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Railroaders of Scranton and Their Mission Work.

PASTORATE OF REV. R. S. JONES

Dr. L. M. Gates and His Sunday School Work—Rev. J. C. Hogan and His Appointment at Rush—Other Items of Church Work.

Although working in a quiet manner the Railroad Young Men's Christian association is one of the most effective religious organizations in the city. The annual meeting, which celebrated the fourth anniversary, on Monday night, showed tangible tokens of the great increase in membership, work and influence. At the previous anniversary the membership was reported to be 316, whereas by Monday night the number had increased to 517. The increase in all departments has been singularly consistent; for instance, the average attendance Sunday religious service in 1894 was 163, but during the past year it had increased to 256. The same comparison is shown in the attendance at the car shop religious meetings, which, in 1894, was 14 on an average, but during the last year was 32, but the total attendance at all religious meetings, 12,911, shows an enormous increase with 3,814 of the preceding year.

Apart from the spiritual development of the work there is a gratifying increase in the various other branches. There are 1,034 books in the library, as compared with 750 twelve months ago; 1,154 books circulated compared with 782. The railroaders are evidently a scrupulously clean section of community, as 3,714 baths were taken during the year. The only feature in the report which calls for adverse remarks is the evident lack of accommodations in the rooms. The following remark in a fair criterion to the wants of the members: "The need which was urged last year for a larger building in which to conduct our work grows greater every day, and unless the need can be met in some way our work must inevitably suffer." The statement is, however, vague and not satisfactory to the members. Who is to provide the larger building? Mr. Warburton said it rested solely upon the members, but there is a consensus of opinion among all railroad owners that the associations are the greatest help in securing honest, faithful and loyal servants. The arguments, therefore, well made that if the railroad companies profit to an extensive extent, it would be but fair to expect them to assist their employees in their efforts. There is but one excuse for the delay, viz: the depression in railroad traffic and the temporary decrease in the revenue, and it is to be hoped that with the revival of trade the Scranton railroaders will be in possession of more commodious and comfortable rooms.

The members of the executive committee are: William Frink, chairman; E. K. Crotham, treasurer; A. H. Masters, corresponding secretary; W. F. Ace, J. H. Smith, C. J. Ganzmuller, M. V. Wesley, F. W. Fearshall, M. F. Case, W. F. Curry, J. R. Troch, W. A. Berry, F. H. Belden, E. M. Francis, all of whom have contributed materially to the success of the association. Rev. Reese Baron Jones, D. D., will

tomorrow celebrate the twenty-third anniversary of his pastorate of the Providence Welsh Congregational church, and, probably, has the honor of being the only pastor who has occupied the same pulpit in this city for such a long period. As his name indicates, Mr. Jones is a Cymro, being a native of Carmarthenshire, South Wales, where he received his early training. During his honored career in both countries Mr. Jones has been an assiduous worker and a diligent student, being a firm believer in the principle that the Gospel should always be preached with intelligence, hence his sermons have always been scholarly, erudite and essentially of an educational type.

Outside the pulpit his work has been along similar lines, and the unusual length of his pastorate testifies to the love and affection which exists between pastor and people. Having their absolute confidence, he has succeeded in the honorable achievement of recording continual and uninterrupted progress in the history of the church since his election as pastor. Although the Puritan church—one of the leading churches of the North End—is an offshoot of the Welsh Congregational church, the mother church has continued to increase in membership until the roll has been doubled. Eighteen months ago Dr. Jones also established a mission at Dutch Gap, which likewise has doubled in membership. Dr. Jones is one of the best known personalities in the North End, and it would be difficult to enumerate the various movements in which he has assisted for the improvement of his neighbors. As a pastor he has proved the success of his mission, and many are grateful to him for the guidance he has afforded them in this life. His wise counsel and good advice, as well as his willing assistance, are always at the service of the many who call upon him, confident that they will be welcomed in all their troubles by one who has their welfare and interest at heart.

Tomorrow morning Dr. Jones will preach a sermon on "The Social Duties of the Church Towards the Young Men," and a large congregation will doubtless be in attendance.

Events of the Week.

