RELIGIOUS NEWS

Protestant Episcopal Outgoing Missionaries.

The Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal church, through its general secretary, the Rev. Arthur S. Lloyd, called together at New York the men and women under appointment to sail this fall for the missions of that church for a short conference. The meetings were held at the Church Missions House on July 23.

On the evening of the same day a farewell service was held at the Church of the Holy Apostles, Ninth avenue and Twenty-eighth street, for these outgoing missionaries. Bishop Burgess, corresponding Secretary John W. Wood, and the rector of the church, the Rev. R. L. Paddock, together with several of those soon to sail, made addresses. Twenty missionaries go out this fall, all but one of these for the first time. Their destinations are Alaska, the Philippines, Japan and China.

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Mormon Missionaries at Work.

Fourteen hundred Mormon missionaries are at work in this country alone, with 600, at least, in other lands. From the mining regions of Pennsylvania comes this pitiful word: "It seems to me that all western Pennsylvania is turning to the Mormon faith." Within a short time two Mormon fathers in Utah have sold their daughters into polygamy, one receiving a cow and a calf and the other three or four acres of land in return. There is marked activity in the Mormon church itself at the present time, especially in the line of organizing young people's societies.

There is no lack of money for Mormon work. Does the tithing house fail to yield what is wanted? Then all that is necessary is for the heads of the church to issue an order of this kind: "Brother So-and-So will at once furnish $1,000 for the sending out of a missionary." The funds are forthcoming, no matter at what cost of sacrifice and labor. The "brother" dares not refuse, for the church holds his business and, quite probably, his life in its tightening grip.—Christian Advocate.

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Rev. C. B. Henry Transferred.

The vacancy caused by the withdrawal of Rev. Walter A. Wagner from the pastorate of the Methodist Episcopal church at Luzerne Borough, has been filled by Rev. Dr. Griffin, the presiding elder, who has appointed Rev. Clinton B. Henry, pastor at Taylor, to succeed Rev. Mr. Wagner.

Rev. Mr. Henry was the unanimous choice of the committee of the Luzerne Borough church and will begin his work in the new field under favorable conditions. He is a graduate of Wyoming Seminary and the Drew Theological Seminary.

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Religious Notes.

There will be no preaching services at the Puritan Congregationalist church, either tomorrow morning or evening. Sunday school will, however, be held at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Chautauqua Assembly and School of Methods at Carmel Grove is attracting the attention of large numbers of Methodists. Today the special feature is Bishop Fowler's great lecture on "Great Deeds of Great Men." To the efforts of Rev. Dr. J. B. Sweet, presiding elder of the Binghamton district, is due much of the singular success of this year's assembly.

The United Brethren Board of Missions at its recent annual meeting made appropriations amounting to $28,525, of which $14,295 was for the home field, $3,000 for Porto Rico, $5,000 for Japan, $4,000 for Africa, and $1,000 for Germany. The 73 home missions return an average membership of 5,638 in the congregations and 4,622 in the Sunday schools. Twenty-three new missions were opened last year, 22 new churches organized, and 4 parsonages and 12 church houses built. The total receipts of the board for the year were $92,233. The corresponding secretary was authorized by the board to secure means for the support of individual missionaries from local churches.

A vacancy in the episcopate of the United Brethren church having occurred through the death of Bishop Hott, it became the constitutional duty of the remaining bishops to provide for the appointment and holding of the annual conferences comprising the vacant episcopal district. In the absence of specifications of the method of procedure, the bishops mailed a blank ballot to each member of the last general conference, and were guided by the returns in making the appointment. The highest number of votes was cast for George M. Matthews, D. D., and he was accordingly designed bishop pro tem.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON FOR AUGUST 10

NADAB AND ABIHU. Lev. x: 1-11.

BY REV. J. E. GILBERT, D. D.
Secretary of American Society of Religious Education.

CONTEXT.—It was a high day when the tabernacle, the gift of the people, was set up in the wilderness, to be the place of the Divine presence, where worship was appointed to be publicly conducted. When Moses and Aaron came forth to bless the people, the assembly shouted for joy and all fell on their faces in token of their humility. Nothing of this sort had ever been witnessed in Israel. It was the beginning of that new dispensation which should promote the spiritual welfare of the posterity of Abraham down to the coming of Messiah, a period of fifteen centuries. Hopes were kindled in all hearts. The unity and perpetuity of the nation were involved, and the high purpose of God was to be served in and by the methods of the tabernacle. Withal the forms and ceremonies there to be introduced were most of them typical of things to come in the new dispenzation when Messiah should appear and conduct more spiritual worship by simpler methods. These were therefore good reasons for entering with reverence into that which had been appointed. The priests were responsible for proper behavior.

