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Records Relating to Methodist Church of Village of Harrison.

TOMORROW'S ANNIVERSARIES

Rev. George E. Guild Will Celebrate His Sixteenth Anniversary and Rev. M. H. Mill His Third Anniversary.

A most interesting relic of the earliest days of Methodism in this city is in the possession of Attorney George S. Horn. In the shape of a subscription book containing a list of subscribers to the first church, and probably the first church of any kind, erected in Scranton.

Some of the Subscribers.

- Among the subscribers are the following names: William E. Dodge, \$5; Samuel Marsh, \$5; Scranton & Platt, \$5; A. L. Horn, \$10; Samuel Robins, \$5; Mary Hutchinson, \$1; M. A. Slocum, \$10; Thomas Strickland, \$1; Simon Jones, \$1; Abram Crabtree, \$1; Noah Davies, \$1; Thomas Pierce, \$5; Arthur Millard, \$5; Anna Heffelfinger, \$2; John Lansing, \$1; John Rosser, \$1; N. B. Hutchins, \$1; Benjamin Bartholomew, \$1; Levi Brant, \$1; David Jones, \$1; James Jeremiah, \$1; Philip Evans, \$1; John Holmes, \$1; Michael Hibbert, \$1; Henry Repp, \$1; Fred Repp, \$1; B. Jay, \$1; Casper Demmerter, \$1; Thomas Lewis, \$1; Charles Fuller, \$1; Lewis D. Lewis, \$1; Aaron Biesacker, \$1; David Yaman, \$1; David Evans, 25 cents; H. R. Manness, 50 cents.

used at \$12, and Ebenezer Hitchcock lumber valued at \$20. Rev. G. E. Guild's Sixteenth Anniversary. Tomorrow morning will be an occasion of special interest to the Providence Presbyterians, when Rev. George E. Guild will preach the sixteenth annual discourse of his pastorate at that flourishing church. Mr. Guild was called to the pulpit of that church in February, 1879, and supplied the church from Sunday to Sunday till the following May, when at the beginning of the church year, he entered upon the settled pastorate. Mr. Guild prepared for college in the famous academy in Walton, N. Y., and graduated with honor from Amherst college in 1876. He then took a post-graduate course in special studies of one year in Yale university, and subsequently his theological course in Union seminary, New York city. Since his advent to Scranton Mr. Guild has upon many occasions been importuned to accept "calls" to other pastorates, notably in Oxford, N. Y., and a large and prominent church in Fayetteville, N. Y., which was ably ministered to, for many years, by a brother of President Cleveland; but in each instance he has felt the pressure of duty bidding him to remain in his present field. His pastorate in this city has been a prominent and successful one, and one of the longest in the large number of churches of this vicinity. As a preacher he is a thorough student in all his preparation for pulpit work, and for several years has discarded all manuscripts or even notes of any kind in the delivery of his sermons. During the past sixteen years the people of that church have erected a pleasant parsonage and a beautiful stone church edifice, the valuation of which properties, our reporter is informed, is not far from \$50,000. The society has no indebtedness upon any of its property; the large debt incurred by the erection of the new church was paid off the year before last, when the Scriptural system of giving one-tenth of the income was adopted, and so many concurred in the scheme that the debt was liquidated. Mr. Guild speaks in the highest praise of the great work done by the Ladies' Aid society and board of trustees in fostering the finances of the society. The church is well organized for aggressive benevolent and spiritual service, and as a result there has been a continual quarterly increase in the membership of the church. In his discourse tomorrow morning Mr. Guild will give a brief review of the past sixteen years of church life, but more particularly a record of the last year, which closed with the May 1. There will be special music by the choir at the services. Items of Church Work. On Tuesday last the Ladies' Aid society of the Providence Presbyterian church generously donated to the trustees of the church the proceeds of the several entertainments held during the year, for the purpose of liquidating a personal note of \$500, which was given by the trustees to complete the payment of the church debt two years ago. Despite the depression in trade the sum of \$22,570 was raised during the past church-year by the members of the Second Presbyterian church. Over half of this amount was devoted to benevolent and mission purposes. The "Committee of 1896," who are working so assiduously in pushing the claims of Scranton for the Christian Endeavor state conference of 1896 con-

