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THANKSGIVING SERMON.

Delivered in the First M. E. Church of Owosso, Thanksgiving Morning, by Rev. Carey V. Northrop, of the First Baptist Church.

"Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem. Praise thy God, O Zion; for He hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; He hath blessed thy children within thee; He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat."—Ps. 147, 12-14.

What would be more appropriate today, than that we, as a christian congregation, with songs of praise in heart and on lip, seek to study with deepening gratitude the theme selected for this hour's thought: The bright side of 1897.

For months until the months have made up years, both as individuals and as a nation, the American people have brooded too much and, at times, with a degree of inexcusable pessimism over their perplexities and disappointments, their adversities and sorrows. Upon our republic, so bounteously and divinely favored throughout its whole chequered history, there came a monetary crash and crisis which tried men's souls, tested men's courage, humbled men's spirits and broke men's hearts. In a moment, in a twinkling of an eye, with the unexpectedness and rapidity of a flash of lightning from the bosom of a clear sky, were witnessed on every hand the retreat of confidence, the failure of banks, the suspension of business, the shutting down of mills, the embarrassment of railroads, the reduction of wages and other unnumbered calamities. And weighty have been our personal losses, so vast and varied our national disturbances, so universal and unusual the world's calamities that we have been educating ourselves to a one-sided vision. Now such a spirit should be discouraged. It argues the absence of self-control, of self-mastery, of trust in our Almighty and all-wise God. We need today the bugle blast of hope, the prophetic notes of a not far distant triumph. We need to bid courage revive, faith grow strong, confidence be restored, men lift heart and head, and there will be brought back the day when praises of joy shall follow dirges of sorrow, and our beloved and favored land rejoice again in the prosperities of earth and the benediction of heaven. The time has come, I say, before the old year vanish away forever, to catch new life and inspiration from the future by contemplating, with happy recognition of God and his goodness, a few at least, of the manifold and marvelous blessings showered upon us in America, especially, during the divinely guided history of the present year.

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HAPPY WEDDING.

Charles B. Cook and Miss Addie McGilvra Married Tuesday.

Willow Dale farm, the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. H. Payne, six miles south of the city was the joyous scene of a happy wedding which, nevertheless had an unusually keen touch of regret about it, for it was a reminder to the friends of the immediate loss to them of two of their most popular companions, Charles B. Cook and Miss Addie McGilvra.

At six o'clock the bridal party led by Rev. Geo. P. Mitchell, of Ovid, descended the stairs to the strain of a wedding march, played by Mrs. Frank Lewis, and took their place beneath a white dove which was suspended from an archway of white and green in the doorway leading to the reception room. Then the words were pronounced which made them man and wife, and under this archway Mr. and Mrs. Cook lingered to receive the congratulations and best wishes which came thick and fast.

A large number of friends from Owosso and other parts of the county were present and they brought an abundance of gifts which will ensure many a pleasant thought of the donors in the years to come.

Mr. Cook is one of the very best and most enterprising of Shiawassee's young farmers. Liking the freedom and pleasures of farm life, he did not stop content without a scientific knowledge of the possibilities of the farm and took a complete course in the State Agricultural College. Mrs. Cook also attended the Agricultural College after taking considerable work in the Owosso high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Cook have already left for Oswego, N. Y., where they have a farm in the suburbs of the city. They will engage in the raising of small fruits, this being the line along which Mr. Cook has specialized.

THE TIMES joins with their many other friends in wishing the newly married pair much success and happiness.

The Estey Factories.

The Estey saw mill starts up today to cut up the logs now on hand. Quite a large number of logs have already been drawn in and there is material enough now on hand for a three weeks' run.

The steam and hot air pipes are being placed in the new rooms of the dry kiln, which is nearly ready for use.

The factory B has begun running on nine hours time temporarily. Both factories were shut down yesterday all day for Thanksgiving.

The new seventy-five horse power engine which was put in some weeks ago to run the cutting machinery at factory A, has not yet been connected up with the machinery owing to the fact that it does not seem to be up to specifications in every respect.