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OFFENSE.—One would hardly expect that on the day following the joyous services of the tabernacle sin would again appear in Israel. But the perversity of human nature was destined to exhibit itself again. Nadab and Abihu, the first and second born of the four sons of Aaron (Numbers, iii, 2-4), took their censers, put incense therein, and offered strange fire before the Lord. In this they committed several offenses. It is not probable that incense might be offered at all time (Leviticus, xvi, 1-3). Besides, the priests were to serve singly and by turns. (Luke, i, 9.) Neither had these two a right to enter the tabernacle—that was the privilege of Moses and Aaron only, and they were only assistants to the latter, to follow his instructions. (Leviticus, ix, 12-23). Moses had the custody of the incense (Exodus, xxxix, 38), and, as their act was irregular, they took some not consecrated (Exodus, xxx, 9), and, for burning it, they took fire that had not been on the altar. (Revelations, viii, 5.) All this was a rash, irreverent and contemptuous treatment of sacred things. Why did they act thus? We may not discern their motives. Many conjectures have been made. The more common opinion is that they were proud of the new honor that had come to them, as if they had forgotten that they were sinful men, subordinates to the high priest, subject to law.

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PUNISHMENT.—A fearful visitation from God came upon these men while they were offering incense. Fire came forth and struck them both down dead. This fire was the symbol of Divine presence and wrath. (Deuteronomy, iv, 24.) On the day before it consumed the sacrifice. Now it is directed toward the officiating priest. Other cases of its destroying power are recorded. (Numbers, xvi, 35.) To us this seems to have been a severe punishment. We might be disposed to plead that these young men were inexperienced, having been but little time in office; that they were entitled to another trial, or at least time to repent; that because of their relation to Moses and Aaron and because only two priests would be left, they ought to have been spared; that it was a pity to take them away childless (Numbers, iii, 4), and so cut off their name forever. But we must remember that God had declared His purpose to destroy individual transgressors (Exodus, xxxii, 33), so that there had been ample warning. Their position ought not to shield them, the more exalted the offender, the greater should be the penalty. Furthermore, the Israelites were under schooling. A few days before they went over to idolatry. They must now by a severe lesson, not likely to be forgotten (Numbers, xxvi, 61), be made to know God's purpose to secure obedience and reverence, without which His plan for this people can never be accomplished.

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REASON.—This great calamity— the instant death of two priests while in the tabernacle engaged in service—must have produced great consternation among all classes. What did it mean? The question doubtless was upon every lip. Moses, the servant and mouthpiece of God, steps forward to explain. With the utmost calmness and simplicity he vindicates God and lays bare the offense which has thus awakened His wrath. He speaks to Aaron, his brother, who, as father of the deceased, was most afflicted, and who, as high priest, needed to understand this sad event. "This is in accordance with the Lord's own utterance," he said, referring probably to several declarations. What were they? "I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me," that is, the priests, "that I may be glorified before all the people." (Exodus, xix, 22.) It was not to be expected that religion among the masses would reach any higher plain than it did among the ministers. So in after years (Isaiah, iii, 11) holy men offering holy service in a holy place (Ezekiel, xlii, 13), is the best guarantee of popular religion. Aaron listened to his brother's words and held his peace.

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BURIAL.—The bodies of the dead must be removed from the tabernacle and buried. Moses gave instructions concerning this matter, that were calculated to observe the proprieties of the place and the occasion, minister somewhat to the feelings of the bereaved, and protect the cause of God against any evils that might arise. Michael and Elizaphan (Exodus, vi, 32), sons of Uzziel, Aaron's uncle, were called to conduct the funeral rites. It was proper that they should have charge, because, being Levites (Numbers, i, 47-50), their business was to take care of the tabernacle, and, consequently, to remove from it anything not properly belonging in it. They proceeded to discharge their duty in a quiet, unostentatious manner. They carried the bodies out of the camp (Luke, vii, 24), because they could not be buried within. (Acts, v, 6.) And they were laid away in their priest's coats, thus signifying that their office perished with them. The whole ceremony was well suited to express humble submission to God, to show due regard for the tabernacle and its institutions, and withal, to lay the dead away with decent respect.

