

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

The Magnificent Church in Course of Erection.

When St. Mark's Lutheran Church is completed it will be one of the handsomest edifices in the city, and its lofty tower will stand high up over all other structures of the kind in the city.

This structure is composed of the main building and the chapel—really two buildings. The main auditorium will be 50x55 feet in the clear, with recess chancel twenty feet in width and ten feet in depth. The choir and organ loft, which is located on the right hand side, is 7x24 feet. The vestibule is seven feet wide and extends clear across the front of the auditorium, having three sets of double doors opening in front of each aisle. The space above the vestibule is twelve feet in width, and will be utilized for a choir. It is approached by a stairway leading to it from the vestibule. In the rear of the auditorium is the pastor's study, 10x20 feet.

The chapel is 35x44 feet in the clear, and is divided into a Sunday-school and infant class room. The Sunday-school room is 35x44 feet, and the infant class room is 19x27 feet. The Bible class room in the second story of the chapel is approached by a stairway leading from the reception room.

The seating capacity of the chapel will be 300, exclusive of the infant class and Bible class rooms. The Sunday-school and infant class rooms are connected by means of large glass doors, which can be slid back, virtually turning the whole floor space of the chapel into one room.

The main auditorium of the church will seat 650 with comfort. It is proposed to heat the edifice with steam from boilers to be located in the basement of the chapel.

The tower of the chapel is thirteen feet square and is built of stone to a height of forty feet. The whole height including the spire will be eighty-five feet. The main tower is fifteen feet square. The stone work is seventy-two feet high and the total height is 124, including the spire. One of the entrances to the church is through this tower.

The ceiling of the chapel is twenty-five feet in height in the center and is finished with exposed rafters and ornamental scroll work. The height of the ceiling of the main auditorium will be thirty-eight feet in the center, finished in the same way.

The interior of the chapel is being finished in oak, while the main auditorium will be finished in quartered oak. All of the finishing material will be the best that can be procured. The bulk of stone in this edifice is enormous and figures up to 200,000 cubic yards of solid masonry. The face stone is gray conglomerate sandstone and is from Pulaski county. It is harder than granite and more difficult to cut.

The superintendent of the construction is Mr. J. C. Nesbit, formerly of Union county, Pa., who is really the original designer, having planned and built a church of the same pattern at Shippensburg, Pa., seven years ago, from which the present structure is copied. The architect of the plans is Colonel Menhener, of Richmond.

The main building will soon be under roof, when the work will be pushed much more rapidly. The chapel will be completed in a few weeks, when the congregation will worship there until the main building is complete.

CORNERED THE WAGON.

Mr. Beckner Slightly Gets Ahead of the Roanoke Transfer Company.

C. W. Beckner, in addition to being manager of the Opera House, is one of the owners of the Sands Transfer Company, and he is now congratulating himself on having played a very smart trick on his rival, the Roanoke Transfer Company.

This latter company had secured the job of hauling the big boiler of the Oshman Iron Company. There is but one wagon in Roanoke strong enough to do this and it was built in Lynchburg by Adams Bros. & Fagne. The Roanoke Transfer Company intended to hire this wagon to move the boiler and Mr. Beckner, hearing of it, went to the owner of the wagon and bought it on the spot.

When the transfer people came for it they were informed that it had been sold to Mr. Beckner. They went to him and tried to hire it, but he told them he could not let them have it. Here was a dilemma. The Roanoke Transfer Company had a contract to move the boiler, but the Sands Transfer Company owned the only wagon with which it could be moved. Mr. Beckner's enterprise was rewarded and yesterday his company moved the big boiler. The manager of the other company had to acknowledge that he had played a very smart trick on them.

The Fast Mail.

The "Fast Mail," the attraction next Thursday night at the Opera House, brings a carload of scenery, all of which will be put on the stage, as the effects are such that require width and not height, as with spectacular plays.

The stage was measured yesterday afternoon and found plenty wide enough.

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BUILDING NOTES.

The Work on Some Handsome Residences and Residence Houses.

Captain T. C. Oakley has recently completed a new residence for Major S. H. Coleman. It is located at Grove street and Eighth avenue, and is a very convenient and acceptable building, costing about \$2,000.

Plumbers have been at work several days, putting in steam, water and gas fixtures in Dr. J. D. Kirk's new residence on Church street. This handsome building is now about complete, and presents a handsome appearance.

