

have inaugurated the concin-The prophet was referring to nations and rulers. It is an appropriate interroalf-government and carried is caron ware with foreign fore and through a tation for such an occasions as thisharder test of internal strife and are our national Thanksgiving. He indicate buoyant as if never opposed. Our nati changes political is us with less ferme that the instrument might assort inde pendence. Communities and individuals were machineries to be used by the an-finite to execute his purposes. The axe is only an agent. Reading the text again than a service society can elect president. We have first a new or resident. We have first a new admi-stration begin since our last Thanks A hast of "math cannied by "o we must say that the American axe his ad the world does not settle on its a tendency toward boasting rather than blessing. The celebrated tool with which os if attains were out of joint. The croup swarmed up to their covered ortunity to serve the land and the Gladstone cuts down the trees on his estate wouldn't be as wise in insisting that credit was due to it and not to the drive ter occupants dropped back into the mary ranks. Most of them, I mean n the grand old man's muscle. Let him ow are waiting with hands in poquit hewing and it has no history. It takes a proclamation of our executive to call the attention of this productive pro-ple from themselves to the real energy hat the country is to be could bre "the dew that is in the operating in their schemes and successes Some would blot Thanksgiving day from our calendar as an insult to our incensity de in. and industry, suggesting that God is a action and man the fact. The pious pa-pers of our rulers are regarded as blasenors of American citizens left to 3 e trees and brought improvement to ege of picking flaws in the new adm its reign in this territory. Even heathens rebuke such, for the Chinese, so detest-able to some, send their rovereign an their high priest yearly to the Temple of Meaven at Pekin to represent all in ac-knowledgment of their indebtedness to the Infinite Power, Queen Victoria confess case to be partison and are all An edly reigns by "the grace of God." Shall America be atheistic? A wild talker, who Seeing that things go on hall itinerated through several isms until has itinerated through several issue until he is beyond all fences, said recently: "I think it is not a good thing for people to believe in God. I think it is a bad thing." Some think with him. The profanation of Sabbath and neglect of the place the educion individualism to ch sanctuary shows he has disciples. Gorgt to proper limits? All governments i ound it hard to proportion the man is the worship of an inherited supersuthe monarch. Russia knew of the president of a plotter yet mistory a what should go into a nation. Here, "I will be a king a man and not a m man." He means he was for much r tion. If there is a God He is the property of the church folks, let such recognize him if they same. These say that to them he is , a discernible factor in Materialism has banearth's movem and less people. We cut down the a throne and set up many thrones, dom is not solely in a multitude any ished him with the withs. Let those who like listen for the courch hell, they will listen for the dinner cell. Are we pessithan in one. If we have vidual from being lost mistis if so hearing, we ask is the Amer-lean axe boasting itself? Theaters full, hat the citizen as such, lus dignity dance houses crowded, saloons with extra patronge, while churches have to unite afery we ought to praise Ged. Mina vith that should be a prayer for his in groups to gather enough to use the to get rid of that fordly moduler as plural words in the service-we, us, our,

lowing words: for the next change to float them is in power. They believe with Charles aly thought is as to the division of th Growling yonder they not wi n have we for thanking God ay, and we reply that you have all t right to battle back into rule by lay ful means and during that time the pre-That our republic stands the ransfer of authority with pareix a law wenderful. Such information takes take fore that Tuesday in November. All the drop of the ballots on the day fate, the angry tones are hushed and w plariy we are prote to use the day pat ourselves on the back, saying w ferful people we are. The axe boasts, II. Admitting all it has done let us what it must do and if there is no n-of divine help. Do we know where he and the Colonists gave thanks the housiful harvest that year, con-but of forty bushels of Indian corn. in time to time, with more or less reg crity, a day of thanksgiving was ob-eved, until about 1862, since which date annual observance of such a day wa ager, the tyrant in the republic, the litest basis. By his machinery men-On its annual return it calls for re-

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flow, S. F. Matthews and the choir rendered a beautiful anthem. The sermon, which was preached by Rev. F. 5 Dary, pastor of the Hampton Street I-thodist church, proved deeply interto the large congregation pres-Hils cormon in substance is printed her with. He chose as his text that passage carried out the meaning in the fol-

MR. DOTY'S SERMON.

