

A NOTABLE DIFFERENCE.

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"A NOBLE WORK."

This Is What Ministers Say of "The Evening World's" Christmas Tree Fund.

Interviews with Some of New York's Well-Known Pastors.

It Brightens the Lives of the Poor Children and All Should Help It.

The marts of New York are thronged, these beautiful December days, with happy, bustling, bustling throngs of wives and mothers, and eager children, all bent on gathering Christmas gifts to testify their love for the dear ones of home and family.

In sad contrast, there are other wives and mothers who find in the approach of Christmas only something from which to shrink, because of the poverty that makes it a time of disappointment for their equally well-to-do children.

These thousands of children can receive Christmas joys only through the generous charity of the more fortunate, who love children because they are children—independent and helpless in the world.

THE EVENING WORLD Christmas Trees were established three years ago for the express purpose of providing for these more fortunate and fore-handed children-lovers a mode of expressing their Christmas gift-giving spirit, through the Fund even the charitable disposed persons who can afford but a nickel or a dime are enabled to make that mite do much good, for there are no expenses for salaries, typewriters, rent of public halls, clerks, expressage or anything else.

What the New York pastors think of THE EVENING WORLD Christmas-Tree enterprise that gives at Christmas presents of toys, candies and clothing to 30,000 poor children, may be gathered from the expressions given below. The pastors of churches are specially fitted to judge of the need for such a charity. They are specially competent to say whether it is conducted in the best manner possible.

Rev. Father C. H. O'Brien, pastor of St. Stephen's Church, which has a larger congregation than any other church in the world, says: "I think the EVENING WORLD'S Christmas-Tree Fund is a noble project, and I would be glad to see it always kept up. I am willing to contribute my mite always to the children's Christmas tree, and I think every child and all should contribute to make it joyful for them."

"It is a religious training as well, for it brings them to think of the cause of all this joy—the everlasting happiness brought by the Babe of Bethlehem.

"The children of the rich are never forgotten by fond and loving parents and guardians, but to you, who said, 'The poor ye have always with you, but I do not have you to regret the children of the poor.' So let's gladden their hearts as much as we can, and be who has said, 'Whatsoever ye do unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me.' Will you give us all the richest Christmas blessings."

Father Colton, who is solicited for alms many times every day, has contributed \$1 to the Fund.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES WORK FOR GOOD. Rev. G. V. Wenner, of Christ Lutheran Church in East Nineteenth street, said thoughtfully: "It is a great movement that THE EVENING WORLD has inaugurated and keeps moving. Like all great movements, a great popular love must be behind it. I have watched the growth of the enterprise with gratified interest.

"We cannot do too much to brighten the lives of the poor creatures who have so little. It is good, no longer to bring them out of themselves and to help each other.

church, like nearly every other church in town, makes a yearly practice of giving turkeys, toys and other gifts to its children and to its poor at Christmas, the best illustration of my movement that makes Christmas a gala time for the children and for those who have no other Christmas cheer.

"There can be no question that there are thousands of children in this city who cannot be reached by the churches. The churches are local essentially. THE EVENING WORLD'S Christmas Tree enterprise seems to take in the whole metropolis.

"Your plan of distributing admission tickets to the children through those who work among the poor, seems to be very excellent, and I think that you must do much good. At any rate you afford an opportunity for the whole public, down to the least, to give their Christmas spirit."

MAKE CHRISTMAS BRIGHT AND HAPPY. Rev. Jesse F. Forbes, of the Adams Memorial Church, which has the third Sunday-school in the city in point of numbers, said earnestly:

"Any effort that has for its object the making of Christmas a bright and happy day for the children has my hearty endorsement and support.

"It is the day set apart by the Christian church in commemoration of the Christ child. Because our savior was a child and because children are very dear to him, all lovers of Christ ought to desire to make Christmas the brightest and happiest day in the life of every child.

"The effort of THE EVENING WORLD is especially praiseworthy, as it brings the Christmas lesson of charity, peace on earth and good will towards men into many, many households which otherwise might know little or nothing of Christmas day.

"God gave His Son, his best gift, to the world on that day. We ought, also, to give one to another, and especially to children. ESPECIALLY FOR POOR CHILDREN.

"There are in the city of New York probably about 100,000 children under the age of fourteen years whose parents are too poor to give them special Christmas gifts. The lives of these children are hard and barren of joy to a sad degree. Many of them are forced to toil or beg for their own living. Their fare is coarse, their clothing poor and bright spots in their life are very few.

"These children ought to be remembered by others, at least on Christmas day. "It is a noble thing to teach the children whose parents are in better circumstances to remember these destitute ones. Any act of self-sacrifice on the part of a child to the end of assisting other children must bring reward, for it is more blessed to give than to receive.

"I think that every one of these 100,000 children of the very poor might receive one or more presents on Christmas day from more fortunate children. Such efforts as that of THE EVENING WORLD are very helpful in reaching children who would not otherwise be remembered."

REV. HENRY STANLEY, pastor of the West Methodist Episcopal Church on West Fortieth street, said: "You may put me down as in favor of the EVENING WORLD'S charity. It may be the means of doing much good.

"I am in favor of giving of gifts to the poor children, but it does not mean the benefiting of their spiritual welfare, it may, in a measure pave the way for this and render their minds and hearts more susceptible to religious instruction.

"Of course our church, like most others, has Christmas trees, and we spend considerable money in the meeting of children every year. We find, too, in common with other churches that many poor children attend our Sunday-school just about Christmas time for the sole purpose of getting presents. For this reason I sometimes wish that others would take away Christmas trees altogether from Sunday-schools."

CHURCHMEN SHOULD SUPPORT IT. Rev. Frank L. Wilson, pastor of the Forty-third Street Methodist Episcopal Church, says: "THE EVENING WORLD'S is a most deserving charity, and if discrimination is used in bestowing the gifts, I see no reason why it should not be supported, not only by church-going people, but by others who have any spark of humanity in them.

"There is one but to make the better by giving. To be sure, there is a great deal of unjust charity extended to the undeserving poor, but at the same time innocent children are not responsible for the sins and wrong-doings of their parents.

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REV. J. W. A. Dodge, pastor of the Chelsea Methodist Episcopal Church, West Thirtieth street, said: "I give my hearty endorsement to the work. It is certainly a practical charity, and THE EVENING WORLD is deserving of the hearty support and co-operation of the people who have an interest in children and the future of society."

REACHES WHERE THE CHURCH CANNOT. Rev. Edward C. Houghton, pastor in charge of the Transfiguration chapel on West Sixty-ninth street, says: "I think the Fund is emphatically a good thing. THE EVENING WORLD reaches a class of people that the church cannot reach. Anything that makes life brighter for such people is to be commended."

"One thing is certain, THE EVENING WORLD is not doing a thankless task. It thinks it a capital thing, both for now and the future. You are doing a work that with the children will count in their future lives. I believe in the right of every child to a basket full of happiness on the great children's holiday."

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Said Rev. William M. Taylor, Pastor of the Broadway Tabernacle: "I am in favor of every effort to make Christmas a happy day for children and the people generally. THE EVENING WORLD'S scheme is strongly praiseworthy."

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REV. A. Valente Clarkson, of 112 East Twenty-third street, said: "My parish is in Brooklyn, but I know something of the beautiful Christmas-tree charity which THE EVENING WORLD founded and has firmly established.

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