

# City Churches Prepare For Christmas Festivals--Pastors Have Special Sermons

## HAS SERMON FOR WOMEN

Dr. Reed Will Tell of "Phoebe, Our Sister" at Grace Evening Service

## PREPARING FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

While new scholars have been uniting with the Sunday school of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church from Sunday to Sunday, probably more new scholars were received last Sunday than for many weeks. The interest and enthusiasm in the school seem to be growing from week to week. Committees are now at work preparing for the "Christmas Giving Exercises" and entertainment to be given in the Sunday school hall by the school on Thursday evening, December 21. While the Rev. Dr. Edward Reed, who has been temporarily filling the pulpit of the church, has preached a number of sermons especially for young men, his subject tomorrow evening at 7:45 o'clock will be especially for young women, his subject being "Phoebe, Our Sister." "The Everlasting Arms" is the morning subject at 10:30 o'clock.

The following is the music for the day: Morning—Anthem, "Great is the Lord," Excell. tenor solo. Evening—"God is Wisdom," Ludden; "God of My Life," Sullivan-Shelley.

## EPWORTH CHURCH REPORTS PROGRESS

The congregation of Epworth Church is greatly multiplying, both in membership and attendance. The Sunday school for some Sundays has been going far beyond all records ever made by the school. The pastor is forming an adult male Bible class. The Epworth League devotional meeting on Sunday evenings is going at footslide, and the entire church is looking for yet greater things. Tomorrow the pastor will preach on the following subjects: 10:30 o'clock, "God Our Lover"; 7:30 o'clock, "What Has Become of Hell?"

## SACRAMENT AT HANOVER CHURCH

In Hanover Church tomorrow morning the pastor will preach upon "The Wine and the Branches." The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed. The Men's Bible class will meet after the morning worship. The special topic will be, "The Future Citizen." The Y. P. S. C. E. meeting will be addressed by the Rev. Mr. Cunningham at 7 o'clock in the evening there will be a song service with a brief address by the pastor on "The Bible as a Whole."

"BEST ON EARTH" This is the verdict of R. J. Howell, Tracy, O., who bought Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for his wife. "Her case was the worst I have ever seen, and looked like a case of consumption. Her lungs were sore and she coughed almost incessantly and her voice was hoarse and weak. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound brought relief at once and less than three bottles effected a complete cure." N. B. Danforth, Market and Second streets.—Adv.

## CHURCH SERVICES

**METHODIST.** St. Paul's M. E. Church, Charles A. Hill, minister. Class meeting, 9:30; preaching, 10:30; Sunday school, 2 o'clock, at Pythian Hall on West street, near Tenth; Christian Endeavor at 6:30, at W. C. T. U. rooms on Asbury M. E. Church, corner of Third and Walnut streets, the Rev. E. C. Macnicol, D. D., pastor, 9 a. m., prayer meeting; 10:30 a. m., preaching; 2 p. m., Sunday school; 6:30 p. m., Epworth League; 7:30 p. m., preaching. Music by the Young Peoples' Choir. Harrison Street M. E. Church, Seventh and Harrison streets, the Rev. George White Dawson, pastor. Class meeting, 9:15 a. m., George B. Crossan, leader; preaching, 10:30 a. m., subject: "Man's Immortality." Sunday school, 2 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:45 p. m., by Department of World Evangelism; preaching, 7:30 p. m., subject: "The New Heart." Cedar M. E. Church, the Rev. B. F. Jester, pastor. Preaching, 7:30 p. m., and Sunday school, 2:30 p. m. All are invited to these services.

**MISCELLANEOUS.** Green Hill Presbyterian Church, Kennett Pike near Rising Sun Lane, the Rev. William M. Kieffer, minister. Sabbath school at 9:30 a. m.; adult Bible class, led by the minister; church services at 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.; sermon themes by the minister, "Big Brotherhood" and "Waste Efforts." The evening service opens with gospel singing. All are cordially welcome. St. Matthews Mission, Chipper street, near Twelfth. Morning prayer and sermon at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 12:30 p. m. The Rev. William Homewood in charge. St. Luke's Reformed Episcopal Church, Eighth and Monroe streets, the Rev. Henry C. Lang, A. B., rector.