In The midst of the excitement of men draming every herve and power of body ind brain, in the race for position and would, we have this day the strange ctucle of 70 millions of people pausing a day of prayer and Thankselvies unto Aimighty God.

that president and the governors of the councile states unite in recommending the observance of this day. In remote ages past, it was the custom f the people to set up monumental

stones to commemorate events which very efficient interest to them. listince made war against Israel, invalid came to the assistance of His

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me to God and home and native land. Things to be thankful for: There are one so poor that it would be difficult to and much for which to offer thanks even n this land of plenty and wealth. Learn om their condition to thank God for whit we have. (ii) Thank God for all the temporal

destings enjoyed. (b) For the return of prosperity

(c) For the generous philanthropy of from First Samuel, vil:12: "Ebenezer, these who have this year given of their billierts hath the Lord helped us." and wealth to endow schools of learning and to found libraries for the public use, and establish hospitals for the sick and in-jured, and for home of the friendless.

IT IS UNFETTERED.

For the church of Josus Christ untettered by any alliance with the state, but in its freedom from secular entangle-ments comes to rich and poor allke with its consolation and points to the Christ, the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world. Firmly rooted and grounded in the faith of the God of our fathers, with our faces set toward the finture, it is well that here we offer thanksgiving to God and set up our Ebenczer remembering that "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."-Amen.

The services were concluded with the singing of a hymn as .nnounced by Rev. J. B. Sweet, and the benediction

ight He has watched over is with a ten-er Shepherd's care. Another year, and was well laid. The human mind appears he hand of God has not been idle. It has marked the course of the heavenly bodies, nations of men have their religious sysarked the course of the heavenly bodies, t has shaped the currents and the winds, tems. These system are numerous and varied. There is one particular, however, in which they all agree-the acknowledgorms and tempests, calm and sunshine It has dealt out the times and the seament of a Supreme Being, from whom ns, and showered untold blessings lavshiy upon our nation. Another year, and His ear has heard the petitions of our in the existence of a God is the fundamental principle of all religion. Of all the conflicting systems of religion

'hristian people that our land should be free from the scene of unholy wars. An-other year, and that arm which controls that exist in the world only one can be the forces of nature has guided our peo-ple in the pathway of peace. true. Of two opposing systems, one must necessarily be false, for it is impossible

Yesterday, yonder sun left the troubled hores of Europe, and continued its God-tiven course over the Atlantic. When it last its warm, magical and resplendent establishment of the falsehood of every opposing system. There can be but one tys kissed the rocky shores of Maine, it Supreme God, and, as a matter of course eheld what?-a nation at peace. and on it traveled. When it had reaches the zenith of its power and looked down upon He can have but one will, for He cannot be in conflict with himself. If any rethe fertile plains and sparkling waters ligion, then can be proved to be the reveof the Mississippi valley it beheld what? -a nation still at peace. When at last it religion is thereby established. Christianhugged the snow-clad mountain peaks of the Pacific slopes, it bade an affectionate intion.

CANNOT BE ENUMERATED

Note a few of the advantages which

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farewell, as it hurried on its journey to The effects and influence of any systhe troubled nations of Asia to tell what? The effects and influence of any sym-tem afford a correct criterion by which America is at peace with herself and the world. My fellow-men, if ever there was a time in the histody of our great and be. We thank God today that it possesses to be. We thank God today that it possesses to and even though he furnished you and a construction of the solution. His watchful eye kept guard over state and Union. His watchful eye kept guard over state and Union. His watchful eye kept guard over state and Union. His watchful eye kept guard over state and Union. His watchful eye kept guard over state and Union. He called orth the herees who ministered to the welfare, and even though he furnished you and a dimonished you that greed and covetexalted country when we sould sing tri-, an enlightening power and influence, and ousness are the greatest enemies of a na-

