Christmas Morning

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SAINT PAUL.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

The next meeting of Acker post will take place, Wednesday, not tonight.

Diphtheria was reported at the health office yesterday existing at 424 University avenue.

The fire department was called to 642 University avenue shortly before noon. Little damage was done.

Judge Lewis has filed an order allowing Charles A. Olson to change his name to Charles Becker, as being more personal and less generic.

The Minnesota Society of the Sons of the American Revolution will hold their annual meeting at 8 o'clock Monday evening at the chamber of commerce.

Sheriff Anderson, of Chisago county, passed through the city yesterday en route to Fergus Falls. He had in his custody an insane man, committed to the asylum at Fergus Falls.

County Attorney Anderson has advised Auditor Sullivan that the fact that Dr. Leavitt is an assistant city and county physician does not prohibit him from receiving a fee as juror on the examination of an insane person.

Mrs. George O'Reilly fell upon Western avenue yesterday and broke the right limb near the ankle. She was passing the residence of C. W. Copeley and fell upon the icy sidewalk. The children had been making an ice rink, and the water overflowed onto the sidewalk.

NOTES ON AMUSEMENTS.

Willie Collier, in "The Man From Mexico," closes his engagement at the Metropolitan opera house with two performances today, a special Christmas matinee this afternoon and the farewell performance tonight. Mr. Collier's unique and original methods have won for him a warm place in the hearts of our local theater-goers, and his company and comedy have made a most decided hit. The two performances today should be played to the capacity of the Metropolitan.

Seibert's orchestra will give the second concert of their winter series at the Metropolitan opera house tomorrow afternoon at 3:30. The programme for this occasion has been selected and arranged with great care, with a view to pleasing all classes of music lovers, and a musical treat is promised the patrons of the Metropolitan tomorrow afternoon. The programme in detail is as follows:

March—"Gayest Manhattan" ..... Recker
Overture—"Jubel" ..... C. V. Weber
"Peer Gynt Suite" ..... Grieg
a. Ases Tod.
b. Tanz in der Halle des Bergkoenings.
Tenor Solo ..... Mr. P. Quesnel
a. L'Etoile ..... Faure
b. Oh, How I Love Thee ..... Pary
Overture—"Bronze Horse" ..... Auber
Two Spanish Dances ..... Montz Moszkowski
March Movement—"Sympathetic Leonore" ..... Rabb
Selection—"Lucia di Lammermoor". Dolzetti

Today at 2:30 a special Christmas matinee of Black Patti's Troubadours will be given at the Grand. This attraction offers an ideal performance for the holidays, combining, as it does, a host of comedy features with an excellence of musical interruptions. A large advance sale of seats is reported.

Fun fast and furious will be in order during the week's engagement of Hoyt's "A Black Sheep" company, at the Grand, next week. This comedy, noted as being Hoyt's best, is a lively entertainment from start to finish, full of comic situations which provide an immense amount of material for laughter, and presented by a company of high class artists enjoys the distinction of being one of the best shows en tour. Tuneful and catchy music, handsome costumes, and an array of specialties with the up-to-date stamp upon them justify the management of the Grand in anticipating the banner week of the season in enjoyment for its patrons.

Among the array of talent seen in "A Black Sheep" company will be noticed Miss Drew Donaldson, Mollie Thompson, Clayton sisters, Florence Ritchie, Ross Braham, Edward Garvie, Frank La Tona, Arthur Deagon, Joe Natus, Charles Chappelle, assisted by a corps of equally able artists forming a company of comedians second to none upon the stage.

We call the attention of our readers to the special notice of The State Savings Bank under announcements.

KENNEDY'S CLOSE CALL.

A Little More and He Would Have Been Killed.

William Kennedy got his arm caught in a large cog wheel in the New Brighton packing house, breaking the arm in three places, and wrenching it very badly. He was steam fitting, and while working near the machinery it is supposed he sliped. In trying to extricate himself with the other hand, the little finger was taken off. Engineer Dyson stopped the engine at once, or Kennedy would have been killed. He is in very bad shape as it is. He is being treated at St. Joseph's hospital.

Large Display of Presents.

See Adam Fetsch's large stock of smokers' presents.

ASSAULTED AN OFFICER.

Christmas Eve Row in an Arcade Street Saloon.

Patrolman Urbanski, of the Margaret street station, was called into the saloon at Arcade and Lawson streets at 10 o'clock last evening to quiet a disturbance between three of the patrons of the place. He was assaulted by one of the trio and struck on the head with a billiard cue. Mike Halnacek and Albert Almo, two of the parties to the row, were arrested. The third man, and the one who it is claimed struck the officer, escaped. Urbanski had a couple of scalp wounds dressed by Dr. Binder.