## CHRISTMAS ACROSS SEA

Pastor Cunningham Announces Pre-Holiday Sermon Series

## SPECIAL MUSIC FOR CHURCH EVENING SERVICE

At the service tomorrow evening in Eastlake Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Henry Cunningham will preach the first of three Pre-Christmas sermons. The topic will be "Christmas Customs in Many Lands." The sermon will relate the beautiful and joyous rites that are held by the various nations. The topics for the succeeding Sunday evenings are: December 17, "Christmas Gifts—Material and Spiritual"; and December 24, "Christmas Anthems—Earthly and Heavenly." The music at these evening services is a delightful feature. The opening part of the service is given over to hearty congregational singing. Tomorrow evening the choir will sing the anthem, "Oh Be Joyful in the Lord," and Howell Pipino will sing a baritone solo. At the morning service the topic of the sermon will be "The Touchstone of Discipleship." The Sabbath school and pastor's Bible class for men and women will meet at 2 o'clock. At the C. E. meeting at 7 o'clock the topic for discussion is "Sources of a Worker's Strength."

**SUNDAY AT TRINITY.** The Rev. C. W. Strickland will conduct communion in Trinity M. E. Church tomorrow morning. The Rev. John White will preach in the evening. Sunday school will meet at 2 o'clock.

## REVIVAL LEADS MANY TO ALTAR

Revival meetings at Mt. Salem have steadily grown in interest and in results. A goodly number of young people have been converted and will join the church tomorrow. The Rev. L. B. Bridges is assisting the pastor and will preach both morning and evening tomorrow.

## CHURCH TO CALL YOUNG PEOPLES' ROLL

Services will be conducted at the usual hours in Bethany Church tomorrow by the Rev. J. E. Hunsberger. The five-minute talk to juniors at the morning service will be on "Counterfeits." The regular sermon subject will be "Eminent Features of the Christian Life." The choir will sing a selection. Bible school will meet at 2 o'clock. Bethany orchestra will furnish music. The B. Y. P. U. will meet at 7 o'clock; as it is consecration night, the pastor wants each member present to respond to roll call. The evening theme will be "Christlikeness Our Goal."

## EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.

On Sunday evening at the "Little Church," No. 1008 King street, the topic in the series of lectures given by Evangelist R. H. Martin will be "The Antitype Scapegoat." An excellent music of last Sunday night will be supplemented by a new organ. Questions will be answered at the close of the service. A violin solo is promised by Miss Harman.

## BIBLE STUDENTS' MEETING.

The International Bible students will meet on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Red Men's Hall, No. 515 Shipley street, to hear Dr. Patterson of Philadelphia, speak on "Nobility Conquering Meanness."

## LESSONS FROM M'NAMARA CASE

Rev. T. P. Holloway to Point Them Out in Second Baptist Church

## SUNDAY EVENING SERMON THEME

At the 10:30 o'clock morning service in the Second Baptist Church, tomorrow, the Rev. Thomas P. Holloway will conduct the worship, and the Rev. Garner H. Tullis of Camden, N. J., father-in-law of the minister, will preach the sermon. His theme will be "The Reward for Faithful Service." At the 7:45 o'clock service Pastor Holloway will conduct the worship and preach on "The Lesson of the McNamara outrage, Trial and Confession." Mr. Holloway makes it a habit to refrain from taking his sermon topics from current events, but this subject he regards as one of national moral significance. The choir will sing the following selections: Morning—"The Lord is in His Holy Temple" Lob; "Te Deum," Lloyd. Evening—"Peace, Perfect Peace," Caldwell; "The Sun of Righteousness," Geibel.

**LUTHERAN CHURCH SERVICES.** The Rev. Philip H. Pearson will occupy the pulpit of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and will speak on the theme: "Dead Files in the Ointment." In the evening at 7:45 Mr. Pearson will preach again. The Sunday school will meet at 10 o'clock. The orchestra will furnish music.

