

BETHLEHEM HOLY CITY LEADING ALL OTHERS OF WORLD

Dean Chamberlain Tells Congregation Place Where Christ Was Born Has No Rival—Held Sacred by Christians.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Choir of St. Michael's Gathers in Tower and Sing Old English Carols—Beautiful Lighting Effect in Church.

Today in St. Michael's cathedral, Dean Alward Chamberlain, took a large congregation back 1900 years in history to Bethlehem—the place, which he said, in a powerful sermon, eclipsed London, Paris, New York and other great cities for the thoughts of all civilized nations turned toward the place

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In which the Christ child was born in a manger.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES. The Christmas eve services at St. Michael's cathedral were beautiful and inspiring. At 10 p. m. the choir gathered in the tower and sang a number of old English carols. The cathedral was in semi-darkness, lighted only by the large star suspended over the altar, and the light which streamed through the handsome Nativity window. Strong searchlights had been arranged outside and every tint and shade of coloring shone forth to the gathering congregation. The interior of the cathedral was a bower of evergreen, thirty large trees having been used in decoration.

The evening service began with the

singing by the choir and congregation of that inspiring Christmas hymn, "Adeste Fideles." "O Come, All Ye Faithful." The choir never sang better than they did last evening. The evening canticles, the anthem and the music of the communion service were rendered with much spirit and devotion, showing careful preparation. The altar was decorated with large bunches of red poinsettia and white chrysanthemums. At 9 p. m. the choir had sung for the patients at St. Luke's hospital.

SERVICES TODAY.

Service was held this morning at 11 a. m. and the music of the midnight service repeated. Dean Chamberlain preached upon the theme, "Bethlehem," taking for his text, St. Luke 11, "Let Us Now Go Even Unto Bethlehem, and See This Thing Which is Come to Pass." He said in part: "What a throng of associations cluster around the name of a single town. Once each year the little hill-town of Bethlehem outshines all the capitals of the world. London, Paris, Tokyo, Berlin, Rome, Washington, all are eclipsed by the ancient town near which Ruth gleaned barley in the fields where David spent his boyhood days tending his father's flocks and where later, in the fullness of time, the Christ-Child was born. Other cities may crumble into ruins and their names and places be forgotten like ancient Palmyra. Macaulay's New Zealander may stand upon a broken arch of London bridge and sketch the ruins of St. Paul's cathedral, but as long as the race endures men will make pilgrimages to Bethlehem of Judea and stand in awe at the spot where the Saviour of mankind was born.

MARVELOUS POWER.

"At this season of the year the whole world, in imagination, not only makes its pilgrimage to that far-famed city of David, but it traverses 19 centuries of time to get back to that auspicious and historic night when Jesus was born. What marvelous power there must be in a personality which can thus draw all the ages to itself, and render forever sacred the place of its advent into the world.

"The history of civilization might be almost written in a series of books each bearing as a title the name of a single place. Marathon, Runnymede, Jamestown, Plymouth, Rock, Bunker Hill, what pictures they call up to the mind. The Greek patriot, by his death, giving the world his civilization. The sturdy bayons of England by their protest on the meadow of Runnymede near Windsor, laying the cornerstone of English liberty. The Anglo-Saxon conscience emigrating to an unknown land across the sea to save its self-respect. The colonist's sense of justice that turned the farm hand into the soldier at an hour's notice. All these are but the barest suggestions of the struggle that gave western civilization a new future at Marathon, Runnymede, Jamestown, Plymouth Rock, Bunker Hill and all these names stand struggle, for division and strife. But this morning, much as we prize these names, we turn to a far greater than they all, and in the words of the shepherds, "Let Us Now Go Unto Bethlehem and See This Thing Which is Come to Pass."

"Bethlehem, through the ages, has stood for peace, and the prominent fact that the recapture of Jerusalem and the Holy Land by the English army and its restoration to the Christian nations should have been followed almost immediately by peace after four long years of deadly warfare.

MEANING BETHLEHEM'S PEACE.

"But Bethlehem's peace is not the quiet of a little Judean village. Bethlehem's peace is world-wide. It shines into every Christian heart and every Christian community. "It has been truthfully said that a name only records the climax of long years of preparation. The fact that from the Garden of Eden every ray of God's truth had been pointing toward that wonderful event, the birth of a Saviour, only makes the name of Bethlehem more precious in name of meaning. It's wonderful peace is not the peace of indifference which forgets that there is, and must be, struggle in the world; nor is it the peace of helplessness that dares not struggle with its surroundings. It is the deeper peace of reconciliation. The name 'Bethlehem' stands for the peace of reconciliation between God and man, and the position was won for it by centuries of struggle. What man's misuse of power, discord and suffering came into the world. But from his every creation the fact of God's love for him was an implied guarantee that reconciliation was possible. Rooted in God's very nature was the promise of redemption, and from the first we see that men recognized the promise by their struggle against sin and their search for atonement.

"God's love and longing to receive and pardon mankind was ever present in His divine nature, and on Christmas morning, about 1919 years ago, He gave expression to it in the birth of the Holy Child Jesus. For God so loved the world that He sent His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

"Again it is Christmas-tide, and our eyes with millions of others, are turned eastward to that little village on the Judean hills where the Christ-Child was born in a stable, where the breath of oxen, perhaps, first warmed His body, and the shepherds knelt in lowly adoration.