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WILL OFFICIATE AT MASSES

In Three of the Leading Churches in the Twin Cities During His Present Visit.

Archbishop Sebastian Martinelli, the papal ablegate for the United States, immediately on his arrival from Washington yesterday, repaired to the residence of Archbishop Ireland, accompanied by his secretary, Dr. Rooker, and Dr. Pace, of the Catholic university at Washington. Rt. Rev. Thomas O'Gorman, bishop of Sioux Falls, S. D., was also in the party, having gone to Chicago to meet Mgr. Satolli's successor.

A request for an interview was denied by the ablegate.

Dr. Rooker, the secretary, was less inaccessible, but extremely guarded in speech. Mgr. Martinelli's visit to the Northwest had no significance, he insisted, other than a desire to spend a few days with Archbishop Ireland, by way of a vacation.

Mgr. Martinelli, like his predecessor, is in thorough accord and touch with the institutions of this country, his secretary declared, and a diplomat of the Italian school, well versed in the history and affairs of this and other countries. Most of his religious career has been spent with the Augustinian Order of Monks, and he is still a member of that order.

Dr. Rooker remarked that, as there were no questions stirring the church in the United States at the present time, the work of the ablegate, while voluminous, was largely of a routine character.

The ablegate will officiate at the cathedral at pontifical high mass this morning, Bishop O'Gorman preaching the sermon.

Sunday morning his excellency will be the celebrant in the church of Vicar General Stariha at the late mass.

Sunday evening he will take part in the vespers' service at the Immaculate Conception church, Minneapolis.

Archbishop Martinelli and party expect to return to Washington about Jan. 2.

GETTING AROUND IT.

Olympic Finds a Way to Run Without a License.

Manager Sodini, of the Olympic theater, has decided that he will not mandamus the city clerk in order to secure a license for his theater for Christmas week. The ordinance provides that only entertainments where an admission fee is charged must have a license, and Mr. Sodini, with the assistance of his attorney, E. J. Darragh, has figured it out that, instead of paying money for a legal fight, it would be cheaper to charge no admission for his show. The result of his decision is that during the holiday week there will be no admission fee charged at the Olympic. After Jan. 1, or as soon after that date as the assembly has concurred in the action of the aldermen in fixing the license for the theater, the charging of an admission fee may be resumed. Mr. Sodini said last evening that he had no doubt but that the assembly would fix the license for the theater as adopted by the board of aldermen. If there was to be any trouble with the city authorities about the running of the place, he would close up rather than have a fight on his hands.

BECKER COUNTY SCHOOLS.

Their Text Book Scheme Approved by Judge Searle.

The state department of public instruction is pleased with the recent decision of Judge Searle sustaining the innovation made by the commissioners of Becker county in instituting the free text book system. When the old contract with D. D. Merrill expired, and the free text book law was passed, the Becker county board sold a lot of text books it had on hand, and with the proceeds started a revolving fund for the purchase of books, which were in turn sold to the several districts for the replenishment of the fund. This system was enforced for a great many years without objection, but recently it was sought to restrain its further operation, and the matter was taken into the courts. Judge Searle says the practice is proper, for, while he finds nothing in the law providing for it, he finds nothing to prohibit it, either expressly or by implication.

The working of the system is considered to have been beneficial, as it has enabled the county to secure not only uniformity in books in its several districts, but economy in the purchase price and freight and express charges on consignments.

CASTORIA.

The facsimile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

ONE MAIL DELIVERY

For the Employes of the Postoffice Department.

There will be one morning delivery from the postoffice today. Maj. Hardacre reports that the holiday business has been somewhat in excess of the business of last year. The packages sent out have, on the average, exceeded in weight those of last year.

Wide-awake dealers consult the wishes of customers, and do not offer "something just as good" when you ask for an advertised article.

ANTHEMS OF PRAISE

WILL RESOUND IN NEARLY ALL OF THE CITY CHURCHES TOADY.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC

WILL BE SUNG BY THE CHOIRS, AND SOME OF THE BEST

SOLOISTS OF THE CITY OF ST. PAUL.

Programmes Arranged for a Large Number of the Churches—Same Music Tomorrow.