## SCOTT REVIVAL BRINGS 65 MEMBERS

Revival meetings at Scott Methodist Episcopal Church have gone forward during the week with great interest and success. There have been 65 conversions and the meetings have been well attended. The pastor has conducted these services, assisted by neighboring pastors. The Rev. W. G. Koons will preach at both morning and evening services in the church tomorrow. There will be a reception of members at the morning service. The revival services will be continued.

## TEMPERANCE TALK OVER AT MADELEY

The Rev. J. P. Outten, pastor of Madeley M. E. Church, will preach at the 10:30 o'clock service tomorrow morning on the International Sunday School lesson, taking as his text, "I am doing a great work so that I cannot come down."—Neh. 6, 3. In the evening the Rev. S. J. Cleland, of Dover, superintendent of the Delaware Anti-Saloon League, will give a temperance sermon.

## AT COOKMAN CHURCH.

Services at Cookman Church last Sunday were well attended. Two persons joined the church on probation. In the evening District Superintendent E. L. Hoffecker preached. Horace White will lead the Epworth League tomorrow evening at 6:45 o'clock. The Rev. J. T. Richardson will preach both morning and evening.

## VISITOR AT GRACE ZION.

The Rev. A. J. Spencer, for many years a Wilmington pastor, will be the evening preacher at Grace A. M. E. Zion Church, Third and West streets tomorrow. At the 10:30 o'clock service the pastor, the Rev. John C. Temple, will preach on "Peter's Fall and His Means of Recovery." There will be special music by the choir. There will be a stewardess rally in the afternoon.

The Wants are a sure indication of what's most needed in every line of human endeavor.—Adv.

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## PRINCIPLE OF GIVING

Pastor Crawford to Discuss Subject in Morning Sermon

## SPECIAL MUSIC ON THE DAY'S PROGRAM

The Rev. J. H. Crawford will occupy the pulpit tomorrow at both services at Central Presbyterian Church, King street below Eighth. At 10:30 o'clock he will preach on "The Principle of Giving." At the evening service, at 7:45 o'clock, his subject will be "The Spirit of Elijah." The series of sermons on the life of Elijah is nearing its close, but his successor, Elisha's life, is so closely related that some themes may be chosen from it for future meditation. The Sunday school and adult Bible class will meet at 12 o'clock, as usual. The Y. P. S. C. E. will meet at 6:45 o'clock. Miss Halke will lead. Music for the day will be: 10:30 o'clock, organ prelude, allegretto, Lemmens; anthem, "The Sabbath Dawns," Abt; offertory, "Abide With Me," Shelley; organ prelude, Waverly. 7:45 o'clock—Organ prelude, "The Curfew," Hollins; anthem, "The Shadows of the Evening Hours," Morrison.

**ADVENT SERVICES.** In addition to the usual services in St. Andrew's Church, there will be special preaching during the Sunday nights of Advent. The subject of next Sunday night's sermon will be "Jesus and the Prophets." All persons interested in the social message of the gospel are invited to be present.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL PREPARES CANTATA

At Eastlake M. E. Church tomorrow morning the Rev. J. R. Bicking will take as his text, "Take ye away the stone." In the evening an evangelistic service will be held the subject being "Christ seeking the lost." Musical numbers by the choir will be "They will be done," and "Beneath the Cross of Jesus."

The Sunday School is preparing to give the cantata, "The Shepherd's Story," on Christmas Eve. This will be sung by a chorus of 40 voices, accompanied by the orchestra. The choir also will sing the cantata entitled "The Angelic Choir."

## CURED IN HIS OWN HOME TOWN

WILMINGTON, DEL. Harry Owens, 213 N. Franklin Street tells the way for his fellow townsmen to be cured of kidney and bladder ailments as he himself was cured. "For three or four years past I have had kidney trouble in a bad form. I had terrible pains across my back and I felt miserable all day long. I got some of Foley Kidney Pills and after taking them a few days the pains in my back vanished and I felt better than I have for years. I can heartily recommend Foley Kidney Pills for what they have done for me." N. B. Danforth, Market and Second Sts.—Adv.