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MOURNING.—In those days as now, eastern people were extravagant in their expression of sorrow. The hope of another life did not illumine the grave, and death in any form was regarded a calamity. (II Samuel, xviii, 33.) On this occasion Moses interfered, that the mourning might not in any wise disturb the religious interests of the congregation. Aaron and his two sons were forbidden to join in the demonstrations of grief. They were not to go out of the tabernacle, or to rend their clothes (Exodus, xxviii, 42-43), or to uncover their heads; that is, remove their bonnets. (Exodus, xxviii, 40.) The reason assigned for this interdiction was that the anointing oil was upon them (Exodus, xxix, 7), that is, they had been consecrated to the priesthood, and they must not leave the duties of their office, even to bury a son or brother. This was afterwards enacted as a permanent law (Leviticus, xxi, 1, 10-12; Numbers, vi, 7.) The service of the sanctuary must not be suspended. The priest must be a constant intercessor (Numbers, xvi, 46.) So was the prophet in after centuries. (Ezekiel, xxiv, 16-17.) And Moses gave a solemn warning, "Lest ye die," and, fearing that they should be visited as Nadab and Abihu had been, the father and brother obeyed. But while these three were not permitted, the people gave forth their wailing for the dead after the oriental habit, and the wholesome instructions of God was impressed upon the popular mind and conscience.

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INTOXICANTS.—Every new experience furnished opportunity for fuller instruction. Whenever the people displayed weakness or sin, God made them know more of His power and holiness. Hence, the religion of the Bible is progressive, advancing as man is able to apprehend the ways of God. And so the sin of Nadab and Abihu furnished a favorable occasion for the announcement of a new law. The Lord spoke directly to Aaron and charged him and his sons not to use wine or strong drink when they went into the tabernacle. That was made a perpetual statute. The reason given is that they might be able to distinguish between the holy and unholy, and that they might be qualified to teach the people. (Deuteronomy, xx, 8.) Here is a plain recognition of the evil influence of intoxicants. A priest needs a clear mind and must abstain. (Malachi, ii, 7.) Nothing is said concerning these drinks at other times. In this instance the purpose is, not to protect the individual, but the ordinances of religion. Some have inferred, and the inference is natural, that Nadab and Abihu were intoxicated. But this may have been a precaution taken without reference to them. The law thus instituted is accomplished by the warning, "Lest ye die." It furnishes an important chapter in the Bible idea of temperance.

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CONCLUSION.—Bishop Hall makes this highly apreciative comment: "In the service of God it is a dangerous thing to decline from His own institutions. We have to do with a God who is wise to prescribe His own worship, just to require what He has prescribed, and powerful to revenge what He has not prescribed." It is a grave responsibility which they assume who conduct public worship (I Corinthians, xiv, 40), and they who attend, as well as they who minister, ought to take heed to their manner and spirit. (Ecclesiastes, v, 1.)

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SERVICES IN THE VARIOUS CHURCHES

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Elm Park church—Rev. C. M. Giffin, D. D., pastor. Prayer and praise meeting at 9.30 a. m.; sermon at 10.30 by Rev. H. C. McDermott, D. D., pastor of Simpson Methodist Episcopal church; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; Senior league at 6.30 p. m. At 7.30 worship and word by assistant pastor, E. B. Singer. Strangers welcome.

Simpson Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. H. C. McDermott, pastor. Rev. E. B. Singer, of Elm Park, will preach at the morning service. The pastor will preach in the evening. Other services as usual.

Asbury Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. C. A. Benjamin, pastor. Devotional meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Paul at 9.30 a. m. Preaching at 10.30 a. m. by Rev. G. B. Stone. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Epworth league at 6.30 p. m. No evening service. Prayer meeting on Wednesday, at 7.30 p. m. Business meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Paul, on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7.30 p. m. Seats free and all are welcome.

