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CITY NOTES.

The building committee of the board of control will meet tomorrow night. Alderman Wright yesterday united in marriage Frank E. Norris and Lillie M. Seemore, both of this city.

THREE HIGHWAYMEN.

County Detective Leysion Succeeds in Capturing Three Notorious Characters Up the Valley.

In capturing Martin Mullhall last evening, County Detective Leysion succeeded in rounding up a gang of highwaymen. The capture of Mullhall, accompanied by Constable Jones of this city; Mulderig, of Mayfield, and Searling, of Carbondale, arrested Martin Mullhall, whom they believe to be the leader of the gang.

The first to be apprehended was a colored man, named Howard White. He was caught last Saturday. Next John Sims, aged 18 years and a notorious character, was captured yesterday morning. Sims was implicated in the robbery of Rev. W. A. Cochran's residence at Rendham about a year and a half ago.

POWER OF THE PRESS.

Witnessed by an Audience That Taxed the Academy's Capacity.

An audience that filled every seat and occupied every inch of standing room saw "The Power of the Press" at the Academy of Music last night. The strong drama of this cleverly wrought American play, the ingenious stage settings and the exceptionally fine company that presents the play make it one of the best entertainments on the road.

THIRD CHAMBER CONCERT.

Programme for This Evening's Event in Y. M. C. A. Hall. The program for the Third Chamber Concert this evening in Y. M. C. A. hall is as follows: Goldmark—Trio in B flat. Loewe—"The Clock."

Jersey Eggs. Jersey Eggs. Fresh every day. 22c. per dozen. E. G. COURSENER.

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CAUSE OF MISSIONS ATTRACTS HUNDREDS

Elm Park Church Was Filled with a Big Gathering.

DR. PIERSON'S MASTERFUL ADDRESS

Editor of the Missionary Review Kept His Hearers Intensely Interested During the Whole of His One-Hour Talk—Complimented Seranton's Christianity—He Made Some Very Pronounced Statements.

Probably the largest interdenominational audience that ever gathered in Scranton to hear a mission address, heard Rev. Dr. Arthur T. Pierson, editor of the Missionary Review of the World, preach in Elm Park church last night. They heard an address, logical, fervid and eloquent and couched in such scholarly but plain language that no one for a moment of the hour that Dr. Pierson spoke was there the least suggestion of a lack of interest.



REV. DR. S. C. LOGAN

Captain W. A. May, A. B. Eynon, E. E. Sturges, Luther Keller, C. H. Zehnder, Colonel E. H. Ripple and L. M. Gates, M. D. It was 8 o'clock when Dr. McLeod, who presided, opened the meeting. The others on the program were Dr. Pierson, Dr. Dixon and Dr. Logan. Nearly all the seats in the vast auditorium were filled and sprinkled among the audience were the pastors of nearly every church in the city.

DR. PIERSON INTRODUCED.

Dr. McLeod introduced Dr. Pierson as one known to every Christian congregation in the United States. He remarked that the gathering was an unusual one in that it represented many congregations and churches who came to hear one of such great repute on a theme dear to the heart and to Christ. All congregations united on one subject, he asked a prayer for the accomplishment of God's Holy Spirit.

Then was heard from Dr. Pierson an address such as a community like Scranton is not often privileged to hear. Throughout the address he dealt with men and women and young people of all qualities of mind, some well educated and others not so fortunate, but none could have failed to be impressed by the speaker. He was intensely fervid and earnest and always at his command in making his point.

Great is the value of a candid mind, a mind free from prejudices and open to convictions; or, great is the mind open to rebuke. Without a candid or rebukable mind on the part of the people not only the missionary cause is lost but the cause of civilization here. In that connection I believe this colossal gathering is a good omen. All great things are predestined according to the foreknowledge of God's omniscience and the initiatory consequences following.

Now there is a supreme crisis in foreign missions. It is the most alarming situation that has confronted Christ's church in the last century. Why? The doors of the unconverted portions of the globe are wide open; the transportation, diet, shelter, and similar facilities were never better; Pagan, heathen and idol lands, and the lands of the boundless ocean are almost as accessible to the missionary as to the light of day. Now there are three successive steps in the work, first, equipment to a land; second, equipment and protection of the land; and third, self-support and management by the converted. In all directions of the compass the second step is at its zenith. "Your what?" To fail? That is the situation unless there soon comes the help necessary to maintain—let alone improve—the work in hand. The situation is desperate. It is considered the difficulty of

getting money, or, even, to get audiences to listen to missionary appeals which audiences would cost nothing but time. Never was so great a proportionate retrenchment in church finances. It is said that about 30 per cent. retrenchment will be made in foreign offerings. That means that every fifth missionary is to be recalled, that every fifth station is to be closed, in fact that the great work is to fall 20 per cent. backward at one crash. It is a burning shame that we are forced to retreat from a field almost won!

