

OLD CHURCH DEBT IS LIFTED

Congregation of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church is Now Happy. SOME EARLY LESSONS OF GENEROSITY

Rev. H. C. Jennings of Chicago Talks on "Silver and Gold I Have None, But Such as I Have I Give Thee."

Sunday morning the pulpit of Trinity Methodist church was occupied by Rev. H. C. Jennings of Chicago, who is connected with the Western Book concern. While the speaker has the same name as the pastor of the church, the two men are in no wise related.

It was urged that all through life there is a positive call for living and doing, and in support of the assertion the speaker declared that the man who does not set his mark and try to reach it does not amount to much.

There was a jubilee meeting Sunday night at Trinity Methodist Episcopal church at the corner of Twenty-first and Binney streets and that beautiful edifice was crowded with a very large and interested audience.

A quartet sang several beautiful anthems and hymns during the evening which added to the interest. M. M. Hamlin made the report on the part of the trustees and Mrs. Hobbs for the Ladies' Aid society.

Dr. Jennings responded warmly to the generous gift and later read a letter of congratulation from Bishop H. Warren.

JESUS' QUALITIES AS A PREACHER.

Simplicity of Expression in His First Characteristic. Rev. Mr. Ricker of Fairbault, Minn., preached Sunday morning at Plymouth Congregational church, taking for his text the reply of the temple guards sent to arrest Christ.

The great characteristic of Christ's preaching was that at times He expressed Himself in the simplest language and in a few words presented the most profound things to utter and did say those things which men have never yet fully understood and perhaps cannot be fully sounded to their depth.

Another characteristic of Christ's words was their brevity. If it is true that brevity is the soul of wit, then Christ must have been the wittiest of preachers. All his sermons were preached in very few words.

Christ's preaching was always dignified, in the sense that the gravity and the sense of a certain austerity—a cold hauteur of bearing, which is often supposed to mean dignity. Dignity means worth and therefore Christ's preaching was always dignified, worthy of being done and heard.

Gravely was another attribute of Christ's preaching, not merely the gravity of seriousness, although Christ was always serious, but the gravity of real weight. There is no record in the bible of Christ's ever having laughed in the usual way, although He must often have been moved to smile by the manner in which men acted before Him.

Christ must also have been the most eloquent of preachers. Eloquence consists of the tone of the voice, the movements of the

hands and of the body, the flash of the eye, the glow in the face and a thousand of these little things that cannot be described.

CHRIST'S REVELATION TO PETER.

Foundation of Church Accorded Him as Representative of Christianity. An oft-disputed revelation of Christ Jesus, in which He announces to Peter that he was the foundation upon which the church of God should be built, formed the basis of a sermon delivered by Rev. M. W. Chase in the First Methodist Episcopal church Sunday morning.

This revelation of Christ to Peter came at a critical time in the life of the Master. He had been assailed on all sides, even His disciples had to a certain extent shrank from the scribes and the Pharisees in wavering doubts, and there were indefinite and erroneous views as to His Messiahship.

It had been two years since Christ began to assert His divinity and to attest His power over death and disease, and the time had now come for him to prepare Himself and His disciples for the ordeal of sacrifice which was soon to follow.

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Owing to the fact that the Jews of this country do not lead an agricultural life and as the bible was written for a people of farmers, this holiday has lost much of its original character.

At Temple Israel appropriate services will be held Monday evening at 7:30 and Tuesday morning at 9:30. At both these exercises the floral decorations will be unusually tasteful and on the pulpit platform will be erected a fruit-stand, according to biblical law.

Rev. Trefz of Kountze Memorial Says Harvest Depends on Sowings. The subject of Rev. Edward F. Trefz's Sunday morning sermon at the Kountze Memorial church was "Reaping the Harvest." The text was taken from Luke, vi, 38, "Give, and it shall be given unto you."

Rev. Mr. Trefz said the promise contained in the words is nature's pledge and the pledge of God. Men cannot sow without the hope of reaping, and it is certain they cannot reap without having performed the duty of sowing.

The man who gives himself to sowing knows he will reap a full harvest. It is in every vocation that man must reap the reward of his doing. The sculptor gives himself to toil over the rude block of stone because he realizes the stone will give back the beautiful statue.

Looking back over the pages of history we find this principle to have been a most potent one. We read of martyrs who gave themselves as sacrifices to a cause they believed in. In the age they lived they were unhonored, even despised, but today we uncover our heads at the mention of their names and crown them heroes worthy of a nation's plaudits.

It is the youth of the present who set out in quest of fame believing it is not difficult to succeed if one is willing to toil and make sacrifices. Accordingly he foregoes the pleasures of life, grows to manhood without tastes for art or music. He goes early to his office, remains late at the desk. His efforts are crowned by success. He is surrounded by all that wealth affords, but he finds there is one thing he lacks—peace of mind, which he cannot purchase. He finds he has left all health and vigor in the counting room.