In all the Catholic and Episcopal churches of the city, in fact, in nearly all of the churches, special praise services will be held this morning in keeping with the sentiment of Christmas day. As the shepherds of old, on the plains of Judea, sang praises upon the birth of the Savior, so will the civilized world today sing a song of praise which will reach around the world. The programmes of the services of the St. Paul churches for today, are from a musical standpoint, par excellence. Many of the churches will have soloists, who are well-known locally, and special attention has been given choir work. Christmas and Sunday following each other this year, much of the music of today will be repeated at tomorrow's services. From the programmes given below it will be seen that the music to be given this morning will in itself be worth going to hear. The churches will all be filled with fashionable Christmas audiences. Sunday evening's service at St. Luke's the music will be of an unusual charactaer and enlist many of the best singers. On Sunday the other churches will have special programmes. The evening service at the People's church, with a large chorus choir and an entirely musical programme, will be especially elaborate.

In the Catholic churches the Christmas programmes are as follows:

CATHEDRAL.

Solemn high mass at 5 o'clock a. m., with sermon. Low masses thereafter continually until 9 o'clock. At 10:30 pontifical high mass will be celebrated by Mgr. Martinelli, the apostolic delegate to the United States. Rev. J. J. Lawler will be the assisting priest and Rev. William Colbert and Rev. J. H. Brannon will be the deacons of honor. The other ministers of the mass will be chosen from the seminarians at St. Paul's. The ceremonies will be in charge of Rev. Dr. Schaeffer and the sermon will be preached by Bishop Thomas O'Gorman, of Sioux Falls. The programme of music for the pontifical mass will be:

"Adeste Fideles," processional ..... Portuguese
Kyrie)
Gloria) ..... Niedermeyer
"Veni Creator" ..... Haydn
"Credo" ..... Niedermeyer
Sanctus)
Benedictus) ..... Niedermeyer
Agnus Dei)
Dona Nobis)
"Come All Ye Faithful," recessional.. Roman

Soloists—Mrs. S. V. Harris, Miss Millie Pottgieser, Mr. A. P. Quesnel, Mr. John F. Gehan, Mrs. F. L. Hoffman, organist; Mr. John F. Gehan, director. Danz's orchestra will assist.

ST. MARY'S.

The first mass Christmas morning will be at 5 o'clock, followed by masses at 6 and 9, and grand high mass at 10:30, at which Rev. Dr. Heffron, rector of St. Paul's seminary, will preach the sermon. The music at the high mass will be as follows:

Adeste Fideles ..... Novello
Kyrie ..... Beethoven
Gloria ..... Gounod
Veni Creator.
Credo ..... Beethoven
Offertory—Noel ..... Gufen
Sanctus ..... Beethoven
Benedictus ..... Beethoven
Agnes Dei ..... Beethoven
Conclude—
The Christ Child ..... Coombes

The Sunday following at high mass the sermon will be preached by Bishop O'Gorman, of Sioux Falls.

ASSUMPTION CHURCH.

The musical programme at the high mass will be as follows:

Messe Solennelle (St. Cecilia) ..... Gounod
Offertory ..... Pastores-Wiegand
Adeste Fideles.
Ehre sei Gott.
Chorus of forty voices, directed by Mr. John S. Grode.

ST. VINCENT'S.

Solemn high mass at 5 o'clock a. m. Low masses at 7, 7:30, 8 and 9. Solemn high mass at 10:30 a. m., at which sermon will be preached by Rev. H. Moynihan. Christmas music will be under direction of Prof. William Maenner. Musical vespers at 7:30 p. m. Rev. William Turner will preach. At 5 o'clock Millard's high mass will be sung by the choir, and at 10:30 Marzo's Messe Solennelle.

ST. MICHAEL'S.

Rev. Patrick Danehey, of St. Paul's seminary, will assist Father O'Neill during the Christmas holidays and will preach at the late mass Christmas day.

Farmer's Mass in B flat will be rendered by a choir of forty voices, under the direction of Prof. Bohnen, with full orchestra accompaniment.

Soprano Soloists—Miss Mary Burke, Miss C. G. Camirond, Mrs. H. Devlin, Miss Kenny and Miss Morgan.

Altos—Miss Rose Niquette, Miss Belle O'Rourke and Miss Grace Morgan.

Bassos—Thomas R. Negle, William Ganyaw and Irwin J. Morgan.

Tenors—L. G. Lau and H. M. Warren.

ST. JOHN'S.

High mass at 5 and 10:30 a. m. Low mass at 8. The choir, under the direction of Prof. Rihm, will sing at the first mass. "Mass in honor of St. Louis," by La Hache. During communion "Adeste Fideles," by Novello. At 10:30, mass in A, by F. X. Schmidt. Offertory, "Jubilate Deo," "Veni Creator," by Millard. Quartette and chorus. Soloists, Mrs. McMahon, Miss Hames, Messrs. Slater and Egermann.

ST. MARK'S.

