

WEST SCRANTON

MISSIONARY WORK IN CHINA

REV. MARK WILLIAMS SPEAKS ABOUT HIS EXPERIENCES.

He was Among a Party who Were Driven out of Peking just Before the Siege and Escaped Across the Desert of Gobi—Mrs. Newell Tells of Work Being Done in the South and West—John Lukas the Victim of an Assault—Other Matters of Interest.

Rev. Mark Williams, a missionary who has labored in North China for thirty years, and one of a party who was driven out of China by the Boxers, at the outbreak of the uprising in Peking a year ago spoke before a large audience at the Plymouth and First Methodist congregational church, South Main avenue, last evening.

He shared his experiences of crossing the desert of Gobi into Siberia, and also many other stirring incidents. He said there was a great deal to encourage the missionaries in their work in China, and that the government was protected and materially aided in preaching the gospel during the past forty years. The gospel is centered in various ways, books are sold and missions are established. The Christians are aiming to induce the native Christians to become self-supporting and self-sustaining.

Meetings are held weekly. The Chinese New Year is observed with a ten days' religious service, and annual meetings are also held in July, when prayer services are held and the work discussed and plans laid for the coming year. Revival meetings are also held in China, and much was accomplished at these meetings just before the massacre.

It was at these meetings that many of the natives resolved spiritual strength for the trials that afterwards came upon them. In reference to the missionary work in China, Mr. Williams said it will be resumed as soon as possible, and he believes that God will do more there than ever before. He believes that the martyrs who were killed were ready to die for God's cause.

The speaker told of a number of missionaries who were killed, but did not relate much about the siege, as he escaped at the outbreak. The American Board of Foreign Missions, he said, is now sending back men to China, when the work will be resumed. China wanted to be left alone, but God

has stirred it up, and he believes she will yet receive the gospel. The missionaries have been stirred up to active work, and God is stirring up China, as well as the rest of the world, not because he has a grievance, but because he has a purpose in view. He wants to triumph over all. Regarding his personal experiences, Rev. Williams said they had seen so many trivial uprisings in China that the old missionaries thought the one a year ago would blow over.

It was the anti-foreign movement, and not the missionaries, that were responsible for the uprising of the Boxers. The construction of railroads and other improvements, he said, caused them to believe that their rights were being encroached upon. When the party of twenty-three, of which he was a member, made its escape, the siege was on in earnest. Six Americans were in the party.

Shortly after they vacated the house it was burned down. They traveled three weeks in a wagon over the desert. In Siberia and at St. Petersburg they were cordially received, and their homeward journey was a glad one. During his talk the speaker used a map, showing the different points at which he had worked, which added materially in relating his experiences.

Home Missionary Work. Mrs. L. M. Newell, representing the Women's Home Missionary society, spoke three times in West Scranton yesterday. At 3:30 o'clock she addressed a women's meeting at the home of Dr. Hedrick; at 6 o'clock she spoke at the First Welsh Baptist church, and at 7:30 o'clock held the attention of a large audience at the Jackson Street Baptist church.

At both of the churches she related practically the same thoughts, telling of the missionary work being performed among the emigrants at Ellis Island, the negroes in the south, the Chinese in San Francisco, the heathens in Mexico and Indians on the reservations. In each instance, the speaker told many interesting narratives, and made an earnest appeal for furthering the work.

The south, she said, is a needy field. Education is needed there among the illiterate. A great many of the colored preachers in the south are not true Christians, neither are they educated men, and many of them often appear in their pulpits under the influence of drink. Thousands of members of the churches there are not Christians, and many of the children don't even know about the Lord Jesus.

Through the medium of their open air Sunday schools and industrial schools, the children grow up and carry into their homes the lessons of Christianity learned in the schools. But there is an absolute dearth of sympathy and affection among the lower classes. In speaking of the work in Mexico, Mrs. Newell said their greatest hope for salvation is in the children and young people.