Court Street Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. G. C. Lyman, pastor. Class No. 1, 9.45 a. m., O. D. DeWitt, leader; preaching, 10.30 a. m., by the pastor, subject, "What Shall I Do?"; Sunday school, 11.45 a. m., G. R. Clark, superintendent; Epworth League, 6.30 p. m., Mrs. Mills, leader; preaching at 7.30 p. m., by Rev. H. A. Parsons, Class No. 2 meets Tuesday at 7.30 o'clock, J. Archer, leader. Seats free. Everybody welcome.

Ash Street Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. J. R. Austin, pastor. Morning preaching service at 10.30, subject, "Joshua, or Triumph All the Way"; class meeting at 11.30 a. m., Charles Croop, leader; Sunday school at 2 p. m., Peter Hartman, superintendent; the Epworth League at 6.45 p. m.; evening preaching service at 7.30, subject, "The Scarlet Thread." A cordial welcome to all. Preaching service in the Nay Aug Methodist Episcopal church at 3 p. m.

St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church—F. P. Doty, pastor. At 10 a. m., meeting of the Brotherhood; 10.30 a. m., morning sermon; 11.45 a. m., Sunday school; 3.30 p. m., Junior Epworth League; 7 p. m., Epworth League service; 7.30 p. m., evening worship. A cordial welcome to all.

Embury Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. James Benninger, pastor. Preaching at 10.30 a. m., subject, "What Concord Hath Christ with Belial"; class meeting at 11.30; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; Epworth League at 6.30 p. m., leader, William Parsons; evening preaching service at 7.30, subject, "The Harvest of Our Own Sowing."

African Methodist Episcopal church, Howard place—Dr. D. S. Bentley, pastor. Preaching, 10.30 a. m.; subject, "The Central Force of Christian Life." Sunday school, missionary society, 2.30 p. m.; special programme. Preaching at 7.45 p. m.; subject, "Christian Martyrs Honored." Young People's meeting, 7.30, led by John Kobby.

BAPTIST.

Penn Avenue Baptist church—Rev. R. F. Y. Pierce, D. D., pastor (absent in Europe). W. A. McKinney, minister in charge. At 10.30 a. m., preaching; 12 m., Sunday school; 3.30 p. m., Sunday school at Amerman mission; 6.30 p. m., Christian Endeavor; 7.30 p. m., preaching. Wednesday at 8 p. m., prayer meeeting. Morning subject, "A Dominant Conviction"; evening subject, "The Sacrament of Man."

First Baptist church, South Main avenue—Rev. S. F. Mathews, pastor. The usual preaching services morning and evening, at 11.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. The Lord's supper will be observed at the close of the evening service; Sunday school, 2 p. m., Dr. B. G. Beddoe, superintendent; Baptist Young People's union service, 6.30 p. m., in assembly room. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7.30 p. m. All are cordially welcome to these services.

Green Ridge Baptist church, Monsey avenue—Rev. Henry S. Potter, pastor. Rev. James Fielding will preach at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 11.45 a. m., and Young People's meeting at 6.30 p. m. No evening sermon.

First Welsh Baptist church, West Market street—Rev. J. V. Davies, pastor. Order of services on Sunday next: 10 a. m., sermon by the pastor; 2 p. m., Sunday school; 6 p. m., "A Children's service of song" will be given. An elegant programme has been prepared, comprising of solos, duets and choruses, as well as a number of recitations. A cordial welcome is extended to all to attend.

Shiloh Baptist church, Rev. J. B. Boddie, pastor—Preaching at 10.30 a. m., subject, "Strength"; 12 m., Sunday school; 3 p. m., the pastor will preach in Wilkes-Barre; 7.45 p. m., preaching, subject, "The Time to Pray"; Baptist Young People's union, Monday evening. Wednesday evening, preaching. Friday evening, general prayer meeeting. All are welcome.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Second Presbyterian church—Rev. Joseph H. Odell, pastor. Morning worship, 10.30 a. m. Rev. W. I. Steans, D. D., will occupy the pulpit. Sunday school, 12 m.; Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, 6.30 p. m. No evening service. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening, 7.45.

Green Ridge Presbyterian church—Preaching at 10.30 a. m., by the assistant pastor, Rev. L. R. Foster: Bible school, 12 m. Prayer meeting, 7.30 Wednesday evening. Welcome to all.

Washburn Street Presbyterian church—Rev. John P. Moffat, D. D., pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. No evening service. Bible school at 12 m. sharp. Christian Endeavor young people at 6.30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7.30 p. m. A. V. Bower will preach at the morning service and also conduct the prayer meeting the following Wednesday evening. Offering for American Bible society. All cordially welcome.