brate this year again our Thanksgiving festival. We lift our eyes unto the hills, unto Him, who is the giver of every good and perfect gift, who has not only ereated the world, but who still preserves and sustains it. To Him we owe our thankfulness for the fertility of the fields. the prosperity in our commercial rela-tions. And have we, as Americans, not special occasion to praise God on this

ay, and to celebrate it with festal re-bleing. Has our country not been emnently blessed? Egypt has its Nile, but we have the running brooks and ma-jestic rivers; Italy its oranges and lemons, these also blosom under the stars do not we have our storehouses filled to overflowing? What form of product or industry is there which is not found in our borders? And then reflect upon our immeasurable coal fields, what inexpressible wealth is there deposited which even exceeds the riches of the gold and silver mines. Let the American people praise the Lord, sing praises to His name.

His Divine Providence caused America. to be discovered precisely at the right time when the overpopulation of Europe began to be very critical for proper sus tenance. His watchful eye kept guard over state and Union. He called orth takes known to us the will of God in tion, and choke even the virtue of brothdiscover our salvation. Reason can discover our sinfulness, but revelation civil strife. He was at all times thy only can make known the remedy. The strength and thy shield, the God in Gospel reveals God's gracious design to whom thou hast put thy trust. This save the nation, the medium through has also been the outpouring of His Gospel reveals God's gracious densities the sale of the outpouring of the sale of the nation, the medium through the sale of the past year. Our greatful blessing in the past year. Our greatful ness is not bound only to the material prosperity and financial success; this prosperity and financial success; the Another Thanksgiving day is cause for would be to recognize the goodness of rejoicing that wherever the Gospel has God but in part; but we must return thanks for all our experiences even though there should have been a lack of harvests or failures in other respects, are not even all our misfortunes educational means of divine guidance, and is not even in a great measure our happi-ness and salvation based upon these? Let us not forget that with our simple expression of thanksgiving little is ac-complished. There must be a thank offering to be well pleasing unto God. We know that the sons of Adam offered unto the Lord, the one the firstling of his tlock and the other of the fruits of the book and the other of the full of the ground. Even these have already kept a day of Thanksgiving. It is therefore eminently proper that we, too, should give an offering of our substance and give unto those who are in need and have a claim on our abundance. This sharing our gifts and doing good unto others is indissolubly connected with the act of true Thanksgiving.

DOES NOT FILL THE TEMPLES.

destroyed as self ruled units and The proclamation shuts the shops, but to more meaning in voting than does not fill the temples and what was set hewing gum where you put a pence apart for devotion is given to diversion. the slot and out it pops. The experim of universal suffrage is at the stage w It has been said we are running to word and tongue. If this is to self assertion apart from God, it is a downward and not are should clean out the rubbist frame way, an upward lendency. Those calls from the primaries so that decord citizens a ghosts from an almost forest are like po where the tickets are not the rubbist. to where the lickets are nucle with ghosts from an almost forgotten world, suggesting that we are in arrears of aring they are venturing into a thick suggesting that we are in arrears of full of saving bears, the kholing praise should honestly pay our debt to voting we have cut up for kholing the Real One who has worked by us, now surround each voter with that are in arrears of full of savage beasts. The old system the Real One who has worked by UF. It is not a relishable suggestion that we vacy and protection in which he are misplacing credits. Some may say this is not a good appetizer into which lischarge his duty to the land. NOT EASY TO TRIM.

