cost \$320, while a set of like character in silver, and with the monograms engraved, would cost about \$200.

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Of St. Timothy's Hospital, which was begun in 1890, an extended account will be given next week. A marble altar and central panel of the reredos, already illustrated in the Standard, were erected in 1895 and 1896, and in 1898 the side panels of the reredos were added, a memorial to the late Mrs. J. Vaughan Merrick. The church contains also many other memorials, and on March 6th

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CHANCEL OF ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, SHOWING ALTAR AND REREDOS

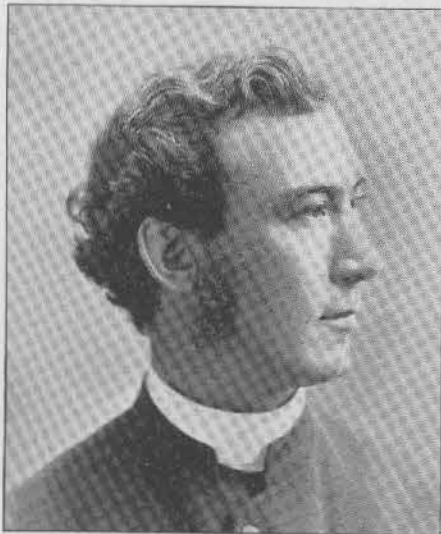
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The school prospered and grew, and when, in April, 1860, it became necessary to vacate the premises, which were used as a summer residence, the building of the Old Roxborough Poorhouse, of which an illustration was given in THE STANDARD two weeks ago, was secured for the school, rent free for the first year. At this time there were seventy names on the roll of the school, and the need of something more than a Sunday afternoon service. This was first held in the old Poorhouse on the 22d of April, 1860, the second Sunday after Easter, by Rev. J. W. Claxton, then rector of St. David's, Manayunk. (By an

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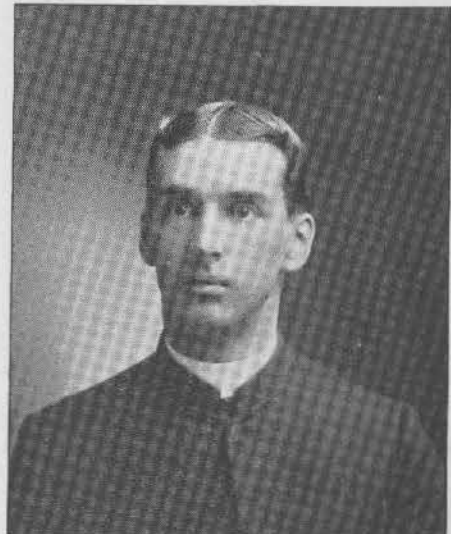
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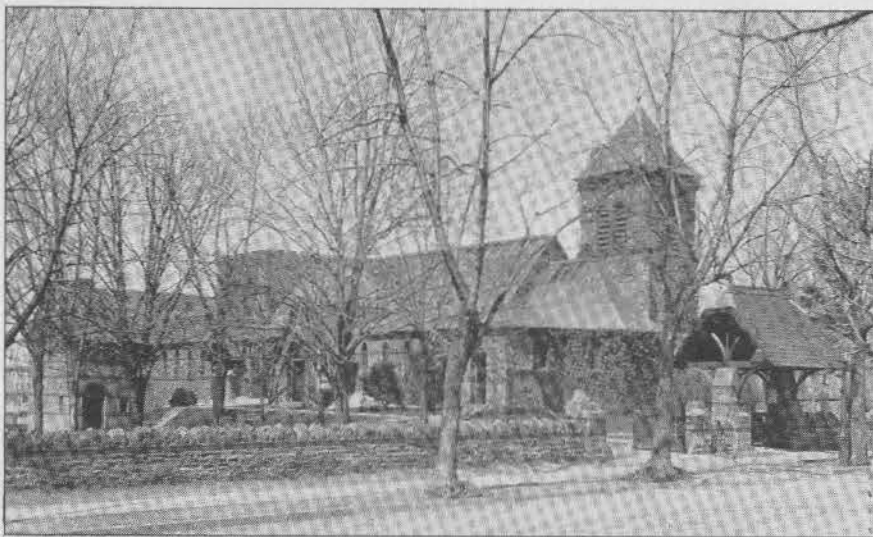
"I — — approve the proposition to abandon the system of renting seats in St. Timothy's Church so that they shall be free and unappropriated at all the services."

The result showed the remarkable total of 113 votes in favor of the change and but 17 against it, and on Whitsun-Day, 1873, it went into effect. On the Sunday afternoon previous to this a special service was held to explain and advocate the Free Pew System. At that service one of the addresses was to have been made by the Rev.

Albra Wadleigh, of St. Luke's, Germantown, but death had suddenly cut him off. The addresses, besides that of the rector, the Rev. Mr. White, were made by the Rev. Mr. Canfield, assistant at St. Mark's, Philadelphia, and the Rev. R. E. Dennison, of Grace Church, Newark, N. J. The custom of renting pews was traced back to the early part of the seventeenth century, while the plan of the free church and voluntary offerings could claim the highest Apostolic sanctions.

At all events the records indicate that the aggressive success of St. Timothy's dates from the time when the change was made. The total receipts from all sources during the second period of thirteen years of the parish history are shown to have been about two and a half times the receipts for the first like period, ten years of which were passed under the pew-rental system.

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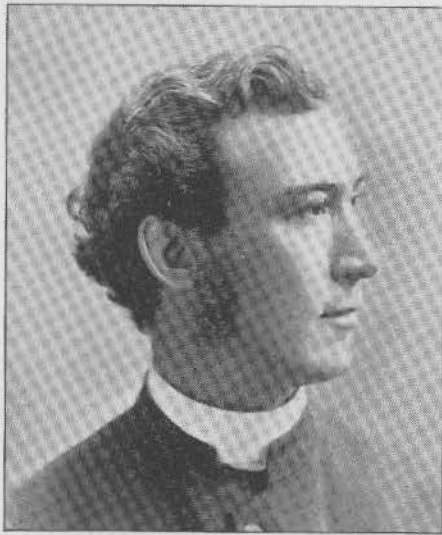
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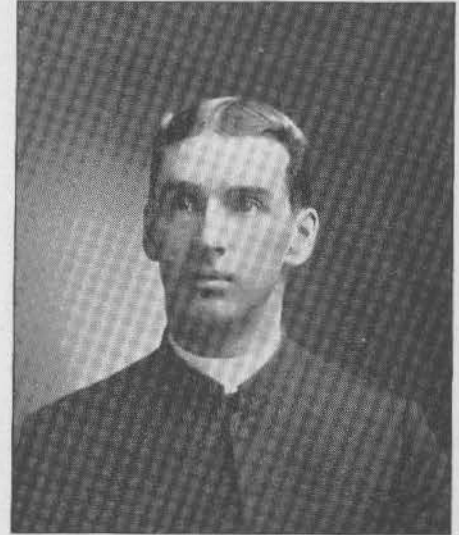
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The school prospered and grew, and when, in April, 1860, it became necessary to vacate the premises, which were used as a summer residence, the building of the Old Roxborough Poorhouse, of which an illustration was given in THE STANDARD two weeks ago, was secured for the school, rent free for the first year. At this time there were seventy names on the roll of the school, and the need of something more than a Sunday school led to the establishment of a Sunday afternoon service. This was first held in the old Poorhouse on the 22d of April, 1860, the second Sunday after Easter, by Rev. J. W. Claxton, then rector of St. David's, Manayunk. (By an

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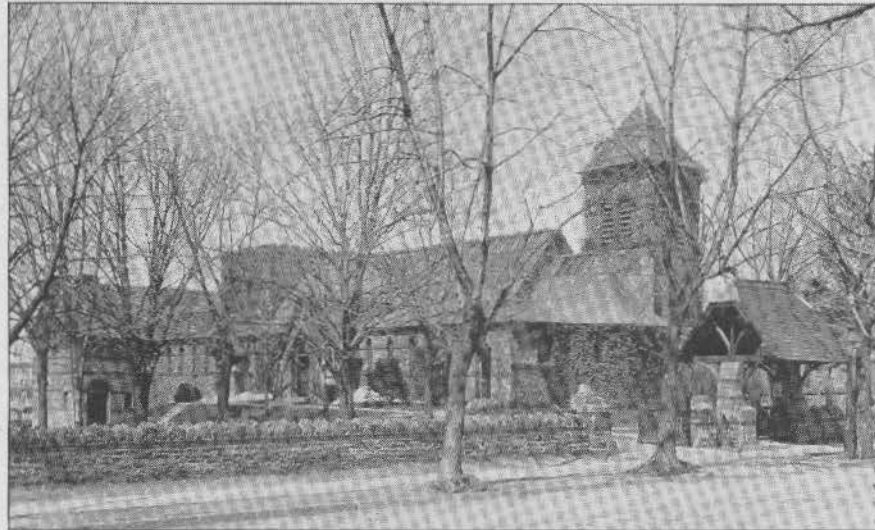
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"I — — approve the proposition to abandon the system of renting seats in St. Timothy's Church so that they shall be free and unappropriated at all the services."

The result showed the remarkable total of 113 votes in favor of the change and but 17 against it, and on Whitsun-Day, 1873, it went into effect. On the Sunday afternoon previous to this a special service was held to explain and advocate the Free Pew System. At that service one of the addresses was to have been made by the Rev.



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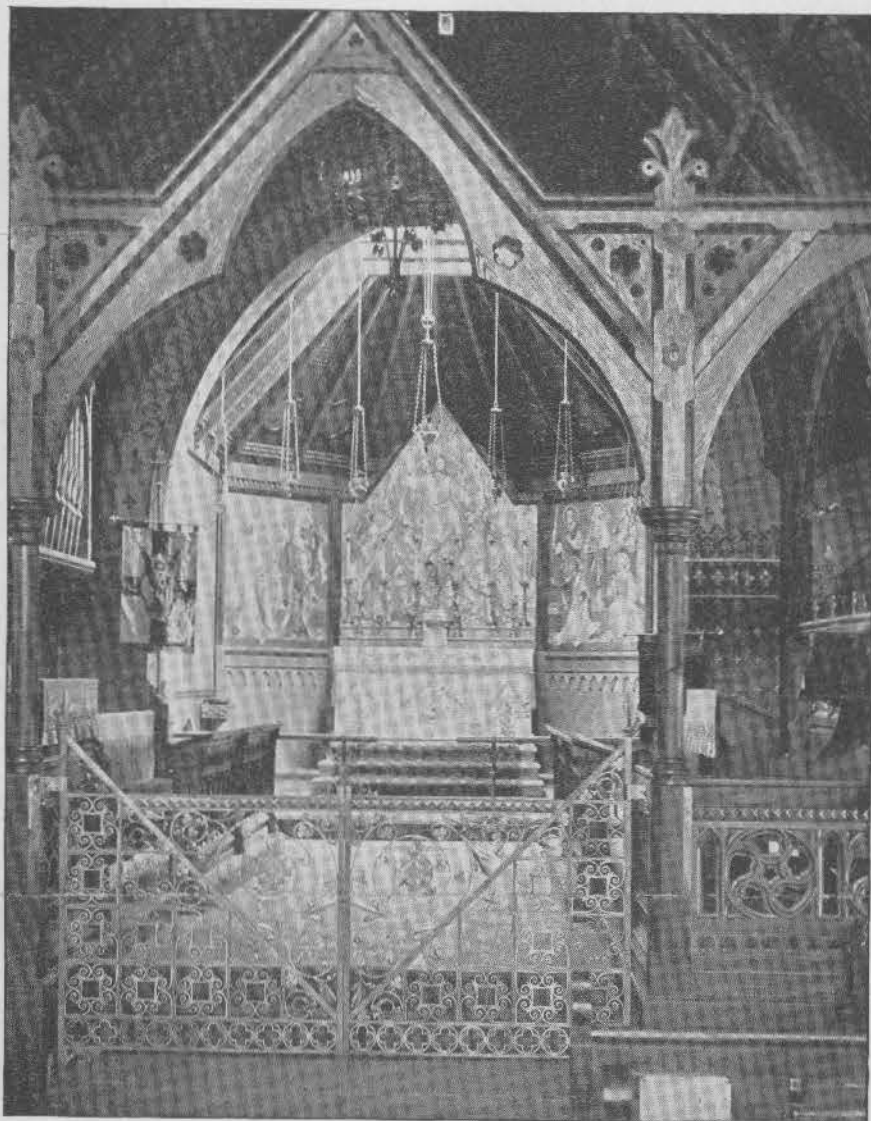
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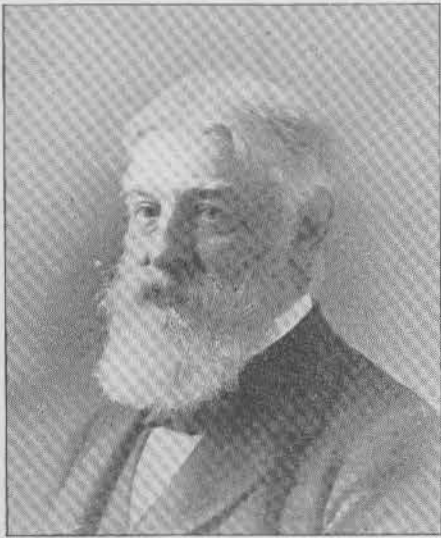
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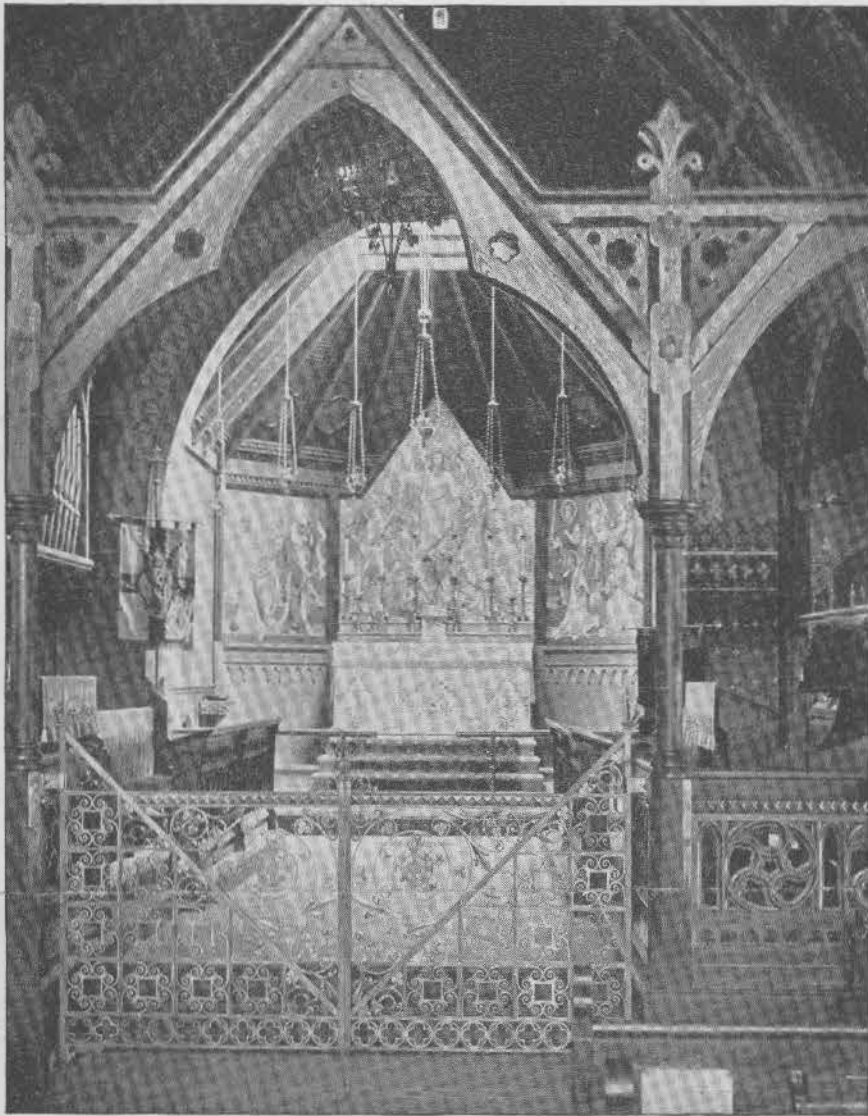
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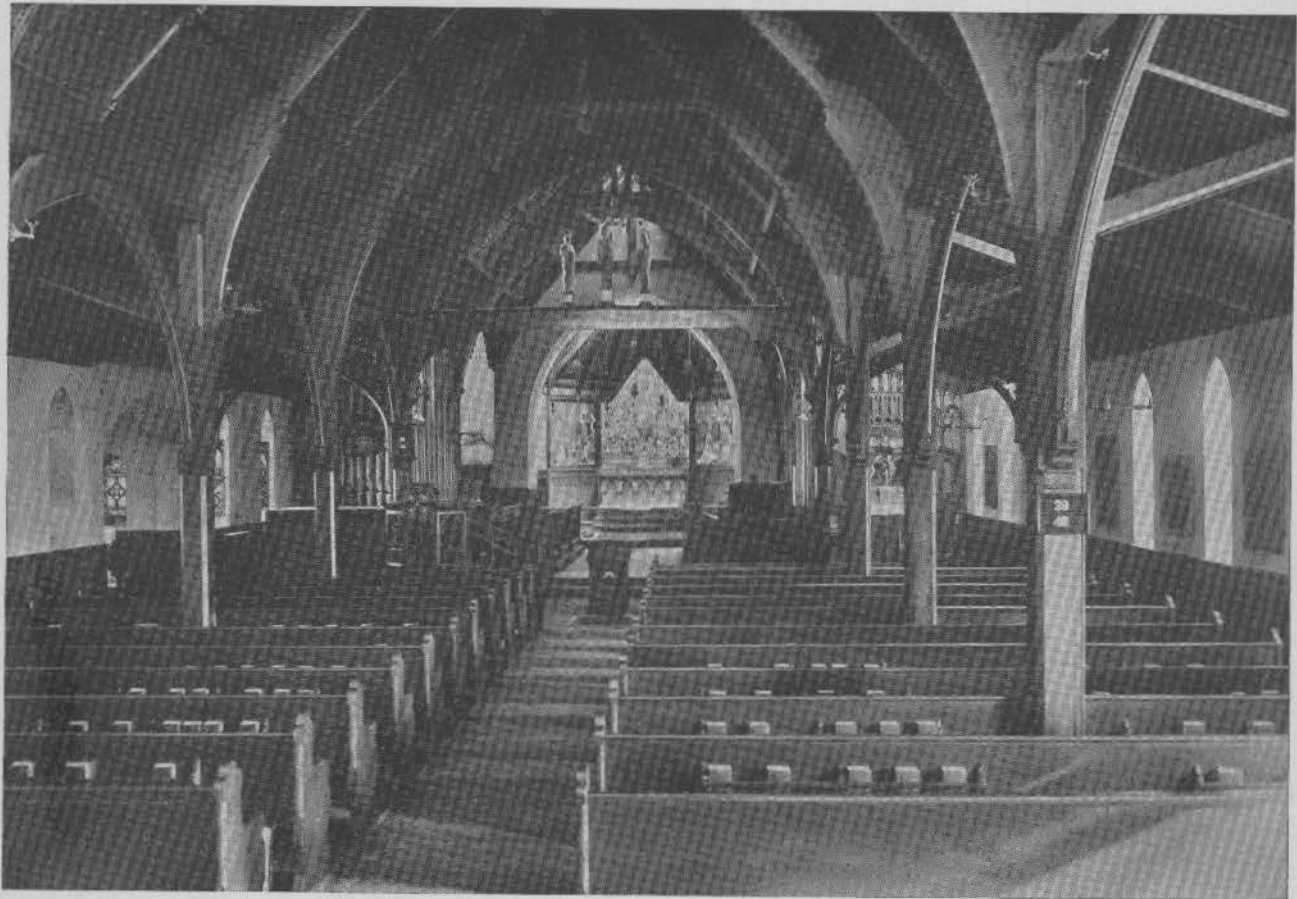
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INTERIOR RENOVATIONS AT ST. TIMOTHY'S ROXBOROUGH

On the First Sunday in Advent, 1914, St. Timothy's Church, Roxborough, entered upon its fifty-sixth year of existence. The date, besides marking the fifty-fifth birthday anniversary of the parish, was an unusual occasion because of the practical completion at that time of certain renovations and additions to the interior of the church fabric, carried out during the past year by the congregation and dedicated to "the Greater Glory of God."

The scope of the operations, based upon designs by the architects, Messrs. Zant-zinger, Borie and Medary, of Philadelphia, included a thorough repairing and renovation of the church interior, which had become disfigured in various ways through the wear and tear of time; a rebuilding of the organ, with electrical connections to a new console; and the erection of a side chapel within the present church, for early celebrations of the Holy Communion. The work was begun about

the first of July, 1914, and continued during the summer months without disturbance to the regular order of services or to the worshipers. The character of the renovations undertaken, as distinct from the additions, may be summarized briefly as follows: the cellar of the church completely floored with concrete; walls of the nave, choir and sanctuary cleaned and repainted in monochrome; pews cleaned and stained, and kneeling pads substituted for the former hinged wooden stools; windows re-leaded in the central tower lantern; and an extension of the electric lighting system throughout the nave. But besides this work, attention may be called especially to those features of improvement which have made St. Timothy's Church one of the most beautiful sacred edifices in the diocese. These are, first, the general architectural treatment of the interior decoration scheme, confined chiefly to the eastern end; second, the substitution of a rood-beam, surmounted by a "Calvary," in place of the

old rather crudely-designed choir screen; and, third, the addition of the chapel, dedicated in honor of the Blessed Virgin.

Perhaps one of the most difficult architectural tasks, especially in ecclesiastical design, is the proper blending of new work with the old in order to produce that harmony of detail so essential to an atmosphere of repose both in ornament and composition. Such an effect has been obtained most happily by the elimination of the unintelligible mixture of straight lines, curves and angles, which were so distinctive of the former interior architecture of the church; and by the application of a more uniform and pleasing "straight line" treatment, having for a focal point the low-crowned apse, with the high altar of Caen stone and marble, backed by the brilliant mosaic reredos, as the central composition. Around the sanctuary walls has been placed an oak wainscoting, with a new credence and sedilia located alongside each other on the epistle side. The general effect of dignity has been enhanced

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The space behind the chapel is given over partly to the new organ console, facing the choir, and to accommodations for the organist; and partly to a much-needed enlargement of the former sacristy, which has now been furnished with suitable closets, vestment chests, etc., for the convenience of the clergy and acolytes. The total cost of the various renovations and improvements in St. Timothy's Church approximates \$10,000. The dedication ceremonies were made noteworthy in the history of the parish by the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese, who consecrated the new chapel and acted as celebrant at the 7.30 A. M. service held therein.

J. HARTLEY MERRICK.

A PARISH OBSERVANCE

Grace Church, Mt. Airy, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the dedication of the present church edifice in the week of All Saints' Day and its Octave. The observance was planned in a most thorough and comprehensive fashion, and from all accounts was carried through most successfully. As a souvenir, a special number of the parish paper, considerably enlarged and profusely illustrated, has been prepared and widely circulated. An interesting feature of the observance was

the provision made not only for the different groups in the congregation ("grown-ups and children"), but the exact and careful way in which all the interests of a parish (devotional, intellectual, social, recreative, practical), to say nothing of the causes of the Church (Missions, Social Service, Religious Education, Guild Work) received, each its due and proportionate share of consideration. From the rector's sermon, preached at the Festival Eucharist on All Saints' Day, the following suggestive account of "forward steps in the past year" deserves quoting:

"The Kindergarten canvass and sending out of coaches to gather the little children for the church school; the first year's work of the graded school; the beginning of a course of teacher training; the Every Member canvass instituting the duplex envelope system which has resulted in larger giving both for missions and parish work and eliminated the dreaded deficits; the establishment of an Endowment Fund; the organization of a Social Service department; the development of a superior troop of Boy Scouts; the organization of the Young Churchmen's Association and of a Servers' Guild; the beautifying of the church by the addition of the west window and other ornaments."

Bishop Rhinelander, the Rev. Dr. Lester Bradner, the Rev. Franklin J. Clark, Mr. George H. Streaker, Mr. Clinton Rogers Woodruff, and the Rev. James H. Lamb, D.D., were among those outside of the parish who participated in one and another of the exercises which marked the varied program of the week. Dr. Lamb had assisted in the cornerstone laying in 1888, and very properly was chosen as historian. His sermon, which was preached at the closing service on the evening of Sunday, November 8th, gives a very complete sketch of the parish and is printed in full in the souvenir issue of the parish paper.

Not the least happy outcome of the observance is the following significant list of memorials and gifts, which were either in place for, or were promised during, the anniversary week:

A double window, to be placed in the south transept. Subject: The Annunciation. A memorial to Caroline Martin Breed.

A single window in the chancel. Subject: The Supper at Emmaus.

A new Bible for the lecturn. A memorial to Lelan Bates.

A Book of Altar Services. Presented by the Communicants' Guild.

A Litany Book. Presented by Chapter No. 490, Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

An altar Prayer Book and Hymnal. Presented by the Junior Auxiliary.

A brass Lecturn Lantern. To be presented by the vestry.

A Crucifix for the Sacristy. To be presented by the Servers' Guild.

A silver Lavabo, for use in the Holy Communion. Presented by the Altar Guild.

Cushions for the Choir Stalls. To be presented by the Woman's Auxiliary and Guild.

Prayer Books and Hymnals. To be presented by the Church School.

Pictures of several of the former Rectors of Grace Church. To be presented by the Social Service Committee.

Picture of the Bishop of Pennsylvania. Presented by the Young Churchmen's Association.

Funeral Pall and Bier. Presented by the Rev. Dr. Breed.

Silken Flag. To be presented by Troop 67, Boy Scouts of America.

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SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS OF BISHOP RHINELANDER

Jan. 7.—Continuation of the Bishop's Lectures at Houston Hall, University of Pennsylvania, on "Christian Character as Related to the Christian Creed." Subject for the day: "Faith Essential to Discipleship."

8.—10-4. Day of Missionary Devotion and Conference at Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg.

11.—2.30 P. M. Meeting for the Junior Clergy of the Diocese at the Bishop's House.

14.—4 P. M. Lecture at Houston Hall: "The Creed as the Voice of Faith."

18.—3.00 P. M. Quiet Hour at The Church Training and Deaconess' House.

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Workers

A Dedication Festival, marking the seventieth anniversary of the founding of the Parish, will be held at St. Timothy's Church, Ridge avenue and Jamestown street, during the week beginning January 24th and ending January 31st.

Rev. G. Herbert Dennison, will be the priest in charge of the celebration, which starts on St. Timothy's Day, the 24th, with Communion services at 7:00 and 9:00.

On Sunday the services will be at 7:30 and 10:30 A. M. and at 7:45 in the evening. The special preacher at 10:30 A. M. will be Rev. R. K. Yerkes, D. D., of the Protestant Episcopal Divinity School, and at 7:45 P. M. Rev. W. F. Conkling, rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown.

The parish reception will be held on Thursday evening of next week.

An outline of the history of St. Timothy's Church states that "this parish was begun on the first Sunday in Advent, November 27th, A. D., 1859, by holding upon that day of a Sunday School in the dining room and kitchen of a small house at the entrance to the residence of D. Rodney King. This house was occupied as a summer residence of J. Vaughan Merrick, and being at the time vacant, was cheerfully loaned for the purpose. The reasons which prompted the establishment were these: The nearest places of worship or Sunday Schools of any kind were that of the Baptists, at Lyceum avenue, or Ridge avenue, about a mile distant; those of the Methodist, or the Presbyterians in Manayunk, and at about the same distance or more. No Episcopal Church or Sunday School existed at a nearer distance than two miles: viz., "St. David's" at Manayunk, and "St. James the Less," at the Falls of Schuylkill. St. Alban's on the Ridge road was not then commenced.

"Therefore many children in the vicinity had no Sunday School instruction, nor had the people any religious services on that day unless

by going to one of the before-mentioned places of worship. As a natural result Sunday was not to many a day of rest, and during the summer months was not a day of tranquility. The school was at first called the 'Wissahickon' Sunday School, being near the station of that name. As much publicity as possible having been given of the intention to open it, forty children assembled on the day named, and were met by eight teachers, including a superintendent, viz., Mr. and Mrs. D. R. King, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Griffiths, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Cauffman, Miss Emily Cauffman, and Charles H. Miller. W. F. Griffiths, Jr., acted as superintendent.

"William H. James, in the employ of Mr. and Mrs. King acted as sexton. Emmeline Winn (Bancroft) was one of the scholars.

"From this successful beginning the school gradually increased in numbers and with such increase came an enhanced interest on the part both of teachers and scholars.

"In the month of March, 1860, it became necessary to vacate this house, which was wanted by its summer occupants; and the schools were removed to a building known as 'the old Poor House', at the junction of Ridge avenue and Hermit lane.

"This building was fitted up and was used the first year—to be accurate, six months—rent free, and afterwards at a rent of fifty dollars a year. The fitting up was done partly by the contribution of money from the founders and their friends, and partly by the freely-given labor of some of the workmen in the vicinity. The size of the building was 17 by 45 feet, and two stories in height. The upper floor was used for the infant school. At the time of removal the number of names on the roll was about 70.

"The interest evinced by the scholars and their families in the school was general. This and the religious wants of those who were engaged in teaching contributed to produce the resolve that a church service should be held each Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The first of these services was held on April 2, 1860, by the Rev. J. W. Claxton, at that time rector of St. David's Church, Manayunk. That church being somewhat the nearest Episcopal Church and the one which had been previously attended by the majority of those who founded St. Timothy's, it was considered proper to obtain its rector's ministrations at the first service."

"The first rector, the Rev. John Leighton McKim, was called to the parish, on October 28th, 1860.

"On the 31st day of May, 1860, shortly after the beginning of the first church services, a meeting of the signers to articles of association for church purposes—12 in number—was held at the residence of Mr. King, the following persons being present: D. R. King, H. K. B. Ogle, A. A. Ripka, S. E. Babcock, C. H. Miller, W. F. Griffiths, Jr., J. V. Merrick, T. E. Cauffman. The other four signers: R. B. McCul-

lough, S. Wagner, J. D. Rodney and A. Hemsley were absent. A committee of three was appointed to prepare articles of incorporation and to obtain a charter under the title 'St. Timothy's, Roxborough.' Another committee of three to report the best plan for the organization of a parish. And still another committee of three to prepare a code of by-laws.

"A charter was finally granted, under decree of Court, and the Parish legally incorporated February 5th, 1861.

"Before attempting to build a Church it was recommended that a clergyman be obtained to have temporary charge of the parish, and that, pending his selection services should be maintained by the assistance of outside clergy.

"At a meeting held October 11th, 1860, a committee reported that they could obtain a clergyman, for \$600 and the use of a rectory free. A suitable house for this purpose was offered by Messrs. King and Merrick. It was the same house in which the Sunday School had been started. It was determined to invite a clergyman to take charge, year by year until the success of the effort should seem to be assumed. The Rev. John Leighton McKim, as stated before, was elected to the position. The Poor House was rented at \$50 per annum, from October 9th 1860. A committee was appointed to see if an eligible church lot could be obtained."

This committee was authorized to spend not more than \$2000. The salary of the rector was fixed at \$600 and the free use of the rectory.

At a meeting held May 26th 1862, the Vestry approved plans by Emlem T. Littell, church architect, of New York, for the church, the cost of which was estimated at \$3500 and order for the Building Committee to contract for work at once. On June 15th 1862 was purchased the lot upon which the church stands, about one and one-eighth acres, at a total cost of \$1300, of which \$1200 was to remain on mortgage.

The cornerstone of St. Timothy's Church was laid on July 18th, 1863, by Bishop Alonzo Potter, with addresses by the Revs. Leighton Coleman and B. Wistar Morris.

In 1863 "it was resolved to purchase for Sunday School purposes, the Government Hospital, and a piece of land in the rear of the church yard, 40 feet deep by 205 feet long, on which to erect the Sunday School; the cost to be at the rate of -1000 per acre."

The outstanding events of the progress of the parish in the last twenty years has been the acquisition of the large church yard extending from the church to Rector street and the erection of the beautiful rectory on the new plot of ground.

The full history of St. Timothy's Church contains a vast store of interesting data, but the length of the full recital makes impossible the printing of it all at this time.

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Suburban Press: December
10, 1931

Guild Names Dr. Hansell As President

Men of St. Timothy's Church
Select Energetic Phy-
sician as Leader

RUBY: SECRETARY

Committee to Arrange Ban-
quet to Be Held in
February

In recognition of his untiring ef-
forts for the promotion of a reor-
ganization of the Men's Guild at
Saint Timothy's Church of Rox-
borough, Dr. Henry L. Hansell was
unanimously elected president of
that group at a meeting held in
the Parish Hall last Tuesday even-
ing.

Other officers elected were: Logan
M. Dayton, vice president; Charles
Ruby, secretary, and Harry Beaum-
ont, treasurer.

George Greebe was appointed
chairman of a committee to arrange
for a banquet to be held in Febru-
ary. The large and enthusiastic at-
tendance at the meeting reflected
the spirit of the purpose of stab-
lishing a Men's Guild for the pro-
motion of Welfare and Social ac-
tivities of the Parish.

A coordinate meeting of all com-
mittees has been called by Dr.
Hansell for Tuesday night, Decem-
ber 15th, in the Parish House.

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Chronicle

July 17, 1896

A large congregation witnessed the laying of the corner-stone of the new chancel and vestry of St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church, at Terrace and Hermit streets, Saturday afternoon. Archdeacon Brady conducted the exercises, which were opened with a hymn. The Archdeacon laid the corner-stone, in the receptacle of which had been placed a copy of the Bible, a Hymnal, photograph of the church property, names of rectors, history and communicants of the church, copies of the *Public Ledger*, the *CHRONICLE AND ADVERTISER*, and other papers and coins of the present year. Bishop Whitaker participated in the ceremonies, as did the Rev. Robert E. Dennison, of St. Timothy's, Roxborough; the Rev. Frances A. D. Launt, of St. David's, Manayunk, and Rev. F. H. Bushnell, formerly of St. David's. A number of other clergymen from the immediate neighborhood were present.

Ground was broken June 18 for the addition, which will be 25 by 25 feet inside measurement, and will be of the same height as the present nave of the church, which will be lengthened 14 feet to connect with it. On either side of the chancel there will be a wing 17 feet in width. The wing towards the north will be used as an organ chamber, 10x14 feet, and for a choir-room and sacristy 8 feet 6 inches by 15 feet. The latter will be connected by a covered archway between the east wall and a retaining wall that has been erected along the west side of a rear street, and will be 23 by 15 feet. A cellar will be excavated under the entire building, and when the present work is completed the nave of the church will be 70 feet in length and 25 feet 6 inches in width.

The present additions are part of a design by which, when the room is needed, the seating capacity of the nave can be doubled by the building of transepts and aisles, making the whole a cruciform Gothic structure. The buildings are of pointed local stone, with blue stone and Holmesburg granite trimmings. The cost will be upwards of \$4000.

St. Stephen's Church was built in 1876 as a mission by St. David's Church during the pastorate of Rev. F. H. Bushnell. In September, 1886, while the Rev. Charles Logan was rector of St. David's, the mission was taken in charge of the Rev. Charles R. Bonnell, and in November was recognized as an independent parish with the name of St. Stephen, in memory of the fact that St. David's was originally started by gentlemen from St. Stephen's, this city. The parish was admitted to the Convention in May, 1887. In 1889 a parish house costing \$4000 was built as a memorial of William B. Stephens, of Manayunk. The Rev. Chas. R. Bonnell died suddenly on December 26, St. Stephen's Day, 1890. In September, 1891, the Rev. Lawrence B. Ridgely assumed charge as rector of the parish, and he was succeeded, in 1893, by the Rev. Edliston J. Perot, present rector.

