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The first of the Hoevel string quartet concerts, arranged for the present season by the Men's Club of the First Unitarian church, was given last evening. The members of the quartet are Heinrich Hoevel, first violin; Joseph E. Frank, second violin; Jesse Shuman, viola; and Clarence Strachauer, cello. Haydn's C. Major quartet, opus 54, No. 2; Schubert's D. minor quartet, published after his death; and the Beethoven quartet, opus 13, No. 2, formed the program. No encores were given.

The playing of the Hoevel quartet last evening was in some respects the best it has yet done. The effect of constant practice by the same persons is becoming more apparent. This was especially true in the beautiful adagio movement of the Haydn quartet with its brilliant syncopated theme. The vivace was also well played. The rendition of the Schubert number was somewhat new, parts of it being especially effective. In the Beethoven quartet the more delicate as well as the andante movements were well played, but the scherzo and presto movements, played with full tone and in rapid tempo, were far from satisfactory. Mr. Hoevel has a most unfortunate tendency to play slightly off the key, especially in the more rapid movements, which depends largely upon the first violin.

Chamber music, well played, is most effective and the most thoroughly enjoyed by cultured music lovers, of any style of composition, but its rendition requires the utmost practice, artistic perception, and the keenest tone sense to be successful. These things only come with constant effort. The Hoevel quartet has already made a fine beginning, and there is no reason why it should not ultimately occupy a high place among musical organizations of the country. Such a position, however, will not be achieved without painstaking effort and the absolute abandonment of any and every device other than the plain instrument and bow.

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## CITY NEWS

### TAXES OF CHURCHES

Successful Agitation Would Simply Mean Discontinuance of Non-Religious Entertainments.

Plymouth Would Save Money Thus, for Annual Rentals Are Less Than \$500.

The mooted question whether churches rented for secular purposes shall be put on the assessment list is a big problem, but the trustees of Plymouth church, which has been specially singled out for attack by the leaders of this campaign, await with interest the action of the board of equalization may take.

"If the proper authorities put the proposition to the trustees that we shall either pay taxes or discontinue renting the church for such purposes, it is pretty safe to say that we would choose the latter alternative," said a trustee to-day. "If the board of tax levies takes legal advice and satisfies itself that churches receiving rent for public entertainments should be called upon to pay taxes, I believe that every church in the city would stop renting simply because they couldn't afford to do anything else."

"Five hundred dollars is a liberal estimate of the amount taken in by a church the size of Plymouth for such purposes in a year, and as the taxes would amount to \$2.25, it would be the height of absurdity to continue renting churches for fighting the matter in the courts. I much doubt that the trustees of Plymouth church would go to such lengths."

### ENDEAVORERS' GREAT DAY

"Father Endeavor" Clark Here With Other Leading C. E. Workers—Great Rally Held.

Eminent Endeavorers are to-day attending a rally of the Minneapolis Christian Endeavor union at the First Baptist church, Tenth street and Harmon place. The guests include Dr. Francis E. Clark, pastor of the Endeavor society and president of the World's union; Rev. C. E. Eberman, field secretary of the United society; William Shaw, treasurer of the World's union; and J. C. Grant, agent of the publishing department.

At the afternoon rally Professor S. H. Meigs of Chicago, in a stirring address, Mr. Eberman conducted a conference on union work. "Tools and Tilers" were considered by George B. Graff, Mr. Shaw began a discussion of local society work. Clark opened the conference, and after the conference a reception was given from 5 to 6 o'clock.

Addresses by the visiting officers, a concert and a chorus of 150 voices will be features of the evening session.

### W. H. BARRETT IN ST. PAUL

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It became known last night that William H. Barrett, senior member of the insolvent Chicago firm of Barrett & Barrett, was in St. Paul, where he is ill at the residence of his sister, Mrs. W. B. Hastings, 132 Marshall avenue. He says he will return to Chicago as soon as he can stand the journey.

### REV. DR. WEBB RESIGNS

Rector of St. Paul's Church Compelled to Give Up Work Because of Poor Health.

The pulpit of St. Paul's Episcopal church will be supplied by Archdeacon Haupt until a rector is secured. Rev. Dr. Frederick T. Webb has resigned on account of ill health. This action was deferred from time to time on solicitation of friends, although the rector's health was failing. He obtained a leave of absence and went east in August. After returning in November he went to the Pacific coast to escape nervous prostration. Bishop S. C. Edsell does not believe that Mr. Webb's health is permanently undermined, but he advised release from work and responsibility. The bishop adds that he has been the rector of St. Paul's for about seven years, and during that time has guided the church successfully through the trying period of its removal to a new site and its growth in the new location. He is greatly beloved by his congregation and all who know him, and were extremely sorry to see him go. There is one thing for which he will remember Rev. Mr. Webb, and that was his activity in all benevolent work. He has simply overworked himself, and has been forced to seek this rest.

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