to prepare the viands before them. Si-It is not easy to so trim relation, ice these men who speak for God, sub tween individuals and the commu-that the liberty of one is not an earr stituting gratitude for gladness. Instead of thinking of God let us think of men, the hungry, the needy. Yea. Who give most help those who deny the Maker? en the many. We have heard of personal liberty until we must master the qu Charity is a child of Christianity. All the tion food skeptics will send to the suffering shall shall be legalized because one wish to commit the crime and the victim this day from New York to Sau Francisco would not make a light lunch for a small orphan asylum. Pity for the human is no substitute for praise to the divine. Why does the American axe incline to self boasting? First-Immense self-conscious-ness. The finite is in his feeling to the fictent powder will put a soft can be average of the self the the first of the self the omnipotent while the soft sent the omnipotent while the tool. No ness. The half is in the lowing to the front and so impressed that he does not nee beyond. The Hebrew statements as to divine energy everywhere potential are tolerated as posity not as truth. Amer-icans do so much, there is no need for leans do so much, there is no need for God to do anything. Second-Apprecia-tion of second causes has removed the Almighty from immediate action where once He alore was supposed to be at work, until He is suspected as not having any place in human history. We do not find him here, perhaps He is nowhere. The laboratory has recorded a new theirs the second during that wars with the weighter second by Shall a religion strendard second books in which adultary is also will be higher as her husband is an numerously divided with our r wite Shall any church he permited to the numerously divided with our r way, Shall any church be permitted to find on the logalty of its constituency in foreign court? Shall any see, or soc-The laboratory has reported a new Deity, named Force, a transmissable something that may wear myriad shapes as heat, be allowed to reach into the public trea-ury to get funds to maintain religion motion, light, these being the labels on the idols in the Pantheon of Science, Car-lyle says: "The word inspiration still lininstitutions, so in effect uniting the church and the state? Ought not the augers but only as the name of a postia figure from which the once earnest, awto strike off the hands that dure such thefts? ful, soul-subduing sense has vanished." So God is a word, with no touch of the eternal, no thrill from beyond, in it; the When shall we cut the line between the liberty and license of press a speech? Shall the anarchist, expell axe works itself!

newhere, be allowed here Bome who do not see G&i in the usual may admit him in the extraordinary. Of his destruction theory-"down with that is up and up with everything is down," as if some things down a course we had to have him when we cut the chains that bound us to England. He was in the strokes that constructed iot be buried rather than elevated? So trusts he permitted or cut off as dederacies of cvil for the robbery of our constitution, every one sees the marks of the more than human there, What is the sense of dragging God into a people? Shall the Sabbath be turned secular day with the rush of he as driving away all moral effort? Sh year tame as the last? We have spas-mode use for the Lord. A civil war calls state rights he so interpreted as to a for His intervention, but average states. langer national security, or shall ti nanship can run the government in these alm days. As if God came into affairs at f that Union? Shall we after mortiel ntervals. The age of miracles is not so werul as this very day when He is mak-ng so much use of human sids. "The this great national structure into its sea to sea proportions, cut out connecting plus by which to annex, territory out-side continent lines? Having made a good speculation in buying Alaska, sup-posed to be only a refficerator, turning out to be the land of gold, possibly by its yield to settle the yellow metal ques-tion, shall we risk the functure with the this great notional structure into its ; miracle is to do without mir-

Pity that man gets so much of the In this republic there is nothing rey. In this republic there is homing oneger than the almightly dollar, it is the greatness that makes it." Caesar suid, Veni, vidi, vici. Charles V said Veni Vidi sed Christus vicit." Americans courte Caesar. We are the men who have