The new Presbyterian Church in East Roanoke, located on Fourth avenue, near Commonwealth, is nearly complete. The painters have about finished their work, and the pews have all been made. This church has a seating capacity of about 400 or more, and is one of the neatest houses of worship in the city. Mr. Groves is the contractor and has done an excellent job all the way through.

W. J. & L. Blair will finish up two more of their new houses on the Rorer Park property between now and Christmas. All of these dwellings are being put up in a workmanlike manner, and the best of material is used. There are ten buildings which have been erected by the Blairs on this property, and all of them costing over \$3,000 and some as high as \$6,000.

Workmen have begun the construction of the walls for William P. Huff's new mill and business building on Shenandoah avenue above Commerce street. The work will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible, as it has been determined to have the building completed by March 1.

Don't buy anything in the clothing line until you attend Joseph Cohn's cost sale.

ANOTHER PRISONER ESCAPES.

The City Without a Safe Place For Confining Law-breakers.

It seems that the authorities at the station house are powerless to hold the prisoners. Ed. Waid, alias Lightenfoot, who was fined \$25 and sent to the chain gang in default a few days ago for disorderly conduct and resisting an officer, escaped yesterday morning.

He had been turned out of the cell by the keepers, preparatory to being taken out on the streets by Foreman Deyerle. Being left in the corridor for a few minutes, he quickly raised the window from which the prisoners escaped the evening before, and jumped out on the ground, a distance of 20 feet or more.

Lightenfoot is a fine runner, and soon placed a long distance between him and the station house. None of the prisoners who escaped the night before have been captured, and Lightenfoot has not been heard from.

Roanoke is virtually without a place to confine prisoners with any degree of safety whatever. The jail being torn down, and a rickety station house, the law and order of the city is mercilessly overrun. It seems that every criminal who is under arrest has made up his mind to escape, and therefore treats the officers with insolence and contempt in many cases.

We don't intend to carry many goods over. Our cost sale will last ten days. Joseph Cohn, the Salem avenue clothier.

Wonders & Co.'s New Store.

This firm, composed of J. W. Wonders and E. N. Moore, affable and popular gentlemen, have opened out an entirely new stock of boots and shoes at No. 118 Commerce street, adjoining the Ponce de Leon Hotel on the north. They will be assisted by Miss Millie Myers, who has been with the firm since they first began business here, and George Wright, for years a member of the shoe firm of Wright & Stoll. New goods are arriving daily and are marked low. J. W. Wonders & Co. came to the Magic City of Roanoke to stay and they are determined to make it to the interest of the people to patronize them. See advertisements in another column.

Important Notice to All.

For the next ten days we will sell our entire stock of ready-made clothing at prime cost for cash. We find we have too many goods on hand for the season and are determined to get rid of them. Give us what we paid for them to all we ask, as we would rather have the money than to carry them over. This is a rare treat for our friends and customers. Seldom do you have such a wack at the class of goods as we carry. Respectfully, Joseph Cohn, 44 Salem avenue. C. M. Dawson, manager.

A Fine Piece of Work.

One of the finest jobs of bill posting that has ever been done in Roanoke was accomplished by Archie Sands yesterday afternoon. He put up a large stand of posters on the Wright building on Jefferson street. He was compelled to do all the work standing on a ladder and he was watched by a large crowd of interested spectators. As a bill poster Archie Sands stands at the top of the list.

The Present Interest Law.

President E. C. Pechin, of the Commercial Association, has announced the subject for the meeting of the Association Tuesday night. It is "The present interest law; ought it to be retained or modified?" and a very interesting paper will be read by one of the leading business men of Roanoke.

We would rather have the money than goods at this season of the year, hence our cost sale for the next ten days. Joseph Cohn.

A LINGUISTIC PARROT.

He Can Speak in Five Languages—A Bird Who Laughs at Singers.

The parrot, according to the best authorities on ornithology, belongs to the family of scissor-tailed birds, remarkable for their beautiful colors, powerful bill, fleshy tongue and their power of imitating the human voice. According to others, who do not view them from a scientific standpoint, they are nothing more than a nuisance. But there are parrots and parrots, and, in whatever category one is disposed to place them, there is no gainsaying the fact that the attainments of some of them are noteworthy, if not always praiseworthy.

Up in the French quarter just north of Washington square, says the New York Mail and Express, lives an old Frenchman, an exile of course, called M. Felix. He is a gentleman of the old school, and is supposed to have seen better, if not happier, days. For many years he has instructed his fellow countrymen and country women, too, for that matter, through the medium of a little circulating library over which he presides with great dignity. He speaks seven or eight languages. In time not otherwise engaged he has instructed a parrot of which he is the possessor in the rudiments of some of these languages, and with an uncommon degree of success.