That's the crisis. Now how are we to answer to God? The question arises what are the causes that this apathy, the lethargy of the church at large to the greatest work that ever existed? I will tell you: Spirits not of God, unchristian spirits, have invaded the church. How will we more plainly designate it? It is the lamentable, appalling spirit of evolution and science.



REV. DR. ARTHUR T. PIERSON.

humane are instruments of degenerating the race of mankind. If I do any injustice in my quotation of that scientist it is only because I have not repeated it as bad as it really is. All the world is in a whirlwind of evolution. In the midst of it the church is like the brain of man, carnal if it reflects the bad, and good if it reflects the elevating.

AN EXTREME ARRANGEMENT.

WE CAN READILY BELIEVE THE CHURCH IS LIKE THE WOODS. WE CAN READILY BELIEVE THE CHURCH IS LIKE THE WOODS. WE CAN READILY BELIEVE THE CHURCH IS LIKE THE WOODS. WE CAN READILY BELIEVE THE CHURCH IS LIKE THE WOODS.

You can't grow in two directions, my brothers and sisters; you can't indulge in the flesh and the spirit. There is too liberal a spirit in admitting the arguments for false doctrines and practices. The tendency is to welcome everybody as fellowships, no matter what belief may be involved in it. That suggests the question, What is the use of saying the truth and then evading it?

I BELIEVE THE HOLY SPIRIT IS ACTUALLY WITHDRAWING FROM THE CHURCH OF GOD AS A BODY. These are strong words you say. I admit it, but what matter, it is the truth, and what will be the result if we continue to ignore and refuse to say what is in my heart. You shouldn't have invited me to speak here if you did not want me to speak my mind.

WORTH GOING TO. We want to close them out and clean up our stock. Borders to match some of them. Call and see them. They are great values.

ence we see in the American pulpit today. I have outlined the condition; now what is the remedy? It is time to talk to individuals and not wait for the church to move. Every man in the church and we must realize the situation that betokens the fitness of the divine authority that "many false prophets shall arise, they shall say, 'I am the Christ,' and they shall deceive many. There will come a time when false teaching will prevail and be preached for a witness to all nations; in substance, a dead church and then a devout period. The remedy is an identification of the disciple with the Lord himself. What couldn't Jesus Christ do with a church that would not only obey but be in sympathy with him? It is God's plan to relieve, to make each man a prophet and a king. If we won't do as the Lord says, we will raise another that will. That's God's plan and with which you've got to be identified.

God pledges his son to the uttermost parts of the earth; the son pledges to save the uttermost parts; the disciples are directed to preach in the uttermost parts. It is a plan of co-working and co-suffering. The plan has been neglected, however by us, but with that hindrance 3,000,000 conversions have been made in pagan lands in the last 1900 years, and only 50,000,000 persons today have personally found Christ as a Saviour. Yet there is no cause for absolute despair as the gospel and teaching is now a testimony of him in all nations. Money will advance it and so will power, but neither will do it if unchristian.

My last appeal to you will be for prayer. It is the only power closest to this magnificent and attentive audience. Few great and good things ever prevailed that are not traceable to a source of prayer. My crisis has been too great to be turned by prayer in His favor. We must get to our closets.

GIRLS SENT TO THE HOME.

Mrs. Leston Has Promised to Abandon Her Vice. Alderman Miller yesterday morning disposed of the case of Josephine Leston, the keeper of a disreputable house in Oakford court, and the two girls who ran away from their homes in Moose to become inmates of the house as detailed in yesterday's Tribune.

EAGLE COMPANY'S OFFICERS.

Hon. J. C. Vaughan Re-elected President for the Ensuing Year. Eagle Engine Company No. 5, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, J. C. Vaughan; vice-president, Michael Runne; treasurer, Daniel McKeon; recording secretary, J. J. O'Malley; financial secretary, C. F. Beckett; foreman, Charles J. Boyle; first assistant, Michael Gerity; second assistant, John Cawley; pipeman, Wm. Brogan; assistant pipeman, John Maloney.

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Will Take Place Tonight at Hotel Jermy's Reception to Proceed.

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