## DR. HANNA'S SERMONS.

Dr. Thomas H. Hanna will preach both morning and evening in the United Presbyterian Church, Third and Broome streets tomorrow. His morning subject will be "Loss Through Unbelief;" evening subject, "David—From Sheepfold to Throne." This is a continuation of the Bible characters series of evening sermons. The Sabbath school and Bible classes will meet at 11:45 o'clock and the interest in the map and progress of dispelling the darkness in the Sudan will be continued. Christian Endeavor will be at 7 o'clock.

## GERMAN BAPTIST CHURCH.

At German Baptist Church, Fifth and Walnut streets, the Rev. J. T. Linker, of Egg Harbor, N. J., will preach at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., on Sunday. Sunday school will be held at noon.

### BROOKLYN ABERNACLE

BIBLE STUDIES OLD TESTAMENT TIMES

## NOBILITY CONQUERS MEANNESS.

Nehemiah VI—Dec. 10. "The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"—Psalm xxvii, 1.

After many difficulties Nehemiah's work had almost reached success when a great wall of distress went out. The poor Jews had been giving all of their time to the repairing of the walls and had thus cut off their income from other sources. In their zeal they went into debt in mortgages on their property. When the tax collectors came and the interest became due they were unable to meet these and so, destitution starting them in the face, a great wall went up. Disasters spread rapidly and a food riot was barely averted.

Nehemiah looked into the matter and found that the wealthy Jews had advanced money to their poor neighbors on mortgages at exorbitant interest rates, and they were thus profiting by the calamities of their brethren. He called them together and had a plain but kind talk with them respecting the brotherly obligations required by the Law "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." He gave them a practical exemplification of his good exhortations. The wealthy Jews were abashed. They acknowledged the injustice of their course and rectified matters. Here we see the power of noble character and good example in its influence upon others. As custom and example foster unjust methods and usage makes right in the minds of many, so likewise examples of justice are powerful in opposition to wrong. So every Christian owes it to himself and to God and to the principles of righteousness He represents, not only to take the proper stand, but also to let this stand for righteousness be known to others as reproofs of unrighteousness.

## Treachery and Slander in Opposition.

No sooner had the prevailing difficulties been successfully combated than a new foe arose. The outside enemies, perceiving that the wall was about finished, and that only the hanging of the gates remained to complete the defenses of Jerusalem, tried new tactics. They professed a desire to reconsider the whole matter—to meet with Nehemiah for discussions of their business and fresh examination of his papers of authority from the King. But he replied that his work was a great one, very important, and that he could not take time for discussion. He had time to discuss with his brethren; he had time to show them as the people of God the right and wrong of each important question, but he had no time to dispute about outside matters while his important mission was unfinished. There is a lesson in this for Christians.

## SPECIAL MUSIC FOR WORSHIPERS.

The Rev. N. C. Lassiter will preach morning and evening in Delaware Avenue Baptist Church tomorrow. His evening theme will be "Unshakable Faith." The musical program for the morning will be: Anthem, "Crown Him Lord of All," soloists, Mrs. Kaufman, Misses Rollins, and Zoch; and Mr. Norton. After the sermon the pastor will sing "The Re-Setting Fire."

## AN ALARM AT NIGHT

That strikes terror to the entire household is the loud, hoarse and metallic cough of croup. No mistaking it, and fortunate then the lucky parents who keep Foley's Honey and Tar Compound on hand. H. W. Caselman, Canton, N. Y., says: "It is worth its weight in gold. Our little children are troubled with croup and hoarseness, and all we give them is Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. I always have a bottle of it in the house."—N. B. Danforth, Market and Second Sts.—Adv.

We should always have time to discuss God's Word and His love with the brethren. We should always have time to give to everyone that asks a reason for the hope that is in us. But surely while important interests of God's cause are needing our attention we have no time to give to discussing outside questions which St. Paul denominates "science falsely so called." We are to have the same mind on the subject as St. Paul expressed saying, "I have determined to know nothing amongst you save Jesus Christ and Him crucified." Anything relating to Jesus as God's anointed Son, the Messiah, or anything relating to His crucifixion and the hopes built thereon, St. Paul was ready to discuss at any time. The defense of this cause and subject was his special business in life. Although he was well educated and well informed on topics of general interest, he acted as though he were ignorant of those things that he might give all his influence and time to the one paramount matter—to the cause for which he was an ambassador.