By special request, Dr. L. M. Gates read an excellent paper before a large meeting of the members of the Penn Avenue Baptist church on Wednesday evening on the interesting subject of "The Obligations of the Church to the Sunday School." In opening his paper he asked the question, "Do we as a church appreciate the high privilege of our situation? Five new classes in our Sunday school! Young, plastic minds waiting to be moulded. The would-be philanthropist and reformer has not to go out to the highways and hedges to compel them to come in; they are waiting at his command. No department of church effort is better adapted to missionary work, or holds out better promise of large returns than the Sunday school. Do we believe what has been taught us? Do we believe the Bible? Do we really believe that we profess? Do we really believe that right here in Scranton, as truly as in far-off India, that unless men accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior they must be eternally damned. If we do believe these things, what more could we ask than to be blessed, as we are, in the midst of a population not wholly, nay, only partially redeemed? The doctor then impressed upon his audience how the mind was as the sensitive plate of a camera, catching and holding an im-

pression of every ray that fell upon it. Those that fell first were the plainest, the firmest and most lasting, and in speaking of the necessity to train the children, and the lack of teachers, he ridiculed the excuses and deplored the sad fact that the church of today was wanting in that devotion to the cause of Christ that would lead to sacrifice for its advancement.

Dr. Gates then treated of the qualifications of a teacher and urged that almost all church members were possessed of them to some degree, so that, comparatively speaking, none could excuse themselves on that point. Among the obligations he instanced the benefit which would develop to those taking part in the work. Other points were mentioned in the paper which brought strongly to view the obligations which lay upon church members to assist to their utmost in developing the work of the church.

During the week ground has been broken at the corner of Capouse avenue and Ash street for the erection of the Slavonic Roman Catholic church. The building will be 60x38 feet, with a 10-foot basement running the entire length of the structure, adapted to school purposes. The cost of the edifice will be over \$7,000.

From the published statement of accounts of St. David's church there is every indication of a healthy activity and consequent growth. During the year the sum of \$704.86 has been paid toward the discharge of the building debt and there is no doubt that by next Easter the whole amount will be discharged. This pretty little church, situated in the heart of a district almost entirely composed of Welsh residents, is doing excellent work, thanks to the untiring efforts of the energetic band of workers who so willingly assist the pastor, Rev. M. Horace Mill.

E. B. Sturges' lectures at the Green Ridge Presbyterian church have attracted crowded audiences upon each occasion.

Frank O. Jones has presented a beautiful brass altar desk to St. David's church. An oak Hany desk and a handsome reredos have also been presented to the same church.

Success crowned the efforts of the young people of the First Baptist church, Scranton street, in connection with the celebration of "Founder's Day," on Sunday. William O. Morris read an excellent paper on "Our Gifts," in which he noted the gifts for the good of the world by Baptists and enumerated Buscher's "Religious Peace," Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress," the first Foreign Missionary society in modern times, organized in 1782, by William Carey and others in England; the first amendment to the constitution of the United States, as the result of the incessant agitations of Virginia Baptists, and various other points which created a deep impression upon the minds of his hearers. Miss Edith Williams read an interesting paper on "Our Sufferings," and related incidents in the lives of noted heroes and martyrs who were Baptists. Miss Lavinia Tomlinson also read an admirable paper on "Our Songs."

A very successful entertainment was held at the Presbyterian Mission chapel on the corner of Adams avenue and New York street on Tuesday evening, when a considerable sum was netted for the benefit of the chapel fund.

A proposal has been discussed among the members of the Penn Avenue Baptist church to open a mission school on the South Side. It is interesting to observe that this energetic denomination have been so long unrepresented on the

South Side, where it is known that a large number claim allegiance to the Baptist faith, and there is every reason to believe that a flourishing Baptist church would soon exist in that populous district. On every hand almost there are proofs of the energy and mission work of the Penn avenue church, and until the mission on the South Side is established, the work of the church will not be complete.

At the annual meeting of the members of St. David's church, the following vestrymen were elected: W. E. Thayer, Daniel Elsing, William Blume, Charles Fraser, William H. Thomas, William M. Wilson and John Marchant. The newly elected vestry held a meeting during the week and organized as follows: William Blume, senior warden; Charles Fraser, junior warden and treasurer; and W. E. Thayer, secretary. Miss Mamie Elsing was appointed organist and Miss Martha Evans, assistant organist.

Items of Personal Interest.

Rev. Rogers Israel will preach a special sermon to members of the Order of Sons of St. George at St. Luke's church tomorrow morning.

Miss Guthrie will conclude her engagement as soprano soloist at the Elm Park church tomorrow, and will be succeeded by Miss Sullivan, who created a very favorable impression a few weeks ago.

