

CHIEF OF SALVATION HOSTS

General William Booth Arrives in Omaha to Spend Two Days. WHEN AND WHERE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD.

The General Talks to the Bee—Bishop Newman Gets Home from Europe—Describes His Trip—in the Local Religious Field.

General Booth, commander-in-chief of the Salvation army, arrived in Omaha at 9:40 yesterday, and was met at the depot by Brigadier French and Ensign Reed. He was driven at once to the residence of George A. Hoagland, at Sixteenth and Howard streets, where he passed the day in resting from the fatigue of an all-night journey and in dictating letters and telegrams.

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The arrangements for the Omaha meetings are complete, as announced in The Bee Friday. There will be two parties, one at 1:30 this afternoon at the new building at 6:30 in the evening, both forming at the barracks. The local divisions from Sioux City, Sioux Falls, Missouri Valley, Council Bluffs, Nebraska City, Lincoln and Hastings will arrive this morning to participate in the Omaha meetings. Individual members of the army from many western points will also be present and altogether the assemblage will be one of the largest ever held under Salvation army auspices in Omaha.

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Such was his appearance as he sat and chatted with the representatives of the Omaha press yesterday in the comfortable parlors of the Hoagland residence. He is accustomed to the common attire of the soldier, and placed himself at the disposal of the reporters without any unnecessary preliminaries. "The object of this trip to America," said the general at the outset, "is to see the field. First, I have desired to see my own people and judge for myself how far they have progressed, and how nearly they have attained my ideal. With this is also a desire to ascertain by personal observation what can be done in order to insure greater progress in the future. Second, I am visiting America in order that my people may know me and that I may have a better opportunity of explaining to them what the Salvation army is and what its methods are like. Third, I have hoped to create by personal appeals to the American people a far greater sympathy with the submerged classes.

"I have not visited America since 1887. Then my visit was much more unsatisfactory than the present one has been, not so much because of any great prejudice then existing in the minds of the public against the army, but because of the unfortunate schism in the ranks of the organization. We had just passed through a secession or a civil war. A part of our army declared itself independent from the English branch, and endeavored to establish itself in this country. The two could not exist, and our opponents went to the wall. They tried to prejudice the American people in their favor by claiming that ours was an English army and theirs an American. There was nothing in this plea. The Salvation army is no more English because its headquarters happen to be in London and because it originated there than Christianity is Jewish because it was first preached in Judea.

PREJUDICE HAS DISAPPEARED. "Now I find that prejudice against the Salvation army has almost entirely disappeared, and the press are co-operating with us. We find that all we have to do is to attract public attention to the condition of the submerged classes, and to the needs of the poor, to secure hearty co-operation. The press of America is no longer a scouter at the army and its methods. It has been generous because it has seen the fair. The press is in too many countries—not in America, I am glad to say—the slave of public opinion. It endeavors to ascertain the truth, and the one who will bend every energy of his declining years. He shows his earnestness by an increased interest as soon as the subject is broached to him.

"We are doing a great work for the poor and homeless in London," said the general, "and hope to do as much for this unfortunate class in every great city in the world. In London we have established shelters and food depots. Over the doors of these we have placed the words: 'No man need beg, nor steal, nor go to the workhouse, nor starve, nor commit suicide. If he is willing to work, let him step within and apply to the captain.' We desire to further this work in America and are doing it as rapidly as our means will permit."

In speaking of the Salvation army methods General Booth merely said that the army was conducted along the same lines only to attract attention. There is no religion in a bare drum, he said, but it attracted the attention of the careless to the words spoken by the man who pounded the drum. There is nothing more in the flag, the drum and the tambourine, he said, than in the articles used in other churches for the administration of the sacrament.

SERMONS FROM LEONARD. Rev. Frank Crane Will Get Christianity Out of Pagan Stories. For four Sunday evenings, beginning this evening, Rev. Frank Crane of the First Methodist church will deliver a series of the following fascinating myths of antiquity: The Werewolf—The Werewolf was a human being transformed into a wolf, both in form and appetite, by enchantment. The usual belief was that this change was periodical. During the time the human was a wolf he roamed and tore about in the woods called Schamir, which when placed on the hardest stone caused it to cleave in sunder. Distributing these stories among the Jews he caused the temple to be built without noise.