Roxborough Times
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ART OBJECTS FOR NEW CATHEDRAL

Twenty-eight Pieces Symbolic
of World's Religions Now
Displayed at Art Museum

TO COME TO ROXBOROUGH

A collection of twenty-eight ancient liturgical objects in gold, silver and ivory, studded with precious stones, has just been added to the loaned exhibits of the Art Museum on the Parkway.

Purchased last summer in Europe by William Ellis Scull, an Ardmore collector, for donation to the proposed Protestant Episcopal Cathedral in Roxborough, these objects of pious worship before which thousands of European peasants have bowed during several centuries, are now being studied and classified for exhibition at the Art Museum by Francis H. Taylor, curator of medieval art.

Mr. Scull, who is a lay canon and registrar of the Cathedral, explained today that these objects would form part of a collection of ecclesiastical art which is being gathered in anticipation of the erection of the cathedral on Ridge pike, Upper Roxborough, overlooking the Schuylkill River.

"We are planning an ecclesiastical exhibit in the new cathedral, which will be built within the next couple of years," said Mr. Scull. "The interest is, of course, in the light the pieces throw on the history of church art, and the collection, at present, is confined to objects of piety used throughout the ages. The chapter of canons decided to lend the exhibit to the Art Museum for an indefinite period, until the cathedral is ready to receive them."

The collection includes pieces from Italy, France, Spain, Russia, England and the Orient, dating as far back as the fourteenth century. They are chiefly crosses in silver and gold, ikons in bas relief, communion vessels, altar candelabra, oil paintings and a few figures and relics pertaining to Eastern religions.

One of the most notable pieces in the collection, according to Mr. Taylor, is an English processional cross of the late fourteenth or early fifteenth century, a fine specimen of medieval metal work. It is a wooden cross covered with plates of copper gilt, the decoration in beaten relief. Upon the face, there is the crucified Christ with the Lamb of God above, and the weeping Virgin and St. John at either arm of the cross. At the foot, a mourning saint or donor is seated. The reverse side shows Christ enthroned in majesty, surrounded by the four Evangelists, symbols, the lion, bull, the eagle and the man.

Another important piece is a Russian ikon, presented by Paul the First, and dated 1756. The casting is of pure gold, covering a painting on wood of Christ teaching the Jewish doctors. It follows an arrangement in setting fa-

millar in the Byzantine ivories and miniatures of the Middle Ages.

There is also a silver and crystal crucifix, with accompanying cructs studded with malachite, which was fashionable during the nineteenth century. Another important object is a sixteenth century panel of painted glass from Flanders, with yellow oxide of silver giving the predominant color note.

There are a number of Japanese and Burmese idols in the exhibit; some in ivory and brass gilt, studded with stones, and also an Italian relief in leather, revealing the unusual character of this craft in the sixteenth century.

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Suburban Press
Feb. 21 - 1929

Work to be Pushed on New Fane

Episcopal Cathedral and Other
Buildings to Be Raised
on Roxborough Hills

BISHOP TO RESIDE HERE

Preliminary Work Begun on
Great Edifice for Penn-
sylvania Diocese

Work has been begun on the preliminary plans for the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral and group of diocesan buildings which are to be erected on a tract of 125 acres in Upper Roxborough, it was announced Sunday.

A study of the site, with a view to selecting the locations for the various buildings in the vast project, has been undertaken by the architectural firm of Frank R. Watson, Edkins & Thompson.

The site, which was acquired more than a year ago, is bounded by Ridge avenue, Hagy Mill road and the new Chestnut Hill-Bryn Mawr Boulevard. It is one of the highest tracts of land in the city and, it is expected, will be near the center of population of the metropolitan district in years to come.

The cathedral, with the Lady Chapel, carillon tower, chapter house and cloisters will form the center of a group of institutions which in years to come may find it advantageous to move from their present locations to the site in Roxborough.

The residences of the Bishop and of the Bishop Coadjutor, homes for deans and canons, the choir school, synod hall, ecclesiastical art museum, children's homes, homes for the aged, power house and a village of twelve cottages for persons employed in the buildings is planned. The site, however, is large enough

to accommodate other institutions.

The Lady Chapel, according to present plans, will seat approximately 200 persons and will be one of the most beautiful chapels of its kind in the world. The synod hall will be large enough for the purpose of diocesan conventions and will include the diocesan offices and general administration offices.

The ecclesiastical art museum and library will accommodate the cathedral library collections of art, painting, sculpture, metal work and embroidery.

Through the generosity of William Ellis Scull, a member of the Cathedral Chapter of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, a noteworthy collection of twenty-eight pieces of ecclesiastical art, some of them dating back 600 years, already has been donated. Until the completion of the Cathedral Art Museum, the collection will be housed in the Art Museum on the Parkway.

It is planned to arrange the canons' apartments around a court of "quad" in the fashion of Westminster. The choir school building will include accommodations for boys.

The project is being directed by the Cathedral Chapter, guided by Bishop Garland. The plan for a cathedral has been discussed several years, but until comparatively recently it was believed that a site would be selected on the Parkway.

In view of the fact that the Diocese of Pennsylvania comprises Philadelphia, Delaware county, Montgomery county, Bucks county and Chester county, the Roxborough site was selected as being more central.

The Cathedral Chapter includes: Bishop Garland, the Rev. J. M. Nible, the Rev. M. E. Peabody, John S. Newbold, William Ellis Scull, the Rev. Dr. C. H. Toop, the Rev. Dr. F. L. Vernon, J. J. Collier, Eli Price, the Rev. Dr. G. G. Bartlett, the Rev. Dr. C. C. Carter, Benjamin Rush, A. J. County, the Rev. Dr. J. C. McIlhenny, the Rev. W. C. Patterson, Bruce Ford and F. H. Moss.

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Chronicle

Sept 20, 1895

Rock Hill Mission.

For nearly six years Mrs. George Sullivan, corner of Belmont avenue and Olegg's lane, has conducted a Mission Sunday School under Episcopal auspices, in various portions of West Manayunk, wherever suitable rooms could be rented for the purpose. But the best of these have become "too strait" for the growing interest, and a neat little one-story Gothic chapel, with double-pitched roof, capable of seating 200 persons, with a suitable annex for miscellaneous uses, has been erected by Mr. John W. Fritzing, at a cost of from \$500 to \$600, on the east side of Belmont avenue, a little above its junction with Rock Hill Road. The building is to be completed by the first of October, and the sixth anniversary of the Mission will be duly celebrated on Sunday afternoon, October 13th. The building, which is 20x36 feet, and the annex 12x18 feet, has been plastered inside and out, so that it will be comfortable in all sorts of weather, full provision having been made for ventilation.

The enterprise is somewhat under the watch-care of St. Asaph's, Bala, and St. David's, Manayunk, the Rectors of both making occasional visits. Messrs. Jackson and Smalley of St. David's have also rendered considerable aid, while some of the "Mothers" assist in teaching as they can make it convenient, Mrs. Sullivan, however, having the principal charge. That whole beautiful section is being so rapidly opened up and dotted with picturesque and comfortable residences, that the little Mission will have nothing to do but "grow up with the country."

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Chronicle

Apr. 23, 1897

Vestrymen Elected.

The following have been elected Vestrymen in the churches named below:

St. David's, Manayunk—John Stafford, Charles W. Horrocks, Harry Howard, Richard Shaw.

St. Timothy's, Roxborough—W. Egbert Mitchell, Charles J. Walton, Augustus R. Andrews and Louis F. Beneke, for three years; the other members are J. V. Merrick, William H. Lush, W. H. Merrick, Dr. Ross R. Bunting, Walter J. Baumann, John J. Strader.

St. Alban's, Roxborough—James L. Rahn, William M. Goodes, E. Atlee Snyder, William R. Knipe, Benjamin T. Lentz, E. B. Knowles, James R. Lord, S. M. Custer, Dr. Charles Bland, Edwin Hoffer, Alfred Edmunds, Ralph R. Moyer.

St. Stephen's, Wissahickon—George W. Bromley, George Missimer, Sr., Frank Berry, William B. Eden, Albert Wilby, Professor Emile Pernet, Amos W. Barnes, William B. Hughes, George Missimer, Jr., Joseph Whitloak.

St. Asaph's, Bala—John S. Gerhard, Joseph R. Rhoads, David E. Williams, R. Francis Wood, Jacob L. Stadelman, Robert Denison, Thomas Williams, Jr., William E. Scull, G. Brinton Roberts.

—The blessing on Sunday of the beautiful memorial window in St. Asaph's Church, at Bala, was of peculiar interest to quite a number of our residents, who are descendants of John Roberts, in whose memory the window was placed in the church by others of his descendants. When he, with others of the Welsh colony from Bala, Merionethshire, Wales, arrived in Philadelphia, after a long and stormy voyage in 1681 or 82, Merion, where they settled, was part of Philadelphia county. Among the colonists were the Pughs. Of these, Gainor and John Roberts were shortly after married, being the first couple to be married by Friends' ceremony in the ancient Merion meeting. They subsequently settled at Pencoyd, now the residence of President George B. Roberts, of the Pennsylvania Railroad. The placing of the memorial window in St. Asaph's Church, which stands upon part of the old property, is very appropriate and is appreciated by the Falls of Schuylkill descendants.

R. R. S.

July 21-1893

Strawberry Festival

—BY THE—
LADIES' AID SOCIETY
—OF THE—

Wissahickon Presbyterian Mission

**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,
JUNE 9 and 10, 1893
IN TERRACE HALL.**

Single Admission. - 10 Cents
Season Ticket. - 15 Cents.

July 14-1893

Wissahickon Presbyterian Mission. A special and important meeting of the members and friends of the Mission will be held this (Friday) evening in Terrace Hall, at 8 o'clock. After a short prayer service, conducted by Pastor Taylor, the Advisory Committee will present a report, including much of interest concerning the building project. Rev. Chas. E. Burns, pastor of the mother church, is expected to address the meeting.

Church service Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, when Rev. R. H. Taylor will preach a brief, pointed sermon in the series of practical themes.

Christian Endeavor prayer meeting Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock, to be conducted by Ashton Ford. Everybody invited to attend.

At the close of the business meeting which the Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian Mission held at the home of Mr. Frank Werner, Ridge avenue, opposite Terrace street, on Thursday evening of last week, some of the knottiest problems of the ages were up for solution, and were successfully grappled with and overcome—almost. For instance: How many beans are there in a china vase? "Fifteen hundred," said Miss Sadie McFadden. And sure enough, when they were counted there they were, exactly 1589 to a bean! Isn't it wonderful? Then 9 liquids, each with a different scent, were shaken up in a bottle and of these 8 were correctly named by Dr. Sibbald. After this a candle was lighted, the question being: How long would it burn? Mrs. Eliza McFadden guessed 25 minutes, and the time was 24 1/2 minutes. Last of all a school-bag containing 21 articles was passed around. You could feel the outside of it but must not peep within, yet Miss Sadie McFadden named correctly 19 out of the 21. So now the "ages" can tackle something else.

The Advisory Committee of the Wissahickon Presbyterian Mission has decided to put up a one-story stone church building, to cost from \$5,700 to \$6,500, on their elevated site at Manayunk avenue, Dawson street and Ridge avenue, thus fronting on three streets. Chas. O. Struse has the contract, and he expects to have the building completed in November. The stone is the light-colored variety known as Avondale, such as the houses of Messrs. James and Clinton Stafford, Sumac street, are built of. The building committee has about \$2,200 in hand, and the members of the mission are developing a creditable amount of energy, the ladies being particularly active.

The official report, kindly furnished by Rev. Mr. Taylor since the foregoing was in type, reads as follows:

"The general plans of the architect, Mr. Daniel S. Beale, provide for a chapel and church. The intention is to retain the present height of the ground from the street, have the buildings erected about fifty feet from the streets, and terrace the three sides, with approaches on each of these to the church above by steps with an easy ascent. A few of the trees will be allowed to remain, and walks will be made around the buildings. On the whole, when thoroughly completed, the prospect from the three streets, particularly Ridge avenue, will be quite picturesque. At present the chapel only will be erected, the church building to be built later.

The Chapel will be built of Avondale stone, trimmed with sandstone, and the roof will be high and gabled. There will be two main entrances, with porches and towers. The interior will be so arranged that the side wings and the rear, in the shape of a bow, can be separated by partitions if desired, and admission gained to each division without entering the main room. There will be a room on each side of the pulpit; one for a pastor's study and the other for choir or class purposes. The building is thus planned so that it can be used for church or school, and yet will conform quite easily to the general plan when the adjoining church building is erected.

For this unique design much credit is due the architect, who, by the way, has kindly donated his plans and his services to the project. The contract for the erection of the chapel has been awarded to our fellow-townsmen, Mr. Chas. O. Struse, who contemplates having the building completed by Nov. 1st.

The cost of erection and furnishing, fully equipped, will be about \$6500; this is exclusive of the purchase price of the ground. An active canvass has been inaugurated by the committee for the amount. Thus far their efforts have been very successful. A vigorous effort will be made to raise the entire amount before the close of the winter season. If the past achievement of the Mission gives any indication of the future, we can safely prophesy that every member will do his utmost to accomplish this."

We hope soon to be able to give a picture of the building.

All the friends of the Mission, especially of sister denominations, are cordially invited to the services next

Saturday evening at 6.30, which will proceed in about the following order:

Singing (congregation)—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."
Scripture Reading—Mr. Wm. McFadden.

Prayer—Mr. John C. Young.
Selection by the Choir.
Remarks—Rev. Chas. E. Burns.
Singing (congregation)—"Stand up! Stand up for Jesus."

Remarks—Rev. R. Howard Taylor.
Breaking of Ground by _____
Prayer.
Singing (congregation)—"Blest be the tie that binds."
Benediction.

July 28th 1893

There was an encouraging attendance at the "Ground-breaking," for the new chapel of the Presbyterian Mission on Ridge avenue, between Manayunk avenue and Dawson street, last Saturday evening. The site had been partially cleared, and the trunks and stumps of trees were utilized to some extent for seating purposes. On a little knoll facing the west the choir and the various speakers were grouped around the cottage organ in charge of Mrs. George F. Peterson. The sun was near its setting and the moon hung low in the clear Southern sky.

Rev. R. Howard Taylor, who has charge of the mission, made the necessary announcements, which were few in number, the order of exercises being distributed on neatly printed programmes. The singing was led by Mr. John A. Murphy, and the service opened with the hymn,

"All hail the power of Jesus' name."

Rev. R. B. McDanel of the Baptist Church read the Scripture lesson in I. Chronicles, 28, 9-21, being David's charge to Solomon for the building of the Temple. Prayer was offered by Mr. John C. Young, and the choir sang as an anthem the Psalm CXXI.

The first address was by Rev. Chas. E. Burns of the Manayunk Church, who remarked on the picturesqueness of the scene and the memorable nature of the occasion which had called them together,—the founding of a Christian Church, and not only that but of a Presbyterian Christian Church, among whose claims to respect and support he instanced the following, namely:

First:—Thorough loyalty to Christ.

Second:—Thorough loyalty to the Word.

Third:—Thorough catholicity of spirit.

He then briefly sketched the origin of the Mission and stated the stipulation made by the Presbytery that the house of worship should be located east of Ridge avenue, as likely to meet the general demand of those immediately interested.

He thought every one present would remember the time when they saw the first shovelful of earth removed.

After another hymn Rev. Mr. Taylor made the closing address. He said there are peculiar turning-points or crises in the history of men and of nations, and such a crisis was now upon them. A providential and happy experience had led them forth to greater things, the past having been formative and preparatory. The permanent work was to go on from that night, to culminate in a grander era. When 21 persons met on a Sabbath afternoon in February, 1892, they had no idea whereunto—in so brief a space—this thing would grow. But they started a school and cottage prayer meetings, and on the first Sunday in May they had services in the evening, committees were appointed and an organization effected. And there was one good feature at the start,—each cheerfully took up the work assigned, and soon they had efficient Ladies' Aid and Christian Endeavor Societies, so that, from a congregation of 23 at the first service the pastor has now a "calling list" of 150 persons, and the Mission last May closed its first year practically out of debt (as the Mother-

church has guaranteed the interest on the price of the lot for a term of years).

Mr. Taylor then presented his warm acknowledgments to the pastor and session of the Manayunk church; to members of the press for gratuitous notices and announcements; to the pastors and members of sister denominations in that neighborhood, and to Mr. Wm. McFadden for the use of Terrace Hall. The facts seem like a Divine voice saying, "Speak unto the people that they go forward." He trusted they were prepared to go forward with renewed activity, earnestness and zeal.

At the close of the address Mrs. George McKeown stepped forward and removed the first shovelful of earth, her little girl presently taking up a handful of the "sacred soil," evidently to keep as a souvenir of the occasion. Prayer was offered by Mr. William B. Lyndall of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Falls of Schuylkill; "Blest be the tie that binds" was sung

and Rev. Mr. Burns dismissed the assembly with the benediction. The hymns sung on the occasion were announced severally by Mrs. R. B. Murphy, Mrs. Frank Cooper and Miss Belle Russell.

The lot, it may be stated, has a frontage of 50 feet on Ridge avenue and 125 feet each on Dawson street and Manayunk avenue.

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The First Anniversary of the founding of the Wissahickon Presbyterian Sabbath School, which meets in Terrace Hall, will be held at half-past two on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 19th, when it is hoped that every officer, teacher and scholar will make a special effort to be present. There will be a public Roll Call and distribution of prizes to scholars for attendance, and for activity in securing new scholars. Rev. Chas. E. Burns, and Rudolph S. Walton, Esqr., will be present and address the school. All the friends of the Mission are cordially invited to be present.

On Monday evening, Feb. 20, a very superior concert will be given in Terrace Hall under the auspices of the Mission at which Mr. Allsop, violinist and tenor soloist, has positively promised to appear. Mr. Rawlins, of Philadelphia; Mr. Samuel Birkmire and others of equal rank have been engaged, with Miss Blanche Stafford as accompanist. Readings are also promised by Miss Chisman, a new resident of Wissahickon who is highly spoken of. *Silver Collection at the door.* After the entertainment there will be a liberal distribution of refreshments.

Prayer meeting this evening at 8 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Elsasser, 224 Rochelle avenue.

Church service Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock in Terrace Hall, when Rev. R. Howard Taylor will preach upon the theme, "The True Essentials of Salvation."

Christian Endeavor prayer meeting Sunday evening at 7 o'clock, to be led by Mr. Warner.

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CHURCH BUILDING TO BE DEDICATED

Wissahickon Presby. Church
Completes Work on New
Sunday School

DR. L. S. MUDGE TO SPEAK

On Sunday next the renovated church auditorium and the new Sunday School building of the Wissahickon Presbyterian Church will be dedicated. The beautiful structure, at the intersection of Ridge and Manayunk avenues, has finally reached its completion, and will be officially dedicated this coming Sunday.

The church occupies a prominent place in the community and has consecrated itself to the task of ministering to the spiritual, mental and physical needs of all who wish to avail themselves of its services. Through the Sunday School departments this church also provides for the religious instruction of the children of "The Home for Friendless Children."

Besides a spacious auditorium the church has a splendid social hall, properly equipped for sport, recreations, and social activities. The religious educational part of the building contains several well-lighted, well-ventilated class rooms and a splendid assembly hall.

Special arrangements have been made to enable the various organizations of the church to serve dinners. The entire church has become efficient through organization, and helpful through the loyalty of the members of its congregation.

The architect, Amos W. Barnes, has been very successful in combining artistic conceptions with utilitarian demands. Ralph E. Borthwick, of Germantown, is the contractor, who executed the plans, and D. S. Fillman, the foreman and carpenter, has ably supervised the labor.

The Rev. Lewis S. Mudge D.D., LL.D., stated clerk of the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., will

preach the dedicatory sermon in the morning service, 11 A. M. and 7.30 P.M. the pastor of the church, Rev. L. Wartena, will preach on the subject "A Sermon in Stones." Special music has been provided for both services.

On Monday at 8 P. M., the neighboring pastors will extend their greetings to the Wissahickon Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. J. T. Hackett, pastor of the Irving Avenue Presbyterian Church, and former pastor of this church, will be among the speakers.

On Wednesday evening, 8 P. M., the Rev. J. Marshall Linton, D.D., of Philadelphia, moderator of the Presbytery of Philadelphia North, and the Rev. Elliot Field D.D., of the Springfield Gardens, N. Y., another former pastor of the Wissahickon church, will deliver an address. The choir has enlisted additional talents to make these events unusually attractive.

The public is cordially invited by the Rev. Wartena to attend these services and celebrate with the members of the church, who have labored for years to bring about this event.

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The First Anniversary of the founding of the Wissahickon Presbyterian Sabbath School, which meets in Terrace Hall, will be held at half-past two on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 19th, when it is hoped that every officer, teacher and scholar will make a special effort to be present. There will be a public Roll Call and distribution of prizes to scholars for attendance, and for activity in securing new scholars. Rev. Chas. E. Burns, and Rudolph S. Walton, Esqr., will be present and address the school. All the friends of the Mission are cordially invited to be present.

On Monday evening, Feb. 20, a very superior concert will be given in Terrace Hall under the auspices of the Mission at which Mr. Allsop, violinist and tenor soloist, has positively promised to appear. Mr. Rawlins, of Philadelphia; Mr. Samuel Birkmire and others of equal rank have been engaged, with Miss Blanche Stafford as accompanist. Readings are also promised by Miss Chisman, a new resident of Wissahickon who is highly spoken of. *Silver Collection at the door.* After the entertainment there will be a liberal distribution of refreshments.

Prayer meeting this evening at 8 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Elsasser, 224 Rochelle avenue.

Church service Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock in Terrace Hall, when Rev. R. Howard Taylor will preach upon the theme, "The True Essentials of Salvation."

Christian Endeavor prayer meeting Sunday evening at 7 o'clock, to be led by Mr. Warner.

Missionary Work Shown In Pageant

"Brother India" Presented at
Wissahickon Presbyter-
ian Church

CLEVERLY PORTRAYED

Story Written by Rev. Elliot
Field, a Former Pas-
tor Here

Missionary work among the East Indians—a labor of love and the brotherhood of man—was delightfully portrayed in pageant form at the Wissahickon Presbyterian Church, Ridge and Manayunk avenues, last Sunday evening.

The pageant, entitled, "Brother India", written by Rev. Elliot Field, a former pastor at the Wissahickon church, depicted the doctor's office of the Mercy Hospital at Indrapur, India, where Dr. Foster and Miss Morgan, a nurse, who are medical missionaries, are attempting an operation, which proves a success, to restore the cataract-blinded eyes of a native Krishna ras Pundit—and thus convert him to Christianity.

Krishna's brother, Prasad, already a follower of Christ, who had been a school-mate of the Doctor's, calls at the hospital to explain that it was through his influence that Krishna had come to the medical centre for attention, it being his hope that by the removal of Krishna's affliction, his heart would be touched in such a manner as to make him follow the precepts of Foster and Miss Morgan.

Krishna, upon the restoration of his vision, realizes he has been living in an unlightened spiritual world—as well as a physical one—and embraces Christianity in time for the entire group to participate in the rescue of the Indians' sister, Radha, from a life of terror among the Hindus.

The continuity of the story was perfect in every action and word, and the various roles particularly well delineated by William Smith, as "Dr. Foster"; Lois Jack, as "Miss Morgan"; Grace Bissett, as "Prasad" and Edith Claughton, as "Krishna." The pageant was arranged and directed by Miss Irene Nelson, long an active worker among the young people of this vicinity.

Previous to the showing of "Brother India", the pastor, Rev. L. Wartena, read as the Scripture lesson, Acts 17: from the 22nd to the 30th verses.

Curtain Club Depicts Old Dickens' Play

"Christmas Carol" Presented
at Wissahickon Presby-
terian Church

ELDER PRESIDES

Pastor Assumes Role of
"Scrooge" to Bring
Home a Truth

"Marley was dead; to begin with. There is no doubt whatever about that." Scrooge knew that, but just the same it was the spirit of his old partner, which came to Scrooge's cheerless rooms on Christmas Eve, to make Ebenezer change his mind about the happiness of the season, and to force him to treat his friends and relatives in the kindly manner which should exist between every human being and his fellows.

Charles Dickens' old, and well-loved "Christmas Carol" was animatedly reviewed by members of the Wissahickon Curtain Club, ably assisted by Rev. L. Wartena, in the Social Hall of the Wissahickon Presbyterian Church, Ridge and Manayunk avenues, last Sunday evening, bringing home a timely religious truth far more convincingly than many a sermon could have done.

The work of Rev. L. Wartena, pastor of the Church, who was cast in the role of "Ebenezer Scrooge," was finished in every detail, and must have been a happy surprise to many in the congregation, beside this humble correspondent. And incidentally, the Social Hall held a capacity crowd.

Every action of the old tight-fisted money changer, delineated in words so faithfully by Dickens, was carried out with a comprehension of the character by Mr. Wartena, which left nothing to the imagination, even on the part of the most devoted of Dickens' lovers.

Robert Oberholtzer, as "Marley's Ghost," handled a difficult part which gained him many admirers. James Moore as "Bob Cratchit," Scrooge's accountant; Mrs. Elmer Spence, as "Mrs. Cratchit"; Raymond Barnes, as "Tiny Tim"; E. D. Jacobs, as the nephew; E. Minges and E. Schrader, as the "Solicitor's"; Rodney Coltart, Elizabeth Reid, Raymond Miller, Janet Jack, William Fillman, Hendron Reid, Arch Love, Mary Love, Sidney Spencer, Leona Miller, Martha Bailey, Ruth Hedman, Sara Barnes and Charles Crocker, all portrayed their roles in a most commendable manner. The costuming and the stage effects lent the proper atmosphere to the showing of the

"Christmas Carol," and aided greatly in adding force to the lesson being impressed upon those who made up the congregation. The presentation was directed by Miss Beatrice Miller.

Previous to the "Christmas Carol," James Stott, a member of the Session, made the Scripture reading from Luke 2: 1-15 and also offered the prayer. The assemblage sang familiar Christmas hymns, including "Oh, Come all Ye Faithful"; "Silent Night"; "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"; "The First Noel"; and "Joy to the World." Mrs. Ervin Lyndall presided at the piano. Mr. Scott also pronounced the benediction at the end of the service.

Churches: Wissahickon Baptist.

Manayunk Chronicle

March 5, 1897

Its Twenty-seventh Anniversary.

The proper celebration of the founding of the Baptist Sunday School, out of which grew the church and congregation now so favorably located on Terrace street, above Dawson, was quite an event in the history of the place. The celebration began on last Friday evening, Jas. W. Willmarth, D. D., pastor of the Roxborough church, presiding.

After an organ voluntary by Miss Ida Ehresman, the school sang "Holy is the Lord," and the Scripture lesson was read and the invocation offered by Dr. Willmarth. Then there was another hymn, after which Miss Eva Mower recited a poem written for the occasion by Miss Mattie Morgan, and next came a pretty little song by the Infant Department.

At this point there were some cordial words of welcome from the Superintendent of the School, Mr. Pierie Warner, and these brought out responsive greetings from Superintendents of sister schools, namely: Bushrod W. Hagy, of the Roxborough Baptist; John W. Wyatt, of Falls of Schuylkill; Albert Cole, of Mt. Vernon; Wm. McFadden, of the Wissahickon Presbyterian and George Missimer, Jr., of St. Stephen's Episcopal. "Marching to the Land Above" was now sung by the choir, after which the Historical Sketch—the substance of which is given below—was read to Mr. Thomas Thomasson. The school sang another hymn, "Glad Tidings," and Miss Genevieve Merrick offered a cordial greeting to past Superintendents, which brought out responses from Nathan L. Jones, Edward Whitehead, Oliver P. Cornman, Jos. V. Peterman, Joseph M. Adams, Joseph Phillips and H. M. Wentzel. The School sang "God be with you 'till we meet again," and the exercises closed with the benediction by Dr. Willmarth.

The church has been newly carpeted and varnished and was decorated with flags, palms and flowers. During the evening a beautiful basket of flowers was presented to Mrs. W. Cornman, widow of the Founder of the Wissahickon Mission; and an easy chair was similarly handed over to the honored treasurer for the last twenty years, Bro. Reuben Wunder. There was a good audience present despite the unfavorable weather. There was an entertainment on Saturday evening consisting of singing and recitations by Mr. Alfred Holden and Misses Mamie Evans, Harper, Curry, Liebert and Leewright, the affair winding up with a service of cake and cream.

On Sunday there was preaching at both services by Rev. J. S. Bromley, a former pastor, to large congregations, many old workers and scholars of former years being present. In the afternoon there was a Grand Rally of the Sunday School at which the names on the original Roll book were read. Then the present Roll was called, 299 scholars responding. There was also an address by Mr. Bromley. Taken altogether, our Baptist friends have

reason to thank God and take courage.

HISTORICAL SKETCH.

Early in February, 1870, the neighborhood now known as Wissahickon was canvassed to see if enough children could be gathered together to organize a Sunday School. Having obtained the promises of quite a number of parents to send their children if such a school was started, the Wissahickon Mission was founded by Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Cornman about February 26th, 1870, in a room in John Towers' mill, on Ridge avenue, occupied by Mr. Devine as a shade factory, the latter kindly loaning the room for the purpose and furnishing the fuel.

The School was opened with 30 scholars, and under the wise and efficient leadership of Bro. Cornman it grew rapidly. He was peculiarly blessed of the Lord with rare qualities for attracting the young people toward him; and being a "sweet singer in Israel," he soon had around him a flock of little ones whom he sought to lead to the Saviour. Among those who were his assistants in the early days were his able wife Mrs. Cornman, Hon. Horatio Gates Jones, Jos. V. Peterman, Mary C. Young, Adele Jones, Mrs. Tolan, Mrs. Hollingsworth and Chas. Tolan.

Some of these have passed over Jordan; some have removed to other fields of labor. Among the list of scholars who attended the school in the early days and who are still connected with the school or church are the following, namely: Mary Ehresman, Emma Ehresman, (now Mrs. Schnaitman), Emma Roberts, Ella Roberts (now Mrs. Dill), Thos. Thompson, Emma Lehman, Sarah Thompson, Wm. Lawson and Mattie Lawson (now Mrs. McDowell.)

The school grew so rapidly that it soon became apparent that larger quarters must be secured, and by their united and earnest efforts the foundations of a chapel were laid early in the year 1871, on a lot situated on Ridge avenue, above Manayunk avenue, generously given for the purpose by the late Col. Chas. Thomson Jones. A neat frame chapel was erected, and dedicated February 22, 1872.

In July 1877 there fell upon the little mission its first great affliction, when God, in His all-wise providence, saw fit to take unto Himself the faithful husbandman of this little garden of the Lord. His work was done; the seed planted; carefully and prayerfully nourished, and now, just as it was beginning to bear fruit unto the honor and glory of God, he upon whom so much depended, the idolized leader of the little flock, was called up higher.

Great indeed must have been the affliction, sad indeed must have been the hearts of those associated with him in the work; and yet for them there also must have been comfort in the thought that, whilst for them it meant an almost irretrievable loss, on the other hand for him it meant infinite good; that to him there came the sure reward for faithful stewardship, even promotion to the ranks of that higher service which never ends.

Upon the death of Brother Cornman it became necessary to perform that difficult task of filling his place. The following succeeded him as Supt. of the Mission: Nathan L. Jones, P. J. Lauger and Ed. Whitehead (acting) Oliver P. Cornman, Joseph V. Peterman, Joseph M. Adams, Joseph Phillips, acting), H. W. Wentzel and C. Pierie Warner, present Superintendent.

Joseph M. Adams served for 13 years. During his term the Wissahickon Baptist Church was organized and recognized as

an independent church; also during his term of office the present commodious building was projected and erected, the Sunday School largely contributing to that end, as well as regularly contributing to the support of the church. Under the fostering care of Bro. Adams and his good wife, who served as Supt. of the Infant Department, the school grew rapidly and many of the scholars were led into the church.

Early in the year 1877 Bro. Reuben Wunder was elected Treasurer of the Mission, and upon the organization of the church was chosen to fill the same office; hence he has been the honored Treasurer of Mission and Church for 20 years.

Among those who had pastoral care over the Mission are the following:

David Spear, D. D.; James Willmarth, D. D., pastors of Roxborough Church and their assistants—Brethren L. H. Copeland, Daniel Scott, Thomas L. Lewis, Frank H. Shermer, and M. R. Grimsey.

Pastors of the Wissahickon Church have been as follows:—Rev. Luther S. Steele, Rev. J. S. Bromley, Rev. R. B. McDanel and Rev. H. P. Aston.

The School to-day numbers 300 with an average attendance of over 200 and raises yearly about \$500.00.

C. P. WARNER, Supt.

Tell Me the Old, Old Story—Continued

REFRAIN

Tell me the old, old sto - ry, Tell me the old, old sto - ry,
 Tell me the old, old sto - ry, Of Je - sus and his love. A-men.

Young People's Service
 Missionary Story.

Short Talk by Pastor or One from Senior Group

Offering for Sunday School Work Done Through The American Baptist
 Publication Society

This Children's Day Offering from our Sunday schools and other friends will help The American Baptist Publication Society to distribute free Bibles and Christian Tracts to those who have none, and it will also help in giving new Sunday schools free a quarter's Sunday-school supplies, and also to send Gospels and Testaments to foreign lands.

Salutes to Bible and Flags

Attention! All stand erect with hands at sides. Bearer of flag or Bible to be saluted elevates it.

Salute! Hand brought to forehead, palm down. (Some prefer hand over heart in saluting the Christian flag. Do as you prefer, but all do the same.) As soon as the hands are in position the leader starts the words of the salutation. On the word "flag," the hands should go out to the flag being saluted, palm up. The following order is suggested: National flag, Christian flag, Bible. This gives the Bible as the climax of the ceremony.

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands; one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." Sing one verse of "America," or another patriotic selection. The United States flag remains elevated until the singing ceases and the next command is given.

Attention! (Christian flag is elevated, and staff of the United States flag brought to ground.) All stand erect, hands at side.

Salute! Hand at forehead (or at heart if preferred).

As soon as the hands are in position the leader begins to repeat the salute. On the word "Christian," all hands leave position and are extended to the flag, palm up. "I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag and to my Saviour for whose kingdom it stands; one brotherhood uniting all mankind in service and in love." One verse of an appropriate hymn, e. g., "How Firm a Foundation," "Brightly Gleams Our Banner," "Fling Out the Banner." Again the flag remains elevated till the next command.

Attention! In position as before. The Bible is elevated.

Salute! Again the hand may go to the forehead or heart. The leader begins at once to repeat the salutation. On the word "Bible" the hand is thrown forward to the Bible, palm up.

"I pledge allegiance to the Bible, I will love its stories, I will listen to its teachings; in my home and in my school, at my work and at my play, I will do my best to do the right as the Bible tells me." This followed by one verse of appropriate hymn, "Holy Bible, Book Divine."

Attention! All in position.

Present Emblems! Flags and Bible in position for salutation.

Deposit Emblems! Each bearer places his emblem in socket or on stand and then saluting it, takes place with other pupils.

Go through this ceremony as one of dignity and great importance, of patriotism and Christian loyalty. The precision and snap with which it is executed will have much to do with its value.

Last Verse of America

Our fathers' God, to Thee,
 Author of liberty,
 To Thee we sing:
 Long may our land be bright
 With freedom's holy light;
 Protect us by Thy might,
 Great God, our King. Amen.

Closing Prayer

By one from Home Department.

Supt. Norman Davis

30h

studying for the ministry in our Spanish-American Baptist Seminary in Los Angeles.

Missionary societies and secretaries may plan great forward movements, but it is the unknown missionary who endures the hardship and braves the perils. Knowledge of religion may come through sermons, but the transforming love of Christ is taught only through personal contacts. No one has received less or deserved more from the churches than our chapel car and colporter-missionaries. The present staff comprises sixty-five men whose deeds do them credit and whose devotion is beyond praise.