A number of carload orders have been occupying the attention of the shipping department at factory A this week. Of these, one is for Fort Wayne, Ind., one for Rochester, N. Y., another for Los Angeles, Cal., and still another for Keokuk, Iowa.

In addition to the large government order received some weeks ago for furniture to be used at forty-nine Indian schools and agencies, another order has been received this week. The furniture will be shipped to Chicago to the warehouses of the department. From there government officials report to destination. The Ft. Bidwell school in California and the Chamberlain school in South Dakota will each use a part of this shipment.

The boilers at both plants were inspected the first of the week by J. S. Naller, of St. Louis, Mo.

Aiken-Hansman.

The marriage of Miss Anna A. Hansman to Clark W. Aiken was performed at the home of the bride's parents, on Comstock street, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The guests were received at the door by Mrs. Geo. Hansman and Miss Cora Hansman, and ushered to the parlor where they awaited the appearance of the contracting parties. As the clock struck the hour of three the bride came down stairs on the arm of her brother, George, and the best man appeared with the groom. Miss Emma Hux acted as bridesmaid and Rolla West, of Corunna, as best man. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. W. Hunt. After a dainty bridal feast was served Mr. and Mrs. Aiken took the 6 o'clock train for Toledo, Cleveland and other points, where they will enjoy a few days honeymoon, then will return to this city to reside. Both the young people are well known and have many friends in Owosso and vicinity. Mrs. Aiken having for the past few years held a responsible position as clerk in J. J. Davis' store. Mr. Aiken is a partner of the well known firm of Aiken & Whelan.

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Lecture Course Opened.

The Y. M. C. A. Star course was opened last evening by the Schumann Ladies Orchestra at the Baptist church. In spite of the stormy evening a large audience was in attendance and the success of the course was assured. The performance of the ladies was highly pleasing to the audience which warmly applauded each number and secured several fine encores of popular music by their appreciation. Each of the soloists was also obliged to respond to an encore. Nearly ninety season tickets were sold last night, making the whole number sold probably about six hundred, thus ensuring the success of the course.

Mrs. Sargent.

The funeral of Mrs. Raymond Sargent, whose death from quick consumption was briefly noticed in our last issue, was held at the First M. E. church on Sunday afternoon, Rev. John Sweet officiating.

Mrs. Sargent was twenty-two years of age and has always lived in this city, except during the first few months after her marriage, when she lived in Adrian. Her maiden name was Maud Carr and she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carr of north Park street. She was a favorite among her large circle of friends and was a consistent member of the First M. E. church of this city. Besides her husband she leaves a little daughter six months old. Mr. Sargent has the sympathy of the community in his sad loss.

Thanksgiving Ball.

The seventh annual Thanksgiving ball was given in the Armory last evening by Company G. At 9:30 o'clock the doors to the hall were opened and the sweet music of Wesener's orchestra soon had the guests tripping the light fantastic. The hall was tastefully decorated in the most elaborate manner. Large festoons of red, white and blue bunting were strung about the room and three large flags were artistically placed on the ceiling. Supper was served between eleven o'clock and one and after that the party did not break up until after three o'clock. The evening was a complete success and was enjoyed by everyone who took part.

Car Shops.

The shops were closed yesterday for Thanksgiving. The car repairers school of instruction was held Wednesday under Master Mechanic Tawse and assistant Barnes.

James Morgan, of Frankfort, visited his friends in this city Wednesday.

Frank Connor, son of J. B. Connor, of Denver, Col., has been greeting his friends in the shops this week. Frank will make an extended visit in Owosso.

J. B. Martin is in Cadillac this week repairing cars.

Wm. Elliot and Wm. Moore, of Durand, formerly residents of this city, were looking about the yards Tuesday and Wednesday.

Assistant Thompson, of the Auditor's office at Toledo, was looking up records in this city Tuesday.

Last Monday was pay-day, and the boys are now happy. Snow shovel No. 1 is receiving a general overhauling.

Thanksgiving Exercises at High School.