At St. Mark's chuch, Merriam Park, on Christmas day, high mass will be celebrated at 10 o'clock. The choir will sing Brown's Mass in B flat, and the Adeste Fideles will be given as an offertory by the boy soprano of Minneapolis, Master James Byrne, and choir.

ST. PETER CLAVER'S.

The feast of the Nativity will be observed at St. Peter Claver's church by low mass at 8 o'clock and solemn high mass at 10:30, Christmas day. Rev. Father Thos. A. Printon, pastor, will be celebrant. Deacon, Rev. R. Cabill, who will also preach the sermon. Subdeacon, Mr. John Fahy. The altar has been beautifully decorated for the occasion. The choir, under the direction of Mr. Claude Jackson, will render Gounod's ("St. Cecilia") Messe Solennelle.

The excellent choir will be augmented for the occasion, and a special feature of the music will be the soprano of Mrs. R. C. Minor, a vocalist of high order. The programme in detail is as follows:

Adeste Fideles ..... Novello
Kyrie ..... Gounod
Gloria ..... Gounod
Veni Creator—Quartette ..... Cirillo
Mesdames R. C. Minor, Frederick L. McGhee; Messrs. Claude Jackson, Allen French.
Credo ..... Gounod
Te Prego, O, Padre—Trio ..... Nicolas
Mrs. R. C. Minor; Messrs. Claude Jackson, Allen French.
Sanctus ..... Gounod
Agnus Dei ..... Gounod

The choir consists of the following: Trio—Soprano, Mrs. R. C. Minor; tenor, Claude Jackson; baritone, Jos. S. Harris; soloists, Mesdames J. Frank Wheaton, Joseph S. Harris; bass, Charles Miller.

Chorus—Sopranos, Mmes. John Godfrey, Fred Toby, Julius Pitts, Misses Lizzie Roach, Hattie Shepherd; altos, Mesdames James McClain, Frederick L. McGhee, Miss Evelyn Hickman; tenors, Claude Jackson, Maurice Hickman; bass, C. H. Miller, Jos. S. Harris, Allen French; Mrs. W. E. Stanton, organist.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL.

At St. Paul's Episcopal church, Rev. John Wright, D. D., the rector, will conduct the morning services. The music will be rendered by the regular vested choir of the church at 11 o'clock. The programme will be:

Processional Hymn 51—"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" ..... Mendelssohn
Anthem—"And He Shall Reign" ..... Simper
Kyrie in C ..... F. Iliff
Gloria in C ..... F. Iliff
Credo in C ..... F. Iliff
Hymn 56—"Christians Awake" .... Wainwright
Address by the rector.
Gloria in G ..... Smart
Solo ..... Selected
Anthem—"Thus Speaketh the Lord of Hosts" ..... Stainer
Doxology—"Old Hundred"
Sursum Corda in C ..... F. Iliff
Sanctus in C ..... F. Iliff
Benedictus in C ..... F. Iliff
Agnes Dei in C ..... F. Iliff
Gloria in Excelsis in C ..... F. Iliff
Nunc Dimittis 102 in E flat ..... Gregorian
Recessional Hymn 60—"Angels from the Realm of Glory" ..... Smart

ST. PHILIP'S MISSION.

At St. Philip's Mission there will be a celebration of the holy communion at 8 o'clock Christmas morning. The programme of music will be:

Hymn 60—"Angels From the Realms of Glory" ..... Smart
Kyrie ..... Merbecke
Gloria Tibi ..... Merbecke
Hymn 51—"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing."
Offertory—"Thou Art Worthy, O Lord."
Sursum Corda ..... Merbecke
Sanctus ..... Merbecke
Benedictus ..... Merbecke
Hymn 49—"Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful."
Gloria in Excelsis ..... Old Chant
Nunc Dimittis ..... Gregorian
Hymn 61—"Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices?"

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL.

At St. Matthew's Episcopal church the services will be held at 10 o'clock. The programme of music will be:

Anthem—"Behold, I Bring You Good Tidings" ..... Sir John Goss
Venite ..... Russell
Gloria ..... Russell
Te Deum ..... Bridgewater
Jubilate Deo ..... Geary
Hymn 17—"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" ..... Mendelssohn
Kyrie ..... Mendelssohn
Gloria Tibi ..... Mendelssohn
Hymn 19—"Oh, Come All Ye Faithful"—
Adeste Fidelis
Offertory—Tenor Solo—"Bethlehem" .. Coombs
Mr. Herbert G. Plant.
Sanctus ..... Taylor
Hymn 207.
Gloria in Excelsis ..... Old Chant
Hymn 16—"Hall, Thou Long Expected Jesus" ..... Mendelssohn

The choir consists of Mrs. F. S. Berry, soprano; Mrs. F. H. Ellerbee, alto; H. G. Plant, tenor; J. H. Southall, basso, and Mrs. J. H. Chapman, organist.