Rev. L. R. Foster. monking in tones of thunder At the Bellevue and South Main Avear, so that their host was panle-stricknue Welsh Calvanistic Methodist, which Rev. J. T. Morris and Rev. Hugh and fled before the army of Israel. text records that Samuel took a Davies are pastors respectively; the as and set it up between Mizpeh and w, and called the stone Ebenezer, or Wight Construction of the stone benezer, or states of help, it recorded God's vidential deliverance of Istael, and a monument of their gratitude to Welsh Congregational church. Rev. Invid Jones pastor; and Tabernacle Congregational church, Roy, D. P. On this day we assemble here and Jones, pastor, services of a similar ma-p sur "Ebenezer," "Hitherto hath ture were conducted. These consist-Lord helped us? d of the reading of Scriptures, prayer, Teanksgiving Day is America's mon

hort talks by different persons, a short mental stone, crected in recognition of be Diving help and favor in the past, i was first set up on Dec. 21, 1621, by refer of Governov Bradford, upon which orman by the nastor and congregational singing, all in Welsh. There were wo services at each church, one in the afternoon at 3 o'clock and in the evenng at 7 o'clock.

SHORT SERVICE.

The congregation of St. Mark's Evanelical Lutheran church held a short ervice in the morning. Rev. A. L Ramer, Ph. D., the pastor, preached; flection, and to offer our tribute of prais-to our Bountiful Father above." praver was offered, and the choir renered several special selections. An offertory for charity was taken at the

dose of the service. The year 207 is nearing its end, Hi events will soon have passed into history. As we set up our "Ebenezer" today is

WAS GENERALLY OBSERVED.

must in retrospect. Truly, we Amer-ia can adopt the words of Samuel, on he rold "Hitherto hath the Lord Services Conducted in Every Church in the City. when he gold "Hitherto hath the Lord achied us." America, in its greatness, is he marved of the world. Its beginnings were but feeble. A handful of Colonisis dispersed along the Atlantic coast holding nominal posses-ies of a marvow strip of the territory, have grown to be a nation of seventy difficus passesing all the land from the fibers to the suff, and from the

There was not a congregation in the ity that did not have a service in ther its own edifice or by union with other congregations. Nearly all the services were held in the morning. In St. Luke's Episcopal church there vis Holy Communion at 7.39 o'clock in the morning and again during the regin. Where once starvation stared the unist in the face, now from our bounular morning service which began at 10.30 o'clock. The sermon was by Rev E. J. Haughton, assistant to Rev. Rogre able to send abroad bread to feed tarving millions in other lands. ers Israel. It St. Luko's Dunmore mission, St. Mark's, there was Holy Com-

the persecuted Puritans of the World God selected the seed with ch to plant this nation in the new. munion at 9 o'clock. Masses were celebrated in St. Peter's parian, bond and free, worship side by were a religious people wno feared athedral at 6.30 and 7 o'clock. A high of nothing else. A multitude of diffes are represented by our popide, mass was sung at 8 o'clock by Rev. J. ligion she says to the individual, "You are . B. Feeley who also made a brief protected in your worship so long as you intrude not upon the rights of others. but the lufluence of the early Thanksgiving address. Farmer's mass fathers, in molding our educawas sung by the cathedral choir and These are blessings which fall to the lo and institutions, and our religious cusan offertory soprano solo by Mrs. Florms is felt throughout a darge portion But I wish to bring you now to a close nce Schilling.

In the Second Presbyterian church their sturdy manhood and strong gious convictions we are indebted un-God largely for the honest, straightthe service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Charles E. Robinson, ard, patriotic statesmen, who wht out of the choas of the eighpreached a sermon appropriate to the day. Music of a special nature was th century this glorious republic. I helped in those days, in that our ces choose men of known ability and rendered under the direction of the ormanist, J. M. Chance.

th to represent them in the affairs government. Men like Washington At the First Presbyterian church the pastor, Rev. Dr. James McLool, was ms. Hancock, Jefferson and others ssisted by Rev. Dr. S. C. Logan. The ove integrity in public or private life id not be questioned. offering was divided between the Lackawanna hospital and the Home for the were the men to make a state. Priendless. The delightful music aum-bers included a dust by Miss Thomas They were honest men, and the majority were God-fearing men. and Miss Joseph, an organ solo by Miss

A GLORIOUS PERIOD. Jorence Richmond, and a soprano relo we account for the glorious per by Mrs. Kathryn Thiele. abraced in our past history, in the hand of God is plainly visible