He who gives himself to high and noble things most surely will reap the high and noble things of life. He will receive honor and contentment not only in the earlier years. If you would have enjoyment, give yourself to Christ and the Master will give you back happiness and contentment and, at the end of all, the eternal home whose beauty has never dawned on mortal eye because our vision cannot comprehend it.

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The ideal relation between Christ and believers indicated in this text is a complete state of oneness. The secret and principle of the new life are the birth of Christ within you. It is the law of natural conception in the spiritual world, and is the practical fruit of the doctrine of regeneration. Reaching the goal of development, which is the blessed condition this relationship creates, depends upon the spiritual transformation effected by producing the image of Christ within you. The full consciousness of Christ formed in you is the maturity of Christ within you.

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Vote to Continue Strike. CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 17.—At a meeting of the street railroad union held here today decided by a unanimous vote to continue the strike. Four hundred strikers were present and all speeches were in favor of the strike. The question was voted on by a rising vote, every man present standing up.

New Cattle Growers' Association. The Keys Paha Stock Growers' association is one of the recent organizations in Nebraska. This organization will operate on the Rio Grande, Upper Wakarusa, Potosi and Keys Paha rivers, and their tributaries. It is understood to be a strong organization.

TALKS OF THE PHILIPPINES

Business Manager of Manila Freedom is Enthusiastic Over the Islands. OFFER GOOD BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES People in Manila Satisfied with Outcome of Affairs—Native Conduct of Affairs—Native Desires of Annexation to United States.

A Filipino lad who looks enough like the rebel chieftain, Aguinaldo, to be his twin brother, is a guest of the Murray hotel in company with Douglas Young, one of the business managers of Manila Freedom. The lad's name is Arivera. He is a native of the Philippines who has seen the insurgent leader and even people in this country who know what Aguinaldo's appearance is only from photographs have varied the striking resemblance and commented on it.

Arivera is acquainted with many of the Filipinos connected with the village at the exposition grounds. Sunday evening a few hours after his arrival he visited the village and met with Mr. Young and spent several hours chatting with countrymen he had known in Manila.

Mr. Young returned from the Philippines last June. He is on his way east on a business undertaking connected with the newspaper in which he is employed. He is well informed regarding social and political conditions on the islands and his opinions are interesting, as they are founded on experience. Mr. Young went to Manila last February in the interests of western mercantile establishments whose managers desired to know what the trade possibilities of the new possessions are. After remaining in the city a few months he became so enthusiastic over the opportunities different enterprises offered that he decided to locate there and accept a new career with Freedom at the time it was started.

This newspaper is owned and edited by two energetic Americans. One is D. C. W. Musser, a journalist well-known in the largest west, and his associate is a Buffalo lawyer, Mr. A. H. Brown. There are a number of three daily papers published in Manila, having in its employment about seventy men. It is a sixteen-page paper with a circulation of about 20,000.

The policy of the journal is to make a complete record of the situation of the Philippines to the United States. In this endeavor, Mr. Young says, it is supported by all the thrifty, prosperous natives on the island. The intelligent Filipinos are all in favor of annexation, Mr. Young asserts, because they desire the rule of law to be for their own interests as well as ours. Mr. Young expressed the opinion that the natives are unable to govern themselves. He says they need a strong power behind them to prevent internal dissension and interference with their progress. The educated classes are well aware of the truth of this condition.

Mr. Young thinks the government has made a mistake in not having declared its intentions with regard to the Philippines. He believes General Otis is a competent general and an efficient statesman. He says there are not many Americans on the islands who find fault with General Otis' campaign or criticize it. The opinion is generally held within two months after the rainy season is passed. Mr. Young says there is no country in the world which offers the opportunities for bright, energetic young Americans that exist in the Philippines. He says that the volunteer hunters mustered out of service there remain engaged in business and many of those who returned home to this country are already planning to go to the Philippines to engage in business when the war shall have been ended.

HEARD ABOUT TOWN.

Twenty jolly good fellows swooped down upon Omaha Sunday and enjoyed themselves only as genuine, hearty spirits can. They were traveling and city passenger agents from St. Paul and Duluth, who tarried in Omaha on their way to Denver. They were acquainted with the local railroad boys while en route to Denver, for which city they left at night. They will spend the week in Denver in attendance upon the annual convention of the Traveling I. O. O. F. association. The party is being made in elegant style in a palatial sleeper furnished by the St. Paul and Duluth railway, and with no care upon their minds, no vexing traveling fatigues and no wearying excursion parties to try their patience. The traveling railroad boys are out for a week of unalloyed pleasure and no contrary expectations are entertained by any of the members of the party. George E. Abbott, city passenger agent of the Union Pacific, joined the party here and proceeded westward with them. All the local passenger men joined together yesterday in making the brief visit of their fellow-laborers from the north a pleasant one and the hearty expressions of a delightful day in Nebraska's metropolis made by the Colorado Flyer last night were convincing that the local railroaders had succeeded in