ST. CLEMENT'S.

At St. Clement's church the guild has been busy for several days in trimming the church, arranging ropes of evergreen and holly to twine about the altar rail and to drape above the organ loft. The first service at St. Clement's will be the celebration of the holy communion at 8 o'clock. Bishop Gilbert will preach at the morning service at 10:30. The programme of music will be:

Organ Prelude—"Sanctus," from "Messe Solenelle" ..... Gounod
Processional Hymn—"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"
Venite ..... Mendelssohn
Te Deum in F ..... Belcher
Jubilate in D ..... Pflueger
Hymn—"Shout Glad Tidings."
Kyrie in F ..... Tours
Gloria Tibi ..... Paxton
Hymn—"Come All Ye Faithful."
Offertory Anthem—"There Were Shepherds" ..... Pflueger
Presentation—"Old Hundred."
"Sanctus"—Ancient Hebrew melody (adapted).
Hymn—"Bread of the Word."
"Gloria in Excelsis," in F ..... Tours
Recessional Hymn—"Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices?"
Postlude—"Noel; Chant du Roi Rene"—
Guilmant

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.

At the Church of St. John the Evangelist there will be morning prayer and celebration of the holy communion with a sermon by the pastor. The programme of music will be:

Processional Hymn—"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" ..... Mendelssohn
Venite ..... Crotch
Festival Te Deum in E flat .... Dudley Buck
Jubilate ..... Woodward
Introit—"For Unto Us a Child Is Born" ..... Handel
Kyrie ..... Anon
Hymn—"O, Little Town of Bethlehem" ..... L. H. Redner
Offertory—"There Were Shepherds."
"Glory to God," "Hallelujah" ..... Handel
Presentation of Alms—"Holy Offerings"
Sanctus ..... Camidge
Communion Hymn—"Bread of the World" ..... Hodges
"Gloria in Excelsis" ..... Old Chant
Recessional Hymn—"Hail to the Lord Anointed" ..... W. H. Havergal

CHRIST CHURCH.

At Christ church the young ladies belonging to the altar guild have decorated the altar with a pretty arrangement of evergreen and holly. The rector of the church will preach the sermon at the morning service. The Christmas day music will be rendered by Masters Morrie Jeffrey and Fred Daw, sopranos; Master Harry Dorgeloh, alto; Messrs. J. E. McCaffery and Robert Wood, tenors; Mr. H. W. Springer, bass, and the vested choir of fifty voices, under the direction of F. C. Blodgett, organist and choirmaster. The programme of music will be:

Processional—"Sing, O Sing, This Blessed Morn."
Te Deum in E flat ..... Obertheur
Jubilate in A ..... Danks
Introit—"O Come A'l Ye Faithful" .. Novello
Kyrie ..... Blodgett
Hymn—"O Little Town of Bethlehem."
Offertory—"Ave Maria" ..... Gounod
Master Morrie Jeffrey.
Communion Service ..... Woodward
Recessional—"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

The Christmas music will be repeated on Sunday, Dec. 26, when Henry De Lorme, tenor, will sing "O, Holy Night." Adam.

MEMORIAL ENGLISH LUTHERAN.

At the Memorial English Evangelical Lutheran church services will be held at 11 o'clock. The programme of music will be as follows:

Anthem—"Come Ye to Bethlehem" ... Danks
Hymn 129—"Come Hither Ye Faithful"
Introit for Christmas ..... Knauff
Gloria Patri ..... Grearorex
Kyrie ..... Service
Gloria in Excelsis ..... Service
Responsory—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" ..... Sullivan
Quartette and solo obligato.
Quartette—"Holy Night! Peaceful Night!"—
Barnby
Hymn 130—"A Great and Mighty Wonder."
The sermon.
Recitative—"Behold, a Virgin Shall Conceive."
Aria—"O, Thou That Tellest" ..... Handel
Miss Josephine Moody.
Offertory—"Hark, the Hosts of Heaven Are Singing" ..... Marston
Hymn 127—"Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices?"