spirable impression on the West Side, and his sermon has been the topic of discussion during the week. A. D. Holland, warden of St. Luke's church, attended the standing committee of the diocese of central Pennsylvania, which was held at Allentown in the early part of the week. One feature of the business transacted was the leave of absence, for two years, granted to Bishop Howe, who is 87 years of age, and is the oldest Episcopal bishop in the States. Bishop Howe has presided over the See of central Pennsylvania for twenty-three years, and will rest at Bristol, R. L. Bishop Rulison, his coadjutor, who is the acting bishop, was recently in this city. Rev. M. H. Mill will celebrate his third anniversary as rector of St. David's church tomorrow. The reverend gentleman has sent three very happy letters, which have been productive of great results in extending the work of St. David's church. The edifice has been greatly beautified and improved during his incumbency, and the church membership has increased materially owing to his untiring efforts and untiring energy. Rev. A. C. Gabelein, of the Hope of Israel mission, New York, will visit this city tomorrow, and it is anticipated, will address a public meeting at the Grace Reformed church on Monday evening. Rev. W. H. Pearce, D. D., of Elm Park church, who has been enjoying a brief vacation at Ocean Grove, will return today. Rev. A. J. Weisley, of Avoca, has informed the members of the Washburn Street Presbyterian church that he is unable to accept the pastoral call tendered him recently by the church as he cannot see his way clear to leave his charge at Avoca. Rev. D. Savage and family will leave for the reverend gentleman's new charge at Mount Carmel, Pa., on Tuesday. His success during the past four years is well known. When he entered upon his charge the congregation was a very small one, and the church building was in a condition which was far from attractive to the worshippers. The church finances, also, were not in the mortgage and taxes were seriously in arrears, and tradesmen were pressing their claims to such an extent that the trustees were almost in a state of despair. Mr. Savage was, however, successful in imparting a new life into the work, with the result that the church has now a congregation in arrears, and tradesmen were pressing their claims to such an extent that the trustees were almost in a state of despair. Mr. Savage was, however, successful in imparting a new life into the work, with the result that the church has now a congregation in arrears, and tradesmen were pressing their claims to such an extent that the trustees were almost in a state of despair. Mr. Savage was, however, successful in imparting a new life into the work, with the result that the church has now a congregation in arrears, and tradesmen were pressing their claims to such an extent that the trustees were almost in a state of despair. Mr. Savage was, however, successful in imparting a new life into the work, with the result that the church has now a congregation in arrears, and tradesmen were pressing their claims to such an extent that the trustees were almost in a state of despair.

On May 22 an "umbrella social" will be held in the parlors of the Tabernacle church, Hyde Park. The Welsh Congregationalist ministers of Lackawanna and Luzerne valleys will meet in session at Nanticoke on Monday. A meeting of the archdeaconry of Scranton will be held at New Milford on Monday and Tuesday. The annual convention of the diocese of central Pennsylvania will be held at Reading on June 11. The Wyoming District Ministerial association will meet at Lackawanna May 27 and 28. Rev. Wilson Treble, of Wyoming, will make the association address and Rev. H. C. McDermott will preach the special sermon. The annual convention of Congregational churches of Pennsylvania will be held in West Pittston, May 21, 22 and 23. Rev. W. I. Stearns, of Danville, will preach in the new auditorium of the Washburn Street Presbyterian church tomorrow. This will be the first occasion upon which the congregation will worship in the new auditorium. Beginning tomorrow evening the service at the First Presbyterian church will be held at 5 o'clock, instead of 7:30 p. m. A special programme of music will be rendered tomorrow, when the Young Men's Christian Association Glee club will assist the regular choir. General Assembly at Pittsburg. On Thursday next the general assembly of the Presbyterian church will convene at Pittsburg, and will be attended by the delegates from the Lackawanna presbytery. Extensive preparations, somewhat unusual in character, are being made,