Dr. Raymond, chancellor of Wesley college, Middletown, will preach at Elm Park church on the second Sunday in May.

Rev. R. Heber Newton, rector of All Souls' church, New York, who created a sensation by his sermon on "Restoration of Christ," delivered last Sunday, preached at St. Luke's church, in this city, twenty-seven years ago, and his sermon on that occasion is still well in the recollection of some of his audience. The sermon has been discussed in Scranton by members of various denominations and an unanimity of opinion prevails that as his statements could not be reconciled with the teachings of his church, the only course open to Dr. Newton was to leave the church. He has broken his ordination vows and is in honor bound to leave the ministry, if he remains in the ministry, his position will be a false one, and as such, his only course will be to resign his charge.

During the week Miss Tomlinson, of the South Side association, and Miss Deacon, of Webster avenue, attended the Pittsburg convention of the Young Women's Christian association. Mr. and Mrs. Spalding will attend at the Providence Presbyterian church parlors on Friday night. An unique programme has been provided.

Thomas Jehu (Llewellyn) will deliver a lecture on the subject "What is That to You?" at the Welsh Methodist church, Providence, on Thursday evening, May 9, when the proceeds will be devoted to a charitable object.

Great preparations are being made by the members of the Welsh Congregational church for the entertainment which is to be held on May 13.

Rev. J. C. Hogan, of Forest City, in conversation with a Carbonate Leader representative, said that he had not been to see his new charge at Rush, but from tracing the location on the map he was of the opinion that the change in his quarters spoke plainly of the merits of the statement he lately made in this city. Rush is thirteen miles from a railroad and would have to be officiated at three churches and a school house, thus necessitating the purchase of a horse, carriage and wagon would be necessary, involving some expense, but he did not confirm the rumor that he had decided not to accept the charge.

The reverend gentleman will deal with the authenticity of the book of Isaiah and submit a reply to the efforts of the higher critics who attack the authorship of the latter part of the book.

On Sunday evening representatives of the City union visited the various societies in the city and discussed the questions of the '96 convention, and urged enthusiasm in placing the claims of Scranton for next year's convention. The representatives are requested to meet at the Young Men's Christian association hall on Tuesday night.

The convention of the Keystone union, which comprises Tunkhannock, Factoryville, Nicholson, Great Bend and other places, will be held at Factoryville today. Miss Louise Williams, of the Washburn Street Presbyterian church, will take part in the meeting.

TOMORROW'S SERVICES.

St. Luke's Church—Rev. Rogers Israel, rector. Second Sunday after Easter. Holy communion, 8 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon, 1.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7.30 p. m.

St. Luke's Mission, Dunmore—Rev. A. L. Urban in charge. Sunday school, 3 p. m.; evening prayer and sermon, 4 p. m.

Conservatory hall, 42 Lackawanna avenue. Gospel songs at 3.15, followed by preaching by Rev. R. McArthur, and on Tuesday, April 30, at 10 a. m. and 1.30 p. m. A Pentecostal meeting will be held, addressed by ministers and evangelists from home and abroad. Everybody cordially welcome.

Trinity English Lutheran Church—Adams avenue, corner Muller street. Rev. Edwin Lunn Miller, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Pews are free and all worshippers welcome.

Elm Park Methodist Episcopal Church—W. H. Pearce, pastor. Morning subject, "The Faithless Christ." Evening, "The Influence of the Eternal on Things Present." Sunday school at 2 o'clock. Epworth league at 6.30.

Calvary Reformed Church—Corner Monroe avenue and Gibson street. Rev. W. H. Stubbins, pastor. Preaching 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Morning subject, "Job." Evening subject, "Israel's Evil Genius."

First Presbyterian Church—Rev. James McLeod, D.D., pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Dr. McLeod will preach in the morning. In the evening the Rev. P. Rostan, of Italy, pastor of the Waldensian church, will occupy the pulpit. His discussion will be on "The Church in the Valley of the Valdauld."

Grace English Lutheran Church—Rev. Foster U. Gift, pastor. Services on Sunday at the Young Men's Christian association at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 11.30 a. m. Rev. S. Wagner, of Hazleton, Pa., will preach. Everybody welcome.

Christian Chapel—Penn avenue, Green Ridge. Services conducted by Samuel Wilson, of Rahway, N. J. Subject, 10.30, "Changes"; 7.30, "Darkness and Dawn."