Adams Avenue Presbyterian chapel—Morning service at 10.30, in charge of Young Workers' league. Sunday school at 3 p. m.; Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, 6.45. Evening worship at 7.45, also in charge of Young Workers' league. All are welcome.

Capouse chapel (Presbyterian)—Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m., by the pastor, Rev. L. R. Foster. Sunday school, 3 p. m.; Junior Christian Endeavor, 4 p. m.; Senior Christian Endeavor, 6.30 p. m. Prayer meeting at 7.30 Thursday evening. Welcome to all.

EPISCOPAL.

St. Luke's Parish—Rev. Rogers Israel, D. D., rector; Rev. Edward Y. Hamilton, senior curate; Rev. Robert E. Roe, junior curate. Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.

St. Luke's church—7.30 a. m., holy communion; 10.30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 7 p. m., evening prayer; 9.15 a. m., Sunday school and Bible classes.

St. Mark's, Dunmore—8.30 a. m., holy communion; 10.30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 7.30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon; 9.30 a. m., Sunday school and Bible classes.

East End Mission, Prescott avenue—3 p. m., Sunday school and Bible classes.

South Side Mission, Fig street—9 a. m., Sunday school and Bible classes.

St. George's, Olyphant—2.30 p. m., Sunday school and Bible classes.

St. James, Nicholson—10.30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 9.30 a. m., Sunday school.

Christ Church, Washington avenue and Park street—Rev. F. S. Ballentine, rector. Eleventh Sunday after Trinity. Morning prayer and sermon, 10.30; Sunday school, 2.30; evening prayer and sermon, 7.30. All seats free. All welcome.

REFORMED EPISCOPAL.

Grace church (Reformed Episcopal), Wyoming avenue, below Mulberry street—Prayer and praise service, 9.30 a. m.; divine worship, 10.30 a. m. Preaching by W. W. Adair, general secretary Railroad Young Men's Christian association; subject, "The Inspired Words." II Timothy iii:3-16. Sunday school at 12 m. All Sunday evening services omitted during August. The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor will conduct the Wednesday evening prayer meeting, August 13; subject for said meeting, "A Suggestion in Addition." II Pet. 1:4-9. Seats free. Everybody welcome.

Branch church, Hose house, Tripp park—Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m., Henry Cardew will preach at both services. Sunday school, 12 m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7.45 p. m.

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN.

Evangelical Lutheran—Eleventh Sunday after Trinity. Gospel, Luke, xviii, 9-14; epistle, I Corinthians, xv, 1-10.

St. Mark's, Washburn street—Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph. D., pastor. Services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Luther league, 6.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 12 m. Morning subject, "Attendance of Public Worship;" evening subject, "Faith Cometh by Hearing."

Christ church, Cedar avenue and Birch street—Rev. James Witke, pastor. Services 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

St. Peter's, Prescott avenue—Rev. John Randolph, pastor. Services 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Emanuel German-Polish Lutheran church, Reese street—Rev. Ferdinand Sattelmeier, pastor. Services in the Polish language at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 2 p. m.

St. Paul's church. Short avenue—Services at 10 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school at 11 a. m. Rev. H. A. Kunkle, pastor. Morning subject, "Free Prayer;" evening subject, "Lack of Confidence." The Ladies' Aid will meet on Wednesday, Aug. 13, at 1.30 p. m. in the chapel.

English Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, corner Adams avenue and Mulberry street—There will be no preaching services Sunday, as the pastor, Rev. E. F. Ritter, is on his vacation. There will be Sunday school at 9 a. m.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran church (general synod), corner of Mulberry street and Prescott avenue—Rev. Luther Hess Waring, pastor. At 9.30 a. m., Sunday school; 10.30 a. m., Divine worship; subject of sermon, "Divisions in the Church and Perverse Biblical Interpretations."; 7.15 p. m., Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor"; 7.45 p. m., evening service, at which the pastor will give the story of some well-known Gospel songs. Everybody welcome.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran church, 226 Mifflin avenue—Rev. A. O. Gallenkamp, pastor. Morning service, 10.30, subject, "The Gospel of Today—the Preacher of Righteousness"; Sunday school at 1.45 p. m., one-quarter of an hour earlier than usual, on account of Edith Blomenkamp's funeral. Let all members be present; 3 p. m., funeral of Edith Blomenkamp at Zion's Lutheran church. The members of the Sunday school, Junior League and confirming class to turn out in a body.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Calvary Reformed church, Monroe avenue and Gibson street—Rev. Marion L. Firor, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school, 11.45 a. m.; Christian Endeavor, 7 p. m. Evening subject, "The Magnificent."

