

RUSSIAN CHURCH INSTITUTE,

Rev. Dr. Sevastian of San Francisco Celebrates Mass.

The New Pastor of Trinity Church Preaches Sermon on Romans.

An Impressive Service in a Private Home—The Salvationists Addressed by Mr. Montgomery Various Church Matters.

An exceedingly interesting event took place yesterday morning between 10 and 12 o'clock at the elegant residence of Mr. Deman, Belmont Heights, No. 1660 Rockford avenue.

It was a celebration of mass according to the Greek Catholic church in the Russian language, and was participated in by about 30 communicants.

The mass was celebrated by Rev. Dr. Ivan Sevastian, adjuvant of the bishop of the Greek church of San Francisco, and deacons.

The event was brought about for the purpose of uniting communicants of the ancient Catholic orthodox Greek church as the preliminary step towards the erection of a regular church in Los Angeles.

Mr. Deman opened his residence for the occasion and his parlors were converted for the time into a chapel.

The mass was performed by Dr. Sevastian in full priestly robes, with jewels and regalia.

It was a most impressive service and those Russians who participated heard their familiar language which is so rare in this country.

It is the expectation that when Dr. Sevastian returns again some time in the spring, it will be to establish a church which will be the headquarters for Southern California of the Greek church.

Trinity's New Pastor. Rev. A. C. Bane, the new pastor of Trinity Methodist church, preached before a large congregation yesterday morning.

His text was from the 16th verse of the chapter of Romans. I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.

St. Paul was first spoken of as being the great hero of the gospel. A man of conviction, naturally brave but made bold by divine grace. Amid the pomp and luxury of Rome he was not ashamed of the gospel of Christ.

God gives power with His gospel to give it success. We know there is power in His gospel, for we have felt it and know its strength. We find in the Bible the same words and letters that we find in other books, but these words affect the life of men in a strange way, and the reason is the power of God is in them.

As an illustration: Take a grain of wheat to a chemist and tell him to analyze it. He tells you there are certain qualities in it. You order him to make exactly alike. He does it. Both are exactly alike. But when planted the one will yield nothing while the natural grain will blossom. It is so with the words of man and God.

God's power is manifest in His creative works, but His greatest power is seen in the gospel that saves men. Though God's mind is engaged in watching nature, His heart is ever with His children. The gospel is a silent power, and like all silent powers, its strength is seen in its work. It takes a steady stream we trace it not by the mighty falls or cataracts in the mountains, but by the verdure and fertility that line its banks.

Silent powers are the greatest powers. Gravitation and light are never heard, yet they are in every work. So it is with the gospel. Wisdom might create a world, but it takes love to redeem it. Power might hold planets in their orbits, but it takes love to hold a man to the path of duty. The center of this power of love is Christ.

In the sacrifice of Christ on the cross God revealed His love for man. God's true name is love. It is measureless and universal just as the sun which does not shine for a few trees and flowers but to all so it is with His love.

This gospel power is increasing in every village, hamlet and city. It is taking on new life and gives fresh tokens of the speedy coming of the Master's kingdom. I believe that with the present increase of gospel power that the era of this century shall set tyranny by heel and with a splendor of demonstration it shall be the astonishment of the universe God will set forth the brightness and glory of His eternal government. Out of the starry flags and emblems of insignia of this world He will make a path for His truth.

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The Salvationists. The Salvation army held a farewell meeting to National Specials Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery of San Francisco. Mr. Montgomery is the wealthy philanthropist who endowed the free homes of the army in San Francisco, which are accomplishing so much good. The meeting was held in Music hall, and was attended by a large crowd.

The Army. The army band upon the stage facing the audience, and in the front row were seated the two specials. Captain McIntyre conducted the meeting. Music by the band opened the performance, which was followed by vocal music. A singing prayer was next sung, and the hymn, Savior Lead Me Lest I Stray, was then given.

Brother Montgomery prayed which was followed by the hymn, A Never Failing Friend.

A comrade read the features of the War Cry, the army paper, during which several of the girls went through the audience selling copies of the paper.

After several soldiers had testified and more hymns sung, Captain McIntyre introduced the two specials.

Mr. Montgomery told of how he had been saved. He was followed by his wife who related several stories and urged everybody to receive the Holy Spirit now and not run the risk of putting it off.

Prayer and singing closed the meeting.

The Church of the New Era. This morning discussion on the money question was opened by a carefully written paper by Mr. Darrell of Chicago, which was listened to with close attention for nearly an hour.

The usual large audience met Mr. Bowman in the evening at Illinois hall. His subject was Self Conquest. After singing by the choir and some excellent violin and piano music by Mrs. Hinkey and Mr. Shields, Gen. Wm. J. Armstrong read an original poem published recently in The Arena, entitled, The Hour is Near.

At Blavatsky hall last evening, Mrs. C. E. Girse addressed a well-attended meeting on the subject of Thought and its Potency, wherein she set forth that Theosophy deals with this subject in a scientific manner by classifying the nature of the various thoughts that people commonly entertain in daily life.

Next Sunday evening Mr. H. A. Gibson will lecture on The Evolution of Man.

Mrs. Woodworth, the distinguished evangelist from St. Louis, held forth in a recent meeting yesterday with her usual wonderful power as a speaker. For over three hours she held her audiences with unabated interest and attention. Meetings are held at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m.

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EASTERN SNOWSTORMS. Damage by Snow at the World's Fair. Snow in Other Eastern Cities. CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—A heavy snow made trouble at the world's fair grounds this morning. The snow crushed in a section of the skylight of the manufacturers' building and was four inches deep in the British section. In the German section of the educational exhibit many fine pen and ink sketches were destroyed and also much damage was done in the French, Italian, Mexican and Spanish sections.

BOSTON, Dec. 3.—Eight inches of snow fell here today. At Portland, Me., seven inches of snow fell, while at Chester, Vt., snow fell a foot deep.

BUFFALO, Dec. 3.—From 10 to 20 inches of snow has fallen throughout the western part of New York today.

Warner Denies the Charges. NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—H. H. Warner, whose management of the patent medicine company bearing his name has been sharply criticized since its failure, and who was charged by the English directors with misappropriation of funds of the company, tonight denies the charge and accuses the directors of trying to divert attention from their own misdeeds. He says the company made \$3,000,000 in seven years under his management.

The Cooking Stove Unveiled. NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—This afternoon, without the slightest ceremony, and with no assembly of people, no word of eulogy, and with no note of music, the bronze statue of Roscoe Conkling was unveiled in Madison square. It was unveiled in this quiet way because Mrs. Conkling had often expressed an earnest desire that there might be no ceremony when the bronze was uncovered.

Fatal Shooting. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—During a row at Corbett's saloon, on Ellis street, at 1 o'clock this morning, Tom Cannon, a man employed by Bookmaker Schwartz at the Bay District track, was shot by Billy Gallagher, a Harry Kelly saloon keeper, and probably fatally injured.

A Cruiser's Italian Cruise. VILLA FRANCA, Italy, Dec. 3.—The United States cruiser Chicago arrived today from Genoa. She will remain until February.

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