We seek to help the home. This country can never really be great until the home is really Christian. We are seeking to elevate the home that it may become the Christian unit of society, for when the home fails society degenerates. The home should be the unfailing center of a genuine Christian influence.

Thus it will be seen that the Society is not an impersonal mechanism, a mere sanctified mail-order house. Its general officers wield a potent, personal influence not only over their own great work but in every department of our denominational life. Its representatives, under a cooperative arrangement with the Home Mission Society,

still go far and near, on foot, and by grace of the meek but efficient flivver, by chapel car and chapel boat, and now, by a chapel automobile, carrying Christian literature and the personal message of the gospel, with the voice and the hand-clasp of a friend.

"61 BROADWAY, NEW YORK,
OCTOBER 31, 1928.

"... I know of no organization in the Northern Baptist Convention that is more efficiently conducted or whose officials are more worthy of respect and confidence.

Cordially yours,

(Signed) ALEXANDER W. ARMOUR."

"PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER 29, 1928.

"... Notwithstanding substantial expenditures for the General Field Department, the financial position of the Society has been materially improved. The officers of the Society are to be congratulated upon the care taken to conserve the assets of the Society and to conduct its finances upon a sound basis.

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY."

NOTICE By special arrangement with the Board of Missionary Cooperation the Children's Day offering goes directly for the work of the Publication Society, and may be credited on the quotas of the churches. The offering may be sent direct to the Society or to the State collection office—*plainly marked* Children's Day Offering.

These programs are furnished free when such an offering is designated for us. The money is used for Bible work, Colportage, and Religious Education.

March 25-1881

A NEW LIBRARY.—By means of punch-cards, the children connected with the Wissahickon Baptist Mission have lately collected the sum of eighty-three dollars for the purpose of procuring a new Sunday School library, by means of which a large number of new and excellent books were displayed upon the shelves, on last Sunday afternoon. Nothing attaches the children or their parents more effectually to a School than a well-furnished library.

March 11-1881

WISSAHICKON BAPTIST MISSION.—In reply to some inquiries on the subject, we are informed that the Wissahickon Baptist mission, which had been languishing for some time, and has passed through many trying reverse, has revived greatly since Mr. Joseph V. Peterman was put in charge, and a new spirit has been infused into the work. It is also gratifying to know that Mr. Joseph M. Adams, one of our most trustworthy and reputable citizens, together with his estimable wife, are among the active friends of the enterprise, which is abundantly proving its "right to be."

June 10-1881

THE WISSAHICKON MISSION opened its Strawberry Festival on Tuesday evening, and will close this (Friday) evening, the auction taking place at 9.30. The children of the Sunday school had a treat of cream on Tuesday evening, and the choir of the Manayunk Baptist church was present, their leader, Mr. Paul Mason, receiving a bouquet.

The attendance was good on Wednesday evening. On Thursday evening one of three beautiful pyramid cakes was presented to Rev. Mr. Willmarth, the pastor. Mr. Joseph M. Adams also received a large pound cake, and Mr. Jos. Peterman, the superintendent, a basket of fruit. This evening, handsome pyramid cakes will be presented to Dr. Winter and Mr. Reuben Wunder.

June 17-1881

WHAT THEY CLEARED.—Neither the weather or anything else looked very favorable when the ladies and friends of the Wissahickon Baptist Mission held their recent strawberry festival, and the result seems all the more remarkable when we learn that they cleared \$155 by the effort. The spirit of their first superintendent, the late F. J. Cornman, must have looked down with complacency upon the enterprise.

July 14-1893

Wissahickon Baptist Church, Sunday, April 16th. A. m. "The Last Word of the Old and the First Word of the New." P. m. "Letting Drive," a sermon to young people.

Prelude to evening sermon—No Local Option for Pennsylvania—The Force Enacted at Harrisburg.

The singing class will give a Violet Tea in the church on April 27. Tickets 10 cents, including refreshments. There will also be ice cream and home made candy for sale.

The Sunday school has elected the following officers: Superintendent, Harry M. Wentzel; Assistants, C. Pierie Warner, Rev. R. B. McDanel; Secretary, William A. Funk; Assistant, Griffith Yarnall; Treasurer, Reuben Wunder; Librarian, John E. Hill; Assistants, Fred. Chambers, Thomas McAllister, Jas. A. Cain; Organist, Ida Ehresman. The election of officers of the primary department has been postponed for one month.

July 14-1893

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—OF THE—

WISSAHICKON BAPTIST CHURCH

—TO—

CAPE MAY,

Saturday, August 5,

on the "Republic."

ADULTS \$1.00.

CHILDREN, 50 CTS.

Leave Race St. Wharf 7.30 Sharp.

July 21-1893

At the annual election of officers of the Baptist Church, Martin Funk was elected church clerk; and A. C. Knowlton, C. Pierie Warner, Samuel Jones, Simeon Wilde, Martin Funk, Thomas MacAllister, Fred. Gilliard and Thomas Street were elected trustees.

Next Sunday morning Rev. R. B. McDanel's theme will be "Over the Brook Cedron," and at the evening service, "The Sunday Closing Question—both in Chicago and Wissahickon."

July 28-1893

At the Baptist Church next Sunday, Rev. R. B. McDanel will preach as follows: Morning—"Where is the Lord God of Elijah?" Evening—"Overtaken in a Fault."

The name of Harry M. Wentzel was omitted last week from the list of newly-elected trustees.

The Young People's Union of this church will take an excursion to Cape May, Saturday, August 5th. Put off any other engagement and go with them. They have a well deserved reputation of making everybody have a good time.

August 4-1893

The only Excursion

OF THE SEASON TO

OSCAWANA ISLAND

a new resort on the Hudson, and

WEST POINT,

THURSDAY, AUG. 17,

—BY THE—

Cheerful Workers

—OF THE—

WISSAHICKON BAPTIST CHURCH.

TICKETS, - - - \$2.50.

CHILDREN, HALF-PRICE.

Grand Concert on the Boat by the Celebrated Liberty Cornet Band, of Philada. (25 pieces.)

Oscawana Island is 37 miles from New York, on the Hudson River, and offers many attractions to parties wishing a delightful trip up the "Rhine of America." The island contains about 20 acres of ground, is thickly shaded by beautiful trees, and has all the essentials for a day's outing, being thoroughly fitted with all the appointments of a first-class pleasure resort. Two hours at Oscawana Island.

This trip affords a magnificent view of the majestic Palisades (which stretch along an unbroken wall of columnar trap-rock for nearly 20 miles, varying in height 200 to 500 feet above the river) and Highlands, via the Royal Reading Route to Jersey City, thence by the mammoth three-decked Iron Steamer "Sirius," capacity 2100, chartered especially for this occasion at an enormous cost.

Tickets can be had at the depot on the morning of the Excursion.

August 4-1893

At the Baptist Church next Sunday, Rev. R. B. McDanel's theme will be, "A Look from Christ." Communion will be administered. In the evening a 45-minute vesper service will be held. Pastor McDanel will spend the remainder of this month at Riegelsville, Bucks county, Pa. During his absence Rev. Henry Bray will preach at the morning services and the B. Y. P. U. will conduct the evening services.

At the monthly business meeting held on Monday evening, Thomas McAllister was elected financial secretary, a new officer, to take charge of the envelope system; and Samuel Jones and William Funk, assistants.

The Baptist Young People's Union of the Northwest District visited the Falls Union on Tuesday evening, Wissahickon sending a delegation of eight and four from Roxborough.

The meeting was led by Mr. Fred Gillard of the Wissahickon Church, and was full of enthusiasm, those present going away with something to help them onward in the Christian life.

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CONGREGATIONAL PROGRAM

Instrumental Music

(Moment of silence as it ceases.)

Scripture Response

SUPERINTENDENT: "O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our Salvation: let us come before His Presence with thanksgiving."

AUDIENCE: "O sing unto the Lord, for he hath done marvelous things."

Processional

Fling Out the Banner

George W. Doane, 1848

DOANE. L. M.

J. B. Calkin, 1872

1. Fling out the ban-ner! Let it float Sky-ward and sea-ward, high and wide;
 2. Fling out the ban-ner! An-gels bend In anx-ious si-lence o'er the sign,
 3. Fling out the ban-ner! Hea-then lands Shall see from far the glo-rious sight;
 4. Fling out the ban-ner! Let it float Sky-ward and sea-ward, high and wide;

The sun shall light its shin-ing folds, The cross on which the Sav-iour died.
 And vain-ly seek to com-pre-hend The won-der of the love di-vine.
 And na-tions, gath'ring at the call, Their spir-its kin-dle in its light.
 Our glo-ry on-ly in the cross, Our on-ly hope the Cru-ci-fied. A-men.

Recitation

Song by School

Repeat in Unison

"The Lord is in His holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before Him."

Prayer

Cradle Roll Service

Beginners' Service

Primary's Service

Junior Service

Intermediate Service

30c

Song by All

Tell Me the Old, Old Story

OLD, OLD STORY. 7s, 6s, D. With Refrain

Catherine Hankey, 1865

W. H. Doane, 1831-1915

1. Tell me the old, old sto - ry Of un - seen things a - bove,
 2. Tell me the sto - ry slow - ly, That I may take it in -
 3. Tell me the sto - ry soft - ly, With ear - nest tones and grave;
 4. Tell me the same old sto - ry, When you have cause to fear

Of Je - sus and his glo - ry, Of Je - sus and his love.
 That won - der - ful re - demp - tion, God's rem - e - dy for sin!
 Re - mem - ber! I'm the sin - ner Whom Je - sus came to save.
 That this world's emp - ty glo - ry Is cost - ing me too dear.

Tell me the sto - ry sim - ply, As to a lit - tle child,
 Tell me the sto - ry of - ten, For I for - get so soon!
 Tell me the sto - ry al - ways, If you would real - ly be,
 O yes, and when its glo - ry Is dawn - ing on my soul,

For I am weak and wea - ry, And help - less and de - fil'd.
 The "ear - ly dew" of morn - ing Has pass'd a - way at noon!
 In an - y time of trou - ble, A com - fort - er to me.
 Tell me the old, old sto - ry: "Christ Je - sus makes thee whole."

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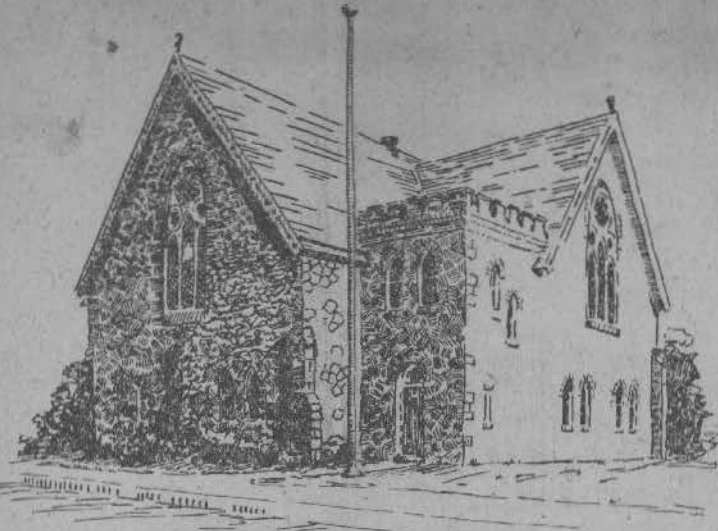
Wissahickon Baptist Church, Terrace and Dawson streets. Rev. L. C. Hofer, pastor. Morning service, 10.30. Sunday School, 2.15. Evening service, 7.30. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening, 8.00 o'clock. B. Y. P. U., Friday evening, 8 o'clock.

On Sunday next the Lord's Supper will be administered at the morning service.

The Young People will hold a Poverty Social on Saturday evening at the home of Miss Johnson, 119 Osborne street.

The pastor's sermon subject will be : Morning, "The Doctrine of Jesus Christ." Evening, "The Question of An Ancient Lawyer—Which is the Greatest Commandment?"

WISSAHICKON BAPTIST CHURCH



The building which resulted from a missionary Sunday School started sixty years ago. It is located at Terrace and Dawson streets and has as its pastor, Rev. J. Norman Martin. Norman J. Davis is the present Sunday School superintendent. Special services, marking the anniversary, will be held next week.



REV. J. NORMAN MARTIN

Sixty Years Of Sunday School Work

February 27 Is Anniversary
Date of Wissahickon B.
Church School

LED BY N. J. DAVIS

Founded as Mission of Rox-
borough Church by Mr.
and Mrs. F. Cornman

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings of next week, members of the Wissahickon Baptist Sunday School will observe the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the school. Three former pastors will take part in the services and a most unusual program has been prepared.

On Wednesday and Friday the sessions begin at 8 p. m. On the first night the Rev. Samuel E. Smith will speak; on Friday, the Rev. E. A. Harrar. This is young peoples' night and organizations of the youth of the entire community will attend as guests.

On Thursday at 6 p. m. there will be given a dinner in the Sunday School room. Tickets may be secured from John Thomas. Dr. Bromley, who was pastor when the present church building was erected, will speak.

Following is a thumb-nail sketch of the growth of the school and church.

The Roxborough Baptist Church had established two missions and

they were so successful that Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Cornman of that church, felt led to attempt a similar work in Wissahickon. So on February 27th, 1870, they started their great enterprise in the old mill of John Tower. The room which they used was one given to the manufacture of oilcloth curtains and certainly was a most unlikely place to start a school.

By May of the same year they had fifty scholars and on June 10th were able to start a preaching service after the school session. Larger quarters being needed they appealed to Hon. Chas. Thompson Jones, the father of Mrs. Cornman, who gave them a lot on Ridge avenue above Manayunk avenue, and in 1871 a chapel was erected here which was dedicated February 22nd, 1872.

Brother Cornan, having given the very best years of his life to his enterprise, died July 16th, 1877.

In 1880 Joseph M. Adams became superintendent and under his wise

and tactful supervision the work progressed until the formation and organization of a church resulted on June 26th, 1884.

Rapid growth marked the path-
way now and under Revs. Steele,
Bromley, McDanel, Aston and Davis
the present building was completed.
On December 1st, 1903, Rev. E. A.

Harrar began a most successful ministry which extended until December 1st, 1910. Since that time there have been the following ministers: Revs. Allen, Hunter, Prothro, Smith and J. Norman Martin, who occupies the pulpit at the present time.

This is the history of the development of a church that started from a Sunday School project and was nourished and sustained by a Sunday School. So in reality the history of this church is the history of the School. Under the present superintendency of Norman J. Davis, supported by a fine corp of teachers the work is well planned and is making a distinct contribution for the welfare of the boys and girls, and consequently the homes of Wissahickon.

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M.M. of W.W. and U.

WEEK OF APRIL 13th

Today is Palm Sunday. This is the day on which Jesus rode in triumph into Jerusalem and "all the city was moved, saying, 'Who is this?'. And the multitude said, 'This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee'."

"The whole city was moved" - That is the subject of our discussion this morning. Why was the city moved? What would it take today to move our city? What challenge is there to each one of us in this statement?

Everyone is working now to make our evening services really great blessings to all. Friends and neighbors are being urged to attend with us so that they too might hear the word of life which has brought salvation to our own souls.

Tonight -

"THE END OF THE WORLD"

Song Service - 7:30

preceded by

Organ Recital at 7:15 by

MISS ETHEL UNDERWOOD.

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Tuesday evening at 7:30 the Board of Deacons and Pastor will meet all who desire to come before the church for Baptism on Easter Sunday. This class will meet in the Primary room and those examined will be presented to the church on Wednesday.

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This Wednesday evening will be the regular monthly meeting of the church and each member is urged to be present. The Nominating Committee will submit its report, together with the report of the Budget Committee.

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Wednesday at 12:30 the women of the church will give a dinner at Furlman's Inn, Germantown. Tickets may be secured from members of the Ladies' Aid.

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The flowers today are given by Mrs. Helen K. Miller in memory of her mother, Mrs. Anna Ketterer.

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This afternoon we go to Memorial Hospital to take a little choir in Gospel song to the patients there. While it is not a great distance, yet it helps much to have autos to take us up, so if you can, will you please arrange to be at the church at 3:30 to give us a lift?

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A colored minister sent the following notice to the local paper to be inserted in the advertising section on Saturday night -

Mount Moriah Baptist Church

Rev. J. Obadiah, Pastor

Preaching - morning and evening

In the promulgation of the Gospel three books is necessary - the Holy Book, the Hymn Book and the POCKET-BOOK. Come tomorrow and bring all three.

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All orders for Easter flowers must be in today. Let us make our pulpit beautiful with the Easter blooms next Sunday and direct them at the close of the services to some of our sick and shut in.

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SPECIAL HOLY WEEK SERVICES

This Friday the three-hour Good Friday service will be held in this auditorium from noon to 3 P.M. Come when you can - go when you must. This should prove to be a devotional meeting of rich blessing. Many business houses are closing for the duration of this time or for the afternoon. Easter Sunrise service will be held in the Methodist church at 6:30

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EASTER SUNDAY

A.M. "SUNRISE" Message of the dawn

P.M. "Is Death Natural"?

Ordinance of Baptism at Evening service.

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ORDER OF SERVICE
MAKE HIS PRAISE GLORIOUS !
MORNING WORSHIP II A.M.

Preclude
Congregation (rise as choir enters)
O, worship the king, all glorious above
And gratefully sing His wonderful love;
Our shield and defender, the Ancient
of Days,
Pavilioned in Splendor, and girded
with Praise.

Invocation and Lord's prayer

*Responsive Reading
Gloria (standing)

*Scripture
Special music
Prayer and response

*Hymn
Announcements
Offertory and Doxology
Anthem
Sermon
Hymn
Benediction

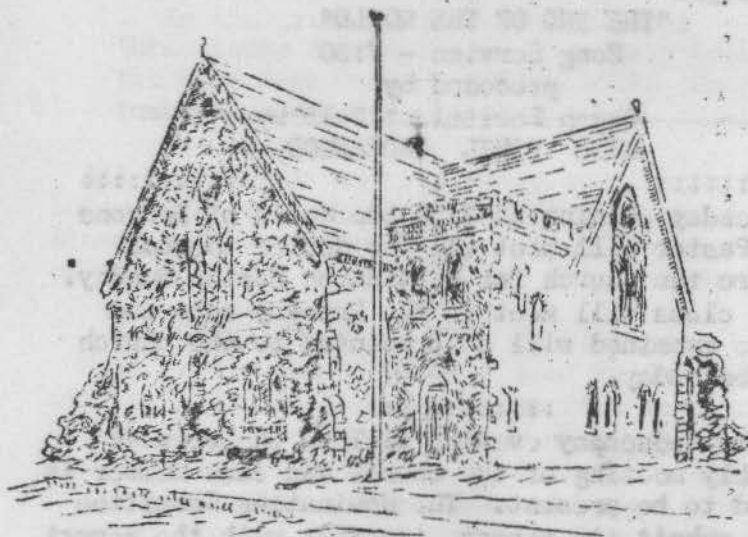
EVENING SERVICE 7:30 P.M.

Organ recital 7:15
Song Service
Organ meditation
Scripture
Special Music
Prayer

*Hymn
Announcements
Offertory
Anthem
Sermon
Hymn
Benediction

* Late-comers will be seated by the
ushers at these points in the service

Missahickon
Baptist
Church



Minister
Rev. J. Norman Martin
246 Rochelle Ave. Man. 2120-R
Study: Man. 2235

Junior Institute Starts Bible Courses Tomorrow

Training School, at Wissahickon Baptist Church, to Have
Opening Sessions at 4 P. M.—Will Be Under the
Direction of Rev. J. Norman Martin

DIRECTS INSTITUTE



REV. J. NORMAN MARTIN
Pastor of the Wissahickon Baptist
Church, at Terrace and Dawson
streets, who will direct the activi-
ties of the Junior Institute, which
starts its sessions tomorrow after-
noon, and which will extend over
a period of eight weeks!

Tomorrow will see the opening session of the Junior Institute, at the Wissahickon Baptist Church, Terrace and Dawson streets.

The Junior Institute, which will meet at 4 in the afternoon, is intended for all children between the ages of 6 and 14 years, regardless of religious denomination. The lessons have been prepared by one of the leading authorities in the field of education—a professor at the University of Pennsylvania. Consequently, there is no sectarian emphasis.

Just as the plant is given soil and cultivation, as a foundation, though they have no connection with the color and fragrance of the bloom which follows, so the Junior Institute will give the fundamental principles of character development in the field of religion, and the child will choose, by his own talent and temperament, his peculiar sphere of activity.

The Institution will run in courses of eight weeks each, there being an interval of two or three weeks between each course. Classes are conducted on Friday, so that the work will not interfere with the lesson study of the elementary day schools. The sessions are of one-hour length, so that it is possible for every child to attend.

The work is under the personal supervision of Rev. J. Norman Martin, pastor of the church. The children are instructed, as an assembled group, by lantern slides, chemical and magic displays, and object lessons. There will be singing and Bible memory work, and in fact everything that will serve to provide the community with better boys and girls, and therefore better citizens.

The lessons are not difficult home studies, but are things to be acted out by the children in their home and school life that will make them "doers of the Word, rather than hearers only."

For example, each Friday the child will report his activity of the past week, in terms of "Chores, Chances and Choices." In these three words it is claimed is hidden the secret of the success. The entire study is built around the word COOPERATION—with God, with Man and with Self. It considers better understanding of all races, creeds and colors. Lessons in cooperation are learned from the smallest insect in the world to the largest monster that ever roamed the earth.

Every child is cordially invited to share in this study and every parent is urged to cooperate with the Junior Institute.

Awards will be given on the last night for perfect attendance.

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Bible School To End Term Tomorrow

Wissahickon Baptist Vac-
ation Classes Had Sev-
enty Pupils

PARENTS ARE PLEASED

Public Invited to Closing
Exercises Tomorrow
Evening

Closing exercises of the Wissa-
hickon Baptist Vacation Church
School will be held tomorrow even-
ing, at 8 p. m., at Terrace and
Dawson streets. "This year," says
Rev. J. Norman Martin, "We have
had the best week-day school it
has been our privilege to conduct.
More than seventy were registered
and the average attendance was
fifty."

The school was divided into four
departments:

Beginners: directed by Mrs. Hoff-
man, assisted by Mrs. Culp; Pri-
mary: directed by Miss Martha
Yarnall; Juniors: directed by Miss
Beatrice Howarth; and the Inter-
mediates, directed by Mr. Martin.

The school staff consisted of Miss
Ada Yarnall, Miss Edna Richards
and John (Mike) Milligan.

The community is cordially in-
vited to the exercises on Friday
evening.

Following is a list of the register-
ed scholars: Betty Angstadt, Bea-
trice Barker, Raymond Barnes,
Ruth Burke, Betty Ann Clark, Edith
Clark, Billy Hobson, Augustus La-
Noce, Peggy Moran, Lois Turner,
Mildred Schmidt, Harvey Marshall,
Betty Santman; Claire Boyd, Ruth
Carden, Esther Clark.

Katherine Costes, Shirley Crow-
ther, Mildred Culp, Grace Good-
year, Helen Green, James Hart,
Doris House, Phillip Martin, Helen
McAlister, Kenneth Morris, Ruth
Pierce, Caroline Schmidt, Eunice
Turner, Vernon Varcoe, Anthony
Millicork, Lloyd Marshall, Margaret
Miles.

Ralph Angstadt, Amanda Costes,
Helen Costes, Helen Graff, Thomas
Howarth, Harry Johnson, Walter
Johnson, William Jones, Quinton
Kindon, Louis LaNoce, Harry Mor-
ris, Vivian Turner, Sarah Varcoe,
Lorette Haerberle, Francis Maurer,
Bertha Schmidt, Harry Thiess,
John Tratoir, Andrew Alburger,
Vincent Glaser, Roy Cox, Robert
Jones.

Wilbur Culp, Eva Goodyear.

Helen Gilden, Charles Graff, Hazel
Green, Emily Hoffman, Henry Ser-
winski, Harry Turner, Catherine
Fisher, Robert Sands, William Her-
bert (Tom Sands, John Robert
(Jack) Stuart, George Alburger,
Anna Crowther.

A representative of The Press
had the pleasure of visiting the
school, one day last week, and was
surprised at the enthusiasm exhib-
ited by the pupils.

Strict attention was being paid to
the speaker, and a complete atmos-
phere of co-operation prevailed
during the time he spent there.
Comments from parents, too, attest
to the value of the work which was
accomplished by this summer school
and it is somewhat regrettable
that the term will not continue for
a longer period.

Fine Program At School In Wissahickon

Children Delight Grown-ups
With Knowledge of
Gospel

MARTIN PRESIDES

Summer School Proved to
Be a Huge Suc-
cess

If Charles Dickens could have seen the children at the Wissahickon Baptist Church, Terrace and Dawson street, last Friday evening, when closing exercises of the Vacation Bible School were held, and inquired of any of the teachers his, or her, purpose in conducting such classes, the instructors could have very readily answered in the words of his own poem, "The Children", "The twig is so easily bended, I have banished the rule and the rod;

I have taught them the goodness of knowledge,
They have taught me the goodness of God.'

To the grown-ups who had not visited the school during its four-days-a-week sessions during the past three weeks, the remarkable performance of the youthful Bible students must have been amazing.

By means of object lessons and talks, phrased in words understandable to their age, more than seventy-five pupils who attended the school, were taught an astonishing amount of Biblical facts, all of which were reviewed for the benefit of their elders.

Rev. J. Norman Martin, pastor of the church, conducted the exercises, with the assistance of Miss Ada Yarnall, at the piano, and the staff of teachers consisting of Mrs. Hoffman, Mrs. Culp, Miss Martha Yarnall, Miss Beatrice Howarth, Miss Edna Richards and John Milligan.

Hymns, recitations, a memory test, a survey of the first eight chapters of the Gospel according to St. Mark, the explanations of the various studies, made up the program.

Prizes for perfect attendance were awarded to Betty Angstadt, Raymond Barnes, Augustus La Noce, Vernon Varcoe, Doris House, Grace Goodyear, Helen Green, Mildred Culp, Eunice Turner, Eva Goodyear, Helen Graff, Vivian Turner, Harry Johnson, Thomas Howarth, Louis La Noce, Harry Morris, Harry Turner and Wilbur Culp.

After the formal ceremonies had ended the parents and others who attended were permitted to inspect the handicraft work which the pupils had made during the term.

The vacation school, which ended a most successful season, was supported by church and Sunday School groups, and by individual contributions.

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BIBLE SCHOOL TEACHERS AND PUPILS



Faculty and three of the classes of the Wissahickon Baptist Daily Vacation Bible School, which ended its term last Friday.

Baptists to Honor Their Senior Deacon

Members of Wissahickon
Church to Pay Tribute
to Fred W. Gilliard

A FAITHFUL WORKER

Testimonial Dinner Will Be
Held on Wednesday
of Next Week

On Wednesday evening, of next week, October 14th, at 6:30 o'clock, the members of the Wissahickon Baptist church, at Terrace and Dawson streets, will tender a testimonial dinner to its senior Deacon, Fred W. Gilliard. Deacon Gilliard will attain his 81st birthday on that date.

With his brother, Charles Gilliard, Brother George Ott, Miss Odele Hubbs and Miss Annie Lancaster and several others, he is one of the pillars who supported the church through her early days as a mission and then a duly chartered church.

He was baptized on February 1, 1886; elected a trustee on June 30, 1890 and has served the church in many capacities since.

The pastor, Rev. J. Norman Martin, says of him, "No church has been blessed with one more faithful in performance of his duties and no faith has ever been graced with an adherent more sincere in his profession.

"His pure Christian spirit of 'doing good and ignoring evil' has born much fruit. He lived by one doctrine—'if you can say nothing good, say nothing.' He beheld the possibilities of a better man in every one.

"His sterling character is witnessed to by the fact that the community holds him in the same high esteem as does the church for which he has literally poured out his life. An inspiration of devotion to a great cause to every youth in the church he carries on today with them shoulder to shoulder in every activity.

"The church is honored to thus pay its homage to such a leader and the community is cordially invited to join in this great tribute."

The program is under the direction of Mr. Martin and tickets for the dinner may be secured at 3736 Manayunk avenue.

Because of the number who will desire to attend none will be admitted without a ticket.

Chronicle

Feb 17-1882

EAST-END METHODIST CHURCH.—At a meeting of those interested in the new Methodist church to be erected on the lot corner of Manayunk avenue and Adams St., held at the Mt. Zion M. E. Church on Monday evening, the following Board of Trustees was elected, viz:

Sevill Schofield, Isaac Dearnley, Wm. Johnson, Henry W. Gray, Jas. Craven, John W. Platt, John Schofield, Sylvester Yardley, John M. Hodson.

A vote of thanks to the Committee on the Mission appointed by the Mt. Zion church, for their zeal in securing the \$2000 required to secure the lot, was carried unanimously. The following resolution, offered by Dr. W. B. Trites, as representing the parent church, met with equal favor:

"That the three trustees chosen from the membership of the church have its hearty sympathy and cooperation, with earnest prayers for the entire Board and for the Divine blessing upon their work."

The lot, which was presented by Mrs. Maxson, is 91 by 135 feet, and is eligibly located. A Sunday school will be started when a suitable room can be obtained. The idea of calling this enterprise a mission is not favorably received, the plan being to establish an independent church, with a roomy and respectable building. The new trustees expect to have a meeting on next Monday evening. The prospect is good, and the people seem very much interested.

The original committee consisted of Messrs. John M. Hodson, B. M. Simpson and Sylvester Yardley. Subsequently Mr. Simpson withdrew and the Mt. Zion church—fruitful mother of churches—appointed Mr. John W. Platt, Dr. W. B. Trites and Rev. Joseph Mason.

Chronicle

June 5, 1896

By a nicely prearranged plan the Rev. T. T. Mutchler and Mrs. Mutchler, of Wissahickon Methodist Episcopal Church, were induced to dine Monday evening at a friend's house. On their return they found that the congregation had taken possession of the parsonage for the purpose of giving their pastor and his wife a surprise reception in honor of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Mr. Joseph Kippax acted as master of ceremonies. The Rev. and Mrs. Mutchler were each presented with a purse containing twenty-five silver dollars by Robert Winchester and Mrs. Charles Stephenson respectively.

The Dudley Buck Glee Club, under the direction of Robert Wooler, sang a number of selections, and recitations were given by Misses Mamie Liebert and Rena Longbine.

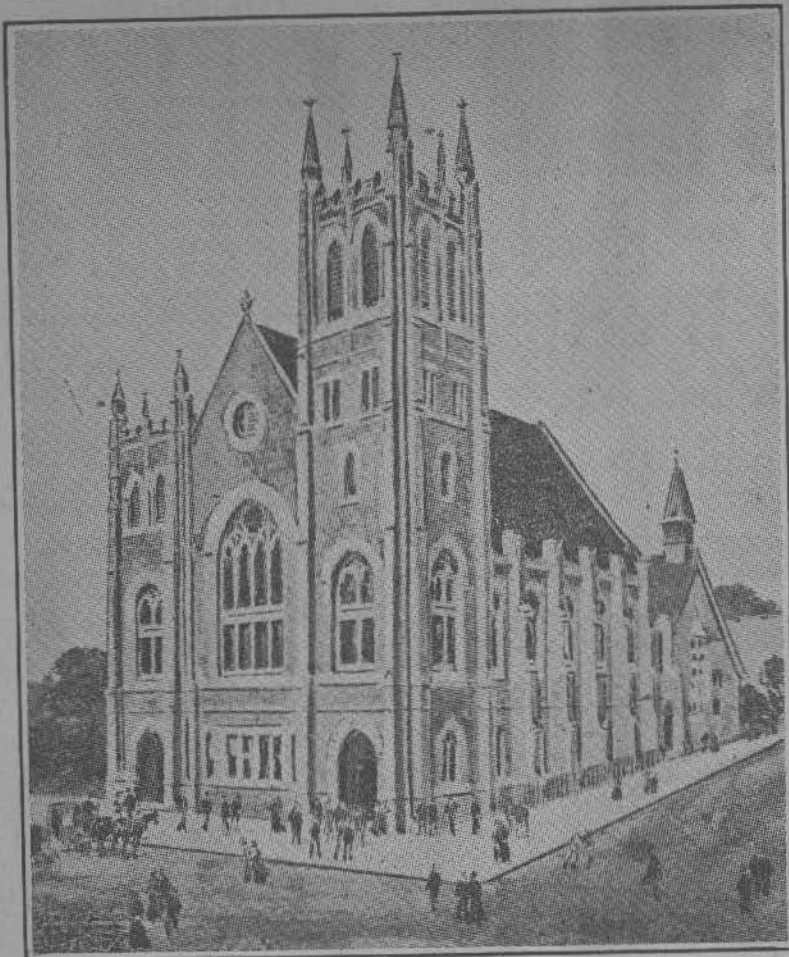
The Rev. T. T. Mutchler, M. D., and

Miss Emma F. Vannatta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Vannatta, of Harmony, N. J., were married May 31, 1871, by the Rev. Mr. Spade, of the Presbyterian Church of that place. They have three daughters and one son.

Dr. Mutchler was born in Warren county, N. J., in 1850, and was educated at the Blair Academy and afterwards studied medicine in the University of New York, from which he graduated in 1871. He practiced medicine for six years in Broadway, N. J., and in 1877 was admitted to the ministry and given charge of the Methodist Episcopal church at the Delaware Water Gap. Since then he has served a number of churches in this State, including the Falls of Schuylkill from 1889 to 1892, and the Sarah D. Cooper Memorial Church, where a \$73,000 addition was made during his pastorate. In 1895 he was assigned to the Wissahickon Church.

—Ledger.

FOUND UNSUITABLE.—The lot donated by Mrs. Maxson some time ago, at the lower end of the town for the purpose of building thereon a Methodist church, has been found unsuitable for the purpose owing to the peculiar and unfavorable grade of the land, and the trustees have been under the necessity of resigning the grant into the hands of the donor. Having secured an eligible lot, however, on the corner of Adams and Terrace streets, immediately adjoining, the probability is that before long a building will be erected on it. The lot, which consists of four ordinary building lots combined, is about 73 x 136 ft., and the price paid was \$3,050. The plan of the new building has been decided upon, and an effort will be made to have it under roof before the severe winter sets in.



FINE METHODIST CHURCH.

Handsome Wissahickon Edifice
Dedicated by Bishop Foss.

Debt on Building All Paid.

Services Continued Throughout the
Week and Prominent Methodist
Clergymen take part in them.

Large congregations attended the morning, afternoon and evening services marking the dedication of the new Wissahickon Methodist Episcopal Church, Terrace and Harvey streets on Sunday last. In the morning Bishop Cyrus D. Foss preached from the theme, "Whom do men say I, the Son of Man, am?" At 3 o'clock the dedicatory services were held, Bishop Foss officiating. The sermon was preached by the presiding elder, Rev. William McDowell, who had as his text, "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Rev. Thos. O'Hanlon, president of Pennington Seminary, and the pastor, Rev. Virgil E. Rorer, also took part in the exercises.

The new edifice, the largest devoted to Methodism in that section of the city was erected under the supervision of a Building Committee consisting of Isaac Dearnley, John Kenworthy and Rev. Virgil E. Rorer. It is built of Port Deposit granite, of modern Gothic English architecture, 73 by 91 feet, with two square towers, one of which is 125 feet in height. The main auditorium is

finished in golden oak, and the Sunday school in the rear, in cypress. Combination chandeliers of unique design hang from the lofty ceiling. The pews are of quartered oak, and the heating and acoustic properties are as near perfect as possible. The windows, of cathedral glass, 15 in number, are memorials donated by members of the congregation.

The property is valued at \$82,000, the new edifice being erected at a cost of \$61,000. Up to yesterday only \$37,784 has been paid. Collections made at the morning service amounted to \$21,400, over one-half being given by the Dearnley and Kenworthy families, and the entire debt was liquidated at the afternoon and evening services.