She described the existing conditions in the Chinese quarter of San Francisco, and how the Indians are being taught to love the Lord Jesus Christ. How they are becoming civilized.

Building homes and bringing up their children in the ways of Christian living. It has been said that missionaries are able to do more for Indians than the government. Education, she said, does not Christianize the Indians, and the missionaries are not so much afraid of the Indians as they are of some white people.

The missionaries teach the Indian mothers domestic habits and the way to live, and when the women become educated, they educate the tribes. The Indians don't want gold or land, they want education, civilization and Christ.

The speaker made an earnest appeal for aid in carrying on the work, and closed by saying that we are living in a grand age, where there is a magnificent opportunity for leading souls to Christ.

NORTH SCRANTON NOTES.

Base Ball Playing Stopped by the Police—Stolen Horse and Buggy Recovered.

The Sunday base ball playing on the Van Storch field, near the homes of well-known residents on Church avenue, has become such a nuisance that the police of the Third precinct were called upon yesterday to disperse the hundreds of young men and boys who had gathered together to witness the game.

The game had been started but a short time, when the ball players began to act in a disorderly manner. Patrolman Finlay Ross and Constable Thomas Mills, of the Second ward, came upon the scene and drove away the teams, after warning the players not to play ball there any more on Sundays. The officers will hereafter keep a close watch on this field and prevent any further ball playing on Sunday.

Rig Is Recovered. The horse and buggy which were stolen last month from the barn of John Hughes, was located Friday in Rendham by Chief of Police Loftus, of Pittston. Superintendent of Police Robinson, of this city, was notified and he in turn notified Mr. Hughes, who identified the property.

The horse and carriage were found in a barn owned by a Poleander, who claimed he bought the horse from two young men for \$25. Mr. Hughes has a full description of the young men, who he thinks are from this section, and for their return he will have them arrested for horse stealing.

First Annual Ball. The Yeoman Social society, one of the leading societies of this section, will give its first annual ball at the Auditorium next Friday evening. Lawrence's full orchestra will be present and will furnish music for the dancing.

Invitations to the affair have been issued for some time, and it is expected that the ball will be one of the leading events of the season in this section.

IN A FEW LINES. The Keystone Literary and Dramatic club will produce the "Passion Slave," under the auspices of the North End Glee club, on Wednesday, June 5, at the Auditorium. Between the acts selections will be rendered by the Glee club, in which fifty or more voices will be heard.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Vandermark spent yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Vandermark, of Carbondale.

A class of forty-six girls and six boys received the first Holy Communion at St. John's church yesterday morning, at the 10:30 o'clock mass, at the hands of Rev. E. J. Melley. They are:

Teresa Walsh, Katie Toomey, Genevieve O'Hara, Teresa Sullivan, Ella Coyne, Genevieve Foley, Mary Biddy, Annie Brennan, Mary Minkata, Laura Dougherty, Anna Harr, Catherine Quinn, Rose Kelly, Veronica Murphy, Laura Winton, Katie Haper, Anna Jordan, Anna Dolan, Stella Mae Miller, Nell Healy, Barbara Barrett, Matilda Anna Walsh, Gertrude Scott, Agnes Kenny, Martha McEalla, Mary Gallagher, Anna Dolan, Mary Holden, Teresa Grogan, May Devers, May Franklin, Mary Gandy, Anna Scabbell, Teresa Barrett, Anna Jordan, May Devere, Agnes May, Celia Roche, May Lavelle Connell, Susan Binnidene, Mary Moran, Genevieve Kennedy, Bridget Taylor, Sabella Coopers, Patrick Craig, John McTigue, John T. Kelly, William Judge, Daniel Leary and James Devers.

Excellent music was furnished by St. John's church choir.

Church Reception. The sodality of St. John's church held a reception last evening at the church. A splendid sermon was preached by Rev. Father O'Malley, of Honesdale.

He dwelt upon the history of the sodality and the general good it has done for the young people. A special musical programme was rendered by St. John's church choir.