"Great changes have come over the world. No Roman emperor now issues a decree that all the world should be taxed; no King Herod inquires diligently of the Wise Men 'what time the star appeared.' But the manger still remains, and year by year, it is the Wise Men from the east, learned scholars from the west crowd around that holy spot to do homage to the Babe of Bethlehem in the very place where He was born.

SERVICE AT BETHLEHEM.

"The midnight service at Bethlehem is conducted by the highest dignity of the Greek Orthodox Church in the Holy Land. All during the day a great crowd has been gathering in the quadrangle before the church of the Nativity, which has been built immediately over the traditional spot where Christ was born. "At 11 p. m. there is a stir among the dormant crowd, for many of them have been sleeping. A peal of bells announces the commencement of the service. The spacious Church of the Nativity is alight with thousands of candles and oil-lamps which glitter and glimmer and add lustre to the gorgeous gold and silver embroidered vestments of the clergy. The crowd is dense, the heat excessive. A line of soldiers marks the route to be taken by the Greek Patriarch, the priests and the choir. The procession makes

HISTORY OF NUMBER 40

40 years ago an old doctor was putting up a medicine for diseases of the blood, that cured the worst cases of blood troubles, and time proved that the cures were permanent. After many years I secured the prescription (being a druggist), and took each ingredient separately and referred to my U. S. Dispensary and other authoritative books on medicine and found the medical properties set down as follows: "Employed in diseases of the glandular system, in blood troubles, eczema, constipation, stomach and liver troubles, chronic rheumatism, catarrh, in sores, ulcers, pimples, skin eruptions, mercurial and lead poisoning. Under its use bodily eruptions and scrofulous swellings that have withstood all other treatment disappear as if by magic." To commemorate my fortieth year as a druggist I named this medicine "Number 40 For the Blood." J. C. Mendenhall, Evansville, Ind.—Overland Pharmacy, 8th and Main Sts.—Adv.

the round of the ancient Bethlehem stable, and the third time it descends into the Grotto itself. Only a few can enter here at one time, the rest remain outside. To the left is the star of silver, inlaid in the marble floor, marking the spot to which the star of Bethlehem led the Wise Men. To the right is the manger, where He was born. It is a sacred spot and a solemn occasion. The whole party kneels in quiet devotion. The chanting of the choir gives way for a moment to the subdued tones of the Patriarch, who reads the collect for Christmas Day. There follows a moment of hushed silence, and then the Nativity strains break forth in loud and unrestrained acclamation. It is as though the angels were singing once again their 'Gloria in Excelsis.'"

RARE GAME BIRDS BRING HIGH PRICES

Manager of Idaho Game Breeders' Association Quotes Eastern Prices List to Show Possibilities.

That there is an eager market for high-class game birds raised in captivity is shown by a price list received by A. B. Hullit, manager of the newly organized Idaho Game Breeders' association, showing prices asked by a Kentucky game-bird breeding company. This company announces that it is swamped with orders and cannot undertake to fill the demand for eggs in but very few lines.

Some of the prices asked are as follows: Versicolor pheasants, \$45 per pair, eggs, \$24 per dozen; Golden pheasants, 2 years old, pair, \$18, eggs, \$10 dozen; Mongolian pheasants, \$30 pair, eggs, \$15 dozen; Mikado pheasants, \$50 pair, no eggs for sale; Impy, an pheasants, \$150 per pair, eggs, \$7.50 each; China pheasants, \$12.50 pair, eggs, \$10 dozen; Ringneck pheasants, \$12 pair, eggs, \$5 dozen.

Wild turkeys, \$50 pair, eggs, \$24 dozen; Canada geese, \$25 pair, eggs, \$2 each; Blue geese, \$65 pair, no eggs for sale; Egyptian geese, \$30 pair, no eggs for sale; White-fronted geese, \$25 pair, no eggs for sale; Australian geese, \$125 pair, no eggs for sale; Snow geese, \$50 pair, no eggs for sale.

Greenhead or Mallard ducks, \$7 pair, eggs, \$6 dozen; Wood duck, \$20 pair, eggs, \$14 dozen; Formosan teal duck, \$22.50 pair, no eggs for sale; Green

wing teal, Blue wing teal and Pintail ducks, \$7 pair, no eggs for sale; Redhead ducks, \$25 pair, no eggs for sale; Cinnamon teal ducks, \$50 pair, no eggs; Spoonbill ducks, \$15 pair, no eggs; Gray Call decoy ducks, \$8 pair, eggs, \$7 dozen.

Mexican white tail deer, \$60 pair; Fallow deer, \$80 pair; Jackrabbits, \$7.50 pair.

Every one of these birds and animals can be bred in Idaho far better than in the east and south, Mr. Hullit says.

SEVERE COLD QUICKLY CURED. If you do not know how to get rid of a cold quickly should you not consider the experience of others who have found a way of doing so? Mrs. H. O. Barker, Little Falls, N. Y., writes "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was used by my husband a year or so ago and it quickly cured him of a severe cold."—Adv.

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