Special services are being held during the week. On Tuesday evening there was a social gathering, with greetings from visiting and former pastors, Rev. C. W. Bickley, of the Mariners' Bethel, presided. Special music was rendered on Wednesday evening by the choir of Mount Zion Church, and the sermon was preached by Rev. B. M. Neil, of Easton. On Thursday evening a sacred concert will be given, and on Saturday a lecture by Rev. Dr. J. O. Wilson, of St. Andrew's, New York, with special music by the choir of Ebenezer Church. Next Sunday Rev. J. O. Wilson will preach, and addresses will be made by Dr. John E. James and George D. McCreary, with music by the choir of the Central Church, Roxborough.

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Church Has Anniversary

Wissahickon Methodist Episcopal Congregation Was Formed Forty-Six Years Ago.—Bishop Foss Dedicated Building 27 Years Ago.

Forty-six years ago—next Monday—on September 9th, 1883, with thirty-nine members and ten probationers, and Rev. J. Welch as presiding elder, the Wissahickon Methodist Episcopal Church at Terrace and Salaignac streets was organized, Rev. B. M. Neill was the first pastor.

The cornerstone of the first edifice was laid on April 14th 1883, and the dedication exercises were held on October 28th of the same year.

The first pastor, Mr. Neill, who came from the Second Street M. E. church, of Easton, Pa., was appointed to take charge of the local church on March 19th, 1884.

A fund for the erection of a new building was started by the Rev. A. M. Vivian, and the cornerstone was laid during his pastorate. The Rev. Virgil E. Rorer, who succeeded him, then took up the work, and through his untiring efforts and the liberal contributions of the people of the vicinity, built a beautiful structure in front of the old church.

Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, LL. D., dedicated the new building on October 4th 1902, with impressive ceremonies. The edifice, at the time of its construction, cost over \$80,000. It is built of Port Deposit granite, of modern Gothic architecture, 73 by 91 feet, with two square towers, one of which rises to a height of 125 feet.

The Suburban Press wished to extend its felicitations to Wissahickon congregation upon the attaining of another anniversary.

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To Dedicate Church Organ On Sunday

Improved Instrument To Go Into Service on November 17th

WILL HAVE CHIMES

Is Gift of Members of
Wissahickon Methodist
Church

Work on the organ at the Wissahickon M. E. Church, which has been going on for the last four months, has now advanced almost to completion and the formal dedication ceremonies will take place next Saturday evening, November 17th.

The dedication service will include organ selections by Miss Edith M. Griffenberg, organist of the church and the special selections by the choir.

The trustees of the church have spared no expense in their effort to make this organ the best in this community. In fact there are several features which are being introduced for the first time in Philadelphia. The new installation includes a full set of chimes, donated by James Stopford, of 127 Sumac street, in memory of his wife, who until the time of her death, six years ago, was one of the most active workers of the church.

A Vox Humana section has also been included, a feature unusual in organs of this type. The rich, mellow tones of these pipes are supposed to more nearly conform to the human voice than any other man-made instrument. The Vox Humana and the chimes are the unique features of the organ.

The modernization and improvement has been under the personal

supervision of Mr. George Losh, president of Midmer, Losh Inc., who have also contracted to build the world's largest organ for installation in the new Convention Hall at Atlantic City. This organ is to cost \$365,000. In speaking of the Wissahickon organ, Mr. Losh appraises the value at \$20,000.

The original organ which was donated by Mrs. Elizabeth Dearnley and Miss Jennie Schofield, in memory of their father Uriah Schofield, still remains intact, the only change being the replacement of the old mechanical action by the most modern electro-magnetic system.

It is of interest to know that one of the largest pipes used was originally a part of the organ of the church, attended by the Roosevelt family in Oyster bay. This pipe is of wood, twenty-five feet in length and eighteen inches square.

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Church to Observe 83rd Anniversary

Ebenezer M. E. Congregation
To Have Special
Services

ORGANIZED IN 1847

Manayunk Religious Group
Has Had Interesting
History

Members of Ebenezer M. E. church, at Gay and Mansion streets, will, on next Sunday, celebrate the 83rd anniversary of the founding of that church.

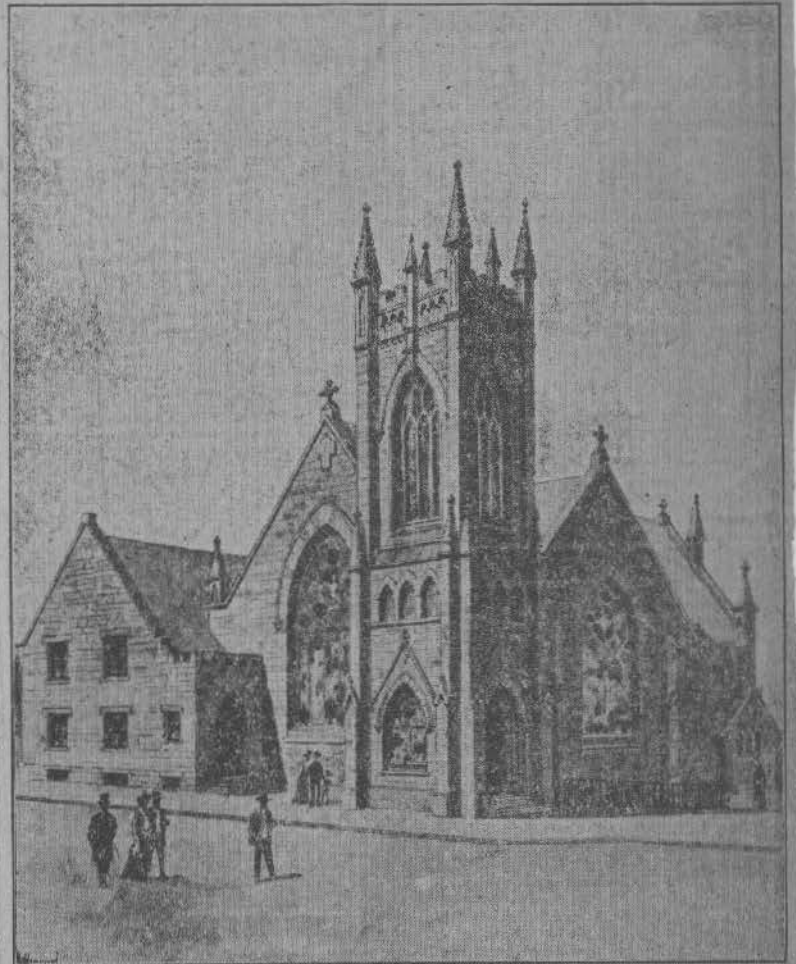
Special music, under the direction of Dr. Franklin Flanagan, will be rendered. At the morning service the selections will be: Prelude, "Springtime" by Kinder; anthem, "Te Deum Laudamus" by Lemarre, and postlude, "Postlude in C" by Mosmer. A sermon appropriate to the occasion will be delivered by the pastor, Rev. E. B. Baker.

In the evening the service will be in accordance with Boys' Week. Walter Snader and B. A. Kline, of the teaching staff of the Roxborough High School will make brief addresses. The music will include "Reverie" by Frysinger; anthem, "God That Madest Heaven and Earth" by Matthews and postlude, "Marche Anglaise" by Clark. Assisting the choir will be Masters William Marley and Elias B. Baker, trumpeters and Adam Lutweiler, xylophonist.

Ebenezer Methodist Episcopal Church came into being because of a difference among local Methodists over a matter of denominational administration. It was the second Methodist Church formed in Manayunk.

The congregation first met in the old Fourth Reformed Church, on Cotton street which is now occupied by St. Joseph's Polish Catholic Church. The church was formally organized on May 2, 1847. The church occupied successively the old police station on Main street, and the site of what is now the Dixie Theatre. On May 23, 1847 it was proposed to consider a new church building. Following this meeting the site at Gay and Mansion streets, where the present edifice now stands, was purchased and the cornerstone of the old church building was laid on July 25th of the same year and the building dedicated on March 19, 1848. The structure was enlarged in 1856 and

EBENEZER M. E. CHURCH



Situated on the corner of Gay and Mansion streets, in Manayunk. The members of the congregation will, on Sunday next, observe the 83rd anniversary of the founding of the church. Religious and social activities, held in the above building, under the direction of the pastor, Rev. E. B. Baker, have given to Ebenezer an enviable reputation among the churches of this vicinity.

again in 1869. The present house of worship was built in 1901 and has just recently been remodeled and decorated. It is constantly being improved and kept up to date. A noteworthy fact in its history is that Ebenezer Church has never been mortgaged.

The pastors who have served the church are as follows:

Revs. James A. Smith, J. Rush Anderson, J. R. McCullough, H. F. Hurn, Thomas A. Fernley, J. H. Alday, J. H. Taft, A. W. Milby, Gassaway Orum, James A. Brindle, J. Rush Anderson, Silas Best, Joshua Turner, William Meredith, Samuel Pancoast, Samuel Kurtz, George G. Rakestraw, W. S. Pugh, Charles W. Bickley, Thomas M. Jackson, Robert Whina, George W. F. Graff, B. T. String, John H. Wood, William Powick, William D. Jones, William H. Smith, Everett D. Decker, Henry Frankland, Charles W. Green, Arthur S. Walls, William C. Sanderson, William H.

Shaw, and Elias B. Baker.

The present pastor, Rev. Elias B. Baker, holds the record for length of service, and is now serving his eighth year.

Ebenezer church has long been known as a Sunday School Church. At the present time there is a full graded Sunday School, modern in every feature, with a fine corp of officers and teachers.

The Church and Sunday School gifts to missions, world service, hospitals, homes for the aged, orphanages and interests outside its own local sphere have been notable. It was one of the first churches in Methodism, throughout the United States, to complete its quota for world service in the Centenary campaign held by the Methodists a few years back.

The musical history of the church is very interesting and creditable. It has always been noted for the fine quality of its music and at the present time has one of the finest chorus choirs in Philadelphia.

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Loyalty and Visitation Week At Ebenezer M. E. Church

Services Will Be Featured by Return of Former Pastors to
Place of Their Earlier Labors.—Opens
With Communion on Sunday Morning

Next week has been designated Loyalty and Visitation Week at the Ebenezer M. E. Church, Gay and Mansion streets, Manayunk when special services will prevail from Sunday morning until Friday evening.

The program, as planned, will feature the visitation of former pastors of the church and special music.

At the morning service on Sunday, Holy Communion will be served, and on Monday evening an address will be delivered by Rev. Dr. William Powick, of Norristown. Dr. Powick, who is now retired, served the Manayunk congregation some thirty years ago, when its place of worship was erected.

Rev. Arthur S. Wahl, of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Brookline, Pa., will be the guest

of honor on Tuesday evening. Mr. Wahl another former pastor of Ebenezer Church, was its spiritual leader fifteen years ago.

The Wednesday night services will be conducted by the present pastor, Rev. David W. Siegrist and on Thursday evening, Rev. William Sanderson, of Chester, Pa. who served in Manayunk a decade ago, will deliver the principal address. Rev. Dr. John Watchorn, superintendent of the West District of the Philadelphia Methodist Conference, will be the speaker at the closing exercises on Friday evening.

Members are particularly requested to exhibit their loyalty to Ebenezer Church by attending these services next week, to which the public is also cordially extended an invitation.

Troop No. 99 Has Banquet

Father and Sons Dine at
Ebenezer M. E. Church, on
Tuesday Evening.—Visiting
Boy Scouts Show
Wierd Dances of Sioux.

Seventy-two fathers and sons assembled in the Banquet Hall of Ebenezer M. E. Church, Gay and Mansion streets, on Tuesday evening when the Third Annual Every Man and Every Boy Banquet was held under the auspices of Troop No. 99, Boy Scouts of America.

Charles A. Flanagan, one of the twelve members of the Troop Committee of Ebenezer church, acted as toastmaster of the affair, which turned out to be one of the most enthusiastic ever held in this vicinity.

Following the invocation by Rev. Elias B. Baker, Sr., Troop Chaplain, those present made an attack on the food which was prepared and served by members of the Young Ladies' League of the church. Interspersed between the courses, William Flanagan led in assembly singing, and was ably assisted by an orchestra composed of James Pickel, Edwin G. Pickel, Charles B. Husted, Eugene Chelminski and E. B. Baker, Jr.

When the meal was finished and the tables had been cleared, the toastmaster, who is also superintendent of Ebenezer Sunday School, brought the greetings of the school to the Scouts, and related some of Troop 99's history and told of the revival of interest which was being shown in Scout work.

Rev. E. B. Baker, the pastor of the church, also made an address, in which he told of the part taken by Ebenezer church in Scout activity and emphasized his remarks by reciting Edgar Guest's famous poem, "Daddies," and S. Kurtz Hingley's "Boy O' Mine."

Seven members of Troop No. 134 from the Stetson Manufacturing Company, entertained those present with several impressive Indian ceremonial dances. Those shown were: "Dance of the Omaha Tribe," "Smoke to the Winds," "Diminutive War Dance," "Victory Dance," and "The Scalp Dance." The boys were trained by Instructor John Janson, who spent seven years of special study among the Sioux Indians.

A vocal solo, "The Road to Mandalay," by Speaks, was sung by Assistant Scoutmaster Marshall F. Chappell; an offering which drew forth vociferous applause and an encore number.

Scout Elias B. Baker, Jr., displayed his remarkable talent as a cornetist, when he played "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life," by Her-

bert, and he, too, was called back for another selection. Dr. Franklin Flanagan officiated at the piano, during the musical parts of the program.

Joseph R. Sumner, Field Executive of District No. 1, of Philadelphia, described the work of the Boy Scouts and detailed the manner in which the general program helped to develop boys into better mental, spiritual, moral and healthy citizens.

Other speakers included Fred Carbaugh, chairman of the Troop Committee, and Scoutmaster John E. Baxter, of Troop No. 99.

The members of the Troop Committee who were present were: Fred Carbaugh, Roy T. Evans, Charles A. Flanagan, Dr. Franklin Flanagan, Charles B. Husted, Howard E. Lukens, Edwin G. Pickel, Harold Pennoek, and Howard W. Risley.

Troop No. 99 officers who attended were Scoutmaster John E. Baxter and Assistant Scoutmasters Marshall F. Chappell, Thomas Davis, James Street, Albert Walton and Lewis Moyer.

The banquet and entertainment ended when Scout Roy Davis brought forth the American flag, and with the entire audience standing, the Scouts recited the organization's pledge of allegiance and saluted the flag, after which Scout E. B. Baker, Jr., sounded taps.

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Twenty-fifth Anniversary Celebration.

The week's celebration of the Twenty-fifth anniversary of the Central M. E. Church, Roxborough, will commence this (Friday) evening with an organ opening, when the fine new instrument which occupies the rear of the pulpit will be in charge of David Wood, the widely known blind organist, of Philadelphia, to which a welcome variety will be given by a quartette consisting of Mrs. Catherine G. Brennan, soprano; Miss McGukin, contralto; Mr. R. E. Gordon, tenor, and Mr. T. Law, bass. The admission to this opening entertainment is 35 cents; children 20 cents, payable at the door.

On Sunday morning Rev. Dr. Swindells is expected to preach, and Rev. C. M. Boswell in the evening.

On Tuesday evening, June 2d, the Roxborough Choral Society will be present and entertain the assemblage.

Wednesday evening, June 3d, will be Sunday School night. Lawyer Wm. Murphy, Sup't of the Twelfth Street M. E. School, will be the chief speaker. Thursday evening will be a social reunion of former pastors of the church. Mount Zion M. E. Church Choir will furnish the music. Friday evening, June 5th, will be a reunion of all the Methodist churches of this ward. Ebenezer M. E. Choir will furnish the music that evening.

On Wednesday evening December 20, 1871, the then Presiding Elder of this District, Rev. Dr. Castle, visited the Central Church, for the purpose of forming the worshippers into an independent society. Being a Mission of the Mt. Zion Church, of Manayunk, a verbal application for membership was all that was necessary from members of that church, and 39 such applications were recorded. There were also 13 application from members of the Ebenezer M. E. Church, Gay street, and it was stated by Dr. Castle that certificates would be given them at once by the pastor, Rev. S. Pancoast. A number of applicants from other churches were also present, and were promised admission when their letters were produced. When the names were entered, the presiding elder asked if any desired to be admitted on Probation, when 17 persons went forward to the altar—something Dr. Castle said he had never before witnessed upon the formation of a new church, during nearly fifty years. His address to the young disciples was full of apostolic grace and fervor, as he reminded them that the object in joining the church was not to have a name but a character. He also congratulated the new society on its remarkable history and future prospects, and said that the hand of God was evidently with them.

The corner-stone of the present edifice was laid with proper observances, May 10, 1871. The CHRONICLE of May

13, '71 had the following notice of the event:

"The proceedings were opened by the Rev. J. Dyson, pastor of Mount Zion, who read the usual Disciplinary Address. Hymn 959, "Behold the sure Foundation Stone," was given out by the Rev. G. Cummins, of St. John's M. E. Church, after the singing of which the prayer in the Book of Discipline appointed for such occasions, was offered by the Rev. S. Pancoast of the Ebenezer Church. Rev. Mr. Cummins then read the 132d Psalm, and B. Schofield the 9th and following verses of the 3d chapter of 1st Corinthians.

The history of the enterprise was read by Jabez Hodson, the Superintendent of the School and the President of the Board of Trustees. The project for a Mission School had first been suggested November 21, 1869. But a room could not be obtained until that now occupied by them, corner Ridge avenue and Greer lane was offered them gratuitously by Chas. T. Jones, Esq., and the school was opened February 27, 1870 with 22 pupils and 12 teachers. Now there are 130 pupils and 22 teachers, though the rooms will not comfortably hold more than 80. On this account a chapel was talked of, and a committee, consisting of Messrs. T. Wyatt, M. Pester and Jabez Hodson, were appointed to secure the lot on which they are now building, and which is 106½ feet by 96. The ground cost \$2,000, half of which they paid, giving a mortgage for the remainder. (Details of the plan, dimensions, &c., were then given, as already published in the CHRONICLE.) The subscriptions to this time have been \$2,400, over \$1,700 of which has been paid in.

A regular attack was then made upon the principal difficulty, under the generalship of Mr. Dyson. The heavy ordinance, in the shape of 100 dollar subscriptions, was brought on first, and the firing was well sustained, as the amount rose in a very few minutes to \$1,100. After that some effective work was done with \$50 smooth-bores, and this was followed by a brisk fusillade of \$30, \$25, \$10, \$5 and \$1 subscriptions until the killed, wounded and missing footed up to \$1,768.50!

All confessed long before this result was reached, that Mr. Dyson had taken out a full degree in the soliciting business. He seemed to know just where the dollars were and just how to get them, and they might as well have come out first as last, as they had to come anyhow. Everybody that had aided in swelling the census was taxed \$1 for each "responsibility;" and Drs. Cook and Castle were made Life members of something or other, for the trifling consideration of \$25 each."

The customary coins, tokens, documents, &c., were then placed in the stone, and also, a few days after, a copy of the CHRONICLE of March 6, 1870, containing a report of the first service, Sunday, February 27, 1870, which may appear next week. ■

The Central Church as we showed last week, was legally constituted December 20, 1871, most of the members coming from Mt Zion Church, Manayunk. Of these the following are still living: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wyatt, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. P. Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Lackey, Mrs. Eliza Ayres, Henry Kemper and Jabez Hodson: the latter now resides at Wilmington, Del. The church at present has a membership of 240, and the Sunday School numbers 350. Upwards of \$3000 has been expended during the present year in improvements to the church building, including the purchase of a handsome pipe organ.

Following are the pastors who served at this church: Rev. Solomon Cooper, Rev. Wm. M. Gilbert, twice appointed to the church; Rev. Abel Howard, Rev. S. W. Gehrett, D. D., Rev. Richard Turner, Rev. Thomas A. Fernley, D. D., Rev. Michael D. Kurtz, who died after serving eight months; Rev. Philip S. Merrill, D. D., Rev. Curtis F. Turner, Rev. B. T. String, Rev. S. H. C. Smith, and the present pastor, Rev. W. H. Smith, who is now serving his third term.

The dedication of the Mission School out of which the Central Church grew, was thus referred to in the CHRONICLE for March 5, 1870:

Mission-School Dedication.—A dedication service was held in the room at the corner of Green Lane and Ridge Road, recently fitted up as a Mission School by the Mount Zion M. E. Church, at three o'clock on Sunday afternoon last. Notwithstanding the cold and heavy drizzle which set in after noon, the place was filled to overflowing at the time for commencing the exercises.

We found the room very handsomely fitted up with new seats, and the walls covered with a neat marble paper above, and panelled in oak at the sides. A large desk had been donated by the Roxborough Lodge of Odd Fellows; and a very handsome full-gilt pulpit Bible, with a hymn-book bound in Turkey Antique had been procured through the exertions of Mrs. W. A. Simpson, Miss Ellen Hodson and Miss Lizzie Flounders. The papering had been done gratis by A. W. Glvin, and the painting, also gratis, by Joseph V. Peterman.

As the design of the meeting was to secure funds for the purchase of books, and to meet the cost of fitting up, we were glad to see quite a number of the male members present; but it turned out that the ladies, led off by Mrs. Simpson, Mrs. Jabez H— (we dare not fill up the blank) and Mrs. Matthew Pester, tried the mettle of the "opposition" most severely; so that we were not surprised when the sum of \$330 was announced as the result of the effort. Of course due credit ought to be given to the eloquence of Messrs. Pancoast and Cox, and the statement of facts given by Mr. Jabez Hodson, the superintendent; but the people had gone there with such an evident determination to give, that a few arguments, more or less, would not have seriously affected the result. The consequence is, that the school commences with a full supply of furniture and other requisites without a cent of debt; and, we may add, with a dozen teachers who have not been withdrawn from any other school. It was very characteristic and appropriate that, at the suggestion of the superintendent, the service should close with the long metre Doxology, which was sung twice over. And the overflowing joy of the brethren there was so contagious that we could hardly refrain from joining in, although belonging to another parish.

ORDER OF SERVICE

ORGAN PRELUDE

HYMN No. 5....."From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

APOSTLES' CREED—Repeated by the Congregation.....

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (Standing)

ANTHEM

OFFERTORY

NATIONAL MEMORIAL HYMN See Hymn No. 2

God bless the soldiers brave,
Who did our Union save
From Thralldom's wrongs!
They dearly loved the land
Where Freedom's glories stand,
And praise on every hand
To them belongs.

But "Sons" will take their place,
March with their measured pace.
All battle dangers face,
Should duty call.

We thank Thee that today
The clangor of the fray
Is heard no more;
May "Peace and Union" be
The watchword of the free,
And all our land agree
From shore to shore.

May angels deck each mound
That was not by us found,
With choicest flowers;
Long may the page of fame
Preserve each hero's name,
Who freed from slavery's shame
This land of ours.

Long may "Old Glory" wave
Over the land these brave
Old comrades won;
Long may Columbia stand
Firm as a rock-bound strand,
A guide to every land
Beneath the sun.

Like leaves in autumn blast
Their ranks are thinning fast—
We miss them all;

RESPONSIVE SERVICE.....Post Commander and Adjutant

POST COMMANDER—Adjutant, for what purpose do we thus attend Divine service?

ADJUTANT—To pay our tribute of respect to the memory of our late comrades.

POST COMMANDER—Have you a record of their services in the cause of our country, and in the Grand Army of the Republic?

ADJUTANT—Commander, I have.

POST COMMANDER—You will read it.

ADJUTANT—(Reading record of deceased comrades.)

POST COMMANDER—The record is an honorable one, and as the memory of all faithful soldiers of the Republic should be cherished, and their record preserved, I direct that these be placed in the Archives of the Post for future reference.

(The drummer will beat three rolls upon a muffled drum after the reading of the record.)

DECORATION OF MONUMENT.....Post Comrades

SOLO "Dropping from the Ranks"

RESPONSIVE SERVICE.....Chaplain and Comrades

CHAPLAIN—"What man is, that liveth and shall not see death? Shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? If a man die, shall he live again?"

COMRADES—Jesus Christ said: "I am the resurrection and the life. He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. And he that liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

CHAPLAIN—"Let not your heart be troubled. Ye believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions, I go to prepare a place for you."

COMRADES—"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors."

CHAPLAIN—"They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more."

COMRADES—"Neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat."

CHAPLAIN—"For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and lead them unto living fountains of water."

COMRADES—"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."

CHAPLAIN—"There shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain."

COMRADES—"For the former things have passed away."

COMMANDER—Senior Vice-Commander, how should all men live?

SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER—With trust in God and in love for one another.

COMMANDER—Junior Vice-Commander, how should comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic live?

JUNIOR VICE-COMMANDER—Having on the whole armor of God, that they may be able to withstand in the evil day.

COMMANDER—The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

COMRADES—We thank God, who giveth us the victory, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

COMMANDER—May the Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, keep us by His gracious presence, amid the conflicts of our mortal life, and at last receive us into everlasting peace.

COMRADES—Amen.

TAPS

Oliver T. Hendren, Jr.

MALE QUARTETTE "Tenting Tonight"

HYMN No. 702 "America"

SERMON—"Why This Memorial?" Rev. Frank D. Lawrence

PRAYER

HYMN "Battle Hymn of the Republic"

BENEDICTION

ORGAN POSTLUDE.....

COMMITTEES

Post No. 12, G. A. R.—George W. Gillet, Nathan Kuhn, William McKane, Isaac Wright, M. R. Lee, N. Warker.

Sons of Union Veterans—George W. Wright, Charles F. Aldinger, Albert W. Scott, Joseph Davis, J. Fred Kimpel, Grant Thomas, Charles W. Blum, William McKane, Jr., E. S. Sutch, Harry L. Leeser, Howard Manning, Oliver T. Hendren.

Hetty A. Jones, W. R. C., No. 124—Emma Engle, Mrs. Anna Webb, Mrs. Alice Fenton, Mrs. May Kurtz.

Auxiliary, S. of U. V., No. 14—Amelia Platt, Lena Lare, Margaret Sutch, Margaret Levering, Daisy Fisher.

Roxborough, May 15, 1928.

GENERAL ORDERS No. 1.

1. The Post members will assemble in G. A. R. Hall, Fountain and Ridge Avenue, Sunday morning, May 27, 1928, at 9.30 o'clock, to attend memorial services in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, leaving promptly at 10 o'clock.

2. Samuel Clegg Camp, No. 9, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; Woman's Relief Corps, No. 124; Auxiliary No. 14, S. of U. V. of C. W.; Soldiers and Sailors of the late wars and all patriotic organizations are invited to attend divine service with us.

3. The officers and comrades will meet in the Post Hall at 9.30 A. M. sharp, Wednesday, May 30, and proceed to decorate graves in St. Mary's Cemetery Thence by trolley to Upper Roxborough Presbyterian Cemetery, where Rev. Frank G. Bossert will deliver an address. The Post will leave car and form line at Rex Ave. marching from thence to the cemetery. Returning, comrades can have lunch at Post Hall and rest for the afternoon service.

4. At 1 P. M. sharp, Wednesday, May 30, every comrade of the Post and all soldiers and sailors of the late wars are requested to assemble at the Post Hall to participate in the Parade and Memorial Service at Lutheran and Leverington Cemeteries and at the monument in Gorgas Park. John W. Blackburn, Chief Marshal.

Address at Leverington Cemetery by Rev. J. Foster Wilcox, pastor of Roxborough Baptist Church.

Lincoln's Gettysburg Address by Oliver T. Hendren, Jr., Samuel Clegg Camp, No. 9, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Woman's Relief Corps, No. 124, will hold memorial services at the mouth of Wissahickon Creek, Sunday afternoon, May 27, 4 o'clock. Everybody Invited.

By Command of

GEO. W. GILLET, P. C.

Attest:

ALBERT W. SCOTT,
Post Adjutant.

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Mt Zion M. E. Church

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RUSSELL H. CONWELL.—See advertisement of Rev. Russell H. Conwell's forthcoming lecture at the Mt. Zion M. E. Church, Monday evening, April 13th, in this number. In the printed list of notices announcing the lecture appears the following from a report in the CHRONICLE of the lecture on "Acres of Diamonds."

"A perfect master of the orator's art; brilliant, incisive, overpowering, eloquent words are so linked with vivid gesture that he seems the born thrall of the reigning emotion; and wit never so keen, humor never so refined, yet broad and genial; pathos never so genuine and deep, make everything he touches part of a grand procession wherein axiomatic thought and pertinent anecdote not only point to Heaven, but lead the way. Almost every sentence is an inspiration; and in closing, his Jules Verne-ish grasp on the trend of scientific achievement seems to send an electric illumination to the very verge of the millennium.

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The Kinematograph.

Mt. Zion M. E. Church, spacious as it is, was well filled last Friday evening, the attraction being the Kinematographic exhibition given by Messrs. Hawthorne and Sheble, of 604 6 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

Part of the evening was taken up with a number of clever musical and vocal selections on the phonograph, all of the very best in their line; together with several fine stereopticon views which filled in the time agreeably between the kinematographic illustrations, of which there were twenty or more, each new group requiring some adjustments which could not be hastily made. Among other things the phonograph gave selections from "Poet and Peasant" as rendered by Holding's Military Band; while Isler's Orchestra supplied three beautiful airs, including "The Husking Bee," Titi's "Serenade," and "The Village Orchestra." Then there were two tenor solos as sung by George J. Gaskin, namely—"Sweetest Story ever Told," and "Say au Revoir, but not Good-bye;" and "Dancing on the Old Barn Floor," by the Unique Quartette. Two recitations,—"The Auctioneer in the Dime Museum" and "Casey en route to Washington," were also given, and a phonographic solo by "A Crying Baby," of which the operator said there are 48 verses but he gave only two! This reminds one of the poem by a converted Indian in the far west, the first verse of which ran as follows:

"Go on, go on; go on, go on;
Go on, go on, go on;
Go on, go on; go on, go on;
Go on, go on, go on."

There were twenty more verses, he said; but as they were all like the first one we need not repeat them.

The Kinematographie is truly described as "the world's latest and greatest invention for the perfect projection of animated scenes."

views are not only life-size but represent continuous motion, absolutely true to life in every feature and gesture, and so strikingly realistic and animated as to cause the audience to believe that they are actual eye-witnesses of the scenes that are being enacted before them. Take, for instance, the Inauguration Parade in Washington on the fourth of March. The excited crowds appear in full view, every action true to life; there are the marching troops, societies, bands and banners, all in natural motion. Presently the barouche containing President McKinley comes along; but, see!—one of the horses has stumbled and fallen! Instantly a number of policemen are seen rushing to the spot to render necessary assistance, the animal is in position again and the cortege moves on as before. Or, watch the "Limited Express." You see it in the far distance, a mere speck on the horizon, while in the foreground a number of people have gathered at random and are looking up the track. But the "Limited" looms up larger and still larger until at length it goes thundering past, the

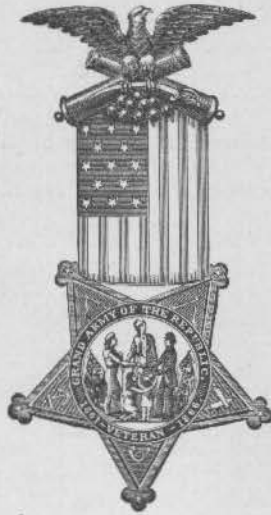
passengers waving their handkerchiefs in response to the equally animated greetings of the wayside spectators.

The "Stable on Fire" is among the grandest things shown. Carlyle says, in his tract on Chartism: "Wherever there is smoke there must be some fire." Truly enough the smoke issuing from the stable in front of you is quickly followed by a burst of flame, and there are horses in that stable; what is to become of them? Well, presently, the police are on the scene; but how to get in? Ah, they have "been there" before! You notice that they stoop down under the thickest of the smoke, and in a short time they emerge leading out six or seven horses, the poor beasts evidently little the worse for their baptism of fire.

Among the humorous features was the "Lone Fisherman." The plank on which he sits far over the edge of the stream is weighted at the shore end by a heavy stone. To the occupants of a passing carriage he rises and makes a graceful obeisance; but just then a scamp who comes on the scene in the wake of the vehicle craftily pushes away the "safety" boulder, and the duped angler splashes head over heels into the water, to come up a few seconds later puffing and spluttering, "as large as life and twice as natural."

This may be enough to give some idea of the sort of entertainment given at Mt. Zion last Friday evening. It will be strange if some of our societies do not have something of the kind before the season is over.

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In Memoriam



JOHN BEECHER
Co. G, 3rd Regiment
Penna. Art.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Hetty A. Jones Post 12

G. A. R.

FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

GREEN LANE, WEST OF RIDGE AVENUE

REV. FRANK D. LAWRENCE, Pastor

SUNDAY, MAY 27TH, 1928

AT 11 A. M.

*Held in Grateful and Devout Commemoration
of Deceased Members*

A DRAPED CHAIR FOR EACH COMRADE

Church School Building Is Dedicated

Members of First M. E. Church Held Formal Exercises Last Sunday

EVERY DETAIL MODERN

Prominent Clergymen and Laymen Participate in Opening Ceremonies

Roxborough's newest structure for use in religious education was dedicated with finely arranged services, last Sunday, when the recently completed church school building of the First M. E. church, Green lane west of Ridge avenue, was formally opened for use.

The building was planned by the architectural firm of Davis & Dunlap. M. Edmunds Dunlap, one of the designers, is a resident of Roxborough and the superintendent of the First M. E. School. C. C. Edelman, also of Roxborough, was the building contractor, who erected the new school, costing \$82,000, which consists of an auditorium, individual class rooms for Beginners', Junior, Senior and Adult age groups, and every modern convenience required for religious teaching. It is recognized as the last word in such structures. Ground was broken for the building in October of last year.

The dedication exercises were comprised of a morning service, at which the pastor, Rev. Frank D. Lawrence preached a sermon entitled "Go Forward"; an afternoon session, in charge of John Morton, former school superintendent and chairman of the Building Committee, at which the speakers were: Rev. Dr. John Watchorn, West District Superintendent, and Dr. E. S. Brewster, superintendent of Religious Education of the Philadelphia M. E. Conference. Rev. D. W. Siegrist, pastor, and Charles A. Flanagan, church school superintendent of Ebenezer M. E. Church, brought congratulatory messages, as did also Rev. William J. Bawden, of the Wissahickon M. E. Church, and Harry Evans, school superintendent of the Ridge Avenue M. E. Church.

Mr. Morton, on behalf of the Building Committee, made up of himself, W. E. Shappell, Arthur Stetler and C. L. Turner, officially

turned the building over to Rev. Mr. Lawrence the pastor, and to M. Edmunds Dunlap, the school superintendent, each of whom responded with addresses of acceptance.

A dedication hymn, written by Robert L. Hain, was sung at this service. The hymn is worded as follows:

DEDICATION HYMN Tune (Duke Street)

To thee our God we dedicate
This temple built to honor thee,
Lord guide us in our task so great
To train our youth to worship thee.

Each Sabbath may thy children
here
Learn more of thy great love so
dear,
And may the light of thy great
truth
Guide them throughout their days
of youth.

Here may our youth their voices
raise
In one accord to sing thy praise,
Oh love them, guide them, teach
them Lord,
And help them to revere thy word.

And may thine aged Saints here
meet
To pay their homage at thy feet,
And praise thee for thy word of
light
That led them on thus far in life.

Let Youth and Aged their praise
proclaim,
And render honor to thy name,
And may we all thru thy rich grace
Earn for ourselves in heaven a
place.

In the evening the sermon, "Use of God's House", was delivered by Dr. George Henson, Northwest District Superintendent of the Philadelphia M. E. Conference.

The main church building has also been renovated and will be available for Communion Services next Sunday. The regular hours of devotion will be 10.30 a. m., morning worship; 2.30 p. m., Church School, and 8.00 p. m., evening worship.