as the assembly will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the reunion of the old school and new school churches, which occurred in 1870. President Francis L. Patton, of Princeton, will deliver an address on the subject of the reunion, and other speakers of national reputation will follow him. The deliberations of the general assembly are expected to continue for three weeks, and the celebrated Briggs case will be one of the subjects to be considered. Another question of the utmost importance will be the relationship of the theological seminaries to the general assembly, and particularly the future attitude of the Presbyterian church to the graduates of Union Theological seminary, which invokes the question of the fitness of men who have come under the influence of Dr. Briggs and his coterie to receive ordination to the Presbyterian ministry. There is a movement among the extreme conservatives to bring up the question of Dr. Briggs' deposition from the ministry. Dr. Briggs is now under suspension, and the year for which this sentence runs expires shortly after the adjournment of the last general assembly. During that year Dr. Briggs continued to occupy a position in the Union seminary which can be held only by a regularly ordained Presbyterian minister and he has repeatedly appeared in pulpits as a lecturer. Moreover, the conservatives are of opinion that Dr. Briggs intends to turn his back on the Presbyterian church, and it is their intention to make his humiliation complete by the revocation of his membership in a Protestant Episcopal church, and, according to the office of that church, no one not a member should accept communion there unless it is his intention to conform to the church. All of Dr. Briggs' family, although they were raised in the Presbyterian faith, have conformed to the Episcopal church. TOMORROW'S SERVICES. St. Luke's Church--Rev. Rogers Israel, rector. Fourth 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. Service and holy communion, 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school, 3 p. m.; evening prayer and sermon, 4 p. m. Penn Avenue Baptist Church--Rev. Warren G. Partridge, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The pastor will exchange pulpits with Rev. Benjamin L. Herr, pastor of the First Baptist church, of Hinghamton, N. Y. Strangers are cordially invited. Simpson Methodist Episcopal Church--Preaching in the morning by the pastor, Rev. L. C. Floyd. In the evening will be held the anniversary of the Epworth league. Seats free. All welcome. First Presbyterian Church--Rev. James McLeod, D. D., pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 5 p. m. The "twilight service" beginning at 5 o'clock, will be brief. Dr. McLeod will preach at both services. Grace English Lutheran Church--Rev. Peter U. Gift, pastor. Services on Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Christian association at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 11:30 a. m. Mr. Sanborn, of the Rescue mission, will speak in the morning and P. P. Browne, of the Railroad Young Men's Christian association, will speak in the evening. Everybody welcome. First Baptist Church--Pastor Collins will preach next Sabbath at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "The Great Need of the Church." Communion following sermon. Evening subject, "The Wrath of the Lamb." Spats free. All welcome. Dunmore Presbyterian Church--J. W.