Gospel Tabernacle, Jefferson avenue, Dunmore—James Leishman, pastor. Sunday services: Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Young People's meeting, 6.30 p. m. Christian and Missionary Alliance meetings on Tuesday, 2.30 and 7.30 p. m.

Plymouth Congregational church, Jackson street—At 10.30 a. m., Brother Henry A. Parsons will preach. In the evening at 7.30, Rev. G. C. Lyman, pastor of the Court Street Methodist Episcopal church, will occupy the pulpit. Sunday school at 12 o'clock. Sunday school at Sherman avenue at 2.15 p. m.

First Primitive Methodist church, Green Ridge—Rev. G. Lees, pastor. Regular services at 10.30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Subjects: Morning, "Lawful, but Not Expedient"; evening, "Noah's Telescope." Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. All welcome.

Zion United Evangelical church, 1420 Capouse avenue—Rev. J. W. Messinger, pastor. Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Preaching in the morning by Rev. George C. Sanborn, of the Rescue mission. Evening service will be in charge of K. L. C. E. Sunday school at 9.30 a. m.; Junior Christian Endeavor, 4 p. m.; Keystone League Christian Endeavor, 6.30 p. m. Seats free. Everybody welcome to all services.

Bellevue Welsh Calvinistic Methodist church—Rev. William Davies, pastor. Prayer meeting tomorrow at 10 a. m.; service in English language. Class meeting, 11.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 2 p. m.; prayer meeting, 6 p. m.; service in the Welsh language. Prayer meeting Monday evening at 7.30; class meeting Thursday evening at 7.30.

Gospel tent, Monroe avenue and Gibson street—At 2.30 p. m., Pastor S. S. Shrock, late of Pottstown, Pa., will speak, subject, "Jesus Christ Man's Substitute as Equal with the Father in the Creation of the World." At 7.45 p. m., Pastor C. F. McVagh, of the Seventh Day Adventist church, will speak upon "The Signs of the Times," a comparison of the present condition of the world with the Bible prophecy, to show that the second coming of our Lord is near. Discourse preceded by a song service. All welcome.

It Made No Difference.

The following incident is vouched for by the Globe, of Atchison, Kan.: "A policeman found a hotel guest roaming about the streets in his sleep a few nights ago. He started to lead the man to jail, when the stranger protested. 'I am guilty of no wrongdoing,' he said. 'I am a somnambulist.' 'It don't make no difference what church you belong to,' returned the officer. 'You can't do no walking on these streets in your shirt tail.'"

THE MARKETS

Wall Street Review.

New York, Aug. 8.—The opening dealings in the market today showed that the glamor of supposed plan for merger of Southern trunk lines railways had taken hold upon the imagination of the speculative world and most of the stocks which were violently affected yesterday started off on a fresh upward movement today. But it also became quickly evident that the movement was overrunning itself. Either the desire to take profits or the belief that prices had been lifted to above the intrinsic value of stocks led to prompt reactions in Louisville and Nashville, Illinois Central and conspicuously in Hocking Valley. The last named stock lost its opening rise of this morning and all of yesterday's sensational gain as well. The reaction was not so violent in other stocks although Rock Island developed a heavy tone and Colorado Fuel became weak with considerable sentimental effect upon the general list. It cannot be said that the reaction in the southern group materially altered the general conviction in the street that important developments are impending regarding the group. The difficulty encountered by Louisville in its advance above 150 was attributed to the fact that that is the figure at which the option is supposed to be held by J. P. Morgan & Co. to buy the control of the road. Some of the largest selling of the southern trunk lines was by brokers usually employed by the speculative leader whose publicly proclaimed "bullishness" was a forerunner of yesterday's violent advances. Probably some disappointment was felt because the official announcement of the acquisition of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois by the St. Louis and San Francisco contained no reference to the further extensive projects which are supposed to lie back of that operation. In fact no official countenance could be secured from any source of yesterday's many rumors. Among the new points of strength the most conspicuous and most influential was that in the Erie stocks. No reason was forthcoming for their advance beyond a revival of old rumors of large holdings in the property by J. J. Hill and plans for its improvement by that capitalist. The rise in Amalgamated Copper seemed to be purely speculative in its origin. Other points of strength were the Colorado and Southern stocks, Texas and Pacific and a number of minor stocks. Total sales for the day, 586,100 shares. The bond market was dull and irregular. Total sales, par value, $1,175,000.