Friends of the congregation are cordially invited to attend any or all of these services and to make an inspection of the new building.

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See also
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An Active Pastorate.

At its meeting on April 2d, the Presbytery of Philadelphia prefaced a series of resolutions highly complimentary to the Rev. Andrew Culver with the following account of his labors in connection with the early history of the Grace Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia:

"Ordained in October, 1847, Mr. Culver, after 20 years' service as pastor of the First Church, Manayunk under the then Third Presbytery of Philadelphia, followed by a three years' pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church of Southwark (not now in existence), became connected with Grace Mission. This mission had its origin in a Sabbath School which for 24 years had been conducted in the Landreth Public School building, at 23d and Federal streets. May 14th, 1871, Mr. Culver began preaching services in this building, which was not adapted for the purpose. Bethany Presbyterian Church had taken the Sunday School under its charge in the January preceding, and July 9th, 1871, the preaching services were transferred to a "big tent," constructed out of old sails borrowed from the Government.

Mr. Culver was indefatigable in his personal labors among the people of the neighborhood, and in personal exertions in collecting money and materials for the erection of a church building. A lot of ground at 22d and Federal streets was given by Mr. David Landreth, and the corner-stone of the church was laid September 24th, 1872, and the first services were held in the yet unfinished building December 22d, 1872, the anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth. It was not, however, till January 17th, 1878, that the church was formally organized; and on March 21st of the same year, Mr. Culver was duly installed its pastor.

During all these years his labors had not only been constant, but varied and arduous. Faithful in all the duties of his sacred calling, instant in season and out of season, preaching the word with peculiar adaptedness to the special demands of the people with and for whom he labored, ministering to their needs in sickness, affliction and sorrow, with a warm and sympathetic and intelligent interest in their lives, he drew them within the direct influence of the gospel spirit. Added to these services, by personal solicitation and effort and much expenditure of time and thought, he obtained the means and material for the completion of the building, overcoming all obstacles—patient, persevering and zealous. None but himself can realize the peculiar difficulties which he had to meet; and to none but himself and his God can be known the extent of his trials—his prayers, his struggles, and his anxieties. Well may Presbytery unite in devout thanks for the success which has crowned his labors."

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Mrs. Mary L. Burns.

It was a terrible shock to the many friends in this section of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Burns, when the news flashed through the ward of the passing away on Monday evening of Mrs. Burns at her home in Bristol.

About a week previous Mrs. Burns suffered an attack of grippe and was apparently improving, but on Sunday became unconscious and despite the best medical skill passed to her eternal home.

In the almost 25 years that Mrs. Burns was a resident of the 21st ward she endeared herself to all and especially to the members of the First Presbyterian Church, where her husband labored faithfully and earnestly so many years. The Chronicle, whose columns were so often enriched by her writings, places a spray of forget-me-nots over her last earthly resting place.

An honored life,
A peaceful end,
And heaven to crown it all.

Funeral services were held on Thursday at the home, 217 Radcliffe street, Bristol and interment was made in South Laurel Hill cemetery.

THE ORGAN OPENED.—The concert connected with the formal opening of the new Ibach Improved Organ at the First Presbyterian Church, on Thursday night, proved the capacity of the noble instrument to meet the most exacting requirements, although the Swell organ, with its 427 pipes, was never brought into action, the coupler being disconnected through the entire evening. The softer tones are very beautiful, and the massing of the more striking effects rich and grand. The opening piece of "Old Hundred," by Mr. Ibach, fully demonstrated this; and considering that nearly one-half of the 1034 pipes were silent, its full power may be imagined.

Crowded as we are, it is wholly impossible to do anything like justice to the merits of the players, Profs. Clemons and Noelsch, the beautiful singing of the Misses Knepley and Messrs. W. H. Smith, Geo. W. Knepley, Jacob Wilson and U. W. Weber, the effective reading of Miss Edith Adams, or the exquisite solo of the pastor, Rev. Chas. E. Burns, when he stated that the collection amounted to over three hundred dollars. The refurnishing, lighting and frescoing of the audience-room deserved half a column, at the least.

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PROTESTANT CHURCH PARADE.

Arrangements have been completed for the monster parade of the Protestant churches to be held in Philadelphia tomorrow (Saturday) evening. Members will meet at their respective churches and march in a body in time to take the 7.23 train on the Reading Railroad for Huntingdon street. The churches from this vicinity have drawn the following places in line :

- 1 St. Timothy
- 2 First Congregational
- 3 Fourth Reformed
- 4 Epiphany Lutheran
- 5 Manayunk Baptist
- 6 Grace Lutheran
- 7 Talmage Returned
- 8 Wissahickon Methodist
- 9 Falls Presbyterian
- 10 Wissahickon Presbyterian
- 11 Roxborough Baptist
- 12 Bethany Lutheran
- 13 St. David's
- 14 Manayunk Presbyterian
- 15 Ebenezer Methodist
- 16 Mt. Vernon Baptist
- 17 Galilee Baptist
- 18 Manatawna Baptist
- 19 St. Andrews
- 20 Falls Methodist
- 21 Falls Baptist
- 22 St. Stephens
- 23 Falls Episcopal
- 24 Roxborough Presbyterian
- 25 Central Methodist
- 26 Wissahickon Baptist
- 27 Emmanuel Methodist
- 28 Leverington Presbyterian
- 29 Moyer Memorial Baptist
- 30 St. Alban's
- 31 Ridge Avenue Methodist
- 32 Mt. Zion Methodist

MANAYUNK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The annual meeting of this church and congregation was held in the lecture-room, on Monday evening. Thomas L. Milligan was called to the chair, and John C. Young was appointed secretary. The first business was the reading of the secretary and treasurer's annual report.

The receipts footed up as follows :

Balance last year	\$222.27
Pew-rents,	1238.80
Penny Collections,	219.92
Special & Sundries,	196.75
Parsonage Fund,	2195.75
Miscellaneous,	2.51
Total,	4076.00

Among the payments were \$1000 for pastor's salary; \$175 for new heaters; \$1969.40 to pay off mortgage on Parsonage, which is now clear; and \$326.72 for back taxes covering seven years, a balance remaining of \$69.20, with not a cent of debt against the church.

The next business was the election of three trustees, to serve for three years, and Rudolph Gallati and Benjamin F. Davis was re-elected, the next highest candidate being George McKeown.

On motion, it was resolved to change the note policy of Insurance on the church building to a perpetual policy, and also to take out a policy for \$5000 additional.

It was also, on motion, resolved to increase the salary of the pastor, Rev. Chas. E. Burns, from \$1000 per annum to \$1200, and the salary of the janitor, Mr. Robert McKnight, from \$200 to \$250 per annum.

On motion, the secretary was instructed to have the balance-sheet for 1881 printed for distribution among members and pew-holders. The meeting closed by singing "Praise God from whom all blessing flow."

At the close of the annual meeting, the Board of trustees, consisting, besides those already named, of Messrs. S. S. Keely, H. J. Ramsay, F. A. Sobernheimer, John C. Young, Wm. Boon and Thos. L. Milligan, met and organized for the year, as follows:

President, H. J. Ramsay; treasurer, Wm. Boon; secretary, Rudolph Gallati. Committee on Church Property: F. A. Sobernheimer, B. F. Davis, John C. Young.

A LITERARY EVENING.—A month ago, the exercises at the Mite Society Sociable in the First Presbyterian Church, were chiefly musical; but at their entertainment last evening, the equilibrium was restored, the selections being wholly literary.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the pastor, Rev. Chas. E. Burns, and the minutes were read by the Sec. pro tem., Mr. W. Davis, who made the best speech of the evening by stating that the collections, in all, amounted to \$17.34.

The exercises proper opened with the recitation, "Old Robin," by J. Milligan, the people listening with superhuman patience. Mr. Jno. C. Young then read a grand selection from Daniel Webster, on the "Eloquence of Action," which put a merited extinguisher on the spouter who had just taken his seat. Miss Ray Fulmer also gave a Reading, "Aunt Tryphena Bordergrass' May-day party," which averaged about two laughs to a line and was excellently done, the different voices and dispositions being clearly represented, and all its rollicking humor brought out. Byrant's "Song of the Stars" was then recited by J. Milligan, after which Miss Maggie Cavanaugh, Centre street, recited beautifully the piece named "Advice," which appeared three weeks ago in the "Children's Hour" of the CHRONICLE, thereby winning the bound volume of selections in prose and poetry which the editor had promised to the first Sunday School scholar who should recite the poem at a public concert. The presentation was made by the pastor, who briefly stated the reason why it was made, and Miss Maggie took her seat, evidently much pleased with her well-earned prize. The closing piece was a recitation, "My Kate," by J. Milligan, after which infliction the people were glad enough to separate, of course. The rain had kept some away who should have taken part, but the audience was better than the weather.

July 1-1904

A Striking Letter of Dismissal.

The following Letter of Dismissal from a church in Ireland to the First Presbyterian Church of Manayunk is quite interesting, in that it differs somewhat in form from an American Church Letter :

This is to certify that _____ is a member of _____ in the full enjoyment of all privileges; that she belongs to a respectable family where a good training was enjoyed; that she has enjoyed the esteem of the community for her industry, integrity and kindness; and that she is commended to the fellowship of the church.

Signed in behalf of the Session.

Dec 1-1916

Willing Workers.

At the recent Bazaar held at the Bellevue-Stratford for the benefit of the Bala Home the churches of this section were represented as follows :

- Falls Presbyterian—Mrs. Josiah Linton.
- Wissahickon Presbyterian—Mrs. John C. Young.
- Manayunk Presbyterian—Mrs. C. C. A. Baldi,
- Fourth Returned—Mrs. W. S. Moscrip.

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number is Manayunk 1140. Just bear it in mind if you have an item of news or in need of printing.

CHURCH NOTES.

Our prices for all kinds of printing can be had for the asking.

Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, Rev. W. B. Forney, pastor. Sunday services: Preaching 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Bible School 2 p. m. B. Y. P. U., 6.45.

Mt. Zion M. E. Church, Rev. Robert Hetherington, pastor. Preaching services 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School 2.15. Prayer service Wednesday 8 p. m.

Emmanuel M. E. Church, Rev. John Priest, pastor. Class meeting 9.30. Preaching 10.30. Sunday School 2.00. Christian Endeavor 6.45. Preaching and song service 7.45. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

First Baptist Church. Rev. W. A. Crawford, pastor. Morning worship 10.30. Bible School 2.30. Evening worship 7.30.

Ebenezer M. E. Church. Rev. Arthur S. Walls, pastor. Preaching at 10.45 and 7.30. Sabbath School at 2.00. Prayer service Wednesday 8.00 p. m.

First Presbyterian Church, Baker and Dupont street. Rev. Geo. N. Makely, pastor. Preaching 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School 2.15. Christian Endeavor 6.45. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 8 o'clock.

Epiphany English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Green lane and Silverwood street. Rev. Carl H. Hirzel, pastor. Main service 10.30. Sunday School 2.15. Vespers 7.30. Midweek devotion Wednesday at 8.

The Bible School closed one of the most successful years of its history last Sunday. The enrollment passed the 270 mark. The total attendance in spite of the losses of the summer, was only 85 below that of the previous year, which itself had eclipsed any former year by several hundred. The faithfulness of the teaching corps and not any special social activity is the secret of Epiphany's program.

A full house greeted the Rev. Pres. H. A. Weller, D. D., on the night of November 19th. Dr. Weller left an indelible impress on the congregation by his inspiring and helpful sermon.

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MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY.—NEWS FROM ALEXANDRIA.—The second anniversary of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian Church was held on Tuesday evening, the pastor, Rev. Chas. E. Burns, presiding. The meeting was opened with prayer and the singing of a hymn, "The morning light is breaking," after which ten young ladies read in concert selections from the millennial prophecies, which sounded like a grand anthem and prelude to the "marriage supper of the Lamb." The pastor then read the following

ANNUAL REPORT.

It is now two years since a little band of young ladies met in the Bible Class Room, and organized the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society" of this church. To-night, we meet to celebrate our second anniversary, and it is but fitting that we should give you a brief report of our work. We started with about thirty members, and the first year, with many fears, pledged ourselves to raise \$50 to support and educate a girl in the mission school at Teheran, Persia. We worked on, month after month, held eleyen meetings that year, added a few names to our membership, prayed and gave, and were able not only to pay the promised fifty dollars, but also to give about three dollars to the general mission fund. This second year of our existence finds us with about forty members, and much to encourage, and make us thankful. We have held meetings every month this year, alike in hot or cold, clear or stormy weather, and these meetings have steadily grown in interest. We have paid fifty dollars for our Persian Scholarship, and have by special donation from some members, and from our regular monthly collections raised beside this \$25, for the fund for sending out new missionaries. At the beginning of the year, we adopted a plan of appointing a young lady to prepare a paper on the field of missionary work designated for each month, and other members have read interesting articles about said fields, and original and selected essays on various topics. We have found this plan work well, and feel that by it, our knowledge and interest in the work have been greatly increased. During the year we have been called upon to part with some of our members by marriage and consequent removal from Manayunk, and with two of our number by removal, we trust, to the Heavenly Kingdom. These two were Miss Tillie Sloan, one of our first members, and Miss Elia Clegg, our late Secretary. In November, 1881, Miss Clegg was appointed Secretary, and served until her death in May, 1882, performing the duties of the office faithfully, and with ever growing interest and earnestness. We felt that she was to be a very useful member of our band, and rejoiced in her; but the Master called her home, and we were left to mourn our loss, and pray that another of like spirit might be raised up to fill her place.

This is in brief, the record of our work. It has not been all sunshine nor all clouds. The indifference of some has chilled our hearts, but the love and zeal of others has cheered and strengthened us. And to-night, we stand on the threshold of a new year, with hopeful hearts, and with a purpose to make the third year still more useful and encouraging; and would ask all the ladies in our church who have not yet joined us, to come with us, and we will do them good. All that we ask is "2 cents a week and their prayers."

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS.—The following officers have been elected in the Sunday Schools named below, for the current year:

Mt. Zion M. E. Sunday School.
Superintendent, B. M. Simpson.
Assistant Superintendent, James G. Donley.
Superintendent of Infant Department, Phoebe Crocket.
Secretary, Edwin Schofield.
Treasurer, Isaac Wilkinson.
Librarian, John M. Hodson.
Assistant Librarians—Albert Lee, Jaa. Wilkinson, Joseph Maiden, Oliver Leigh.

Mt. Zion No. 2, at Pencoyd.
Superintendent, James Hardman.
Assistant Superintendent, John Bradshaw.

Central M. E. Sunday School.
Superintendent, James L. Hodson.
Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Brenner.
President, Thomas G. Wyatt.
Superintendent of Infant Department, Mrs. Thomas G. Wyatt.
Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Lizzie Parker.
Secretary, William Yarnall.
Treasurer, Oram W. Pester.
Chorister, Mr. Brenner.
Organist, Mrs. Mary Layre.
Infant School Organist, Mattie Wyatt.
Librarian, Oram W. Pester.
Assistant Librarians—John Platt, Newton Wilson, Harry Oliver.

Ebenezer M. E. Sunday School.
Superintendent, Fred A. Lovejoy.
Assistant Superintendent, Frederick Weaver.
Superintendent of Infant Department, Mrs. James Flanagan.
Secretary, Andrew Flanagan.
Treasurer, William Russell.
Missionary Secretary, John Morton.
Missionary Treasurer, Ida F. Shank.
Chorister, Jacob Stout.
Librarian, T. C. Black.
Assistant Librarians—William Flanagan, Thomas Boon, Geo. Chappell.

Leverington Presbyterian S. School.
Superintendent, John J. Foulkrod.
Asst. Supt. Wm. Nice.
Supt. Infant Class Mrs. A. B. Detwiler.
Secretary, Annie E. Vandegrift.
Treasurer, John Doak.
Librarian, John Briggs.
Asst. Lib. Wm. Hendren.

First Presbyterian Sunday School.
Superintendent, Thos. L. Milligan.
Asst. Supt., John C. Young.
Supt. of Infant School, Edith Adams.
" " Bible Class, Caleb S. Davis.
Secretary, Rudolph Gallati.
Treasurer, Eliza Jane Dill.
Librarians: Messrs, Dowhurst, Hunter and Cavanaugh.

Over 100 children of this school are reading the Bible through this year with the pastor, Rev. Chas. E. Burns. They are now engaged upon the books of Genesis, Job, and the Gospel by Mark.

Reformed Sunday School.
Superintendent, A. W. Givin.
Asst. Supt. Geo. Dorwart.
Supts. Infant Class, Mary and Clara Schofield.
Secretary, Chas. Schofield.
Asst. Sec., Christian Flexer.
Treasurer, Letitia Talmage.
Librarian, J. Wesley Norbury.
Assistant Librarians, Geo. Schofield, John McCook, Robert W. Givin, Geo. Mill.

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CHURCH IMPROVEMENTS.—A congregational meeting of the First Presbyterian church will be held on next Wednesday evening, at the close of the weekly prayer-meeting, to decide upon measures for the improvement of the church edifice. The church is in a prosperous condition, and the time appears to have come when some indication of the fact should appear in its material surroundings. A full attendance is anticipated.

May 5 - 1882

CHURCH IMPROVEMENT.—At the close of the Weekly Prayer-meeting in the Manayunk Presbyterian Church, Wednesday evening, a congregational meeting was held, pursuant to notice, to consider the question of improving the church property, and especially the main audience room. The pastor, Rev. Chas. E. Burns, was called to the chair, and Mr. John C. Young was elected secretary.

The first business was to ascertain what changes and improvements were thought necessary, and the meeting finally, after thorough and careful discussion, decided on the following, namely: Carpets and cocoa matting for the floor and vestibule; cushions for the pews and cloth lining for the backs; the frescoing of the interior walls; painting the building and fences; new gas-fixtures, giving a better light; new pulpit and pulpit furniture; a pipe organ.

It was stated on behalf of the trustees that the several items had been carefully studied out, and it was expected the proposed changes could be effected for \$2,600. A subscription was then started, and in a few minutes \$1520 had been pledged, when a motion prevailed to renew the effort the first favorable Sunday morning, no suggestion being made to appeal to the outside public in any way. As the ladies of the Mite Society have \$328 on hand for the work contemplated the balance of less than \$800 will probably be raised at once when the effort is renewed.

A motion was put and carried that the editor of the CHRONICLE be requested to keep the account of the meeting out of his paper. Of course, such a request, from such a quarter, amounts to a prohibition, and we respect it accordingly.

ORGAN OPENING.—It is now definitely settled that the formal opening of the new Ibach Improved Organ, recently built for the First Presbyterian Church, Centre street, will take place on Thursday evening next, and tickets for the occasion can be had gratis from any of the trustees. Envelopes will be distributed at the same time, by means of which those so disposed can contribute to the Improvement Fund.

The instrument stands in the Western corner of the building, in a line with the pulpit. The centre panel will have nine decorated speaking pipes, and the side panels six decorated speaking pipes each. The top of the central pipe will be over 17 feet from the floor. The front is ten feet four inches across by nine feet deep, besides which the front platform extends several feet, to accommodate the pedal keyboard and the player.

The decoration of the pipes is highly artistic, and is the work of Mr. B. F. Pilley, 1515 Brown street, who makes a specialty of the business, and is not likely to lack sufficient patronage. The points of the pipes are delicate salmon color, with ornamentation of a darker shade; the body is of a dead light blue, and the tops of dark blue and gold. The tracery over the backgrounds indicated is of the most elegant description. The contract for the case was secured by Mr. Richard H. Patton. The marked features are the four massive yet ornate walnut pillars in front, some 16 feet in height. The casing is also of walnut, and has a substantial appearance. Some fine decorative work is shown on the side facing the pulpit.

Among several improvements which the builder, Mr. Ibach, claims as peculiar, we may name the double bellows, by which the effect of any irregularity in the blowing is counterbalanced and provided for. Another is the double-power available for the bass stops,—an important provision. By a peculiar system of openings, the tone of the various pipes is considerably softened, and in the instrument under review are two stops not often found in church organs, viz, the Harmonic Flute, and Euphonia. The organ is so put together, also, as to make any part of it easily accessible for purposes of examination, adjustment or repair, and the arrangement and combinations of the couplers, levers, &c., are exceedingly simple and novel. Altogether, for power and variety of tone and capacity for modulation, the artists who are to take part in the opening exercises will doubtless consider themselves fortunate in the opportunity to demonstrate what a really superior instrument can do. Among these artists we are glad to find the name of Mr. Bach himself, Prof. Clemmens, who was the organist at the Permanent Exhibition, Prof. Nelsh, and others.

Get tickets, if possible. They are works of art in themselves, and will be treasured for their intrinsic beauty, and as mementos of a delightful occasion.

From the Sunrise Land.

The announcement that Miss Bessie Milliken, a young lady who has spent eight years as a missionary in Japan, would speak, drew a goodly number of ladies and young people to the First Presbyterian Church on Monday evening, Feb. 27th. After singing a hymn, reading the Scriptures, and prayer, the President of the Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. Chas. E. Burns, introduced Miss Milliken to the audience, and bade her welcome as one who was working for the Master in a foreign land.

Miss Milliken has a pleasant face and voice and is deeply interested in her chosen work; so her words came eagerly and eloquently as she pleaded for the prayers of Christians for the women and girls of Japan. Miss Milliken's work has been principally in what is known as the Bancho School, situated in a very desirable part of the city of Tokio. She gave an account of the early days of the school, when it began in the little home of a Christian Japanese lady; of its rapid growth, until the present time, when the school occupies several buildings, has a large chapel, and is annually sending forth its graduates as lights among the "dark places" of their native land. It is an interesting fact, and one full of encouragement to those who have prayed or given aid to this school that, so far, no girl who has remained long enough in the school to complete the course, and graduate, has failed to become a Christian. Many of the graduates are now teaching village schools, or acting as Bible women; others are wives of native pastors or teachers; and all exerting a decided influence for Christianity. She gave the daily routine of school life, and spoke of the industrial features, which enabled girls who had not money to pay their board and tuition, to earn it by work in the schools. One interesting case mentioned was that of a poor girl from Takata, a town on the western coast of Japan, who walked two hundred miles, carrying her bedding and clothes on her back, and begged that she might be admitted. She had no card, and the school was already filled; but her intense desire to become a pupil induced the missionaries to take her, and for a long time she earned her board by washing for the school. She proved an exceptionally bright girl, and was soon promoted from her post at the wash-tub to be an assistant teacher in the primary department, and not long afterwards became an earnest Christian, and is now one of their best helpers.

Miss Milliken showed the Japanese style of dress by a costume she had brought from Japan, which one of the young ladies wore; and some of the ladies thought it would not be a bad idea to adopt a similar costume in America. It certainly possessed some advantage over our present fashionable gowns, in having not merely one, but two good-sized pockets and both in very convenient places! After her address and a closing hymn and prayer, quite a number remained to talk with Miss Milliken, and ask questions about her work.

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"Pennsy's" Engineers Instructed.

In reference to a polite remonstrance from Rev. Chas. E. Burns, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, to Geo. B. Roberts, Esqr., President of the Pennsylvania Railroad, complaining that the engineers on certain specified trains, particularly the one which leaves the city about 10.22 on Sunday morning, seem to take special delight in making as much noise as possible during the hours of worship, the following communication has been received:

PENNA. RAILROAD COMPANY.
Office of General Manager, 233 S. 4th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa., July 12th, 1893.

REV. CHAS. E. BURNS,
Pastor Presbyterian Church,
Manayunk, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir: Your letter of June 29th, to Mr. Geo. B. Roberts, has been referred to me.

I have looked into the matter referred to and have given directions which I hope will to a large extent diminish the noise made by engines passing your Church at Manayunk.

Yours truly,
S. M. PREVOST,
General Manager.

Westminster Heights.

The Chorus of the First Presbyterian Church and their friends to the number of thirty, in response to an invitation, took the 7.13 train on Tuesday evening on the Penna. Railroad for the home of Misses Cassie, Mary and Annie Miller, Westminster Heights, Montgomery Co. A short walk from West Laurel Hill Station soon brought the party into the presence of one of the finest views on the Schuylkill river. From the porch of the house the lights—electric and otherwise—that flash on the hills of Manayunk and Roxborough are seen to shine with beautiful brilliancy, and all along the valley the eye is treated to sights that make one wish they did not have to leave them and go back to the pick and shovel to sweat for daily bread.

Before going into the house the words of "Rock of Ages" were sung to the tender melody of "Juanita." Once inside it was difficult to restrain the pent-up feelings that must find expression, and soon familiar anthems made the hills resound; and when these had done their part then "other scenes from other lands" were brought into play, and the house was shaken to its foundations with the tread of marching feet that did not stop their march until they landed the owners into the room that, above all others, comes nearest to where the Chorus lives. Here it was that the individual abilities of each were brought prominently out in that particular line. It looked like a very serious problem how these people were to get home after being in that room, but this was solved by Mr. Benj. Haines, who hitched up a double team and took the first contingent for Sunncliffe and Wissahickon at the hour when the moon had almost reached its zenith and the owls were eating their dinner. As your correspondent was in this "party of the first part" he would not like to say that the party of the second and third parts had reached home yet, but of this he was sure—that when he was about to enter his own abode the sounds of hilarity were still coming from the mansion on the heights.

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Hot Weather Missionary Work.

The Missionary Correspondence Circle of the First Presbyterian Church should have for its motto, "Neither summer's sun, nor winter's storm, prevent our working for the Master," for despite the almost torrid weather of June and July, the meetings have been well-attended, and as much interest shown as in cooler weather.

At the June meeting, a letter was read from Mrs. Rice, a very faithful and indefatigable worker among the negroes and "poor whites" of Charlotte Co., Virginia. In this letter, Mrs. Rice asked for clothing, for men, women, and children, and spoke of the terrible destitution that prevailed. Mrs. Burns asked the circle to answer the letter by a barrel of clothing, new or partly worn, and it was agreed to hold a meeting on July 13th, and see what could be done. At the Wednesday evening prayer meeting, the letter was read, and the pastor asked the older members of the church to look among their closets' contents, and see if there was not something they could spare these needy ones.

On the appointed evening, the Circle met, and after the opening exercises, had the pleasure of hearing two very interesting letters, one from Texas, and the other from Persia. The latter one was of such general interest that we hope to see part of it at least in print, ere long. Then the barrel was placed in the centre of the room, and the packing began. Such a varied collection of dresses, hats, bonnets, caps, shoes, underclothes, men's coats, books, etc., as were packed, squeezed, crowded into that barrel, would have done your eyes good to see. There was not a single useless or too shabby garment in the lot; and many were entirely new, made by members of the Circle, for the occasion. An appraisal of the contents of the barrel, showed a cash valuation of sixty-six dollars, and a collection taken to pay freight resulted in over two dollars being given. By this time the box is probably on its way "down South," and there will be some proud and happy darkies in the Sunday Schools conducted by Mrs. Rice, when the fine garments are distributed among them.

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BEAUTIFULLY RENOVATED

Sep 21 1896
The Reopening of the First Presbyterian Church, of Manayunk.

After being closed for six weeks the First Presbyterian Church, of Manayunk, was reopened yesterday morning, when the Rev. Charles E. Burns, pastor, preached a sermon from the text: Psalm, lxxxiv, 1. "How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts!"

While the auditorium was closed services were held in the lecture room. The improvements consist of a thorough renovation of the outer walls having been replastered in buff, with a base of cement, and repainting of the woodwork. In the interior the walls have been refrescoed, the floors re-carpeted and the pews and organ renovated. The choir sang special selections under the direction of Mr. Thomas L. Milligan, chorister.

At the evening services the pastor read an historical sketch of the church, and was associated in the services by the Rev. John R. Sanson, of Roxborough, formerly pastor of the Roxborough Presbyterian Church; the Rev. Daniel H. Martin, of the Wissahickon Church, and the Rev. Andrew Culver, a former pastor, now pastor emeritus of Grace Presbyterian Church. In honor of the occasion no services were held in the Wissahickon Church in order to afford the ministers an opportunity to attend the mother church.

The church came into existence through a movement made by the Arch Street Church, which in 1833 sent the Rev. Charles Brown, a divinity student, out to Manayunk to arouse an interest there.

Mr. Brown lectured frequently in the Manayunk schoolhouse, the Lower Merion Academy, in St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Barran Hill; the Roxborough schoolhouse and the Falls of Schuylkill Academy, and on November 10, 1832, formed the First Presbyterian Church, the corporate title of which was "The First Presbyterian Church of Roxborough Township." The first services were held in the parlor of James Darrach's residence, and were continued there until a room was fitted up in Mr. Darrach's mills, the present Arcola Mills, owned and operated by Select Councilman Adams.

The first pastor was the Rev. James M. Davis, father of Robert E. Davis, proprietor of the Call. Mr. Davis was installed in 1833, when the sermon was preached by the Rev. Thomas H. Siddner, D. D. The church charter was obtained March 22, 1833, and bears the names of James Darrach, Andrew Young, George S. Williams, John Gaunt, Abraham Stephens and Jacob Lisher, Jr. The cornerstone of the church edifice was laid during Mr. Davis's pastorate. It was a one-story building, with a vestibule or porch that was supported by posts made from good-sized saplings, these were

replaced with neat stone pillars by the late T. Mason Mitchell, of Roxborough. The Rev. Sylvanus Haight was installed in 1836, and was succeeded in 1837 by the Rev. Charles Williamson, who served until 1841, when the Rev. William Wright was installed, and was succeeded in 1844 by the Rev. David Longmore. In 1848 the Rev. Henry J. Van Dyke was installed and served for one year. He was subsequently pastor of one of the leading churches of the denomination in Brooklyn, N. Y., and at one time was Moderator of the General Assembly. The Rev. Andrew Culver was installed in November, 1847, and served until November 15, 1867. During his pastorate the present church edifice was erected. In 1868 the Rev. A. V. C. Schenk was installed, and remained several years, when he accepted a call to the pastorate of the Kender-ton Church, at Toga. The Rev. J. H. McMonagle became pastor in 1871 and served until 1878. On October 5, 1878, the present pastor, the Rev. Charles E. Burns, was installed, and has worked with marked success. The church building has been twice renovated, and two other churches, the Leverington, of Roxborough, and the Wissahickon, established.

Mr. Burns laid the corner-stone of the Leverington Church in 1879 and of the Wissahickon Church in 1882. The church has a membership of about 500. Mrs. Sarah Kelm and Mrs. Sarah Atcheson have been members continuously for more than half a century. Connected with the church is a flourishing Sabbath school, numbering 325, of which Thomas L. Milligan is Superintendent. After reading the historical sketch Mr. Burns exhibited the seal of the church, which bears on its face, "First Presbyterian Church of Manayunk, organized November 10, 1832." It had been lost for more than fifty years, but was given to Mr. Burns on Saturday by the Rev. Dr. Bolville, of Germantown, formerly Stated Clerk of the Second Presbytery of Philadelphia.

He also exhibited a large iron key, with which the church door was locked and opened more than fifty years ago. The key was retained all that time by one of the elders, and was surrendered about ten years ago, upon the death of the elder, to Mr. Burns, by a member of the family. The cost of the improvements, together with paying off a debt, will amount to about \$2000, leaving the church with a renovated house of worship and clear of debt.

The Rev. Andrew Culver made an interesting address on "The Church as I Found It, and the Growth of the First Building."

R. R. Shronk
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Manayunk in 1832.

Below we give extracts from the diary of Rev. Charles Brown, the oldest Presbyterian clergyman in Philadelphia, who died last Friday morning at his residence, 4013 Spruce street, in his 91st year, and who was the founder of the First Presbyterian Church of this town,—the entries running from May 5 to November 18, 1832. The impressions of the writer, as here set down, give a vivid picture of the state of things in this neighborhood sixty-four years ago:—

1832.—*May 5.*—I have recently established a weekly prayer-meeting at the "Blocks"—a collection of houses a little out of the village; and have also started several reading classes in different parts of the town for the instruction of poor children, whose whole time is occupied through the day in factories, leaving them no time to devote to the ordinary means of education. These meetings of the children are held in several private houses at night. Sometimes from twenty to thirty pupils assemble in one room. These are divided into classes of 10 or 12, and placed under separate teachers, composed of a number of pious young persons who have volunteered to instruct the ignorant.

May 24.—Infidelity is more prevalent here than I at first supposed. Some of the most difficult passages from the Bible are sent to me for solution. They come through the hands of a pious lady. Our prayer-meeting last evening was crowded to overflowing. Much attention was given to the exercises. When we closed a female remained to be conversed with on the concerns of her soul.

June 2.—Walked over the Schuylkill to Merion Square, three miles distant. They say it is sometimes called War Office, from its profligacy. There is a fine school house but no Sabbath school at the place. The Rev. Mr. Jones, the Baptist minister, offers to co-operate with me in establishing a Sabbath school there.

June 17.—This afternoon Mr. James Darrach and I organized a Sabbath school in Fairview school house, three miles over the Schuylkill. We had nine teachers and thirty scholars to begin with.—Among all my evening reading classes none are more encouraging than the one at the "Blocks." It now numbers thirty pupils, some of whom are just learning their letters, some are spelling and others are reading.

June 21.—At the request of Miss Birkinbine I met her S. S. class, and several other scholars, in all sixteen, who profess to be concerned about their souls. It was a solemn meeting.

June 24.—As we closed this (Sabbath) afternoon we requested all scholars to remain who felt anxious about their souls; whereupon upwards of fifty remained, about twenty-five of whom were in tears. We conversed and prayed with them collectively and individually. As they were about to be dismissed they asked permission to remain and pray among themselves.

July 1.—Sabbath. Things in the Sabbath school continue in an interest-

ing state. Between forty-five and fifty scholars attended the anxious meeting. Several teachers dispensed with their dinners, remaining in the school room from the close of morning service until school hours in the afternoon, and spending the time in prayer. A similar state of feeling prevailed among the scholars during the past week. Anxious meetings were held for their accommodation. Some of them profess to have obtained hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

July 5.—Yesterday three of our Sabbath Schools, comprising three hundred and fifty children, celebrated the Anniversary of our National Independence in a pious and consistent manner. The procession had a good effect. The children sang hymns as they walked through the streets, which caused tears to flow down the cheeks of strong men. After the walk the scholars were collected in a grove, where the Declaration was read by a pupil, followed with appropriate addresses by several of us.

July 9.—The Teachers' Concert of Prayer was thinly attended; but the interest in the Sabbath school continues. Yesterday more than forty scholars remained at the anxious meeting. It was $\frac{1}{2}$ after 5 o'clock p. m. before we left the school room, and in passing by the same place an hour later I saw about thirty-five scholars reassembled to hold a meeting among themselves.

July 19.—The Cholera is now raging and this is the day of the County Fast, held for its removal, but it is only partially regarded in this town; yet I have found it a good day to my soul.

July 27.—We recently started a Temperance Society, and I was elected its secretary. We held a meeting this evening.

August 24.—I have just seen a cholera patient die, having been sent for to pray for him in his last moments. Although I have attended so many sick persons, this was the first human death I ever witnessed. We have distributed cholera tracts through the community, showing the people how to guard against the disease. Many already have the premonitory symptoms. I have some symptoms of cholera myself.

September 2.—Our regular Sabbath school room being converted into a cholera hospital for the present, we accepted the use of the Methodist church, kindly offered for our accommodation.

October 2.—Had a long conversation with Dr. Ash on the utility of Debating Societies. He wishes to have one established in this town, where all sorts of questions (including Theology) would be discussed. I feel incompetent to judge whether it would be well to have a society composed of skeptics, Deists, Universalists, Hicksite Quakers, infidels, etc., etc., and there debate on religious topics, trusting in God to convince them of the truth. It might do good, perhaps!

October 18.—Had a conversation with Rev. Messrs. Patterson and Grant, and Mr. Thos. Elms, with others, relative to organizing a Presbyterian Church in Manayunk.

October 20.—Took Rev. James M.

Davis and introduced him to a number of families. He addressed a meeting at the 'Blocks.'