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The Stone Schamir—Solomon, according to the Rabbinical legends, made slaves of the Jinn (demons). He compelled them to go to work, building his temple. They made so much noise with their hammers and saw that the people of Jerusalem could not hear one another speak. Therefore, by much art, Solomon secured from the raven a stone called Schamir, which when placed on the hardest stone caused it to cleave in sunder. Distributing these stones among the Jews he caused the temple to be built without noise.

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In order to prevent this he built a castle high upon a precipitous mountain so that no one could come to it by ordinary means. He named this castle the Castle of Atlantis, and invited to a wined hour, the Hippogriff. To render his pupil's captivity light he captured many knights and ladies and took them to the castle. His purpose being to afford his guests a society to amuse him, and keep his thoughts from running on subjects of war and glory. Atlantis was overcome by the female warrior, Hippogriff, who rescued Rogers and afterward married him.

The Ring of Agramant—"Agramant, the Moorish prince, possesses a ring stolen from a queen of India, which has power to render to its possessor all enchantments by putting this ring in the mouth, the possessor instantly would become invisible.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS IN AMERICA. Paper Read at the Unitarian Church Sunday School Entertainment.

At the Unitarian Sunday school entertainment last Sunday evening Miss J. S. Edson, superintendent of the school, read the following account of the beginning of Sunday school work in the United States, written by her grandmother, Mrs. E. E. Kimball, nee the Miss Carter of the letters. It will be seen that the school started in England by Robert Raikes antedated this by thirty-two years.

"Having recently seen in a public print an inquiry made for the origin of Sabbath schools, and the subject being familiar to me, I am induced to describe their origin in Newburyport, Mass., resided two young ladies who ascertained that many children and youth were advancing in years with great ignorance of their holy birthright. They wished to devise some means of instructing them in the words of truth. No time seemed so favorable as on Sabbath afternoon immediately after some service, but a place was needed for them to assemble, so Miss Wheelwright and Miss Carter went to Rev. Samuel Spring, D.D., and requested the use of his parsonage for the purpose. He had no particular objection, but his good people might think it too secular to have a school on the Sabbath. They were not to be deterred by such an objection, but they were again refused and assembled on the first Sabbath afternoon of June, 1814, and every Sabbath afternoon thereafter through the summer, and the school soon increased to numbers until it averaged more than 100.

This school was in the north part of the town, and the children were sent to a school on Federal street, in the south part of the town. They both prospered. The third summer Miss Wheelwright wrote to Miss Carter, having been settled in Keosauqua, Me., (where she commenced another school) that the schools had united in a Sabbath school concert, held in the court house, and that she was preparing to return to a Roman Catholic. He detached Denmark from the allegiance by a treaty in 1613; gained great advantage over Russia, and forced the czar to sue for peace in 1617; overran Polish Russia, and was wounded at the battle of Danzig. In 1620 he landed at Usedom and took the city of Rostock, and in 1621, in a thirty-year war. The last two years of his life were the most glorious of all. The great battle of Lelisp, fought on September 17, 1626, was a most marked trait was, nevertheless, his profoundly religious spirit. As a ruler he showed what he might have been by the improvements in agriculture, industry, commerce and mining interests of Sweden, and by the valuable changes which he made in the internal economy of the government. Few names are held in more esteem by Catholics and Protestants than that of Gustavus Adolphus II.

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At the receiver's sale Saturday the crowds were so large that the doors had to be locked several times, and although it was supposed that the corps of salesmen was sufficient to wait on the trade, it was impossible to wait on everybody right. To anybody that got slighted in the least on that account, we apologize. We also thank our brother merchants for loaning us their clerks. For Monday we engaged an extra force, so come, we'll be ready for you. \$1.50 buys a man's overcoat, \$2.50 for a right decent man's suit; 75c for boys' suits; 85c for awful heavy men's pants; red flannel lined overboots go at 55c; black clay worked suits, only \$4.25; dark flannel shirts, 35c; wool socks, 4c. An overstock of fine men's and boys' clothing for what lining and buttons are worth, as every dollar's worth has got to be sold before the 1st of January, the room being rented from that time by other parties. So every dollar's worth of this stock must be sold for whatever it brings.

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