Williams, pastor. Morning service at 10:30. Evening at 7:30. Sabbath school at 12 noon. Christian Endeavor at 6:20 p. m. Green Ridge Baptist Church--Rev. W. J. Ford, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject in the morning, "Time Necessary for the Evangelization of the World." In the evening, "Her Future Life as Seen by an Old Testament Saint." Second Presbyterian Church--Rev. Charles E. Robinson, D. D., pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject in the evening, "What is the Bible Doctrine Concerning the Body of Jesus At His Resurrection?" Miss Weeden, of New York, will assist her brother, W. C. Weeden, morning and evening. There will be special music in the evening. All seats free at that service. All welcome at all services. Cedar Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church--Rev. J. L. Race, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Epworth league at 6:45 p. m. Sunday morning theme, "What God Did, and Will Do for the Church and the World." Subject for evening, "One of the Most Peculiar Texts in the Bible." Seats all free and all are made welcome. Grace Church (Reformed Episcopal)--Morning prayer service at 1:30. Subject, "Missions." Matthew, x. Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30. Subject, "Our Lives in the Light of His Coming." I John, ii. 28. Preaching by the pastor. Sunday school immediately at the close of the morning service. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Seats free. Strangers welcomed at all services. Calvary Reformed Church--Corner Monroe avenue and Gibson street. Rev. W. H. Stubblebine, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Christian Endeavor, 6:30. Strangers welcome. Conservatory hall, 402 Lackawanna avenue. Prayers at 12:15 p. m. Subject, "The Gospel of Light, Life and Peace." Everybody welcome. All Souls' Universalist Church--Pine street, near Adams avenue. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Rev. A. S. Yantis, of Washington, D. C. Young People's Christian union at 6:30 p. m. Trinity English Lutheran Church--Adams avenue, corner Mulberry street. Rev. Edwin Linn Miller, pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The pews are free and all are welcome. The Jackson Street Baptist Church--The pastor will preach both morning and evening, at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "The True Entrance." Evening, "Eve--Fruit, Though Beautiful." Second in the series on men and women of the Bible. MATTERS MUSICAL. Professor T. Reeves Jones, who is spending the summer in Scranton, will give a piano recital during his sojourn here. Mr. Jones is well-known as a brilliant performer, and by hard study advanced rapidly during his absence from Scranton, and his old admirers will doubtless be pleased to have an opportunity to again listen to his playing. The Scranton United Choral society is making excellent progress preparatory to the Wilkes-Barre extendeded in June. The committee is confident that they have now organized a choir in all respects worthy of Scranton, and fully representative of the musical talent of the city. The only difficulty with which they have to contend is the depression in trade, which renders it almost impossible for some of the members, who are hard working members, to lose the necessary time to attend the extendeded and to pay their personal expenses. Under the circumstances the committee feels that it is compelled to ask for public assistance, which has been granted so liber-

ally in the past, and the present appeal will no doubt be generously responded to. The society will hold a grand open air concert at Laurel Hill park early in June. Arrangements have been made whereby the organ at St. Patrick's church, Jackson street, will be entirely remodeled during the summer months. After the improvements are made the organ will be the finest and largest in the city. Professor Hayden Evans expects also to increase the choir, with the aid of Father Whelan, as soon as the alterations are completed. The Young Men's Christian Association Glee club will be in attendance at tomorrow afternoon's gospel meeting as usual. The club has been warmly commended for their faithful work of the past twelve months. The Elks' quartette have accepted an invitation to hold a concert at Oneonta on May 24 under the auspices of the Oneonta club. Bauer's orchestra will fulfil an engagement at Pleasant Mount on May 21. John T. Watkins has been appointed soloist. A rehearsal will be held by the Scranton United Choral society at Mears' hall tomorrow evening after the regular church services are concluded. Professor Albion Korn and pupils will give a piano recital at Powell's music store on Thursday evening next, May 16. SHARPS AND FLATS. Joseph Hoffman will tour America next season. Mme. Marchesi has been a teacher of singing for 41 years. Melba received \$1,500 for one appearance at the Springfield May festival. Signor A. L. Gulle is to be heard during his summer in grand opera at Madrid. Zeldenzust, a Dutch pianist, is considered the equal, if not the superior, of Paleyewski. The emperor of Russia has allowed the widow of Anton Rubinstein an annual pension of 2,000 roubles. It is said that Damosch has secured Klaffske, the leading German prima donna, for next season. The pianist Sulivsky has recently been playing at Kioff, Russia, and created a big sensation, resulting in crowded houses. Jean De Reszke will sing Tristan in London the coming summer. Patti, Calve, Abini, Nordica and Tomagno will also be heard in that city shortly. The Hamburg subscription concert, formerly directed by Hans von Bulow, will be continued next season. The undertaking is guaranteed against loss by a fund to which many public-spirited citizens have subscribed. Next season, in addition to the French and Italian productions, Abbey and Grau will give a season of Wagner opera in German. The de Reszkes, Maurel, Melba, Bismarster, Densade and de Lussan have been engaged for next season. It is almost a certainty that to this list will be added Emma Eames. Melba's praises have been loudly sounded, and if the report that she will make a tour of the country in concert next season is true, the undertaking ought to be a great success. Now that Adelina Patti may be considered as retired, there is no artist better equipped to fill the vacancy in the affections of the florid-musical-loving public, resulting from La Diva's passage from actual to retrospective consideration, than Melba--Buffalo Express.