Four times the outsiders sought to converse with Nehemiah; four times he declined, not only because of the importance of the work he was doing, but because additionally he perceived that they were merely urging this as a pretext for the conference which was to be held in a village twenty miles from Jerusalem on neutral ground, and during Nehemiah's absence they might overpower the garrison of Israel and destroy the work already accomplished, or they might do him violence at the conference, or both.

## Evil Speaking and Slander.

Finally, the enemies resorted to the usual weapons of slander. They did not charge directly that Nehemiah sought to make himself king of the Jews, with Jerusalem its capital, and that he was secretly employing men to speak favorably for him amongst the people, but in an open letter sent declared that these things were commonly reported amongst the people—they were "common gossip;" and by way of giving personality and force to the letter added, "And Gesham saith that thou and the Jews think to rebel, for which cause thou buildest the wall; and that thou desirest to be their king."

## How cruel are the multitudinous methods of slander—how contrary they are to everything that is right, not to mention the high and noble standards, Christian love. Nevertheless, how frequently God's people are ensnared by the spirit of slander. How grievous are the wrongs thus accomplished; how unbearable is the injustice inflicted; how dreadful are the responsibilities incurred! Assuredly those who lend their lips to slander

## To Banish Night-Made Wrinkles in Morning

(Susie Prim in Town Talk) When one gets up in the morning after a troublesome, sleepless night, haggard and worn, with the tell-tale lines and wrinkles and dark circles under the eyes, here's the thing to quickly make her normal looking and presentable. Let her bathe her face in a solution made by dissolving an ounce of sassafras in a half pint of witch hazel. Immediately there is a wonderful transformation. One effect is to tighten the skin and obliterate the wrinkles and lines, likewise puffiness under the eyes, etc. The face looks—and feels—bright and refreshed, as though insomnia's victim had just awakened from a beauty sleep. It is a good idea to have a little sassafras and witch hazel on hand for emergency use, the ingredients, which any druggist can supply, being inexpensive and entirely harmless.

are correspondingly opening their hearts to the Adversary. Not only is evil speaking condemned in the Scriptures but also by all noble men and women, even though heathen. No wonder the Apostle declares that, figuratively, the tongue is set on fire of gehenna—the Second Death. Its burning tends to bring, not only its owner, but others to destruction. We should take heed to our hearts—not to have an ungenerous sentiment. And if such intrude, it must be immediately repulsed, just as we would resist anything contagious. As imperfect beings we may not always be perfect in word and deed; yet the perfect mastery of our words and our ways is to be sought by vigilant and faithful effort. Even when Nehemiah's life was threatened, his consciousness of loyalty to God and of Divine guidance kept him without fear. We close by quoting the poem, "Three Gates of Gold"—

"If you are tempted to reveal  
A tale someone to you has told  
About another, let it pass,  
Before you speak, three gates of gold—  
"Three narrow gates—First, 'Is it true?'  
Then, 'Is it useful?' In your mind  
Give the truthful answer. And the next  
Is last and narrowest, 'Is it kind?'  
"And if, to reach your lips at last,  
It passes through these gateways three,  
Then you may tell the tale, nor fear  
What the result of speech may be."

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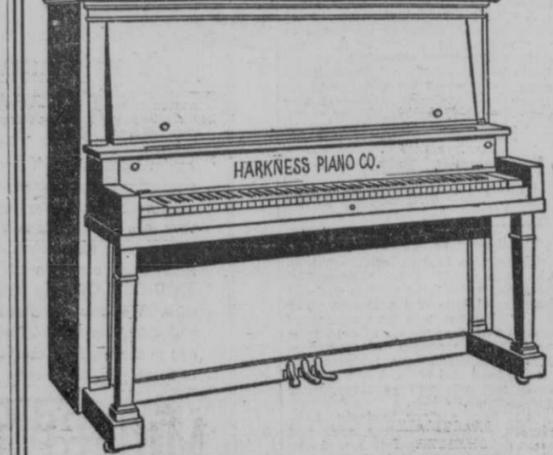


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