The other evening a call was made at the little circulating library. Felix's welcome was cordial and he seemed gratified to know that the fame of his parrot was extending.

"Ah, yes, Pierre, 'es a wonderful bird. I not take drec, two, fi' toutsan' dolaires for him. Is it not so?" "Oui! Oui!" shrieked the parrot. Then he shut up like a steel trap and refused to be friendly for some little time. Felix took advantage of his silence to extol his merits, saying he knew words in English, French, German, Italian and Spanish.

"Of course, not vaire mooch, vous comprenez. Mais 'e 'es not vaire well just now."

As Felix said this he winked slyly at his visitors. The parrot ruffled up his feathers at this and was extremely voluble for the space of a minute or so, in which he remarked that his "sante" was "tres bien." As if to prove it he hummed a few words of a song of the boulevards and wound up with a couple of bars of "The Marseillaise."

"How is that for high?" he interrogated, as he swung gaily to and fro on his perch.

The antithesis to Felix's parrot is to be found in the possession of a theatrical manager up town. He is the owner of a parrot, a truly beautiful bird, by the way, who, while he has never been known to utter a word in any language familiar to man, yet seems to possess a keen sense of humor. This parrot is frequently present at operatic rehearsals, but it is when a newspaper for fame behind the footlights is demonstrating his or her ability as a singer that this parrot comes out strongly. When the singer is in the most touching part of the music the parrot will break into a paroxysm of laughter, with a great "Ho! Ho! Ho!" The sound is lifelike in the extreme, and the effect on the bewildered singer is more easily imagined than described.

Keeps Tab on the Waiters.

In a big Fulton street restaurant there is a man with a peculiar speciality. It must have taken years of practice to perfect himself in it, and as far as is known he has his unique field all to himself. He stands at a desk directly opposite the stairs which lead to the kitchen, and the waiters in going and returning therefrom have to pass before him. On the desk, says the New York Commercial Advertiser, is a great card with a list of every solid and liquid that the restaurant sells running down the side of it. As the waiters pass from the kitchen they swing their trays toward him, and at a glance he makes a mental list of everything upon them and writes their prices down upon the card with electric rapidity. During the busy hours his pen is kept going incessantly; but he never makes a mistake, and when the day closes the proprietors have the record of his sale before them to the final and exact penny. He is a variety of automatic cash register that ought never to fail to find a market.

Gov. Hogg's Big Catch.

Gov. Hogg, of Texas, was recently down on the gulf fishing. He relates an incident to a Fort Worth Gazette correspondent thus: "I was sitting in the boat one day," he said, "just inside the entrance to the pass, when I felt a nibble. I jerked the line gently, when I knew I had him. I began to haul in, and felt the line grow heavier. Then began a succession of savage rushes, and all grew still as the breast when the spirit lashed down. When the end of the line came to the surface I found a tangle of fish. I had first hooked a snapper; the snapper had been seized by a terrapin, which was unable to free itself. The terrapin had been run through by a swordfish, which was fastened by his long blade, and a stingray had wrapped himself around the swordfish and stung him to death. I suppose there must have been three hundred pounds of meat on the hook." Asked if there was anyone else in the boat, the governor replied that he was alone.

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A FEW PLAIN FACTS

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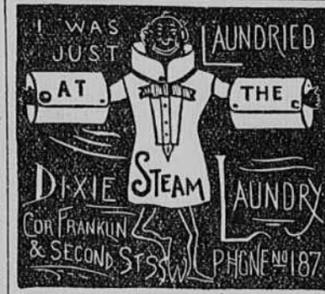
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RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts.....	\$ 337,642.93	Capital.....	\$ 250,000.00
Stocks.....	236,155.00	Surplus.....	126,191.88
Real estate.....	52,669.00	Undivided profits.....	30,251.75
Furniture.....	670.00	Deposits on certificate.....	165,145.15
Cash on hand.....	13,304.74	Check deposits.....	114,305.90
Due from banks.....	62,312.16	Bills payable.....	2,508.33
Expenses and taxes.....	4,482.51	Bills rediscounted.....	5,833.33
	\$697,236.34		\$697,236.34

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7:00 a. m.	7:30 a. m.
8:30 a. m.	9:00 a. m.
10:00 a. m.	10:30 a. m.
11:30 a. m.	12:00 p. m.
1:00 p. m.	1:30 p. m.
2:30 p. m.	3:00 p. m.
4:00 p. m.	4:30 p. m.
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