A portion of the Christmas selections will be repeated Sunday, and in addition Mrs. T. M. Newson will sing a solo:

"The Christmas Herald" .. C. Whitney Coombs
Violin obligato by Frank Seibert.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

At the First Baptist church there will be services at 10:30 o'clock with a sermon by the pastor. The programme of music will be:

Organ Voluntary—"Festival Song" .... West
Gloria, Twelfth Mass ..... Mozart
Full Chorus.
"There Were Shepherds" ..... Wilkinson
Organ—"Communion" ..... Hamer
"Christ Child" ..... Coombs
Double Quartette.
Postlude ..... Rink

Evening, 7:45 o'clock—

Organ—"Romance" ..... Clark
Anthem—"Glory to God" ("Messiah")— Handel
"Behold, I Bring You Glad Tidings" .. Goate
Full Chorus.
"O, Holy Night" (Noel") ..... Adam
Organ—Offertoire ..... Batiste
"There Were Shepherds" ..... Lansing
Organ finale ..... Mendelssohn

PEOPLE'S CHURCH.

At the People's church there will be services at 10 o'clock, with holy communion by Dr. Smith at 11 o'clock. Dr. Smith will speak on the subject: "Are We Ready for An Advent?" The musical programme will be:

"Thus Speaketh the Lord of Hosts" .. Stainer
"Hark! the Herald Angels, Sing"— Mendelssohn
"The Light of the World" ..... Adams
"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" .. Willis
"Zion, Awake" ..... Costa-Root
"Angels From the Realms of Glory"— Smart

The choir will be arranged to a chorus of thirty voices, Mr. Titcomb organist; Mr. Rhys-Herbert, musical director.

PARK CONGREGATIONAL.

At Park Congregational church the Christmas day services will be held tomorrow. The choir will be a double quartette consisting of Misses Josephine and Louise Dyer, sopranos; Misses Beach and Davidson, altos; Messrs. C. A. Beach and Leach, tenors; Messrs. E. N. Smith and W. B. Clow, bassos. The programme of music will be:

Organ voluntary.
Christmas Anthem—"Sing, Oh! Heavens"— Alfred B. Gaul
Gloria Patri.
Anthem—"There Was Silence in Bethlehem's Fields" ..... Stainer
Offertory anthem—"My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord" ..... Henry Smart
Christmas sermon ..... Rev. S. W. Dickinson
Anthem—"Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem"— Maunder

ATLANTIC CONGREGATIONAL.

At the Atlantic Congregational church there will be Christmas services Sunday at 10:30 o'clock in the morning. The programme of music will be:

Te Deum ..... Kotchmar
"Star of Bethlehem" ..... Pflueger
"Bethlehem" ..... Shelley

In the evening the programme of music will be:

Jubilate in E flat ..... Dudley Buck
Soprano Solo—"Christ Child."
Duet—"Rejoice in the Lord."
"Sing, O Heavens" ..... Barnby

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

St. John's choir under the direction of Prof. Rihm, will render the following music for Christmas: At 5 o'clock: "Mass in Honor of St. Louis," by La Hache, with the Christmas hymn, "Adeste Fidelis" during communion. At high mass, 10:30, Mass in A, by F. X. Schmidt, with offertory "Jubilate Deo" (grand chorus), by Mochenthaler; "Veni Creator," by Millard; quartette and chorus. Soloists: Mrs. McMahon, Miss Hawes, Messrs. Slater and Egermann; Miss Nora Clinton as assistant organist.

HOUSE OF HOPE.

An eclectic programme for both morning and evening will be presented by the quartette choir. On Sunday morning, an anthem by the American composer, Arthur Foote, a most beautiful, devotional writing, will be sung, "Arise, Shine." Foster's "There Were Shepherds," and Goodrich's carol with a solo from the Messiah, "Rejoice Greatly," by Mr. De Wolf, complete the morning programme. In the evening there will be these numbers:

Anthem—"Peace on Earth"— Mrs. H. H. A. Beach
Anthem—"They Shall Not Hunger nor Thirst" ..... Woodman
Hymn—"The Christ Child" .. Whitney Coombs
Duet—"The Angel of Light" .. Whitney Coombs
Hymn—"While Shepherds Watched"— Goodrich
Carol ..... "Once Again, O Blessed Time"

A Merry Christmas To One and All.

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The committee appointed at the recent meeting of the organized unemployed has issued the following address:

In all ages we see statesmen concerning themselves with the question: "What shall be done with surplus labor?" From remote antiquity down to the present time the invariable answer was, "Colonize it." But now there are no more free lands within reach of people without capital and the question must now be considered in a new light. As a partial solution of the problem we believe that in the co-operation method of doing business more people will be employed at better wages than under the present system. There will be no profits to enrich the few and impoverish the many; it will put an end to forcing down prices abnormally.

Since poverty has been coeval with civilization and the solution of the difficulty has baffled the greatest minds, we are not so assuming as to claim co-operation as a panacea for all evils, but we do believe that it is a departure toward crystallizing fundamental principles of government; that it will raise the standard of morals in that it will do away with private and public charity, so-called; that it will do away with the necessity of concentrating troops and the building of fortresses in our large industrial centers. Thus it will act as a powerful antidote to overcome the dangers of civil war and strife.