Puritan Congregational Church—Rev. A. F. Ferris, pastor. Morning subject, "God's Loving Care." Evening, a fine musical programme with addresses by the young men of the church and the pastor. Seats free.

Trinity United Evangelical Church—"Little England." Sermon at 10.30 a. m. Subject, "Man." A sermon specially for men; ladies not excluded. Sunday school at 2 p. m. The usual Gospel services at 7.30 p. m.

St. Paul's English Lutheran—Park place, opposite public school. Rev. George M. Scheidt, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. First Baptist Church—Pastor Collins will preach next Sabbath at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Morning theme, "Alone with God." Sabbath school at 12 o'clock.

Baptist Young People's union will meet at 6.30 p. m. and the meeting will be led by the pastor. Theme, "Missions in Canada," paper by Miss Mattie Watkins. Sermon at 7.30, theme, "The Conviction of the Spirit."

St. David's Church—Corner Jackson street and Bromley avenue. Rev. M. H. Mill, rector. Second Sunday after Easter. Morning prayer and sermon at 10.30. Evening prayer and sermon at 7.30. Sunday school at 2.30. Friday evening service at 7.30. Seats free.

Green Ridge Baptist Church—Rev. W. J. Ford, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Baptism at the close of the morning service.

Cedar Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church—Themes, 10.30, "The Right Way for Everyone"; 7.30, "Builders, Right or Wrong, Which?" Preaching by Rev. J. L. Race, pastor. Sunday school at the close of the Sunday morning service. Epworth league Sunday evening at 6.45. This is a good service for all. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7.30. Special class meeting every Monday evening. General music by the choir at all services. The new conference year opens with the cheering prospect of being a grand year. All persons receive a cordial greeting always at Cedar Avenue Methodist Episcopal church.

Penn Avenue Baptist Church—Rev. Warren G. Partridge, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sermon in the morning to Sunday school teachers and parents. Subject in the evening, "What is a Christian?" Strangers are cordially invited.

Dunmore Presbyterian Church—J. W. Williams, pastor. Morning service at 10.30. Evening at 7.30. Sabbath school at 12 noon. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 6.30 p. m.

Jackson Street Baptist Church—Preaching tomorrow morning and evening by the pastor at 10.30 a. m. and 6 p. m. Morning theme, "How Are the Dead Raised?" Evening, "What is Meant by the Lord's Supper?" On and after the first Sunday in May the evening service will begin at 7 o'clock.

Howard Place African Methodist Episcopal Church—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. C. A. Motile, at 10.30 a. m. and 8 p. m.

A Fighting Chance.

Little G. W. Mokely—Poppy, why did you call me George Washington? Mr. Mokely—Kase George Washington was de father ob dis country, chile.

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BOUCICAULT'S HAIR DYE.

How Sadie Martinot Induced the Old Beau to Advance Her \$500.

Sadie Martinot, when she made her first appearance in San Francisco with Dion Boucicault, was, as she now is, as cunning and jolly a dame as ever pressed her red lips to a goblet of Pommery, says the News Letter. Miss Martinot used to tell a good story about Boucicault. In the later years of his life the great dramatist was very condescending about his personal appearance. His long hair was carefully dyed every day with a preparation which he got from Paris.

One morning Miss Martinot said to Dion:

"Mr. Boucicault, I want \$500."

"Miss Martinot," replied the dramatist, "I cannot conveniently furnish you with that amount."

"I am sorry," said Miss Martinot, "but I hope, when I call later on, that you'll be able to find the cash for me."

Next morning when Mr. Boucicault arose and went to perform the ordinary duties of his toilet he found that his hair dye was missing. He knew that Miss Martinot was acquainted with the whereabouts of that important article. He also knew that it would take him at least two months to receive a fresh installment from Paris in case his stock in hand did not turn up. At breakfast he said, very humbly:

"My dear Miss Sadie, did you see anything of my hair dye?"

To which that gifted and beautiful lady replied:

"I assure you, Mr. Boucicault, I found among my effects a mixture to change the color of the hair which closely approaches yours, so far as I can tell from the label."

"And what is the price of that mixture?" inquired Mr. Boucicault, blandly.

"Only \$500," replied Miss Martinot, with a winking smile.

"How fortunate!" said Mr. Boucicault. "I've got a check for that exact amount in my pocket."

"And how fortunate, also," replied Miss Martinot; "I have the bottle in mine!"

Mr. Boucicault took the bottle, Miss Martinot took the check, and then over their black coffee they chatted about the weather.



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