

CHRISTMAS TREE

Central Union Sunday School Given Christmas Entertainment.

IT WAS A VERY HAPPY EVENT

Large Fine Tree Laden With Presents.

Little Ones Given a Rare Treat. They Enjoy Music, Refreshments and Chatter.

Glad children's voices rang through the Sunday School rooms of Central Union Church last evening—voices with a note of expectancy ringing out distinctly above all the rest. Merry bodies skipped about here and there, dressed in dainty garments, and then as the time for the beginning of the Christmas entertainment drew near, settled down in their places, content to wait.

The Sunday School rooms were arranged much as they usually are on Sunday. The chairs were arranged in sections, and all facing the center of attraction, the large Christmas tree immediately in front of the platform. These chairs were all filled, whereas on the Sabbath day they are very often not in the same condition.

Each of the classes had its own place, and by the side of the children were the respective teachers.

The galleries and other available space were taken up by visitors. In all it is estimated that there were between 600 and 700 present in the rooms.

When all had quieted down a sharp click was heard, and the Christmas tree, a beautifully shaped pine from the side of Mount Tantalus, and standing over 15 feet high, was lighted up with a hundred red, white, blue and yellow incandescent lights.

The effect was calculated to make things more quiet than ever for a while, and then after a little ripple of pleased exclamation, hundreds of little hands sent forth an applause that lasted for a full half minute.

The tree was laden with strings of popcorn, trailing even to the ground, and resting here there upon imitation snowflakes. Hanging from the branches were dolls, bags of candy and other articles calculated to bring happiness to the hearts of the children. Most of the presents were piled in heaps on the platform back of the tree.

The flood of light that illuminated the room when the Christmas tree was shown in all its beauty, revealed more plainly to view the branches of evergreen clinging to the pillars of the room and upon these branches the imitation of snow and ice, so cleverly arranged.

The surprise of the Christmas tree having subsided, there was a song by the Sunday School. Then prayer was offered by Rev. D. P. Birnie. After this came a song by the infant class, and then a few remarks by Supt. De La Vergne, which closed with "Refreshments will be served." At this there was a round of applause.

While some of the gentlemen connected with Central Union Church were preparing the refreshments the intermediate class sang a song.

The accompaniments for this and the other two songs were played by Mrs. A. F. Judd.

It was not long before all were busy with ice cream and cake, and nothing but the click of spoons on saucers was heard.

While this part of the program was in progress Prof. Berger and an orchestra from the Hawaiian Band rendered pleasing airs from their station in the left-hand corner near the platform.

Then came perhaps the most interesting part of the program—the distribution of presents to the children, who with arms outstretched and faces all aglow with expectancy, received the gifts allotted to them.

After this nothing remained but the general good time that always comes at the end of such occasions. The little ones rambled about, embraced each other in their happiness, and were then taken off to their homes by their parents, all tired and sleepy.

MRS. SCOTT-SIDDONS.

Mrs. Scott-Edings, famous for a number of years as a dramatic reader and actress, died in France recently, and her body was shipped to New York. She had lived abroad in the latter years of her life in broken health.

Mary Frances Scott-Siddons was a lineal descendant of the great Sarah Siddons, her father, William Young Siddons, being the son of George, the eldest son of Mrs. Siddons. Mrs. Scott-Siddons was born in 1844, in India, where her father was a captain in the British military service. Here she resided until the death of her father, who died at an early age, when she returned to England with her mother.

She was sent to Bonn, where her education was completed. Six months later she made her debut in German comedy, and her performance was said

to have been remarkable for a child of her tender years.

On leaving Bonn she took up her residence at Winchester, where at the age of seventeen she met Lieutenant Scott, a young naval officer, to whom she was married in 1862. She had meanwhile been studying the Shakespearean characters, and succeeded in making her debut the next year at the Theatre Royal, Nottingham, in the character of Portia, in which her famous great-grandmother also first appeared upon the stage.

A successful engagement in Edinburgh was followed by a provincial tour, and in 1868 she gave a series of readings in London. Her success in this venture opened the doors of the Haymarket Theatre to her, and she made her debut on the London stage as Rosalind, a character in which her youth and beauty, and her illustrious name enabled her to achieve the greatest success of her career. Another successful provincial tour followed, and then she played Juliet at the Haymarket for thirty-six consecutive nights.

In the summer of 1868 Mrs. Scott-Siddons came to this country, and made her debut as a reader at Newport, R. I. In October of the same year she gave successful readings at Steinway Hall, New York, and finally made her first appearance on the stage in this country at the Boston Museum, as Rosalind. A tour of the country followed, Rosalind and Viola being the parts in which she generally appeared. In 1872 she returned to England, but soon came back to this country. She subsequently played in German in Vienna, and also made an Australian tour. Her later public appearances were chiefly as a reader, and for fifteen years past she had lived in retirement.

A SHORT TALK ON BEING TIRED.

Are you a working man or a working woman? I don't mean one who is so by classification, or by having been born on the sinister side of certain lines of social cleavage, but solely because you daily do some sort of real, honest, and useful work? Yes? I shake your hand. I hope you manage to live by it without overdoing, and that (being still hearty and healthy) you sometimes find yourself tired, dog-tired, and hungry as a wolf, with plenty of good feed for supper. Then hey! for bed and a genuine sleep of eight hours; to jump from bed in the morning, both feet on the floor at once. That's the right kind of "tired" and the heaven-descended brand of rest. It is a blessing in itself, and bears others in its train.

But the variety of fatigue so many people are all the time writing us about is different. Listen to this one, for instance: "In September, 1893," he says, "I was overcome by a feeling of languor. I was easily tired and comparatively slight efforts served to exhaust me completely. Indeed, I never seemed rested at all, and was as tired in the morning as when I went to bed. Both muscles and mind were inert and relaxed. At the same time, my appetite seemed to be tired, too. I had no relish for food, and after eating felt uneasiness and distress in the stomach and pain at the chest. My skin was sallow also, and there was a dull aching at my right side in the region of the liver."

"I was constantly belching up a sour fluid, and my food would sometimes 'repeat' or rise into my mouth. All I could do to rectify this miserable state of things I did, acting upon the suggestion of friends and others, but failed to come across a remedy for my complaint, which meantime obtained a stronger hold upon me."

"On account of my inability to eat and digest food my flesh fell off until I became so thin you might have fancied me as having gone into a decline. And I was so weak I could scarcely get about. I remained in this condition month after month, unfit, of course, for work and virtually a man out of the world's fight."

"The doctor who prescribed for me probably understood my case, but he was not able, apparently, to cure me. And I notice it is in illness as it is in business; unless one holds his own he is bound to be falling behind, which made me anxious to obtain relief soon, lest I might pass beyond the reach of it. And in answer to the hope finally came the help I needed."

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Mr. Hardaker is agent for the Pearl Assurance Society, and is well and widely known. His own intelligent comments on his complaint renders any words of ours needless. In private conversation he said he looked upon that unnatural "tired" feeling as a warning that none should neglect. It means, not the effect of work, but of exhaustion through that subtle disease indigestion. Mother Siegel's Syrup should be taken then, as he would have taken it then had he heard of it. We hope Mr. Hardaker's timely words, based as they are on an instructive experience, will be heeded by all to whom they apply.

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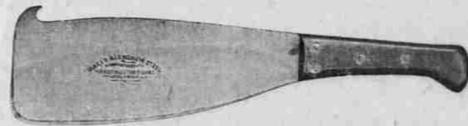
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