We recognize that charity is wasted capital, and a burden to tax payers; that it demoralizes and debases manhood. It was charity that coined the word "tramp." We hold that it is better for all citizens to produce instead of half of them remaining idle, living upon what the other half create.

It must be apparent to all that such a condition of affairs, which prevails in this country today, cannot endure long. We do not believe labor is responsible for the present hard times, governed as it is by laws framed with Draconian severity, thus depriving the working people of their inalienable rights as promulgated in the Declaration of Independence.

As a beginning we are about to put into operation a co-operative wood and coal yard—the profits being divided among the workers. Members of the society must be of good moral character. Ten per cent of the profits will be used as a contingent fund. The books of the association will always be opened for inspection to all parties concerned. It is proposed that every safeguard will be taken to conduct the association upon a scrupulously honest basis. Funds are needed. The finance committee is duly authorized to receive loans in the following manner, until $125 is paid into the hands of the treasurer: Certificates of the association for $5 will be sold, to be paid in wood or coal one week after said yard is opened for business, or three weeks after date certificate is issued. The money shall be paid directly into the hands of the treasurer, L. A. St. George, and the refunding of the same, per agreement, shall be guaranteed by his bondsmen.

We therefore appeal to the citizens of St. Paul to aid the association to the extent that every unemployed man in St. Paul shall be at work.

—Adolphe Paradis, President.

F. R. Hays, Secretary.

Executive committee:

E. D. Peppard,	Mark Bishop,
Peter Ege,	John Flaherty,
L. A. St. George,	W. Dasmode,
J. Green,	J. Larkin,
T. H. McMahon,	A. Sweeney,
A. Feehan,	J. Reedy,
F. X. Presoost,	J. Oaks,
J. M. McCarthy,	P. O'Connor,
H. Dammar,	S. Darwidy.

MORE BLESSED TO GIVE.

Lesson of the Festivities at House of Hope.

The Sunday school of the House of Hope church held its Christmas festival last evening. The church was appropriately decorated with evergreen, and on the pulpit was an immense Christmas tree, ablaze with electric lights. The members of the Sunday school classes occupied seats in the body of the church, the younger tots in the front seats. S. H. Dyer, superintendent of the school, had charge of the exercises, which were arranged with special attention to the younger portion of the school. Rev. N. P. Egbert made a short talk, Miss Lilla Joy read "The Shepherd Boy's Carol," and an invisible choir sang "Gloria in Excelsis." A score of little girls from the primary department sang a pretty and quaint song and Supt. Dyer read a story for the little folks. Miss Hanks delighted the children with her impersonation of "Mother Goose," and distributed to the members of the infant class miniature cradles filled with candy to the girls and sleds filled with sweets to the body. Instead of Santa Claus, a "jolly old miller" brought in the gifts for the children, each of whom was presented with a box of candy. One of the features, and, perhaps, the most pleasing of the entertainment, was the offering of gifts by the children. Each one of the 400 members of the school had brought something to be given to those who had no Sunday school entertainment to attend and the offerings were of all kinds, fruit, toys, clothing, and money. These gifts will be distributed among poor children in all parts of the city today.

KRIS KRINGLE'S DAY

WAS USHERED IN WITH CHRISTMAS TREES BEFORE THE CALENDAR WAS READY.

MANY PRETTY SERVICES

DID HONOR TO BETHLEHEM'S BABE, WHILE BRINGING JOY TO BLEEDING HEARTS.

INCIDENTS OF THE YULETIDE

Gathered at the Various Exercises Held Yesterday and Last Night in St. Paul.

A gerat big Christmas tree, richly laden with goodies! Hundreds of little, pleading hands outstretched toward it, hundreds of bright eyes glistening with childish anticipation! For all that hung upon it was to be theirs.

Surely such a spectacle was enough to transform the dark and dingy interior of the old market house into a radiant bower of fairyland. Most uninviting were the surroundings, plain and humble the people, but the picture—with that lofty Christmas tree and those eager, excited children surrounding and gazing at it in perfect ecstasies of admiration—well, it was a subject for the brush of a great artist.

This picturesque scene was witnessed last evening in the old market house, on the first floor, in that space which has been occupied by the exhibits of the Manufacturers' union. A gigantic Christmas tree was taken in there and loaded with the things that children love, and grown folks, too, for that matter. The gifts were donated by the various wholesale and retail houses and the manufacturers, as well as by the tenants of the market house, who all contributed something to the poor children's Christmas tree. For that tree and its fruit were for the children of the poor.