NUBS OF NEWS. James Tomhill, of this side, has left for Syracuse, N. Y., where he will spend his vacation.

Camp 430, Patriotic Order Sons of America, will meet in regular session this evening at the Farmers' hall.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Cedar Avenue Methodist Episcopal church will open a rummage sale on Tuesday at 211 Wyoming avenue.

The Orphans Glee club will meet for rehearsal at St. John's church hall this evening at 8 o'clock.

William Notz, a young man, who resides on Birch street, and his right arm severely injured yesterday afternoon by a fall which he received. Dr. J. J. Walsh is attending him.

William Tasso and John Schmidt were arrested early yesterday morning, on Prospect avenue, by Patrolman Haggerty, for being drunk and disorderly. They were arraigned before Magistrate Storr and were fined \$5.

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GREEN RIDGE. An interesting union meeting of the Junior and Senior leagues of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal church was held last evening. Mrs. Simpson and Mr. Ferrell, superintendents of the Junior leagues, had charge of the meeting. The following questions were discussed: "Does the Bible Honor Childhood More Than Other Ancient Literature?" "Why Should Every Church Have a Junior League?" "Have Your Epworthians Done What They Should for the Juniors?" The young people showed good advantage the training they had had during the winter in their Bible history and along other lines. A solo was given by Little Miss Hazel Ferrell, and a delightful address was given by twelve of the boys and girls. The meeting was full of interest and the enthusiasm of the young people was inspiring.

Mrs. Manse, of Penn avenue, has returned tonight from a visit at Elk Lake, Susquehanna county.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Pross spent Saturday at Factoryville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jadin, late of Honesdale, are occupying the former residence of Rev. and Mrs. Madison, on Monday.

The H. B. Reynolds residence is being improved by having a wide porch built across the front.

William Peck, of West Pittston, spent Sunday with Green Ridge friends.

Orin Carr, of Wyoming seminary, spent Sabbath with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Carr, of Green Ridge street.

W. W. Patterson, of Philadelphia, visited Green Ridge friends yesterday.

Mrs. Hamm, of Honesdale, is the guest of Mrs. Helen Franklin, of Sanderson avenue.

Tickets for the public school excursion, which will take place Saturday, June 1, are for sale at the drug stores of Green Ridge.

John Götter, a lad employed in the Connell colliery, was severely injured Saturday morning by a fall of rock. He was attended to by Dr. Walsh.

DUNMORE. On Saturday afternoon the funeral of the late Joseph Knight took place from the Methodist Episcopal church. The services were conducted by the Rev. Charles H. Newing, who, in the course of his remarks, spoke of the high character and upright life of the deceased, and left many consolatory thoughts with the friends of the departed. The pall bearers were E. E. Wert, Samuel Cole, M. K. Bishop and Michael Lutz. Interment was made in the Forest Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Bailey, of Staten Island, will talk in the Presbyterian church on Thursday evening, and in the Methodist church on Friday evening of this week, under the auspices of the Women's Christian Temperance union, upon the temperance question.

John Wardlaw is representing the local lodge of Odd Fellows at their annual convention, being held at Gettysburg this week.

Willis Sweet, of Oneonta, is visiting friends in town.

The funeral of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Griffin, of Grove street, took place yesterday. Interment was made in Mt. Carmel cemetery.

Miss Anna Banning, of Fifth street, is visiting friends in Wilkes-Barre.

H. E. Spencer is ill at his home on Webster avenue.

Fred Berry is suffering with a mild case of diphtheria at his home on Ward street.

Miss Emma Ludwig has returned home from an extended visit with friends at Rahway, N. J.

The following programme will be rendered at the mass meeting of Prohibitionists and temperance workers, at Manly's hall, in Dunmore, tonight at 8 o'clock: Remarks, by the chairman, E. A. Altomose; "O Country, Grand, audience; prayer, pastor of one of the churches; Mrs. Morton, central city African Methodist Episcopal church; recitation, "I Have Drunk My Last Glass, Edith Anna May; address, Rev. Benninger, of West Scranton; "Sweet By and By," audience. Admission free; all welcome.