October 27.—We have set this day apart for fasting, humiliation and prayer, in order to seek special Divine guidance, as it relates to the organization of a Presbyterian Church in this place. O Lord, direct our way, that we may not err.

November 10.—This afternoon our new Church was organized and called the 'First Presbyterian Church of Roxborough Township.' The organization was by the Rev. John L. Grant, assisted by Elders Dr. William Darrach and Mr. Kerr. The exercises were solemn and interesting. The Rev. James M. Davis is at present the preacher.

November 18.—Sabbath. To-day we organized a Sabbath School for our new church. Seventy-nine scholars came from the old school taught in the basement of Rev. Mr. Bumstead's Church, and most of the teachers from there also joined us. We are teaching in a stone building connected with Mr. Darrach's factory. I suppose measures will soon have to be taken for the erection of a church building.

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LARGE FUNERAL.—Notwithstanding the unusually heavy storm on Monday afternoon, the funeral of our late Surveyor, Mr. John H. Levering, No. 199 Green Lane, was largely attended, there being considerable delegations present from Roxborough Lodge, No. 135, F. A. M.; Harmony Chapter, No. 52, R. A. M.; St. Alban's Commandery, No. 47, K. T.; and the members of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and Washington Camp, No. 111, Patriotic Order Sons of America. The services were held at the house, Rev. A. Culver, former pastor of the Manayunk Presbyterian Church, delivering the address and Rev. Robt. Whinnis, of the Ebenezer M. E. Church, offering prayer.

Fortunately, the weather cleared comparatively when the funeral procession was about to start for Leverington cemetery, and there was very little rain until the sorrowing family and friends had returned to the house. At the grave, in the family lot, there were the usual brief religious services, and also the services prescribed in the rituals of the various Beneficial Orders in attendance, which were read by the proper officers.

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HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

BY REV. GEO. N. MAKELY

"A Society for the Spread of the Gospel in the villages in the vicinity of Philadelphia" was the name of a society of 20 young men organized in 1831 in the 5th Presbyterian church of Philadelphia, 10th and Arch streets. They employed Rev. Andrew Judson as missionary to Manayunk. He found a little village, located chiefly between what is now Green lane and Shurs lane, with no paved streets, no sidewalks, no street lights, muddy and dusty country roads and paths, many places not even paths. Many of the people were atheists, deists, universalists, Hicksite Quakers, infidels, skeptics. There were three churches: the Dutch Reformed, Mt. Zion M. E. and the Roxborough Baptist. He resigned in April, 1832 and his successor was Mr. Charles Brown, a member of the 5th church and student for the ministry. His work, like Judson's, consisted in preaching, visiting, teaching night school for illiterate children in the mills, Sunday School work, prayer meetings, etc. His work was in Manayunk, the Blocks, Upper Roxborough, Barren Hill, Falls of Schuylkill and Lower Merion. He worshipped in the Reformed church and taught in their Sunday School.

July 4th, 1832, the Reformed, Baptist and Methodist Sunday Schools, about 350 strong, paraded through the streets, singing hymns, and then went to the

man, an excellent Presbyterian, a sane adviser.

Rev. Hugh B. McCrone was pastor from January 31st, 1904 to June 30th, 1910. The membership was increased from 250 to 329. The Sunday School reached its largest membership, 543, in 1906. The 75th anniversary was observed in 1907.

The present pastor, Rev. George N. Makely, came March 1st, 1911. In 1913 the church reported its largest membership, 388; and in 1916 its largest gifts, \$10,344.

A CORRECTION.

Mr. Editor—Your correspondent in his "History of the Presbyterian Church" omitted the services of Rev. Longmore, who officiated for two or three years in the '40's.

He was an able preacher but somewhat pompous in his manner. He always carried a Bible when going to and from services.

During his pastorate instrumental music was proposed as an addition to the choir. He objected, but was overruled. A bass viol was added. The first Sunday after giving out the hymn he said the choir and congregation would sing and fiddle to the praise of
Old Resident

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where the Declaration of Independence was read and appropriate addresses made. Beginning in May and lasting through the summer there was quite a religious revival in the Reformed Sunday School with much prayer. Some Sundays teachers and others stayed after morning service without dinner and prayed till time for Sunday School, and teachers stayed with their classes after Sunday School and prayed two or three hours, though walks were just as inviting as now. One Sunday Mr. Brown left his glasses in the class room and when he returned for them he found more than 50 children without an adult earnestly praying. October 1st was the beginning of the new Sunday School officers. The School wanted one man for Superintendent, but the Consistory appointed another. They had a hot time.

Seventy-nine scholars and their teachers withdrew and met October 14th in the parlor of James Darrach near the present P. R. R. Station. A new church organization was considered. They went about it with dispatch. Thursday of that same week Mr. Brown consulted with some ministers of the Presbytery, and on Saturday he had with him James M. Davis, a member of Arch Street Church and licensed to preach, making calls in Manayunk, and in the evening preaching at the Blocks.

On Saturday, November 10th, the Presbytery met in the parlor of Mr. Darrach and organized the church, which was named "First Presbyterian Church of Roxborough Township." Mr. Darrach was elected Elder. There were not more than 17 members. November 18th the Sunday School met in a room of Mr. Darrach's mill, between the canal and river, and was organized as a Presbyterian School, with Mr. Darrach as Superintendent. Within a week or two a Ladies' Aid Society was organized. Saturday, December 15th, James M. Davis was ordained and installed first pastor, 35 were at the installation service. The Sunday School had shrunk to less than 20 members. The church charter was secured in March, 1833. The church edifice was erected the same year. As is always the case some wanted it in one place and some in another. Mr. Brown wanted it up the hill. It was built in its present location near Mr. Darrach's home, a one-story structure, 15 pews each side of a centre aisle, high pulpit, open vestibule with sapling pillars. At the laying of the corner stone Rev. John Todd said in his address that churches, like children, have their period of measles, whooping-cough and scarlet fever. This seemed prophetic, for this church had all these and then some more in its infancy. It had fever and chills, fits and fights, ups and down, more downs than ups, some revivals, many quarrels. In the first 14 years of its existence it had five pastors, several supplies, and several years pastorless. October 30th, 1839, there was a levy on the church for debt. Notes were given by the Trustees. The debt was troublesome for a long time. Unavailing appeal was made to the Presbytery. In 1846 bills of sale were posted. The women tore them down, held a fair in April, raised \$811.27, paid all debts, and had \$144 left. Hurrah for the women! The previous year the pastor's salary had been increased to \$250. Perhaps this extravagance had helped to deplete the treasury. In 1846-7 the fight between the New School and Old School Presbyterians reached fever heat in Manayunk.

and there were some lively times. Manayunk chose New School, stationed guards at the flight of stairs each side of the pulpit to keep Old School preachers out, and after a time locked the doors. Henry J. VanDyke, later Moderator of the General Assembly, was employed as supply for six months beginning May 9th, 1847. He staid only two months.

There were only 29 members and about 40 in the Sunday School when Andrew Culver came. He was called October 3d, 1847, and ordained and installed Monday, October 18th. From that time the church began to have healthy growth. During his pastorate of 20 years 463 united with the church, and nearly 900 different persons were in his famous Bible class. Two fairs were held early in his pastorate netting \$1200 and \$1000. He was followed by Rev. A. V. C. Schenck, in whose pastorate the manse was built. Rev. J. H. McMonagle was the next pastor. Rev. Charles E. Burns, D. D., was pastor from October 5th, 1878, August 1st, 1903, nearly 25 years. There were 183 members when he came, 250 when he left. Many good members were taken away in the organization of Leverington Church, 1878, and Wissahickon, 1894. May 9th, 1880, after sermon Dr. Burns asked for subscriptions to pay a church debt of \$3000. Nearly \$4000 was subscribed. A 14-months old baby subscribed \$1. He is one of our present generous givers. In 1883 the church celebrated its 51st anniversary and in 1898 the 20th anniversary of Dr. Burns' pastorate. Dr. Burns was an orthodox, scholarly, Biblical preacher, a good pastor, a kind hearted

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CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS HAVE PASTORS' DINNER AS PART OF CELEBRATION

Clergymen Are Guests of Honor at Leverington Presbyterian Church, For Efforts Extended in Furthering C. E. Movement, Which Was Founded 51 Years Ago.
—Workers Pay Tribute to Deceased Member

Pastors of various churches in Wissahickon, Manayunk, Roxborough and East Falls, were the guests of honor at the Pastors' Dinner, last Saturday evening at the Leverington Presbyterian church, Ridge avenue and Hermitage street, given by the Northwest Branch Christian Endeavor Societies, as part of the 51st Anniversary celebration.

On February 2nd of 1882, Rev. Francis E. Clark, pastor of the Williston Congregational church, of Portland, Maine, founded the Christian Endeavor movement, which has grown to such large proportions among young people of the different evangelical churches throughout the world, and it was in commemoration of this event, and the splendid work of the local clergymen in C. E. activities here, that the dinner was given.

William Montgomery, president of the Northwest Branch, acted as toastmaster at the affair, in his usual delightful manner. The blessing was asked by Rev. M. G. Gosselink, of the Talmage Reformed church.

Conrad Scheffer sang several vocal selections, accompanied on the piano by Miss Anna Howard.

Among the long list of speakers were: Eugene Stone, retiring president of the Philadelphia Union of C. E. Societies; Clifford Harrington, president-elect of the city-wide group; Rev. William J. Bawden, pastor of the Wissahickon M. E. church; Rev. Frank H. Rose, of the Manayunk Presbyterian church; Rev. Frank G. Bossert, of the Roxborough Presbyterian church; Rev. M. G. Gosselink, of the Talmage Reformed church; Rev. Arien J. Muyskens, recently-installed pastor of the Falls Presbyterian church; A. C. Chadwick, Jr., of the Suburban Press, and Russell Weer, presidential nominee of the Northwest Branch; Elizabeth Crothers, first vice president; Charles Jansen, second vice president; George Thomas, treasurer; and Martha Furman, all of the local C. E. organization.

A moment of silence followed by a prayer was observed as a tribute to the splendid Christian Endeavor work of Miss Anna Kirkpatrick, of the Manayunk Presbyterian church society, whose death occurred last week.

After the dinner was over, the evening was spent in the regular routine of business and services of the Endeavorers.

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Seventeenth Anniversary.

The Seventeenth Anniversary of the Leverington Presbyterian Church and Sabbath School was celebrated last Sunday with appropriate exercises. At the morning service the Scripture lessons were Duet. 8th chapter and the 3d chapter of Revelations. The sermon by the pastor, Rev. Jas. W. Kirk, was founded on Rev. iii, 4: "Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy."

The Sabbath School service was held at 7.30 in the church, which had been handsomely decorated. The Superintendent, Mr. J. R. Hendricks, had charge of the exercises. There was a prelude by organ and orchestra, and the Primary Department entered carrying banners and singing their processional hymn, "On to Conquest." Scripture lessons and prayer by the pastor, a hymn and concert exercise by the Primary Department, in charge of Mrs. Kirk, and the annual report of the Superintendent.

After another hymn there was an address by Mr. D. L. Anderson, of Bethany Presbyterian Church, who, among other valuable suggestions, counseled the teachers to make as far as possible a pleasant impression on the minds of the children and to manifest a warm personal interest in their welfare. Above all, he insisted on the duty and advantage of always leading the thought of the class to Christ, as the supreme subject of human interest. In this connection he told of a German soldier whom George H. Stuart found lying on a battlefield of the late war. The man could speak nothing and understand nothing but German, and no one could hold converse with the poor fellow. But Mr. Stuart knelt down and whispered in his ear the word "Jesus," and the man at once responded "Yah! Yehsus! Mein Mutter's Yehsus!"—as though in that solemn hour his mother's Jesus had become present and precious to him.

Mr. Anderson has the rare tact of getting his text from his audience in the catechetical mode, and it was soon found that his central thought was contained in Romans, v, 1: "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." There were other hymns, and some words of congratulation and counsel by the pastor, who closed the service with the benediction.

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The people of Roxborough Presbyterian Church are mourning the loss of Elder Samuel Faust, whose death occurred on the morning of August 31, after an illness lasting nearly five months. The funeral services in the church, on Thursday, September 3d, were very largely attended. Rev. J. R. Sanson, assisted by Rev. Jos. C. Harvey, conducted the service, Mr. Sanson choosing for his text the words: "Know ye not that a prince and a great man is fallen this day in Israel?"

Mr. Faust was received into the Roxborough Church February 1, 1855, by letter from the First Church of Pottsville. At once he took an active interest in all the work of the church and Sabbath School, which interest he kept up almost to the day of his death. His work as teacher and assistant Superintendent of the School was earnest and unremitting. About four years ago he was appointed "Field Superintendent," to have charge of work outside the School, and as such exerted himself in the formation of Home Classes among those who were unable to attend the sessions of the School.

October 21, 1888, he was installed in the office of Ruling Elder, and as such he diligently sought for the advancement of his Master's kingdom. It is a sufficient memorial to say of him: "He was found faithful in all things that were committed to his hand."

On August 5, 1858, Mr. Faust was married to Miss Susie L., 3d daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Streeper, of Upper Roxborough. The strong sympathy of all who knew him go out to Mrs. Faust and their three little girls in this their time of bereavement.

It was the general expression on the day of the funeral that Mr. Sanson's text was most fitting to the occasion.

IN MEMORIAM.

At a meeting of the Elders of the Roxborough Presbyterian Church, held September 6, 1896, the Clerk was instructed to prepare a suitable minute in relation to the death of Elder Samuel Faust, and presented the following, which was adopted, and ordered to be entered in the Sessional record:

WHEREAS, It has been the will of the Heavenly Father to remove from our midst our esteemed brother and fellow-Elder

SAMUEL FAUST,

therefore be it

Resolved, That, while we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, we deem it only fitting that we should make this record of our appreciation of the Christian life and character of our deceased brother, and of his constancy, diligence and faithfulness in the Church and in all the walks of life.

Resolved, That during the more than eleven years since he has been a communicant member of this Church we have found him to be a consistent Christian; and that for the period of nearly eight years since he was ordained to the Eldership, his earnest desire has been to let his light so shine that men might glorify his Father in Heaven.

Resolved, That, while deploring our own loss and the loss to Roxborough Presbyterian Church by the death of Brother Faust, we rejoice in the work which he was permitted to do in the Church, in the Eldership, in the Sabbath School and even outside of our own church limits; and we are grateful for the success with which the Great Head of the Church saw fit to crown his labors.

Resolved, That we offer our heartfelt sympathy to his sorrowing wife and children, and prayerfully commend them to the tender compassion of Him who is the God of the widow and fatherless, trusting that the Divine blessing in all its fulness may descend upon them and upon our Zion, and abide with them and us "all the days."

HENRY C. McMANUS,

Clerk of Session,
Roxborough Presbyterian Church.

150th Anniversary

of the Skirmish between Lafayette's Scouts
and the British Pickets
Just Above the 9th Milestone
on the Ridge Pike

which occurred on the 20th of May, 1778



Roxborough Presbyterian Church

Ridge and Port Royal Avenues
(opposite the 9th Milestone)

Sunday Morning, May 20th, 1928
at eleven o'clock

Washington Camp, No. 50, P. O. S. of A.
and the
Wissahickon Valley Historical Society
Participating

Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE

DOXOLOGY

INVOCATION

HYMN No. 665 "America"

My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From every mountain side
Let freedom ring;

My native country, thee,
Land of the noble free,
Thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills
Like that above

Let music swell the breeze,
And ring from all the trees
Sweet freedom's song;
Let mortal tongues awake;
Let all that breathe partake;
Let rocks their silence break,
The sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to Thee,
Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by thy might,
Great God, our King.

WORDS OF GREETING - - - The Pastor

TRUMPET SOLO - - - Hiram L. Wynne, Jr.

SCRIPTURE READING

ANTHEM - - - Roxborough Presbyterian Choir

ADDRESS "The Event We Celebrate"

STANLEY HART CAUFFMAN
President Wissahickon Valley Historical Society

DUET - Miss Mildred Y. Culp and Mr. Alfred Mac Moran

ADDRESS "Lafayette's First Independent Command"

JAMES K. HELMS
Representing the P. O. S. of A.

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ANTHEM - - - Roxborough Presbyterian Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

HYMN No. 666 - - - *Dort*

God bless our native land;
Firm may she ever stand
Through storm and night;
When the wild tempests rave,
Ruler of wind and wave,
Do Thou our country save
By Thy great might.

For her our prayers shall rise
To God above the skies;
On Him we wait:
Thou who art ever nigh,
Guarding with watchful eye,
To Thee aloud we cry,
God save the State.

ADDRESS "The Spirit of Lafayette"

REV. FRANK G. BOSSERT, M. A. B. D.
Pastor of Roxborough Presbyterian Church

PRAYER

HYMN No. 757 "Star Spangled Banner"

O say can you see by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?
And the rocket's red glare, the bomb bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night, that our flag was still there!
O say, does that Star-spangled Banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

O thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand
Between their loved home and the war's desolation;
Blest with victory and peace, may the heaven-rescued land
Praise the power that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto: "IN GOD IS OUR TRUST."
And the Star-spangled Banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

BENEDICTION

TAPS - - - *Trumpeter, Hiram L. Wynne, Jr.*

Historical Note

Almost opposite the Roxborough Presbyterian Church occurred the event which we celebrate today. This church was not then in existence but the Manse, where the pastor lives, was here. It was the old Hagy homestead and tradition has it that Washington once slept in this house.

Opposite the house was the 9th Milestone (still standing) which marks the miles from Ninth and Vine, the beginning of the Ridge Road.

Along this road, on the morning of May 20th, 1778, came General Howe's pickets, consisting of 50 British dragoons. The movement was part of a plan to envelope General Lafayette, encamped at Barren Hill. But Lafayette had heard of the scheme in time and sent Captain McLane with his scouts and 50 Iroquois Indians, to oppose the British along the Ridge Road. These scouts were in the woods to the north of the 9th Milestone, lying close as rabbits, when the head of the column appeared. They started up, raising a horrible cry, in the manner of the Indians, so that the dragoons were much terrified. They turned their horses and fled, leaving much of their paraphernalia behind. These garments and cloaks were seized by the Indians and afterwards used in making leggings.

The object of delaying the British having been accomplished, the American scouts now retired, and swimming the river at Miquon (formerly called Lafayette) they rejoined their commander, who had meantime crossed the river at Mason's Ford (Conshohocken)

Mrs. Rebecca Levering, who died in 1854, tells of seeing the savages swim the river at Miquon. She was 11 years old at the time and recounts how laughable it was to see the feathers of the Indians bobbing up and down in the river as they swam across.

This was really a victory for the Americans. One month later the British left Philadelphia. Lafayette was warmly praised by Washington. In a letter to Franklin, he speaks of "The brilliant retreat by which La Fayette eluded a combined maneuver of the whole British force." And part of his success at any rate was due to the check which the British received at the 9th Milestone. While Captain McLane was holding the enemy here, Lafayette turned to the right and hidden by the low lying hills, crossed the Schuylkill with the loss of only nine men. At West Conshohocken, he occupied a position too strong to attack and the British returned in disgust to Philadelphia.

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Five fleeting years are gone,
Foundational each one.
—Dr. Beggs, '59.

Ten hopeful years have flown,
Ten harvests' seed is sown.
—Dr. Begg, '64.

Fifteen, the struggles last,
The darkest days are past.
—Ewing, '69.

The members never tire,
There points to heaven a spire.
—Philips, '74.

Stop not at twenty-five,
The Church is quite alive.
—Dr. Patton, '79.

Some signs of ill decay,
Fill hearts with chill dismay.
—Westervelt, '84.

Then all at thirty-five,
Against this evil strive.
—Oliver, '84.

The city's cruel hand,
Is laid upon our land.
—Sansan, '94.

The pastors come and go,
The Church begins to grow.
—Gibson, '99.

Good-bye, past fifty years,
And for each one, three cheers.
—Gibson, '04.

Good-bye, old fifty years,
We part with thee in tears ;
To the years to come, All hail !
May their pleasures never fail.
—All.

Churches

Fourth Reformed Church

Manayunk Chronicle, June, 1886

HISTORIC DISCOURSE.—Rev. Cornelius Schenck, the pastor, preached a historical discourse at the Reformed Church on Sunday morning last, that being the third anniversary of his pastorate, from Psalm 105, 1-2, the main portion of which will be found below:

The History of our Church may be divided into two periods. First its history as a Mission; and second its history as a Regularly Organized Church.

I. The Mission period.

On or about December 1st, 1826, Rev. Cornelius Van Cleef, then a young man, was sent to Manayunk by the Board of Domestic Missions, or as it was then called "The Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Reformed Dutch Church." He found no house of worship; the people assembled in the village schoolhouse. The occasion of the appointment of Rev. Mr. Van Cleef was the previous successful labor of Rev. Jacob O. Sears, then pastor of the Reformed Dutch Church, Eighth street, Philadelphia. Mr. Sears in the Spring of 1826 passed through Manayunk on horseback, just as the employees were coming from or returning to the mills, and he wondered what religious advantages they enjoyed. On making enquiry, he learned that Sunday School was held in the village schoolhouse, but no regular preaching service was conducted, sermons being preached occasionally, however, by ministers from Roxborough and Lower Merion. He at once concluded to establish a mission. But where to meet was the question! No place seemed available, while his efforts to procure a room in some factory or hall were unsuccessful. The schoolhouse was finally secured, and here, in May or June, 1826, he began an every Sunday afternoon service. He would preach in his own church in the city in the morning, then drive out to Manayunk in the afternoon for service, and return to Philadelphia in time for evening worship. Mr. Sears was frequently accompanied by members of his Consistory, in his visits to Manayunk, among whom may be mentioned Robert Clark, L. P. Gebhard, M. D., and Alexander Stephens, the father of our townsman, Wm. B. Stephens, Esqr. Mr. Sears continued his labors here until December of the same year, when, as we have already seen, Rev. Cornelius Van Cleef was appointed as a missionary by the Home Board. It will thus appear that we are incalculably indebted to Mr. Sears for the organization and existence, in this place, of a Reformed Dutch Church. In all probability, had it not been for him, Mr. Van Cleef or any other missionary of our church, would not have been sent, and without the labor of the missionary the organization would not have been consummated!

Mr. Van Cleef on his arrival in December, 1826, immediately gave himself to the work with zeal and energy. Manayunk was then little more than a village, the entire population from the lower end to Flat Rock being 1050. The congregation worshipped in the schoolhouse

which was on Main street below Robeson, and known at that time as the Robeson schoolhouse, because Peter and Jonathan Robeson gave the land.

It was not long before there was some interest manifested, and a desire expressed to have a church. Accordingly, in the Spring of 1827, on ground donated by the Schuylkill Navigation Company, they began to build. The work had so far progressed that in June, 1827, the corner-stone was laid. The General Synod of the Reformed Church, then in session in Philadelphia, adjourned for one afternoon for the purpose of attending the ceremony. The corner stone was laid by Rev. Abram R. Van Nest, of New York. The address was delivered by Rev. Samuel A. Van Vranken, the eminent divine who afterwards became Professor in the Theological Seminary and College at New Brunswick, N. J. Thus the solemn rite of laying the corner-stone of this sacred edifice was honored and made memorable by the presence of the highest Judiciary of the Reformed Church.

On the 18th of September, 1827, the corporation of our church was constituted by the State,—J. Andrew Shulze, Governor of Pa.; Frederick Smith, Attorney General; John B. Gibson, Chief Justice, Thomas Duncan, Molten C. Rogers, Charles Huston and John Tod, Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of Pa., and Samuel Gormley, Prothonotary. The Trustees, who petitioned for Articles of Incorporation and whose names are, accordingly, sixed to the Charter, were Moses McKay, T. B. Darrach, Jno. Levering, Henry Morris, B. Sanford, Jno. Rush and William —; all of whom are dead. The corporate title was "The First Reformed Dutch Church of Manayunk and Flat Rock, Roxborough Township, Philadelphia County;" and the Charter specially stipulated that it shall be "in connection with the Reformed Dutch Synod." In March, (20th) 1872, the name was changed to the "Fourth Reformed Church of Philadelphia."

Early in the Autumn of 1827 the basement was so far completed that the services were held in it. The edifice was, probably, finished the Spring of 1828. In April, the same year, Rev. Mr. Van Cleef received a call to the Reformed Church of Athens, New York, which he accepted, thus terminating his connection with the Manayunk Church.

The second missionary to this field was Rev. Noel Robertson, who succeeded Rev. C. Van Cleef. Mr. Robertson was a graduate of Columbia College, 1823; finished his theological education at Princeton Seminary 1826; labored at Wilmington, N. C., until the spring of 1828, when he was appointed a missionary to this place by the Home Board. His ministry here was eminently successful, though startlingly brief. He had been here only a few months, when he was stricken down by the epidemic fever then prevailing, and which quickly ended his life. His sudden decease was a great blow to the infant church, over which he shortly would have been installed. Mr. Robertson was descended from a family of eminent piety. His discourses were

more plain than energetic and showy, yet well furnished. There was a soft and touching tenderness and deep affection in them, rather than force and eloquence or power. He was noted for his systematic habits. Modesty, affection, frankness and unaffected piety were some of the elements of his character.

Mr. Robertson was succeeded by a third missionary, Rev. Robert Kirkwood, who labored here a little over one year, in 1829, he removed to Cortlandt, N. Y., where he died, 1866. Mr. Kirkwood was a Scotchman, from the Pres. Church. He possessed all the characteristic fervor of that people and did good service, we are assured, in our community.

It was in Sept. of this year that the church was received by Classis. At a meeting held at N. and S. Hampton, Pa., Sept. 1st, 1829, the following action, respecting the Manayunk church, is recorded in the minutes of Classis:—"It was reported to Classis that a Reformed Dutch church had been organized in the vicinity of Phila., upon which the following resolution was adopted: *Resolved*, That this Classis receive the above report with pleasure and cheerfully enroll the congregation and church at Manayunk and Flat Rock among the number of vacancies under their care. The Classis fervently pray that the Great Head of the Church will continue to shed his smiles and blessings upon this infant church and add continually to its members of such as shall be saved.

Though this is the first direct reference found in the minutes of Classis to our church, there is an indirect and earlier one. At a meeting of Classis at Readington, N. J., April 8th, 1827, by request of Rev. Jacob O. Sears it was *Resolved*, "That Revs. G. R. Livingston and Jacob C. Sears be a committee to organize such churches, during the recess, as shall desire to come under the jurisdiction of this body."

That plainly refers to the Manayunk church, for, as we have seen, the corner-stone was laid in June 1827, under the auspices and in the name of the Reformed Dutch Church; the articles of Incorporation were secured Sept. 18th, 1827; the house of worship was finished the Spring of 1828, and now the next and natural step is ecclesiastical connection with the Classis of Phila. of the Reformed Dutch Church, which relation was formed Sept. 1st, 1829; and may that connection, so long as there is a church militant, never be severed!

At the next stated meeting of Classis at Newnan, N. J., the third Wednesday of April, 1830, the Manayunk church appears on the roll of churches. Being without a pastor the church was represented only by its Elder, Jacob H. Ozias, who reported 40 families and a total of 18 in communion. This fact is doubly significant in revealing the time when the first consistorial report (of which we have any record) was made to Classis, and the numerical strength of the infant church.

At this point the first or Mission

period of the history of our church terminates. From 1826 to 1830 our ministers, for the most part, were under the direction of the Board of Domestic Missions. As we have seen, Rev. Cornelius Van Cleef was sent here December, 1825, and labored until April, 1828. He was followed by Rev. Noel Robertson, who served for three or four months, when he was cut off by death. He was succeeded by Rev. Robert Kirkwood, who remained about one year, resigning before the Fall meeting of Classis, 1829. From this time on to the election and installation of the first regular pastor in 1830, there were occasional pulpit supplies, but none who were under the special direction of the Board of Missions or who served as regularly called ministers.

Before passing to the second period, this would seem to be a proper place, in the order of time, for an observation respecting the origin of our Sunday School. A Mr. Glandin, who resided up the river, in passing through Manayunk, to and from his work, came to feel an interest in the children, whose Sabbaths seemed to be wasted. He remarked in the hearing of Mrs. Isaac Matson that if he had a room he would start a Sunday School. She at once offered her front room, and there, on the third Sabbath of Sept., 1825, the children were gathered for religious instruction. Mrs. Matson's house was in what was then called Keating's Row, on Main street near Robeson. The accommodations being too small for the rapidly increasing numbers, Mr. Glandin and Mr. Dickerson, the latter of whom was superintendent, removed the School to a room in a new house that Mr. Dickerson was building at the corner of the present Main and Robeson streets. When the village school house was completed, to which reference has been previously made and which was known as the Robeson school house—and which, by the way, was built by Perry Levering, Esq., who is still living—the Sunday School removed to it, Mr. Dickerson still superintending. And in that school house, near the locks, Rev. Mr. Sears found it in May or June 1826, and there it continued until the Autumn of 1827, when it removed to the basement of the Reformed Church, Mr. Dickerson still continuing to act as Superintendent. And in that room, about which cluster many sacred memories, the School held its sessions for fifty-six years.

Another observation before resuming the thread of our discourse. I have been frequently asked whether it is a fact or a legend only, that the organization of St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church took place in our church, and when? Barring all personal views and expressions, the simple historical facts are these. The corner-stone of the Roman Catholic Church was laid May 10th, 1830, at 4½ o'clock. After the formal services incident to such ceremony were over, the officiating clergymen, together with a large concourse of people, repaired, by permission, to the basement of this church, where the sermon of the occasion was delivered by Rev. John Hughes, who subsequently became Archbishop of New York.

II We now pass to the second period of the history of the Manayunk Reformed Church, in which its pastors were directly chosen by the congregation and regularly installed.

In the Autumn of 1830 Rev. Jacob C.

Sears met the Rev. Samuel A. Bumstead in the city of Philadelphia and invited him to supply the pulpit of "an infant church recently established at Manayunk." The invitation was accepted by Mr. Bumstead, which led to the renewal of his services for two Sabbaths more, whereupon he received a call for final settlement among this people. The original call was made and subscribed by the Consistory, the 13th day of Sept., in the year of our Lord 1830, and signed: Consistory—L. P. Gebhard, J. H. Ozias. Trustees—John Levering, President of the Board of Trustees. This call was accepted by Mr. Bumstead, upon which official notice was sent to the congregation by the president of Classis, Rev. J. C. Sears, of a meeting of that body, Nov. 3d, 1830, in the Crown street church, for the purpose of approving the call and making necessary arrangements for his installation. Classis met on the above date—Nov. 3d—the call was approved and on the evening of the next day, Nov. 4th, 1830, Mr. Bumstead was installed Pastor in this church. Rev. Peter Labagh, D. D., preached the sermon, Rev. G. R. Livingston, D. D., gave the charge to the pastor, Rev. J. C. Sears charged the congregation, Rev. Gabriel Ludlow read the form and proposed the usual questions, Rev. A. O. Halsey made the concluding prayer and Rev. Mr. Bumstead pronounced the benediction. Such was the character of the first installation service in this our beloved Zion.

The ministry of Mr. Bumstead opened auspiciously. The Spirit was present in His converting power. At the meeting of Classis, April 20th, 1831, in the report of the Committee on State of Religion, it is recorded that "the infant congregation of Manayunk is enjoying some mercy drops, a few cherish the fond hope that they have passed from death unto life—thirty were present at the last meeting for inquiring persons."

The year 1832 was one of much cloud. Our town was visited by that fatal disease, cholera, which raged with such virulence as to necessitate the conversion of the basement of this church into a hospital and services in the church were suspended for six weeks. In a letter of recent date, Mr. Bumstead writes, "Those were fearful times. I was in the midst of it visiting the sick and the dying. I attended some funerals after dark with few attendants by torch light."

In the same year—1832—the First Presbyterian Church was organized, which drew off many from our membership. There was a heavy debt resting on the church, and a public meeting was called to see what could be done to save it from the hammer. There was intense excitement among the friends both in Manayunk and Philadelphia lest the church should be lost to us. The meeting was held in the church, March 1st, 1832, the object stated and an invitation offered to every one to come forward and sign their names to the paper with the amount they would give toward liquidating the debt. I hold in my hand the identical paper which lay on the table in the church and which received the signatures thereon recorded. Memorable document! A relic of fifty-three years ago! In April, 1833, the estimable wife of the pastor, Elizabeth Bumstead departed this life. Her death was a grief to all. A wonderful work of grace commenced through her efforts, under God, in the Sabbath School. Every one in her class was converted. The work went

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through the whole school and many found peace in believing. The remains of this godly woman lie entombed in the cemetery. Though half a century has elapsed since she rested from her labors, though the inscription on the stone is hardly eligible, her influence is still felt and seen.

Resting under this cloud of sorrow, it was thought that it would be best for the pastor to get away from the scene of his affliction. An absence of six months was granted, during which time the churches within the bounds of our denomination were visited and the needs of this congregation presented. The churches responded liberally and Mr. Bumstead's efforts were crowned with success. I am also able to exhibit the printed list of receipts and the expression of gratitude which such liberality evoked. It is dated Manayunk, Feb. 17th, 1834, and signed by the pastor and Joseph Bockius in behalf of the Board of Trustees.

It was while on one of these tours that the Bell, which every Sabbath rings out the time of service, was presented to the church through Mr. Bumstead. Now the bell has a little history. I suppose it must have been secured about the year 1840, for the first reference to it is in a resolution of the Board of Trustees Oct. 27th, 1840, to the effect, that Mr. Keely be empowered to procure lumber for the

bell and that it be placed at the end of the church, i. e., west end. And there it hung at the left hand entrance, until in the process of time and corruption, the wooden structure, by which it was suspended gave away. The bell came down in the crash. It was finally consigned, with other rubbish, to a dark room or stow away under the front porch of the church, where it lay entombed for ten years, perhaps, when, through the efforts, principally, of a few determined, energetic Christian women it was resurrected from its slumber and placed in the position which it occupies.

In 1835, Mr. Bumstead organized a Reformed Dutch Church in upper Roxborough. This became in 1853 a Presbyterian Church. In 1841 he resigned the pastorate of our church.

The pulpit of the church was supplied after Mr. Bumstead's resignation by Rev. Thos. A. Ammerman, during the first half of 1842. On the 26th of Sept., 1842, Rev. Robert A. Quinn was called. He retired in 1847 in order to assume charge of the church at Stone House Plains, N. J.

On June 7th, 1848, a call was extended to Rev. E. G. Little, who remained until 1850. I have been able to discover almost nothing concerning the history of this minister. He graduated from the College of New Jersey 1845, and to what field of labor he went in 1850 when he resigned this charge, and whether he is still living and where, I have been unable to ascertain.

Previous to this time the question of church improvements had been agitated and the result was the interior of the church was renovated and the front as you have it substantially, was added. For it must not be thought that the handsome Corinthian columns, which now adorn the edifice, were always an architectural feature of the building. Before 1844, when the changes just noted, were completed, the front of the church was plain and without portico. There was but one door, that in the centre, which was reached by a long, straight

wooden staircase. This led into a small vestibule which had doors on either hand whence you passed directly into the sanctuary. A spiral or winding stairway conducted to the choir gallery over the vestibule. The backs of the seats were somewhat higher than the present ones, the pulpit platform was more elevated than the one on which I now stand. The building was not entirely modernized at this time—1844—but the alterations were so extensive, especially to the front, that we deem them worthy of special note.

We should also remark in passing that the basement of our church from a very early period was used for day-school purposes, and many in this community point to that room as the place where secular as well as religious learning was acquired.

I am further reminded, that, on the 22d of May, 1851, the First Baptist Church of Manayunk was organized or constituted in this church by the courtesy of its officers. Thus deserving the title of "cradle of churches and friend of the houseless."