Who shall describe the scene, when those children were let in? If they had been old folks they might have been "speechless with admiration, as old folks sometimes are. But admiration doesn't have that silencing effect upon the little ones. They fairly screamed with delight as they gazed upon that tree. And what a sight it was to be sure! Every limb, branch and twig bore a treasure. Rosy-cheeked apples and succulent oranges dangled from dizzy heights, tin horns and jumping jacks caused young America to dance for joy; coquettish dolls and strings of pop corn and candy set many a little girl's heart in a flutter. There was never anything like it before, that's certain.

And there were more serious and substantial presents for some of the parents of the poor, though the good old Christmas tree could scarcely bear such enormous pumpkins and squash and such bunches of vegetables as lay beneath its shade. There were rabbits to be had, too, both dead and alive.

Now, it must not be understood that all these good things came down from the tree for the mere looking at them, eloquent as were the appealing eyes of the children. There must needs be a Kris Kringle, and more than one, to scale the tree and pluck its precious fruit. And who should do that but Mrs. Augusta Berger, an active enthusiastic little woman, who keeps a vegetable stand in the market? and who could more appropriately assist her in passing the gifts to the children's hands than Theodore Wickersheim, the old janitor of the old market house. So Mrs. Berger mounted the ladder, and climbing well up toward "the topmost round," she proceeded to detach the Christmas presents and drop them down into Janitor Wickersheim's hands.

What a hub-bub there was then!

"Gimme dat!" "Dat's mine!" "I want dat horn!" "I ain't got nothin' yet!" shouted a score of urchins.

"Can't I have that apple?" "Please give me that doll." "Oh do give me some candy," cried ever so many of the little girls.

But the children were not the only clamorous ones. One old lady complained that the children were getting everything. Janitor Wickersheim pacified her with a pumpkin. Another old lady wanted something, and Mrs. Berger dropped a wreath trimmed with paper roses on her head, and Janitor Wickersheim gave her a rabbit.

Meanwhile some of the more audacious children crept under the tree and proceeded to strip its lower branches of everything in sight, even to the glittering tinsel.

Mrs. Berger received as her reward a pretty doll and doll baby, and Janitor Wickersheim found a box of cigars with his name on the outside.

After it was all over, and the children had departed, tooting their horns and toting their dolls, a poor, forlorn mongrel black and tan nosed around under the barren tree and licked up the crumbs.

OTHER CHRISTMAS DOINGS.

Plays of the Local Churches and Societies.

The Society of Young Christian Soldiers of St. Clement's Church met yesterday afternoon at the church guild hall and made up quite a number of packages of gifts for the poor children of the Church of the Messiah. The Christmas tree at St. Clement's and distribution of toys will be held on Tuesday afternoon and evening.

A Christmas entertainment was given in Burr Street Baptist church Thursday evening which was a very enjoyable affair. Mrs. Woods and Mrs. Mason had charge of the music, which was of a very fine order. Mrs. Page was in charge of the recitations.

The East Presbyterian Sunday school will give an entertainment in the church parlors next Tuesday evening. Mesdames Cameron, Herbert and Anderson have it in charge.

The pupils of Sibley school gave a very pretty entertainment in the kindergarten room Thursday afternoon. A tree loaded down with holiday toys was an attraction. A programme of marches and exercises, in charge of Miss McCray and Miss Plummer, was given. The tree was afterwards sent to the day nursery.

The Gustavus Adolphus Sunday school will give a Christmas entertainment Monday evening under the direction of A. Lundquist.

A cantata, "Santa's Surprise Party," was given by the pupils of the fourth grade of John Ericsson school Thursday afternoon. In the other rooms the cantata, "The Year's Carnival," was given. There were eight trees beautifully decorated and a Santa Claus at the close of the programme.

The Arlington Hills Presbyterian Sunday school will hold their Christmas exercises next Monday evening.

A Christmas entertainment will be given Tuesday evening in Grace M. E. church by the Sunday school. Mrs. E. A. Elder has charge of the programme.

A Christmas concert will be given this evening in the First Swedish Lutheran church under the direction of Rev. L. A. Johnston.

A well laden Christmas tree, which was got up by the pupils of Miss Ansbro's room in the Sibley school, was sent Thursday to the little children in the city hospital.

The members of the Sibley school teachers' staff presented the janitor of the school, Mr. Nelson, with a set of solid silver table spoons for a Christmas gift.

The First Presbyterian Sunday school will hold their Christmas exercises in the church Sunday morning at 10:30. This year the school and church will bring gifts for the poor. The church will be open Saturday (Christmas) to receive the articles.

Bates Avenue M. E. Sunday school gave its entertain