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	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amal. Copper	67⅛	68¾	67⅜	67¾
Am. C. & F	32⅞	33	32⅝	33
American Ice	11⅜	11⅝	11⅜	11⅝
Am. Ice, Pr	37½	37½	37½	37½
Am. Locomotive	32	32	32	32
Am. S. & R. Co	47¾	47¾	47¾	47¾
American Sugar	133⅜	133½	132⅝	132⅝
Anaconda Copper	105	105	105	105
Atchison	93⅞	93⅞	93¼	93⅝
Atchison, Pr	102⅞	103⅛	102⅞	103⅛
Balt. & Ohio	110½	110¾	109½	109¾
Brook. R. T	68⅞	69⅛	68½	68¾
Canadian Pacific	138⅝	138⅝	138⅛	148¼
Ches. & Ohio	55⅛	55¼	54½	54⅝
Chicago & Alton	43	43⅜	42⅝	43
Chic. & G. W	31¾	31⅞	31⅛	31¾
C., M. & St. P	187¾	188¼	187⅝	187⅝
C. R. I. & P	190	190	188	189
Col. Fuel & Iron	90	90½	88	89
Col. & Southern	33¼	34⅜	33¼	34⅜
Col. & South., 2d Pr.	49½	51¾	49½	51¾
Del. & Hud	179½	179½	179½	179½
D., L. & W	280	280	280	280
Den. & R. G	93¾	93⅞	93¾	93¾
Erie	38½	40⅛	33¾	40⅛
Erie, 1st Pr	65½	69½	68¾	69¼
Erie, 2nd Pr	53¾	55	53¾	54½
Hocking Valley	106	106	97¾	99¾
Illinois Central	170	171½	169¾	170¾
Kan. City & South.	36⅞	36⅞	36¾	36¾
Louis. & Nash	149¾	151¼	149¼	149⅝
Manhattan	135	135	134⅝	134⅝
Met. St. Ry	149	149	148¾	148¾
Mexican Central	30	30	29¾	29¾
Mo. K. & Tex	31⅝	30	31⅛	31⅛
Mo., K. & T., Pr	67⅞	64	63½	63½
Mo. Pacific	117¼	117½	116⅝	117
N. Y. Central	165⅜	165⅝	165	165
Norfolk & West	68¾	68¾	67	68¾
Ont. & West	34	34⅜	34	34⅜
Pacific Mail	40½	40½	40½	40½
Penna. R. R	160½	160⅝	160	160
People's Gas	106⅛	106⅞	105¾	105⅞
Pressed Steel Car	47¼	48¼	47¼	48
Reading	67	67⅝	66¾	67⅛
Reading, 1st Pr	86¼	86¼	86¼	86¼
Reading, 2d Pr	73¼	73½	73	73¼
Republic Steel	19⅜	19⅝	19⅛	19⅛
Republic Steel, Pr	76½	76½	76½	76½
St. L. & San F	80	80¼	80	80¼
St. L. So. West	37⅛	37⅜	37½	37¾
Southern Pacific	68¾	69⅜	68⅜	69¼
Southern R. R	40⅛	40⅝	40⅛	40⅝
Southern R. R., Pr	96¼	98¼	97⅜	97⅝
Tenn. Coal & Iron	69	69	68	68¾
Texas & Pacific	48¼	49⅛	48¾	49⅜
Union Pacific	108¼	108⅝	108¼	108⅝
Union Pacific, Pr	91⅞	92¾	91⅞	92⅝
U. S. Leather	13⅜	13⅜	13⅛	13⅛
U. S. Leather, Pr	86¼	86⅝	86¼	86¼
U. S. Steel	40⅝	40⅝	39¾	40⅜
U. S. Steel, Pr	89¼	89⅝	89½	89½
Wabash	30⅞	31	30¾	30⅞
Wabash, Pr	47¼	47¼	47	47¼
Western Union	88¾	89	88¾	88¾
Wheel. & L. E	23½	23½	23½	23½
Wis. Central	28¾	28⅝	28⅜	28¾

Total sales, 618,600 shares.
Money, 3 per cent.