OBITUARY.

MRS. WILLIAM S. DAVIS.

Mrs. WILLIAM S. DAVIS, Mrs. William S. Davis, who died at Olyphant Friday afternoon, was one of the oldest residents of that town. She was born at Aberdare, South Wales, in 1828. She lived in Carbondale for a few years. From there she moved to Olyphant, where she resided for over forty years. Mrs. Davis was the mother of Mrs. W. O. Jenkins, of Lafayette street. The funeral will take place from the late residence, on Susquehanna street, Olyphant, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment at Peckville.

MRS. GEORGE ARCHBOLD.

Mrs. GEORGE ARCHBOLD—Mary E., wife of George Archbold, died at her home, 195 Wayne avenue, at 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning. Deceased is survived by a husband and two sons and two daughters. The latter are Mrs. Lillian Williams, of this city; Mrs. Frank W. Davis, of St. Claire; and George E. and William, of this city. The funeral will take place from the home Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be made at the Dunmore cemetery.

PATRICK CONNOLLY.

PATRICK CONNOLLY—Patrick Connolly, an old and respected citizen of Bellevue, died at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. John E. Cloberty, corner of Fourth and Elm streets, Saturday morning. Deceased is survived by four children: Mrs. James Colpin, Mrs. John E. Cloberty, William and James, all of this city.

Funeral Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. Services at Holy Cross cemetery. Interment at Dunmore.

PATRICK CORBETT.

PATRICK CORBETT—Death visited the Lackawanna hospital on Saturday night and removed from this earth Patrick Corbett, aged 52 years, who had been taken ill a few days before. The funeral will be held from the home of his daughter, Mary Healey, of 1710 Cedar avenue.

MRS. HANNAH DAVIS.

MRS. HANNAH DAVIS—Mrs. Hannah Davis, whose husband is serving Uncle Sam in the far-off Philippines, died on Saturday at the Lackawanna hospital. She was 36 years old, and had been a patient at the hospital for about two weeks.

MRS. R. W. COOPER.

MRS. R. W. COOPER—Mrs. R. W. Cooper, the young wife of Lieutenant R. W. Cooper, of the Thirtieth regiment, passed away on Saturday night, after a long illness, at her home, 1411 Bulwer street, Trinn Park.

INTERNATIONAL TRAP SHOOTING

American and British Teams Will Compete for \$2,500 a Side.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, May 19.—The match for \$2,500 a side between teams of American and British trapshooters at man-made targets, which is to take place on the grounds of the Middlesex gun club, near London, England, on June 11 and four following days, promises to be one of the most interesting of the many international contests to be decided this year. After many weeks of preparation and negotiation on both sides of the Atlantic arrangements have been most satisfactorily completed.

Positive of the best wing shots in the United States have been selected to represent America and they, with several friends, some of whom may be called upon to act as substitutes in case of emergency, will sail for England on the steamship "Canadian" from this city next Saturday. They expect to reach London about June 5, so that they will have a few days for practice at the English traps prior to the beginning of the match.

The members of the team are: Thomas A. Marshall, Keithsburg, Ill.;

Frank S. Parmelee, Omaha; J. A. B. Elliott, Kansas City; R. O. Heikes, Dayton, O.; Fred Gilbert, Spirit Lake, Iowa; W. R. Crosby, O'Fallon, Ill.; J. S. Fanning, Jersey City; Edward Harkis, New York; C. M. Powers, Des Moines, Ill.; C. W. Budd, Des Moines, Iowa; R. M. Merrill, Milwaukee, and E. H. Trapp, Indianapolis.

Among those who will accompany the team are: E. Leroy Woodward, Chicago; Bill Moseley, A. H. Gatchell, Woodstock; R. L. Emile Werk and F. D. Poble, Cincinnati; Louis Ehrhart, Atchison, Kansas; Frank S. Harrison, Newark, N. J.; and Fred Elliott, Kansas City.

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