The services held at Grace Evangeliiding us on through a period of unal Lutheran church at 10.30 a.m. were largely attended. The congregation "Come Thou Almighty King. sang sh now to speak of some of the

"God Bless Our Native Land" and "Alors which have promoted the prosmighty Sovereign of the Skies." The is of all, the people who laid the dation of the institutions of the coun-i have referred to the Puritans. It pastor, Rev. Foster U. Clift, preached hat proved to us her deep abiding affection. The Saviour made good use of it sermon from Luke, xvil:16: "The Thankfulness of Faith" being his He touched His fellow men, without sucior alone to them, for there were rs of like spirit, who, for their strong theme. He pointed out the beautiful

power we would be as stones. Finally, the church of God and its at example of the Samaritan who re-turned to give thanks to Christ as the stans religious falth were driven to tendant blessings to the individual. Way Christian type of gratitude for blessok a house where freedom of conscience ould be permitted them. They were ripely of the angressive Anglo Saxon are. The conquering race of the world, house mission seems to be to march in an yan guard of tubs world's civilizaever such love as this? The church i crimitive times taught that God ings of health, property and comfort. made of one blood all nations." Had Paul lived in the Nineteenth century and In Dunmore the Presbyterian, Meth. edist and Baptist congregations united had he lived in America he would have in a morning service at the Dudley Street Bantist church. The transplanting of the Anglo-Saxon is this continent has assured the con-sect of the world to this race, which,

exclaimed God hath made of all nations ones blood. What would America be The sermon was by Rev. C. M. Hayes. without the church of God? What The services in the Green Ridge Thankskiving if every member had live up to his duty! My friends, a faithle churches were all held in the mornand manufactures, maker it cas- ing and largely attended king is nothing to a faithful voter. What

My country 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing ----- 'Tis now -

Beloved hearers, if the dead heroes of ar republic who have passed through the dl which separates us from the Great sond, had been permitted to listen

vinitst we same, they would reverently nite in stuging, "God is Love." been proclaimed and received, ignorance and superstition have been dispelled; men Why should this nation thank God? The have been made acquainted with their rights, and have been taught to respect estion is a great one, ave, overpower-

s, for who of us can chumerate, whose and can conceive the manifold blessings the rights of others; and the arts and science have been cultivated and have flourished. the Most High? Not one save the mind The blessings of civilization have been

f God alone. Note a few. We ought to mik God for America, which particldiffused also. May the burden of our prayers and songs today he rendered in ites in the bleasings of the God-wrought iracle of changing seasons and bount thanksgiving to God for the gift of His son, Josus Christ, the blessings of home, state and national blessings, and for the al harvests. On how regularly are its rs. Oh, how abundant and inxurious cformatory power of the Gospel, which harvests of fruit, its harvests of ains, its wealth of minerals. Do they affords practical evidence of its truth. "For this cause also we thank God without ceasing," not only for all of the bless-ings we have enjoyed, but for those of reveal the beneficence and the wistorn of our Creator? What a granary-a veritable land of milk and honey. Is here another nation in the world enyouchsafed unto every nationality the world over. sying these like unto us? Truly "God i

AT THE RESCUE MISSION.

ur nation gives to its children. Ameri Converts and Their Families Given a an ships grace the waters of the deep ad touch every spot in the world. Rail-Little Trent.

onds wind in serpentine manner over Though the Rescue mission is or valleys, plains and mountains, lay-ig at our feet the tropical fruits of the financial straits itself, it furnished, through Superintendent and Mrs. Sanny south, and our northern products born, refreshments to a large number the doors of our brothers in Dixey id. Telegraphy, with the rapidity of of the converts and their families after lightning, unites all parts of the Union. last night's service.

celephones lessen the fusiness of an nour to the space of a moment. We are carrying out the principles we teach." said Superintendent San-Our public schools, colleges and uni-cersities all teach the practical concerns born to a Tribune reporter: " 'it's more blessed to give than to receive,' you of life. Here, we learn that brains count know. The mission hasn't a path of tore than blood, character more than lothes. Not our religious advantages. roses-and neither have some of our convert friends. A little thing like this America is the mecca of religious free dom. In this respect she leads the world, Here Jew and Gentile, Greek and barhelps them."