Mr. Little's successor was Rev. Cornelius Gates, who was installed May 27th, 1851. Mr. Gates's resignation was offered and accepted Oct. 2d, 1852. After years of labor in other fields he passed to his reward above, at Montague, Sussex Co., N. J., 1863. At the time of Mr. Gates's pastorate the congregation was small. The annual consistorial report for 1852 showed 30 families, 52 Communicants and a Sabbath School, with an average attendance of 84. Mr. Gates was an earnest, systematic preacher of the Gospel.

For the following years the church was without a regular pastor, Rev. Mr. Neal, with others, supplying the pulpit.

On the 13th of April, 1855, Rev. Wm. Fulton became pastor and, excepting the year 1865, when he became Chaplain of the Scott Legion Regiment, remained here until 1869, when he accepted the pastorate of a Presbyterian church at Catasauqua, Pa. From thence he removed to Conshohocken, where he now lives, still actively engaged in the work of the Gospel ministry. In the thirteen years he was here, 191 were added to the church, an average of 14 per annum.

On the 30th of December, 1869, Rev. Peter Stryker Talmage was installed, and succeeded to the pastorate of the church. Here he labored with eminent success until the time of his decease, Sabbath morning, Aug. 9th, 1874. Mr. Talmage was the son of Rev. Jehial Talmage, and was born in Somerville, N. J. He was converted in early life. He graduated from Jefferson College, 1845, and Princeton Theological Seminary, 1848. He was ordained by the Presbytery of N. J. and called to the Presbyterian church at Oneida Valley, N. Y., where he served from 1848 to 1850, whence he removed to Malta, N. Y., where he labored from 1850 to 1853. In the same year—1853—he was called to the Reformed church at Stone House Plains, N. J., which call he accepted and remained there for twelve years. Upon removing to Philadelphia in 1865 he began preaching in the north-western part of the city, first in the hall of the Wagner Institute, then in the hall at Twelfth street and Montgomery Ave. Here he established the Bethune Mission, after much earnest, constant and self-sacrificing work. The Bethune Memorial church was soon organized as a result of his labors. Upon taking charge of this—the Manayunk—church, new life was infused into it. Every department of the church felt his earnest and excellent influence. By him the Children's Service and other features which have now be-

come permanent, were introduced. During his brief pastorate of three and a-half years, 118 persons were added to the membership of the church. He was a man of broad charity, indomitable energy and most excellent administrative ability. He was beloved by the church, and respected by the entire community. He was the highest style of Christian gentleman. At his funeral Rev. Dr. James Clark, a life long friend, paid the following tribute: "During a friendship of 30 years, I have known the deceased as a kind, patient, painstaking Christian, of transparent honesty, unfeigned godliness, steady loyalty and unflinching love, a man of peace, but firm for truth and righteousness, while his pastorate was remarkable for the fidelity and fullness of his ministrations."

In May, 1875, Rev. C. H. McDermond was installed pastor of this church. He resigned, Aug. 23d, after three months service. He is still living somewhere in the West.

Next in order came Rev. W. W. Cook, who was installed in the Spring of 1876. He resigned Oct. 31st, 1881, in order to accept an appointment in the M. E. Church at West Side, Iowa. After serving the full term of three years, he was transferred to Sheldon, in the same State, where he is at present residing. In October, 1879, the semi-centennial of the reception by Classis of our church was appropriately celebrated.

At the time of Mr. Cook's resignation, resolutions of regret, were unanimously adopted by the Consistory. His faithful service, in the different spheres of pastoral labor are acknowledged in most fitting terms; and he was recommended as one worthy of the esteem and confidence of those to whom he should minister.

On the evening of June 22d, 1882, your present pastor was ordained to the Gospel ministry and installed over this people. Events have transpired, during my pastorate, the importance of which seems to demand special emphasis. The only motive for making such reference is the one that has influenced me throughout the whole discourse,—your enlightenment and encouragement and the preservation in actual form of important historic data. We would have the present generation, not only, but the future, familiar with the origin, rise and progress of this church. I accordingly disclaim all credit or glory.

It should be remembered—and recorded—that the ground was broken and excavations were commenced for the new Chapel (or church extension) on the afternoon of Sept. 4th, 1882. The scene was altogether unique—the little infant scholars filling and dispatching the first cart with soil. It was a glad day, and hearts of young and old thrilled with pleasure. On Saturday afternoon, April 7th, 1883, the corner-stone was laid in the presence of a large gathering, by the pastor of the church. The exercises were participated in by Revs. W. J. Mills and F. M. Jackson of the M. E. Church and J. W. Kirk of Leverington Pres. Church.

The first entrance into the chapel was

on Monday, or New Year's Eve, 31st, 1883. It was the occasion of an annual children's entertainment. Since that time the services of our Sunday School and meetings for Social Worship have been held in the new building. It has not yet been formally dedicated.

During the Summer of 1884, the interior of the church was repainted and the walls handsomely papered. The exterior also, with the surrounding property, was improved and beautified.

The Winter of 1885 will be remembered as the season when God shed abroad so plentifully His quickening and converting Spirit. The whole town was shaken by His power. Our church received a share of this blessing. Fifty-one persons sat down with us, for the first time, at the Table of our Lord, on Sabbath, March 1st. Twenty-six of these were scholars in our Sunday School. The spiritual life of believers was quickened and the work of the Lord wondrously revived. We have been singularly favored by the Lord, for which we are devoutly thankful. The number of families, at this time, is 130. Total number of communicants, 300. Scholars in Sabbath School, 425, with an average attendance for the year ending March 1st, 250.

The above is a partial reference, at least, to some events that have occurred during my pastorate.

The sermon closed with a brief recapitulation of facts and dates, a fervent acknowledgment of the goodness of God, and of the labors and sacrifices of those who had "gone before," and wound up as follows: "And so, with like fidelity to this historic Zion, let us, by all the recollections of the past and the hopes of the future, renew our pledges of allegiance to Christ and His cause."

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Churches: Fourth Reformed.

Manayunk Chronicle
April 5, 1895

At the congregational meeting of the Fourth Reformed Church on Wednesday evening to vote for a pastor, Rev. P. J. Kain, of Pittston, Pa., was chosen by a considerable majority. The other candidates were Rev. Messrs. Gulick, Bruce and Haring. There is a strong expectation that Mr. Kain will accept. Rev. Irwin Kerkeslager will occupy the pulpit on Sunday next.

Chronicle: June 28, 1895

Reception to Rev. P. J. Kain.

Eight o'clock last evening, despite the heavy downpour of rain, saw the chapel of the Fourth Reformed Church comfortably filled with members and friends of the congregation, the occasion being the reception of their pastor, Rev. P. J. Kain and family. The occasion was a double celebration, being also in honor of the thirty fifth year of the Superintendency of the School by A. W. Givin, who will also celebrate his —th birthday to-morrow.

The proceedings opened with a march by the Euphonic Orchestra, during which Companies A and B of the Boys' Brigade, acting as a body-guard to pastor and superintendent, marched in. Then came the reception, the pastor being introduced by the Superintendent, and the audience sang "Blest be the tie that binds," then wheeling into line for a cordial hand-shake.

A spirited address by Mr. R. R. Shronk, put everybody in good humor, and another by Rev. R. S. DeBow, of Mt. Zion Church, kept all going in a lively way. Col. S. I. Givin then came in for a short address, followed by the Rev. W. L. Haines of the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church. Miss L. F. Givin and Mrs. J. H. Gallati sang a very sweet duet, and Miss Lillie Davenport contributed a piano solo, which was full of fine movements and showed how well she could handle the instrument.

Pastor Kain was then in order and he enlightened everybody with considerable information concerning clocks, his remarks being particularly directed to Supt. Givin, to whom he presented, on behalf of the school, a beautiful French onyx clock, with brass figure and two handsome brass ornaments. Then came a few remarks from Class 8, of which Mr. Givin was elected a member last Sunday, these being concluded with the presentation of a gold class badge to the Superintendent. After this everyone seemed bent on having a good social time and they had it.

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Chronicle, Oct 30, 1896

Mrs. Dr. Linnard, of Gwynned, Montgomery County (formerly Miss Letitia Talmage of Lyceum avenue), is the proud possessor of a three-weeks-old boy, who has been named Stryker Talmage after her father, the late P. Stryker Talmage, for many years the beloved pastor of the Fourth Reformed Church, of Manayunk, and one of the original promoters of the Manayunk and Roxborough Incline Passenger Railway Company (since merged in the Roxborough, Chestnut Hill and Norristown Electric R. R. Co.)

The fact was communicated to the writer the other day by the little fellow's aunt, Miss Maggie Talmage, who seemed to grow three inches taller during the recital. The Dr. will have to use all diligence to save Master Talmage from being utterly spoiled.

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Sept 8 - 1882

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Persons having relatives interred in the Reformed graveyard, immediately behind the church, are hereby notified to have the bodies removed, as excavations for the New Sunday School building will begin at once. Lots for the purpose of re-interment will be designated in other portions of the grounds.

By Order of the Trustees,

SEVILL SCHOFIELD, Prest.

J. WESLEY NORBURY, Sec'y.

Fourth Reformed Church.

Roxborough News
April 29-1927

CENTENNIAL AT FOURTH CHURCH

Full Week Celebration Marks
Fourth Reformed Church's
100th Anniversary

STARTS NEXT SUNDAY

The Fourth Reformed Church, at Manayunk and Monastery avenues, is celebrating its One Hundredth Anniversary with a full week of special services commencing next Sunday at 10.30 A. M., when a Mother's Day program will inaugurate the festivities.

This church, founded 100 years ago, has never been in a more healthy and flourishing condition than it is at present. From a start made in "the village school house," it is now possessed of a fine church building and rectory and, under the present pastorate, had the pleasure of celebrating the burning of its mortgage on December 30, 1923.

It owes its origin to the zealous spirit of the Rev. Jacob C. Sears, who provided an "every Sunday afternoon service" for the people of Manayunk. This was in the spring months of 1826, and the services were held in the "village school house." Pastor Sears continued his faithful preaching to the people until the close of that year and then followed missionaries appointed by the Domestic Board of Missions.

The actual beginning of the congregational life of the church took place when, on the 18th day of September, Governor J. Andrew Shulze granted a charter to the congregation, under the title, "The First Reformed Dutch Church of Manayunk and Flat Rock, Roxborough Township, Philadelphia County." It was specified that the congregation should be "in connection with the Reformed Church Synod." The present name, "The Fourth Reformed Church of Philadelphia" was given to the congregation in the early

part of the year 1873.

The corner stone of the old church building on Cotton street, Manayunk, was laid in June, 1827. During the Schenck, 1882-1887, a large Sunday School building was added to the rear of the church.

In 1895 the Rev. P. J. Kain took up his work in Manayunk. Under his kindly ministry the present edifice was erected and dedicated. His labors continued until 1909. During these years the numerical strength of the congregation was greatly increased.

Then followed in succession, three short pastorates, held by the Rev. Andrew Judson Walter, Rev. Isaac Ward, Rev. J. H. S. Putman. The present pastorate began on March 1, 1918.

At the time of dedication, a mortgage of \$15,000 was placed upon the building. This was slowly paid off, until in 1918, at the opening of the present pastorate, it stood at \$10,500. The credit for the liquidation of this debt, which was paid off in 1923, belongs, in a large measure, to the present pastor, Frank S. Fry, who is now in his tenth year of service here. He came from Shippensburg, Pa., where for four years he was the pastor of the Grace Reformed Church.

A most cordial invitation is extended to the many friends of the church to share in this gala occasion. Speakers of repute have been secured, musical organizations of the first class have been engaged and the talent of the church is putting forth every effort to make this an occasion never to be forgotten. It is impossible to detail the programs for the several evenings. They follow, however, in brief.

The celebration, as arranged by the Rev. Fry, will begin on Sunday morning, May 8, at 10.30, in a "Mother's Day Program." At this service the primary department of the Sunday School will present a memorial pulpit Bible to the church. This will honor the services of Miss Lulu G. Shultz, who until the time of her death was a faithful worker with the children of the primary department. The evening service will be given over to reminiscences and special music. There will be brought forth many interesting facts concerning the remote past, both of the church and the community.

Monday evening will be known as "organization night." The Tindley Bible Chorus will furnish the music, a pageant by the Pollyanna Circle will be given and an inspiring address by the Rev. Paul S. Leinbach, D.D., Litt.D., editor of the Reformed Church "Messenger," will insure an evening of profit.

Tuesday evening will be "community night." Greetings will be brought by the pastors of the churches of the community. Special music will again be a feature and a happy evening of fellowship is assured.

The balance of the program will appear in next week's Roxborough News.

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Fourth Reformed Church.

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Roxborough news
May 4th - 1927

CHURCH READY FOR BIG WEEK

Celebration of Centennial of
Fourth Reformed
Church

MOTHERS' DAY PROGRAM

All is in readiness for the great celebration to mark the centennial anniversary of the Fourth Reformed Church. From a very small beginning in a village school house, steady and consistent progress has been made until the present time when the celebra-



REV. FRANK S. FREY

tion finds the congregation carrying on its program in one of the most modern and well equipped buildings in the Twenty-first Ward.

The Centennial will be marked with a series of programs which represents the bringing together of some of the very best of the musical talent which the city of Philadelphia affords. Some of the best speakers obtainable will grace the various programs.

This church is speedily gaining a reputation for its hospitality and this spirit will be found at its very best during the celebration. The congregation extends to all a most cordial invitation to join in the celebration.

Sunday, May 8, being "Mother's Day," forms a most fitting start for these services. Special efforts have been made to make this service a real tribute to Mother, and a flower will be given to every mother in attendance. The presentation of a Memorial Pulpit Bible will add to the impressiveness of this service.

Every committee has been faithfully at work, and their appointed tasks are well on the way. But one thing is needed to insure the ultimate success of the whole week's effort and that a thing which will be supplied by the many friends of the Church, a great attendance.

Talmage Reformed Church

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Chronicle: Nov. 8, 1895

Mrs. Marion S. Talmage.

The death of this esteemed lady, which occurred on last Saturday afternoon, at her home on Lyceum avenue, Roxborough, was wholly unexpected, except by her relatives and most intimate friends, although she had been a sufferer for a year or more. Her gracious disposition endeared her to a large circle of friends, who must long remember her welcoming smile and cordial greeting, and the warm interest she took in benevolent and religious work, a disposition which has always been shared by her estimable daughters. It was at her house that the little Sunday School was started which has since developed into the Talmage Memorial Reformed Church, which was named after her deceased husband, the Rev. P. Stryker Talmage, who died in August, 1874.

The funeral services were held at the house on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. William J. Skillman officiating. Interment was made on Wednesday at Greenwood Cemetery, Long Island.

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Clergyman Produces His Second Book

"Teen Age Talks" Written
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Couched in language which can be easily understood by the adolescent between 10 and 20, is a new book, "Teen Age Talks," written by Rev. M. G. Gosselink, pastor of the Talmage Memorial Reformed Church of Roxborough, which came from the press of the National Publishing Company, on the 1st of July.

The work consists of fifty-two short tales of everyday life, each of which brings a message of real value to the girl or boy in the teen age, and should prove invaluable to the parent and teacher for inculcating sound principles of life into the hearts and minds of the young people who come under their guidance.

The subject covers a wide field of experiences and are adaptable in every way. A topical index, which appears in the volume, adds greatly to the practicability of the book, by furnishing a key to the subject which is to be considered. It is well bound and the typography is attractive in its style. A copy of "Teen Age Talks" should be on every bookshelf.

Mr. Gosselink displays a keen insight into the working of the young mind, and covers his subject with an entirety which leaves nothing to be desired.

"Teen Age Talks" is the second book from the pen of the Roxborough clergyman, and is a fine companion volume to "The Child in the Temple," which was published several years ago.

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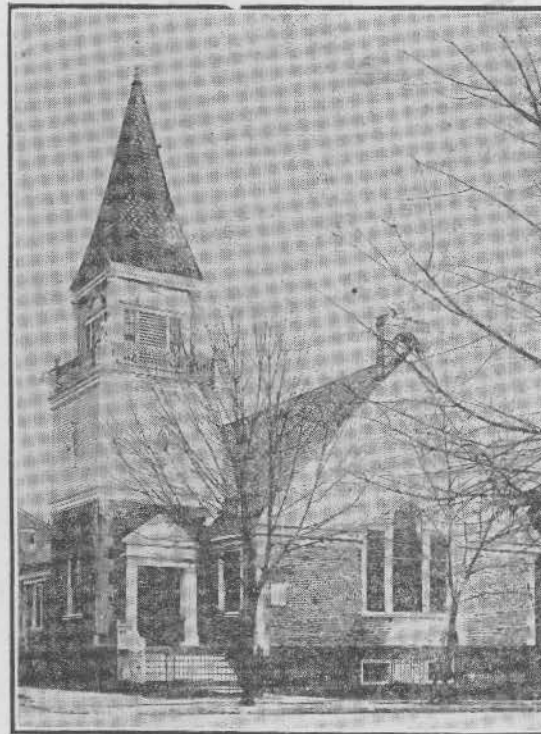
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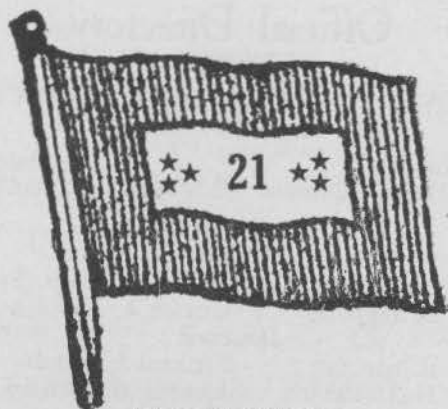
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Roxborough, August 6, 1918.

My Dear Soldier Boys:

As your minister in spiritual welfare and as your personal friend, I wish to pay tribute to each one of you who have gone out from our church and Sunday School to face the stern realities of war. We as a congregation, as well as individuals, honor and love each one of you, and are striving with all our might to keep the Home Fires Burning. We are praying and we are working to do all that we can to strengthen and uphold your hands in the day of trial, to keep you true and pure and brave and loyal out there where such things are sorely needed. We realize how little we can do that in any measure can compare with the sacrifices you have made, but we are doing our best to help defeat the evil spirit that would destroy all that we as Americans hold most dear. Some time ago in a sermon preached in the place where your loved ones gather to worship, and where you have found strength and inspiration in days gone by, I gave expression to these truths.

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tinuing what the brave men of other nations have been doing for nearly four years.

They go away in answer to the high call of duty, not for any material reward, not for territory, not for indemnity. We are fighting not simply for triumph for ourselves, but rather for civilization, for democracy, for humanity—for the enfranchisement of the world.

And while I spoke I thought of you, and our indebtedness to each brave lad who left all that is most dear to perform what he consciously or unconsciously felt to be his duty. As your minister, and on behalf of the congregation of which you are a part, I herewith inscribe your name on the Honor Roll in this little book which finds place in all of our homes.

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Receipts.

Envelope Collections	\$1,323.98
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Prayer Meeting Offerings	29.93
Sunday School	85.60
Sunday School—Account Christmas Entertainment	26.23
Christmas Morning Offering	2.25
King's Daughters	79.80
Ways and Means Committee	95.00
Intermediate Class	15.00
Ladies' Bible Class	28.00
Ushers' Association	20.00
Wildwood Excursion	13.00
Special Collection	27.10
Sale of Old Iron, etc.	1.90
Received account of Vacuum Cleaner	7.60
Organ Committee	318.18
Building Fund Committee	295.00
Contributions	22.82
Coal	108.32
Balance in Coal Fund from 1918	34.67
	\$2,793.25

Expenses.

Pastor's Salary (including unpaid balance from 1916)	\$1,359.37
Organist	122.00
Sexton	208.00
Electric Light and Lamps	57.30
Electric Wiring	40.26

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Envelopes	56.25
Fire Insurance	40.00
Printing	2.87
Lumber and Hardware	14.65
Classical Dues	24.60
Expenses, Delegate to Synod	3.75
Payment Note (account organ)	306.18
Water Rent	7.00
Taxes	10.50
Pulpit Supplies	20.00
Vacuum Cleaner	14.00
Alterations and Repairs to Church Building	295.00
Coal	136.00
Sundries	3.83
	\$2,786.36

Balance

\$6.89

Which balance belongs in the Coal Fund, there being no balance outside of it.

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Weekly Forecast
Oct. 30 - 1902

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John Hohenadel Donates a Church Window.

One of the handsome entry and landing windows presented to the Bethany Lutheran Church, Martin and Pechin streets, which was reopened and rededicated on last Sunday with impressive ceremonies, was the gift of Brewer John Hohenadel, in memory of his mother, Maria Hohenadel, who died last winter. The improvements consist of a handsome cut-stone front and entrance hallway, new roof, replastered exterior, refrescoed interior, refurnished with new pews, new altars and cathedral glass memorial windows, the latter presented by members and friends of the church.

The church was organized in 1845 by the Rev. Frank Raleigh, of West Virginia. Eighteen pastors have served the church since his time. The new tower contains three new, sweet-toned bells. The improvements cost \$16,000.

**EPIPHANY LUTHERAN
HAS ANNIVERSARY**

Last Friday, November 22nd, was the 27th anniversary of the burning of the mortgage of \$2500 on the Lutheran Church of the Epiphany,

Green lane and Silverwood street.

A large and joyous congregation attended the services on that memorial Sunday morning in 1902, when Rev. C. P. Weiskotten was the pastor.

The cremation followed immediately after the reading of a historical sketch of the church, by Frederick G. H. Woerner, at the close of the morning service. The pastor, after reading the mortgage, held it over a gas jet, the congregation singing the old Lutheran hymn, "Now Thank We all Our God."

The special services were continued in the afternoon and evening. At the afternoon session, addresses were made by G. E. Schlegelmich, E. Clarence Miller, and the pastor. In the evening, the speakers were Rev. Weiskotten, Rev. Dr. Samuel Laird and Rev. George W. Sandt.

Epiphany Church, which, at that time had a membership of 140, and a Sunday School of nearly 200, grew out of a meeting held on October 14th, 1888, at the home of George Bezold, in Roxborough avenue, by Rev. George C. Gardiner and eighteen persons. The first public services were held November 4th of the same year, in Temperance Hall, Manayunk, which is now familiar as the Rose Theatre, on Levering street. In June 1889, the congregation was received into the Lutheran Synod. The church was consecrated December 17th, 1893, the total cost being \$11,511, most of which was obtained on mortgages which were gradually paid off.

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One Hundred and Fifty Years Ago



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REV. PAUL Z. STRODACH, D. D.

Pastor

SUNDAY EVENING

December 18, 1927

PROCESSIONAL—Hymn 131

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name.”

THE VERSICLES AND GLORIA

PSALM 67—(Page 214)

THE LESSON

ANTHEM—“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” . . . Isaac Watts

HYMN 493—“God of Our Fathers Whose Almighty Hand.”

HISTORICAL STATEMENT . . . STANLEY HART CAUFFMAN
President, Wissahickon Valley Historical Society

HYMN 490—“My Country, ‘Tis of Thee.”

ADDRESS HON. SAMUEL EMLEN
President, Germantown Historical Society

OFFERTORY ANTHEM—“God of Israel” . STANLEY HART CAUFFMAN

HYMN 494—“From Ocean Unto Ocean.”

THE CANTICLE AND PRAYERS

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL—Hymn 379
“Onward, Christian Soldiers.”

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July 17-1930

Clergyman is Descendant of Muhlenberg

Rev. Wm. H. Cooper Speaks
at Service in Honor
of Forebear

LUTHERAN CEREMONY

More Than Five Hundred
Attend Rites at
Trappe, Pa.

Rev. Henry Melchoir Muhlenberg, pioneer minister of the famous Augustus Lutheran Congregation, at Trappe, near Collegeville, was honored last Sunday, when more than 500 Lutherans from Philadelphia and from many points throughout New Jersey, made a pilgrimage to the old church along the Benjamin Franklin highway.

Palm and wreath tributes were placed on his grave in the quaint church-yard by Henry Voight, president of the New Jersey conference, and by Rev. Dr. J. J. Schindel, of this city, president of the Philadelphia conference.

At the special church service which was held as part of the pilgrimage, Rev. William Henry Cooper pastor of the Grace Lutheran Church, Ridge and Roxborough avenues, and a lineal descendant of the patriarch was the guest speaker. Rev. William O. Fegley, for more than thirty-two years minister of Augustus Lutheran Congregation, assisted at the service.

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November 6-1930

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Grace Lutheran Church to Celebrate 25th Anniversary

Members of Evangelical Congregation to Observe Quarter
of a Century of Existence

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, Ridge and Roxborough avenues, will be celebrated next week, beginning Sunday, November ninth, when two noted preachers will occupy the pulpit.

At the eleven o'clock morning service, the Rev. N. R. Melhorn, D. D., Litt. D., will give the address. Dr. Melhorn is editor of "The Lutheran," official weekly publication of the United Lutheran Church in America. At the evening service at 8 p. m., the Rev. Carl B. Schuchard, pastor of Christ Lutheran Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., will preach. Pastor Schuchard was a Roxborough minister twenty-five years ago, in charge of Bethany German Lutheran congregation.

On Wednesday evening, November 12th, the various organizations of Grace Church—Ladies Aid, Men's and Women's Bible Classes, Luther League, and Missionary Society, will hold a festival service in commemoration of their own history within the congregation. The Rev. Conrad Wilker of Allentown, Pa., will be the speaker and Rev. Dr. J. J. Schindel, retiring President of the Philadelphia Conference, will bring a personal greeting.

The celebration will be concluded on Friday night, November 14th, with a social and entertainment. Local clergymen will bring greetings.

Grace Church was organized, September 1, 1905, by members of

Bethany Church who desired English as well as German services of worship. For a short period the congregation was bi-lingual, but about 1912 English became the language at all services.

The first pastor, the Rev. Hugo Meyer, Ph. D., ministered while the Andrew Wood mansion was still standing at the corner of Ridge and Roxborough avenues, and was used as the place of worship. Under the leadership of his successor, the Rev. John Hauset, the present stone structure was erected and the historic Wood barn was used as a temporary place of worship, while the old mansion was replaced by the new church. The consecration of the new building took place October 16, 1910.

Twenty-two members of the church entered the service of the country during the World War, under the pastorate of the Rev. P. Z. Strdach, D. D., and in 1919, under his direction, a "Patriots' Memorial Organ was built and dedicated in memory of the American soldiers of the Revolution who perished in Andrew Wood's barn at the hands of the Hessians, December, 1777.

The Rev. Charles Dapp, Ph. D., was the next pastor to serve Grace Church. During his time a trained choir and Women's Missionary Society were organized and the church edifice and basement were renovated. The Rev. W. H. Cooper, the present pastor, came to Grace Church from Brooklyn, N. Y., two years ago this month.

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SUNDAY EVENING
December 14, 1930

PROCESSIONAL—Hymn 202
"Rise, Ye Children of Salvation"

THE VERSICLES AND GLORIA

PSALM 65—(Page 213)

THE LESSON

ANTHEM—"Recessional" Kipling-De Koven

HYMN 493—"God of Our Fathers Whose Almighty Hand"

ADDRESS—"The Massacre at Wood's Barn," James K. Holmes
—MAJOR THOMAS S. MARTIN—
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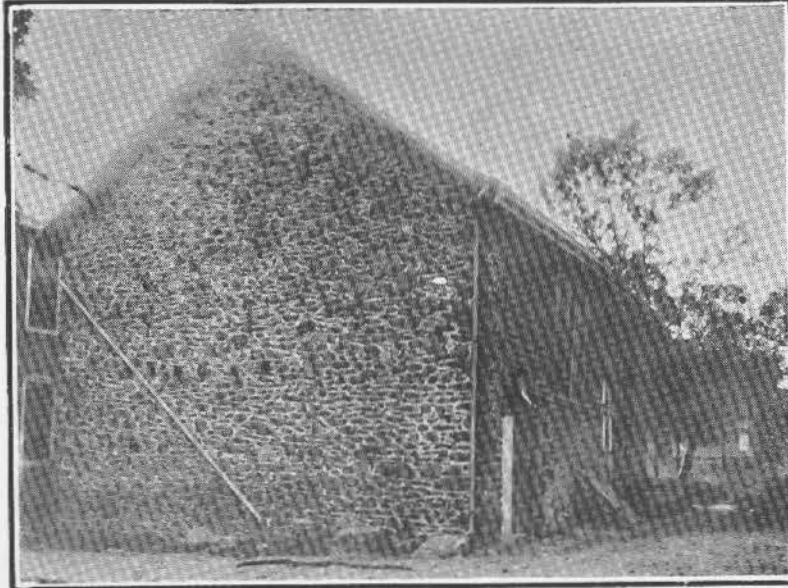
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Scott's Lane and Ridge Avenue

at Ridge and Roxborough Avenue

a lineal descendant of Henry Muhlenberg the father of Peter Muhlenberg the fighting person of the Revolution.

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SCENE OF THE MASSACRE
DECEMBER, 1777

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May 18 - 1931

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Old Cemetery Restored Again

By A. C. Chadwick, Jr.

Barren Hill Cemetery, behind whose walls the Marquis de Lafayette once took refuge from the British during a battle of the Revolution, has been rehabilitated.

Restoration of the cemetery, which is the burying ground of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, founded in 1752, is the result of more than a year's work by a committee of the church, superintended by William A. deMars.

Resting in the cemetery are the bodies of six soldiers who fell during that engagement of the Revolution. The bodies of four Indians, believed to have been scouts in the service of General Lafayette, are buried on the grounds, just off Ridge avenue.

Barren Hill Cemetery and little St. Peter's Church were less than twenty years old when, on May 20, 1778, Lafayette and his army sought the refuge of the burial ground's walls against a surprise attack by the British General Clinton.

It was not supposed for a moment that Lafayette and his army could escape. But get out they did, in an orderly and masterful fashion.

Surrounded by 8000 picked British troops General Lafayette did some quick thinking.

He maneuvered while the British General Grant stopped at a nearby tavern for breakfast. That breakfast cost the Britishers a victory. Lafayette arranged a number of false column heads and set them into marching order, in various directions.

He directed his main army to march away in haste along Spring Mill road and the plan worked. Grant saw the several heads of columns in motion and hesitated. Lafayette's patriots disappeared over the hill and out of the trap to safety.

With the co-operation of the church congregation DeMars has been able to establish a trust fund of several thousand dollars for perpetual care of the burial grounds and now efforts are being made to locate existing descendants of every person buried there.

Tradition has it that Barren Hill got its name from the sparseness of turf. In the cold light of history it is anything except a "barren hill" in tradition.

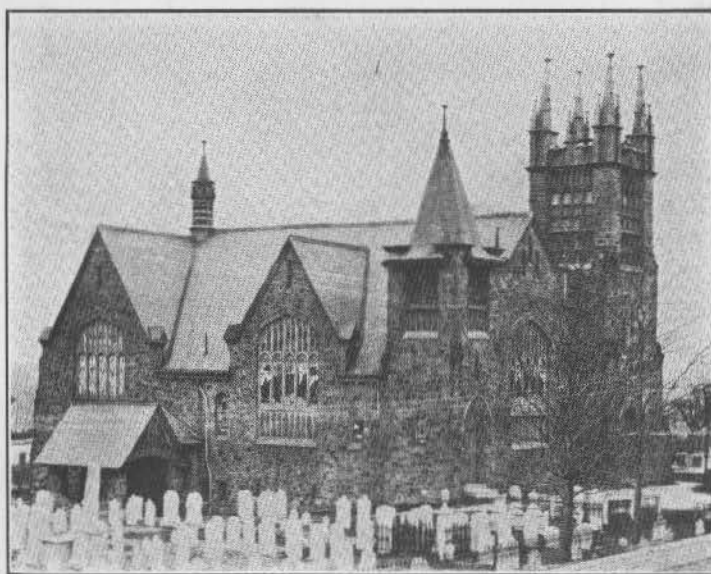
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**St. Peter's
Evangelical Lutheran Church**

BARREN HILL, PA.

175th Anniversary



PRESENT BUILDING. ERECTED 1900

**Rev. Henry M. Bower, Pastor
Lafayette Hill, Pa.**

1927

175TH ANNIVERSARY
ST. PETER'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
CHURCH

BARREN HILL, PA.

MAY 22ND TO MAY 29TH, 1927

REV. HENRY M. BOWER, PASTOR
LAFAYETTE HILL, PA.

THE ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE ACKNOWLEDGES WITH GRATEFUL APPRECIATION THE ASSISTANCE RENDERED BY ALL THOSE WHO HAVE SO UNSELFISHLY GIVEN OF THEIR TIME AND EFFORT TOWARD MAKING THE CELEBRATION AN INSPIRATION AND SUCCESS.



REV. HENRY MICHAEL BOWER

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Was born at Montoursville, Pa., February 15, 1886.

He is the son of William Lloyd and Rosetta Stugart Bower.

Mr. Bower attended the Lycoming County Normal School, and graduated from the Hughesville High School in 1904.

Was graduated from Gettysburg College, A.B., in 1908.

His first year in the Seminary was spent at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg, Pa., going from there to the Susquehanna University, where he graduated from the Theological Department in 1911.

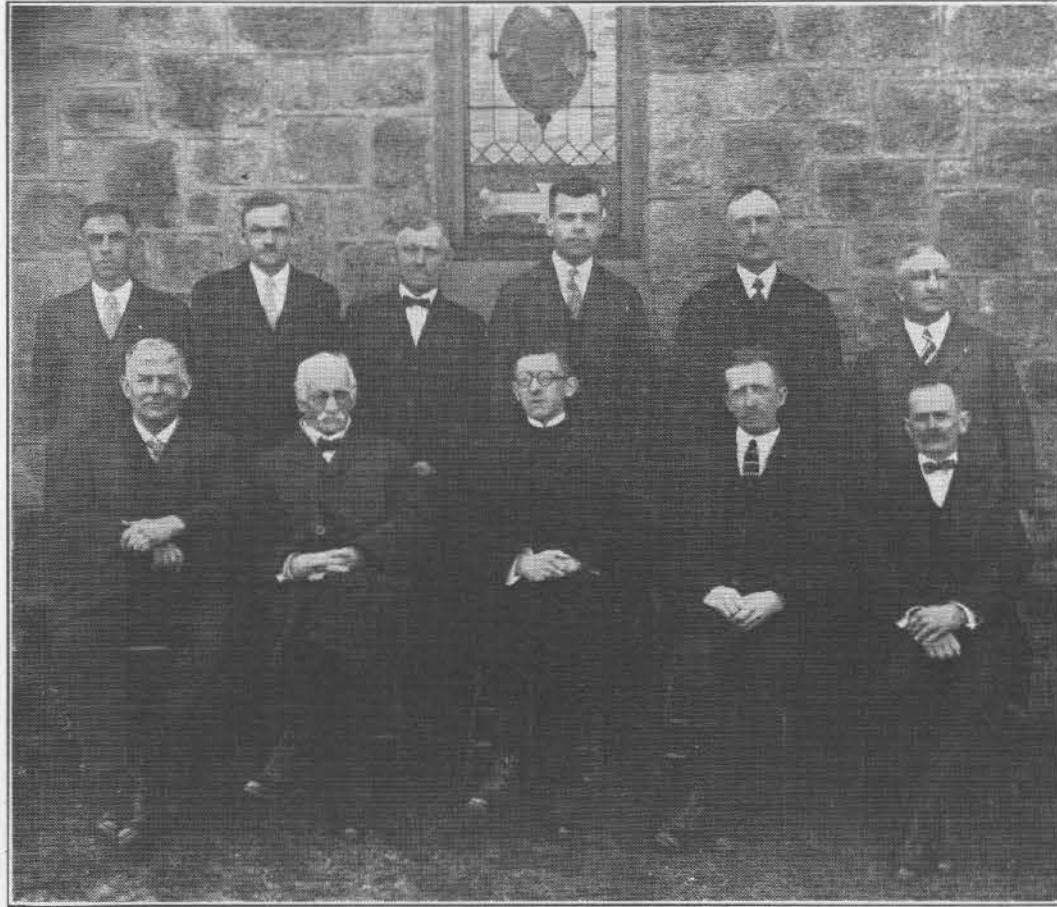
Mr. Bower has served as Pastor at Fort Washington, Highspire, Easton and York, Pa.