CHICAGO GRAIN & PROVISION.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
September	68⅝	68¾	67⅜	68
December	67½	67½	66½	66⅝
CORN.				
September	53⅝	53½	50⅞	51¼
December	41¼	41¼	39¾	40
OATS.				
September	31⅝	31⅝	30⅞	31
December	29⅜	29⅞	28½	28¾
PORK.				
September	16.75	16.85	16.62	16.65
LARD.				
September	10.65	10.80	10.65	10.75
RIBS.				
September	10.35	10.35	10.12	10.20

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
August	8.45	8.47	8.36	8.36
September	7.91	7.92	7.84	7.85
October	7.78	7.79	7.71	7.71
December	7.72	7.73	7.65	7.65

Scranton Board of Trade Exchange Quotations—All Quotations Based on Par of 100.

STOCKS.	Bid.	Asked.
Lackawanna Dairy Co., Pr	60	...
County Sav. Bank & Trust Co	500	500
First Nat. Bank (Carbondale)	550	...
Third National Bank	300	...
Dime Dep. & Dis. Bank	...	46
Economy L., H. & P. Co	...	...
First National Bank	1300	...
Lack. Trust & Safe Dep. Co	195	...
Clark & Snover Co., Pr	125	...
Scranton Savings Bank	500	...
Traders' National Bank	225	...
Scranton Bolt & Nut Co	125	...
People's Bank	135	...
BONDS.		
Scranton Packing Co	...	95
Scranton Passenger Railway, first mortgage, due 1920	115	...
People's Street Railway, first mortgage, due 1918	115	...
People's Street Railway, General mortgage, due 1921	115	...
Scranton Trac. Co., 6 per cent.	115	...
Economy L., H. & P. Co	...	97
N. Jersey & Pocono Ice Co	...	97
Consolidated Water Supply Co	...	105

Scranton Wholesale Market.

(Corrected by H. G. Dale, 27 Lacka. Ave.)
Flour—$4.40.
Butter—Fresh creamery, 23½c.; fresh dairy, 22½c.
Cheese—11a11½c.
Eggs—Nearby, 22c.; western, 21c.
Marrow Beans—Per bushel, $2.35a2.40.
Green Peas—Per bushel, $2.25.
Onions—Per bushel, 90c.a$1.00.
New Potatoes—50a60c. per bushel.

New York Grain and Produce Market

New York, Aug. 8.—Flour—Market was weak and again lower. Wheat—Spot easier; No. 2 red, 75¾c. elevator; No. 2 red, 75¾a75¾c. f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 79c. f. o. b. afloat. Influenced by a violent break in corn and continued favorable crop reports wheat developed positive weakness today with heavy liquidation closing ⅜a1c. lower in face of a big export trade. May closed 74½c.; September, 72¾c.; December, 72¼c. Corn—Spot weak; No. 2 nominal elevator and 64c. f. o. b. afloat. Wholesale unloading of September and December corn today promoted extreme weakness and decline, the market closing 1a2¾c. net lower. May closed 43⅝c.; September, 55⅝c., December, 46c. Oats—Spot quiet; quotations are for old No. 2, 62c.; No. 3, 60c.; No. 2 white, 70c.; No. 3 white, 69c.; track mixed western, 49a62c.; track white western, 70c.; track white state, 70c.; option market was also weak and heavy under liquidation brought about by fine crop news and the corn break. Butter—Steady; creamery, 17a20½c.; do. factory, 14½a16½c.; renovated, 16a18c.; imitation creamery, 15¼a17½c.; state dairy, 17a20c. Cheese—Dull; new state full cream, small colored, fancy, 9½c.; small white, 9½c.; large colored, 9½c.; large white, 9½c. Eggs—Irregular; state and Pennsylvania, 20½a21c.; western candled, 18a20c.; western uncandled, 15a18c. Potatoes—Easy; Jersey, $1a1.25; Long Island, $1a1.25; southern, 75c.a$1.

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