NEW LUTHERAN CHURCH.

St. Stephen's at Peckville Was Dedicated Yesterday.

The new Slavonlan Evangelical Lutheran church at Peckville was dedicated yesterday by Rev. L. Lindenalk with God. How shall I do it? Look struth, of Mauch Chunk, president of t your individual blessings. Here I shull this conference, assisted by the pasake the common blessings and caus tor, Rev. J. Kowalla, and Revs. W. C. L. Lauer and C. G. Spieker, of this city.

The new church will be known as St. Stophen's. Its congregation will be allied to that of Emanuel church, at Providence, of which Mr. Kowalla is



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The address in English was by Rev. Mr. Lauer. He said, in part:

We celebrate today, Thanksgiving, not the fact alone that the chief executive of this republic and the highest magintrate of the commonwealth of Pennsyl-vania have in public proclamations called upon the people to unite in rendering thanksgiving to God, but the word of God itself, in both covenants, urges upon man the great obligation of thankfulness to the Giver of every good and perfect

gift for the manifestation for His boundless love in bestowing upon his creatures food and raiment and all things. Thanksgiving day is distinctively a na-tional holiday upon which all the people of our land are invited to assemble in the churches and units in giving thanks to Aimighty God for the mercles of the past year, individually and as a nation. Thus, our land, despite the prevailing wicked-ness and unbelief $r \pm y$ justly be called a Christian land, there can be no reason-

able, honest doubt. God adopted our nation like the Israelites of old as his chosen people. He has given us this free land which is a frait of the reformation of the Sixteenth con-tury period, has given us a fertile land, a land of brooks and fountains, valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley and corn, and vines and goodly traffs, a land where there is bread without slackness. whose stones are iron and out of whose hills cometh brass and silver and gold and in which God has set up His Holy Tabernacio and sent forth the light of the Gospel, a land which is the glory o Il lands, the house of freedom, of plenty and of peace.

and of peace. We home God when we trust in His word. The happiness and stability of a nation depends upon its adherence to faith in God. As long as a ration is God-fearing it will abide in peace and happiess and prosperity will be no stranger that land.

We honor God when our lives are conecrated to His service. That is a false eligion which claims to love God and oes not prove that love by love to men. Fo do good and to communicate is more deasing to God than the secrifice of the

or any self-imposed penance. If we thus honor flod by obedience to flis divise requirement He will benor us by adepting us as His children, that we ay he enabled to say with the apostle Behold what manner of love the Father ath bestowed upon us that we should be alled the sons of God." He will support is in temptation and trial and finally He will give us an abundant entrance into the glories of heaven, the land of true treedom and plenty, of which our land is but a faint type.

The concluding service was conducted by Dr. Ramer,

pastor.

hom to pass in rapid succession before our mind. Why? Because we are apt to orget that we live only by the presence these so-called common, everyday cosings. That universal blossing of air, now many of us give thanks for it? Again; we ought to thank God that w re men and women endowed with th

are men and women chooses with the sense of hearing, seeing, smelling, task-ing and feeling. What ecstatic joys have filled your soul as you listened to the murmuring brook, the sould of the bird or a loving mother's hymn. What glorious scence were presented to your vis-ion during the past year. As these were reducted on the retina of the eye did they

Knowing no state or national re-

not reveal to you that God is Love. Has God not given us a thousand fruits each naving a taste peculiar to itself; surely that sense of taste reveals to us the wistom of God. Lastly, the sense of feeling. Oh, how he touch revealed to us a mother's love When fever-stricken it was her touc