During the War he served as Resident Supply Pastor at Pine Grove, Pa. He was also Executive Secretary of the Layman's Missionary Movement.

He became Pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church at Barren Hill, June 27, 1926.

Mr. Bower was married on September 1, 1909, to Miss Mary Julia Wolf of Mt. Wolf, Pa.

They have two children: Henry Lloyd Wolf and Richard Michael.



THE CHURCH COUNCIL, 1927

Standing, left to right. W. Mackie Kerper, William Starke, J. Percy Coulston, James Mitchell, Jr., Walter Coulston, O. H. Cassel, Deacons.

Seated. Edwin R. Priest, J. M. Baker, Rev. Henry M. Bower (The Pastor), Ira T. Astle, Walter Miller, Elders.

Church Officers, 1927

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BARREN HILL, PA.

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*Pastor when church building was erected.

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GREETINGS

"Under the direction of my husband, St. Peter's celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of the building of the first church, August, 1861.

"I hope the one hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary of the organization of the congregation will be as delightful and inspiring as the celebration in 1861.

"God bless and prosper you in your work, and may many of the young men feel called to become Ministers of the Gospel and all the members help in the work."

(Signed) MRS. S. F. SENTMAN.

NOTE.—Mrs. Sentman tells us she yet recalls many of the old family names, likewise many pleasant experiences of their pastorate here. She is one hundred and three years of age, enjoys good health for one in her extreme age, and lives at Gap, Lancaster Co., Pa. She would be glad to see any of the Barren Hill residents.

Program for Anniversary Week

SUNDAY, MAY 22ND.

Rev. Lewis C. Manges, D.D., President of the East Pennsylvania Synod and Pastor of Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church, Harrisburg, Pa.

Subject for the morning service: "The Past and Future of a Great Church."

Subject for the evening service: "The Sovereignty of Jesus."

MONDAY EVENING, MAY 23RD.

Rev. Grayson Z. Stup, Pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Harrisburg, Pa. Subject:—"Gratitude for God's House." Robert Fraser, the Blind Gospel Singer of Radio Station WCAU will sing at this service.

TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 24TH.

Rev. Ulysses E. Apple, Pastor of the First Lutheran Church of Annville, Pa., and Secretary of the East Pennsylvania Synod, will speak on the subject, "The Choir Invisible."

Rev. Wm. Freas, will speak on the subject, "Some Boyhood Impressions."

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 25TH.—*Music Night.*

An elaborate musical program has been arranged for this service.

Rev. Henry M. Bower, the Pastor of the church, will speak.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 26TH.—*Historical Night and Visiting Ministers' Night.*

Rev. E. Allen Chamberlin, Pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, Trenton, N. J., and Treasurer of the East Pennsylvania Synod, will deliver an address on the "History of St. Peter's Church."

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 27TH.—*Brotherhood Night.*

This meeting will be for the members of the Wissahickon Valley Brotherhood.

Rev. Forrest E. Dager, D.D. will be the speaker.

His subject will be: "Doing My Best."

Mr. Frederick A. Muhlenberg, Reading, Pa., a descendant of Rev. Henry Melchoir Muhlenberg, D. D., the Founder and first Pastor of the Church, will also speak at this meeting.

SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 28TH.

A Strawberry Festival will be held under the auspices of the Women's Guild.

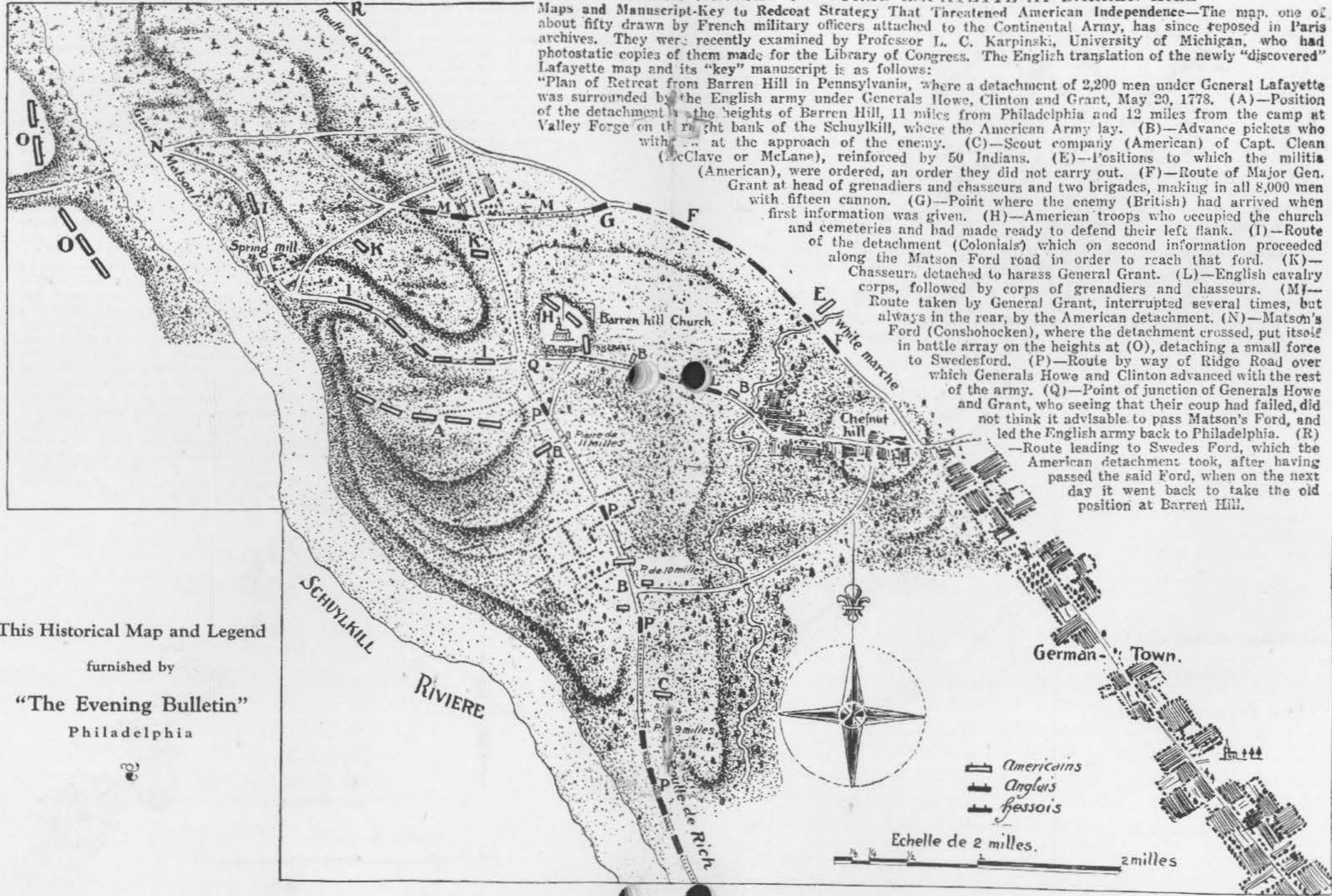
SUNDAY, MAY 29TH.

Rev. Joseph F. Hartman, D.D., late Pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, former president of the East Pennsylvania Synod and Pastor of St. Peter's from 1899 to 1908.

HISTORIC FRENCH MAP WHICH SHOWS HOW BRITISH NEARLY CAPTURED LAFAYETTE AT BARREN HILL

Maps and Manuscript-Key to Redcoat Strategy That Threatened American Independence—The map, one of about fifty drawn by French military officers attached to the Continental Army, has since reposed in Paris archives. They were recently examined by Professor L. C. Karpinski, University of Michigan, who had photostatic copies of them made for the Library of Congress. The English translation of the newly "discovered" Lafayette map and its "key" manuscript is as follows:

"Plan of Retreat from Barren Hill in Pennsylvania, where a detachment of 2,200 men under General Lafayette was surrounded by the English army under Generals Howe, Clinton and Grant, May 20, 1778. (A)—Position of the detachment on the heights of Barren Hill, 11 miles from Philadelphia and 12 miles from the camp at Valley Forge on the right bank of the Schuylkill, where the American Army lay. (B)—Advance pickets who with... at the approach of the enemy. (C)—Scout company (American) of Capt. Clean (McClave or McLane), reinforced by 50 Indians. (E)—Positions to which the militia (American), were ordered, an order they did not carry out. (F)—Route of Major Gen. Grant at head of grenadiers and chasseurs and two brigades, making in all 8,000 men with fifteen cannon. (G)—Point where the enemy (British) had arrived when first information was given. (H)—American troops who occupied the church and cemeteries and had made ready to defend their left flank. (I)—Route of the detachment (Colonials) which on second information proceeded along the Matson Ford road in order to reach that ford. (K)—Chasseurs detached to harass General Grant. (L)—English cavalry corps, followed by corps of grenadiers and chasseurs. (M)—Route taken by General Grant, interrupted several times, but always in the rear, by the American detachment. (N)—Matson's Ford (Conshohocken), where the detachment crossed, put itself in battle array on the heights at (O), detaching a small force to Swedesford. (P)—Route by way of Ridge Road over which Generals Howe and Clinton advanced with the rest of the army. (Q)—Point of junction of Generals Howe and Grant, who seeing that their coup had failed, did not think it advisable to pass Matson's Ford, and led the English army back to Philadelphia. (R)—Route leading to Swedes Ford, which the American detachment took, after having passed the said Ford, when on the next day it went back to take the old position at Barren Hill.



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A Brief Historical Review

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Barren Hill, Pa., becoming more and more known as Lafayette Hill, appears to have come into existence through the efforts of Rev. Henry M. Muhlenberg. He is credited with being the pastor from 1752 to 1762.

In his name and with his letters of recommendation, collectors raised funds to build a school house and later a church. The money was collected in Philadelphia and in the provinces of New Jersey and New York.

The school house was completed in 1758. In this building the congregation worshipped until the church building, which was commenced in 1761, was completed several years later. The congregation was financially embarrassed for several years.

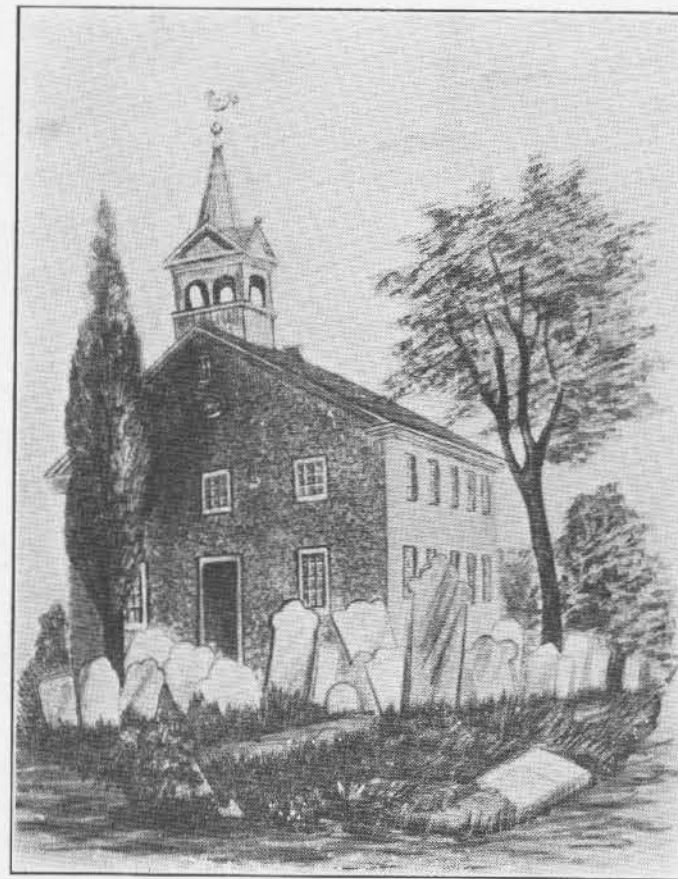
At an election, held April 1, 1766, Henry Katz, John Bauer, Andrew Koeth and Philip Lehr were chosen as elders, and William Hiltner and John Fisher, deacons.

During the Revolutionary War, the church was damaged considerably, having been used by the contending armies. Rev. Muhlenberg, in his journal, under date of November 4, 1777, makes mention of this.

From the church building, General Lafayette made his observations while the English General, Grant, was hastening to his expected capture of the great Frenchman. It was in the cemetery, adjoining the church that General Lafayette deployed his Indian scouts to give the impression he would give battle, while he skillfully withdrew his main body of troops across the Schuylkill River at Matson's Ford (Conshohocken).

After the war the church was almost a ruin, filled with rubbish, and the members were destitute of the necessities of life.

In 1836, during the pastorate of Rev. C. W. Schaeffer, the parsonage was built. The last communion in the old church, April 8, 1849, was administered by the Rev. F. R. Anspach, D.D., who was



FIRST BUILDING. ERECTED 1761

pastor from 1841 to 1850. The new edifice was erected at a cost of \$6,500.00.

The centennial celebration of the building of the first church was held in August, 1861, under the leadership of the Rev. S. F. Sentman. (This information has been furnished us by Mrs. Sentman, who yet lives at the age of 103 years. Her home is at Gap, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.)

The church built in 1849, was of Gothic style, two stories high, with a tower and spire, one hundred feet high. This structure was completely destroyed by fire early on the morning of September 28, 1899.

The Rev. J. F. Hartman, D.D. was the last to preach in the church, as an applicant for the pulpit, which at that time was vacant. Dr. Hartman was immediately elected to the pastorate, and without a church building this gifted Pastor came on the field, and during the period from 1899 to 1901, led the congregation in the erection of the present splendid, beautiful edifice.

Yes, one hundred and seventy-five years seems a long time, yet St. Peter's, venerable as a servant of the Most High, is still vigorous in the work of the Kingdom. While we are celebrating the splendid history of the past, it is only to center our attention upon the Master's work until He says, "It is finished."

Out from the past we hope to step at the call of the Christ, proud of the past, but ever anxious for the service of the future.



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REV. JOSEPH F. HARTMAN, D. D.

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Dr. Hartman was ordained to the Gospel Ministry by the Synod of East Pennsylvania in October, 1876, and completed fifty years of continuous service in October 1926.

He has served the following pastorates:

St. Peter's, West Pikeland, Pa.

Christ's Church, Ghent, N. Y.

The Second Church, Altoona, Pa.

Coming to St. Peter's, Barren Hill, Pa., in 1899. It was during his pastorate here, and under his leadership that the present church building was erected and dedicated in June, 1901, practically free of debt, mainly through his untiring efforts.

In 1908, Dr. Hartman accepted a call to Bethany Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, where he remained until October, 1926.

Although Dr. Hartman has spent many years in the Ministry, he is still active in the service of the Church.

At the present time he is engaged in special supply work in New York City, where he now resides.



REV. GRAYSON Z. STUP
HARRISBURG, PA.

REV. GRAYSON ZACHARIAS STUP

Was born near Frederick, Md., January 25, 1873.

He is the son of Wm. David and Eleanor (Brunner) Stup.

He attended the Frederick Academy, going from there to Gettysburg College, where he graduated in the First Honor Group in 1896.

In the fall of that year, Mr. Stup entered the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Pa., from which he was graduated in 1899 with the degree of B. D.

He has served as Pastor at Rays Hill, Bedford Co., Pa., from 1899 to 1902, at St. Matthew's, Chester Co., Pa., from 1902 to 1908, at St. Peter's, Barren Hill, from 1908 to 1917, leaving there to take the pastorate of St. Mark's Lutheran Church at Trenton, N. J., from which place he was called, in 1922, to his present charge, that of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Harrisburg, Pa.

Mr. Stup was married on July 28, 1898, to Miss Mary Motz, of Conshohocken, Pa.

They have two children: Mary E. and Harry C.

Mr. Stup has written numerous articles for Church papers, and for three years was secretary of the East Pennsylvania Synod. He was also a delegate to the General Synods at Akron, Ohio and Chicago, and a delegate to the first convention of the United Lutheran Church in New York City, and to the third and fourth conventions held at Buffalo and Chicago.



REV. EDWIN ALLEN CHAMBERLIN
TREASURER EASTERN PENNA. SYNOD

REV. EDWIN ALLEN CHAMBERLIN

Was born at South Williamsport, Pa., May 31, 1886.

He is the son of Edwin A. and Eva Rupert (Steck) Chamberlin.

Mr. Chamberlin graduated from the Trenton High School in 1904, and from Gettysburg College, with the Degree of A. B., in 1908.

He was graduated from the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg, Pa., in 1911, receiving the Degree of A. M. from Gettysburg College.

He also graduated from Mt. Airy Seminary in 1924, receiving the Degree of B. D.

Mr. Chamberlin was Pastor of the Buckhorn charge from 1911 to 1917, and at St. Peter's Church, Barren Hill, from 1917 until 1926, when he became Pastor of Grace Lutheran Church at Trenton, N. J.

He also served as Supply Pastor of St. John's, Saegers, Pa., in 1909, Montoursville Charge in 1910, and Mordansville M. E. in 1916 and 1917.

He is a member of the Editorial Staff of the "Augsburg Teacher" and "Sunday School World."

Mr. Chamberlin was married on September 5, 1911, to Miss Esther Miller Speese of Gettysburg, Pa.

They have two children: Charles A. and Esther Dorothea; the latter was born at Barren Hill during his Pastorate there.

Mr. Chamberlin is Treasurer of the Philadelphia Conference and also of the East Pennsylvania Synod.

He is well known as a crayon artist for Young Peoples' Organizations and also as a lecturer.



INTERIOR PRESENT BUILDING



INTERIOR OF BUILDING
DESTROYED BY FIRE IN 1899

REV. F. J. MARTERSTECK

Rector of St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Manayunk, Dies While on Retreat.



REV. FRANCIS J. MARTERSTECK, rector of the Church of St. Mary of the Assumption, Manayunk, died at the Seminary of St. Charles Borromeo, Overbrook, on Tuesday. The final summons came while he was taking part in the spiritual retreat of the diocesan clergy, thus

forming a striking coincidence when it is recalled that Rev. D. A. Brennan, who died at the Seminary five years ago during retreat, was also rector of a church dedicated to Our Lady under the title of the Assumption.

Father Martersteck was born April 29, 1844, in Weichtendonk, Germany, of which his father and brother were Mayors. After receiving an elementary education in his native town he entered the High School at Lennip and also took a course in the pro-gymnasium. He then went to the University of Cologne, from which he graduated in 1863. After graduation he entered the theological seminary at Muenster, Westphalia, an institution which has furnished this diocese with a number of excellent priests. June 6, 1868, he was ordained to the priesthood in the chapel of St. Mauritz, Borro Maun, among those ordained with him being Rev. E. O. Hilbermann, rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity.

The newly-ordained priest came to this diocese and was assigned as assistant at St. Boniface's Church. Later he was transferred to St. John the Baptist's, Haycock, Bucks county, where he labored successfully until the summer of 1873, when he was assigned to the rectorship of St. Mary's of the Assumption, succeeding the late Rev. Rudolph Kuentzer.

The silver jubilee of his ordination and twentieth anniversary of his pastorate were celebrated there, beginning June 5, 1893. The school children inaugurated the exercises with an entertainment that afternoon, at which Archbishop Ryan made an address. In the evening the congregation and societies held a public meeting, at which various gifts were presented to Father Martersteck, including a purse, which he generously turned over to the Conference of St. Vincent de Paul for the poor of the parish. On Tuesday morning a Solemn High Mass was celebrated by the Jubilarian, with Rev. Hubert Hammeke as deacon, Rev. A. J. Schulte, sub-deacon, and Rev. Herman J. Heuser, master of ceremonies. Father Hammeke preached. The new vestments used on this occasion were presented by the ladies of the parish. The golden jubilee of the church was celebrated with appropriate ceremonies on New Year's Day, 1901.

Father Martersteck died July 2, 1901. and his remains were placed in the rector's vault adjoining the church on Conarroe street, in Manayunk. He served St. Mary's Church for 31 years, until the time of his demise

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Suburban Press: August 22-1929

NEW ASSISTANT AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Cardinal Dougherty made an announcement of a clerical appointment last Saturday when he made public the news that Rev. Theodore Wagner, D. D., who recently arrived from Rome, was appointed assistant rector to St. Mary's of the Assumption Church, on Conarroe street.

The office of assistant rector at St. Mary's has been vacant for several months. The Suburban Press greets Father Wagner and welcomes him to this section.

Roxborough News
May 25th 1929

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ST. LUCY'S CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED

Solemn Dedicational Mass to be
Celebrated Sunday by
Monsignor Murphy

FIFTH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Next Sunday, May 29, the dedication of St. Lucy's Roman Catholic Church, Green lane and St. David street, Manayunk, will take place. The Right Rev. Monsignor Murphy, of St. John the Baptist Church, will celebrate solemn dedication mass. The Rev. Filomeno Bernardo, of the Church of Our Lady of the Eternal, Philadelphia, will be deacon.

All Catholic parishes in Manayunk have been invited to attend the dedication and a street parade will take place starting at 10 A. M. from Tower and Rector streets. The procession will march along Main street to Green lane, and up Green lane to the church.

Several good Italian bands of music have been engaged for the occasion. The Holy Name Societies of St. John and St. Mary's Churches and the Holy Family and St. Josephs and all other Catholic church societies were invited to be present.

St. Lucy's Church is the fifth Catholic church opened in this district since 1839. It will house all the Italian Catholic families in the Twenty-first Ward and West Manayunk district. The present St. Lucy's Church was bought from the Congregation of the Mount Zion M. E. Church, which held services in the building for nearly a century. The Mount Zion congregation consolidated with the Central M. E. Church in Roxborough and offered the church buildings, which included a rectory, next to the church on Green lane, and a house for the sexton on Carson street, in the rear of the rectory, for sale. The Rev. F. Bernardo, who was then rector of St. Lucy's Church, opened a campaign to collect funds to buy the present site on November 14 last. The campaign lasted two weeks, and on Sunday, November 23, the team captains, Paul Curcio, Rosario Boschetti, John Giovanitti, Frank Cherry, Vincenzo Buono, George Minet, Camillo Raimond, reported a total of \$33,000.

The church properties were then purchased and work started to make alterations at once. The interior was beautifully decorated. Three splendid artistic altars with handsome statues gave great appearance to the church, while the marbledized tiles in the floor and a heavy inlaid linoleum in

the aisle and the two vestibules on each side of the center altar, is a piece of contractor's art.

The Right Rev. Monsignor Murphy, well known and beloved by all Italians, was untiring in his efforts to help to build the church. The exterior of the church has been painted and plastered.

A large number of priests from other parishes and other high church dignitaries will be at the dedication. The Rev. Bartola Fioriobli, who was transferred to St. Lucy's from the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Marcus Hook, Pa., is pastor of St. Lucy's.

Details of police from other districts will handle the crowds who are expected to line the curbs along Main street during the parade. Many thousands of men and boys will be in line. Joseph Decker will be grand marshal of the parade and Dominick Dilincto and Camillo Raimond will be his assistants.

"The Italian Church of St. Lucy, West Manayunk, will be dedicated Sunday December 9th at 10.A.M.

"By special permission of His Grace, Rt. Rev. P. J. Ryan, Archbishop of Philadelphia, the Rev. Eugene Murphy, Rector of St. John the Baptist Church will consecrate the church.

"High Mass will be celebrated at 10.30 A.M. by Rev. Antono Orlando. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Angelo Caruso, of the church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Philadelphia.

"Vesper and benediction of the most Blessed Sacrament at 3.30P.M Sermon will be preached by Rev. Father Trovi, rector Italian Church, Norristown, Pa.

"Rev. Antono Orlando extends a cordial invitation to the people of the Falls to be present."

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Weekly Forecast: December 13th 1906.

"The new Italian Catholic Church of St. Lucy, on Ashland Heights West Manayunk, was opened for worship and consecrated Sunday, morning by Rev. Eugene Murphy, rector of St. John the Baptist Church, at Manayunk, Rev. Antono Orland celebrated High Mass, and the sermon was preached by Rev. Angelo Caruso, of the Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Philadelphia, also Father Murphy.

"The following priests were present: Father M. J. McSorley, Rev. P.H. McGinnis, of St. Johns; Rev. J. J. McCarthy, of the Holy Family Church; and large delegations from the various Italian Societies of Philadelphia and Manayunk. The church seats about 200 people.

"Vesper was held at 3.30 P.M. when one thousand people from Manayunk, Roxborough and Wissahickon, and Philadelphia, and the church was crowded at the two services.

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Corpus Christi R. C. Church. 29th + Allegheny Ave. 10
 Weekly Forecast (Falls) April 17, 1913.

Corpus Christi Euchre Promises Big Success—History of the Parish

From all indications, the first progressive parish euchre and promenade concert to be given this Friday evening, at Lulu Temple, Broad and Spring Garden streets, in aid of Corpus Christi Church, 29th and Allegheny avenue, will be a great success.

Preparations for the event was begun six weeks ago. In anticipation of a large attendance, ample accommodations have been provided. For those who may have no interest in the pastime of playing euchre a musical entertainment will be afforded on a floor reserved.

Over three hundred prizes that will appeal to the most discriminating taste have been donated. These prizes have been classified for players and non-players and a door prize has been offered for which every purchaser of a ticket will be entitled to draw.

The various committees have been very active, laboring incessantly day and night, to complete all arrangements.

Among those who are prominent in planning the monstrous undertaking are: General Committee. John Whalen, president; J. G. Denby, vice president; Michael Fitzpatrick, secretary; Rev. Henry Naylon, treasurer.

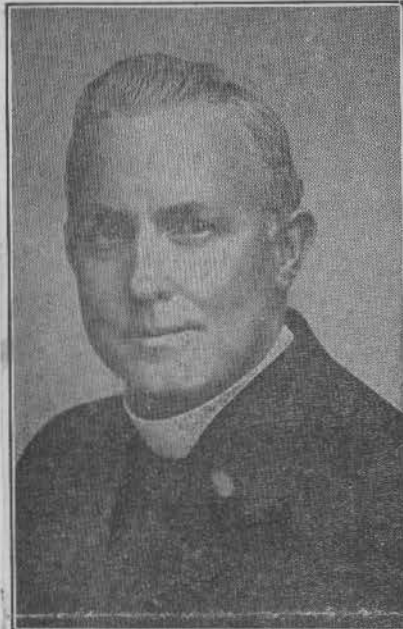
Prize Committee: J. H. McDonagh, chairman; Mrs. Edw. Branagan, chairlady of ladies' auxiliary.

Advertising Committee: Frank Cruice, chairman.

Committee of Arrangements: Fred J. Kuhn.

Music Committee: Joseph G. Denby.
 Refreshment Committee: Mrs. Joseph Kling, chairlady.

Wardrobe Committee: Frank Fagan, chairman.



REV. HENRY A. NAYLON

The history of Corpus Christi Church is very brief, covering a period of only nine months.

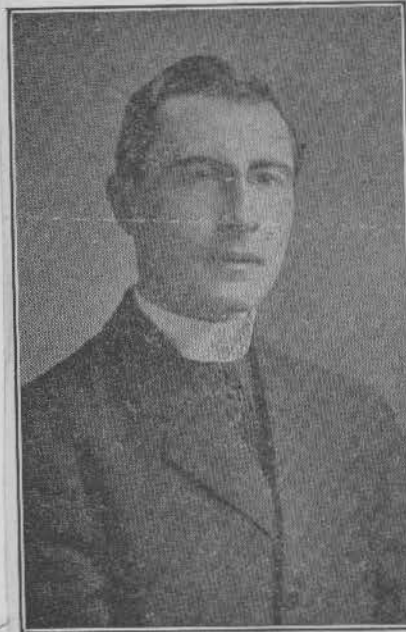
The Most Rev. Edmond F. Prendergast, Archbishop of Philadelphia, noticing the growth of the Catholic population in the northwestern section of Philadelphia, determined upon a plan of erecting a new parish in that part of the city.

Accordingly the Diocesan Building

Committee was instructed to visit the neighborhood bounded by the parishes of the Holy Souls, St. Columba's, The Most Precious Blood and St. Bridget's, Falls of Schuylkill, to decide upon the most appropriate location for the parish in contemplation.

A lot was secured at the northwest corner of Twenty-eighth and Clearfield streets for a consideration of \$18,000, on which was to stand Corpus Christi Church.

When the time arrived for the beginning of the active work of forming the new parish His Grace, the Most Rev. Archbishop, selected for the task Rev. Henry A. Naylon, for fifteen years assistant rector of the Church of the Annunciation, Tenth and Dickinson streets. Father Naylon received his appointment on May 26, 1912. The diocesan board after a conference with the rectors of the parishes affected by the division of their territory, arranged upon the boundaries of the parish as follows: North side of Lehigh avenue to Twenty-seventh street, west side of Twenty-seventh street to Somerset street, north side of Somerset street to Twenty-sixth street west side of Twenty-sixth street to Indiana avenue, north side of Indiana avenue to Twenty-second street, west side of Twenty-second street to Germantown and Chestnut Hill Railroad, Germantown and Chestnut Hill Railroad to Thirty-fourth street, south on East side of Thirty-fourth street to Clearfield street and north side of Clearfield street east.



REV. JOHN J. MORAN

Upon assuming charge of the new parish Father Naylon selected as its title Corpus Christi, the Latin equivalent of "Body of Christ."

Until the time should arrive when the pastor could erect a permanent building it became necessary to secure a temporary chapel wherein the parishoners might be accommodated for the hearing of mass and the other various devotions. The

problem was solved and the rector was relieved of much anxiety by the courtesy of the Sisters of St. Joseph in charge of the Catholic Home for Destitute Children, at the northwest corner of Twenty-ninth and Allegheny avenue. With the approval of the Archbishop the auditorium of the new Home was fitted out as a temporary chapel with an altar erected on the stage and chairs for the accommodation of the congregation.

The sisters attached to the Home generously donated a very beautiful altar, vestments and other appurtenances necessary for the offering of the Holy Sacrifice and the other services in the chapel.

On Sunday, June 23, 1912, Father Naylon celebrated mass for the first time for the parishoners of Corpus Christi Parish.

Since the establishment of the parish, Father Naylon had been attracted by a plot of ground between Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth streets on the south of Allegheny avenue. By conferring with the Most Rev. Archbishop he arranged for the transfer of the lot first purchased on Clearfield street and the purchase at a cost of \$31,500 of the more suitable location and the change has met with the approval of all as the more desirable location for the future group of buildings.

In a short time a combination building, auditorium and church will be erected at a cost of \$33,000.

On December 21, 1912, Rev. John J. Moran was appointed as assistant to Father Naylon.

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Weekly Forecast (Falls) November 5th 1903.

St. Columba's 81
23rd + Lehigh Avenue

"To meet the wants of the rapidly-growing Roman Catholic population in the western part of the Twenty-Eighth and Thirty-Eighth Wards, St. Columba's Church, a temporary wooden structure, will be torn down early next spring and the basement of a handsome and commodious church will be erected on the vacant lot near the old building, 23rd street and Lehigh avenue. The rector, Rev. W. P. Gough, and assistant priests have already done a great deal for their flock. A fine improvement to that neighborhood and a means of educating more than a thousand children is St. Columba's parochial school, one of the largest and handsomest recently built in the city.

"Although only two stories high, the school has nine large class rooms on each floor. Just now only 13 rooms are occupied, accommodating 850 children, under the charge of the Sisters of St. Joseph, but Father Gough expects that in a few years every room will be filled, as the neighborhood is building up rapidly. In addition to the regular classrooms there are other rooms where the children are taught drawing, modeling, and carving, by teachers from the Industrial Art School. There is also a large assembly room, when the children congregate to receive religious instruction from one of the clergy.

"Father Gough and his assistants, with the heavy financial pressure upon them, are obliged to appeal to their flock and friends generally to help raise a fund for the new church. A good start in this direction was made through a fair held by the congregation last summer. Priests and people are now striving to so increase the fund, as to have the entire amount required, or nearly all, on hand before beginning work on the building. To that end the congregation will hold its first "grand euchre" in Merchantile Hall, Broad and Master streets, on Friday evening, November 13th."

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Mt. Zion M. E.

Chronicle
Feb-17-1882

TIMELY WARNING.—Owing to the outrageous behavior of some young people at the Sunday evening services of the Mt. Zion M. E. church, the Board of Managers have been looking up the law on the subject; and in consequence they have announced their determination to prosecute parties so offending no matter whom they may be. The penalty in such cases is \$100 fine or one year's imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of the court, and there is every prospect that it will be rigidly enforced. The time has gone by long ago when such proceedings could be tolerated, if, indeed, it ever existed. The mere fact of young people selecting the back seats away from observation looks suspicious of itself, and an eye will be kept upon them in future.

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CHRISTMAS PLAYER



EDYTHE McMASTER
Who portrayed the part of "Carol Bird," in the "Birds Christmas Carol," presented at the Ridge Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, Ridge and Shawmont avenues, last night.

Throng Fills Auditorium At Shawmont

Crowd Delighted With 'Bird's Christmas Carol' at M. E. Church

MRS. SMITH DIRECTS

Pupils of Church School Present Kate Douglas Wiggin's Great Play

Almost three hundred persons—old and young, from great granddads down to the tiniest of infants—crowded the Ridge avenue Church School, at Ridge and Shawmont avenues, on Wednesday night of last week to witness the showing of Kate Douglas Wiggin's delightful Yuletide story—"The Bird's Christmas Carol."

And what a treat it proved to be! "Carol Bird" came into actual being in the person of Edythe McMaster, with her father, mother, nurse and uncle to provide a "real Christmas," in their "big" house for "Mother Ruggles" and her family, from the nearby alley. Those familiar with the humor and pathos of the tale were well pleased to review it once more, while others, to whom it was new, will never forget the splendid manner in which it was introduced to them in Upper Roxborough.

The play was directed by Mrs. Helen Smith, who also acted as reader of the prologue, while Miss Maude Faustman supplied the piano accompaniment.

In addition to Miss McMaster, who played the leading role in a most appealing manner, the cast was made up of Helen Thomas, as "Mrs. Bird;" Leon E. Smith, Sr., who had been called upon at almost the last minute, as "Mr. Bird;" George F. Johnston, as "Uncle Jack;" Nora Belle Frey, as

"Elfrida, the nurse;" Florence Frey, as "Mother Ruggles;" William Russell, as "Larry Ruggles;" Ruth Grinrod, as "Peoria;" Bessie Schleicher, as "Kitty;" Arthur Ketels, as "Cornelius;" Arthur Slook, as "Peter;" Leon Smith, Jr., as "Clement;" Sarah Maude Ruggles by Lily V. Smith; the "Christmas Angel," by Margaret Kippax and "Santa (Himself) Claus," by Martin Lare.

Sympathy for the "poor, little rich girl," who was crippled, filled the auditorium, as did also, the same feeling—in another

way—for that one-time society belle, Mrs. Ruggles, who "never rolled her sleeves down." Every character was depicted with a faithfulness which was indeed remarkable, but particular praise must be given to the work of Miss McMaster, Nora Belle Frey, Lily V. Smith, George F. Johnston, Leon Smith, Jr., and in abundance to Miss Florence Frey, who handled the difficult part of "Mother Ruggles," like a Bernhardt.

The "Ruggles," needed an old fashioned wood-burning kitchen stove, and other furniture, impossible to obtain, so a property man was required. Anyone who was present will attest to the fact that Robert Thomas—unseen and unsung—filled this position with an artistry which left nothing lacking.

The play was given as the Church School's annual Christmas entertainment, and was in charge of the superintendent, Harry D. Evans. Boxed candies were distributed to members of the School, by Santa Claus, who left a brilliantly lighted and decorated Christmas tree long enough to perform this happy task.