A large number of visitors completely filled all extra space in the assembly room of the High School Wednesday afternoon to listen to the exercises which concluded the school work preceding the Thanksgiving recess.

Prin. Mertz presided in his characteristic easy, pleasant way, making everyone feel at home and at ease. The program was of a Thanksgiving character and was of more than usual interest.

An original story was read by Lee Clark. Miss Lizzie Todd and Isaac Gladden read essays on historical subjects appropriate to the day, and the Misses Clara Carson and Nettie Marsa gave recitations. The musical side of the program was also well provided for by a solo by Mrs. Travis and also a solo by Frank Allen, the latter with violin accompaniment played by Miss Vera Haskell. There were also two selections rendered by the high school chorus, which has been trained by Miss Lowell. Considerable interest and fun centered in the reading of the high school newspaper, edited by Miss Pauline Crum, editor-in-chief, Lee Clark, literary editor; the Misses Fannie Crawford and Grace Todd, editors of local events and current topics; and Archie Clapp, sporting editor.

At the conclusion Supt. Simmons announced that though he believed that the program was at an end, he believed it was to be continued the next day on the fair grounds at 3 o'clock and invited every one to "go up there and see how much the pupils have learned."

Yesterday's Foot Ball Game.

The foot ball game between the Owosso and Saginaw teams yesterday was a close and exciting contest which became most exciting when the game was nearly finished.

In the first half Owosso kicked off and stopped the ball on its way back, well toward Saginaw's goal line. The ball was kept in Saginaw's territory and in a short time was pushed over for the first touchdown. Owosso then kicked an easy goal.

Saginaw then turned the tables, playing but a few minutes in Owosso's territory before their full back got around the end of the Owosso line and sprinted down the field for a touchdown. Saginaw then failed to kick just such a goal as Owosso had kicked a few minutes before. The playing was in Saginaw territory when time was called. Score 6 to 4 in Owosso's favor.

In the second half after playing in Saginaw's territory for a while, during which a pretty run for a long gain was made by Shanafelt, the Saginaw players secured the ball and forced the playing into Owosso's territory, keeping it within a few yards of the goal line during the last few minutes. Darkness and the inconsiderate closeness of the spectators who crowded up close behind the players, made both play and decisions difficult, but time was finally called with the ball still inside the goal line, leaving the score as at the end of the first half, 6 to 4 in Owosso's favor.

This game gives the championship of the Saginaw valley to the Owosso team, an honor which it has fairly earned. In spite of the rain and mud enough tickets were sold for the game to make up the deficit of twenty dollars incurred at the previous game and leave about twenty-five dollars to the credit of the High School piano fund.

Byron.

Nettie Smith is the teacher in the Haviland district the coming winter—Miss Maud French, of Perry, will teach in the Chaffee district this winter. Miss French formerly lived in Byron, while her father was principal of the Byron school.—Union Thanksgiving services were held in the M. E. church Thursday morning—E. C. Tuckey, wife and son, went to Paw Paw, Saturday, returning Monday evening. A girl baby put in an appearance at Charles Switzer's Tuesday—Stewart Beterly and Alvie Newman were married on Wednesday at 9 o'clock. P. M. by Rev. J. S. Joslyn at the J. E. parsonage in Byron—Frank Savage and John Alden returned Tuesday night from the north woods, where they have been deer hunting.

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Fat Men's Cycle Club Banquet the Eldorado Club.

The Fat Men's Cycle Club finished a most pleasant and enjoyable season by banqueting the members of the Eldorado Cycle Club at the Congregational church parlors, Monday evening.

The fat men in giving the instructions for the banquet specified simply that "nothing was too good for a fat man," and the ladies of the Congregational church, who prepared the banquet, interpreted these directions in their most liberal sense. The guests assembled in the lecture room and spent an hour pleasantly in a social way. The tables were set in the dining room, and were arranged in the form of a hollow square. The square was then filled with palms, potted plants and cut flowers, while the tables themselves bore a generous load of chrysanthemums. But the chrysanthemums which were there to be looked at, did not take up so much room that there was not ample space left for an abundance of good things to eat. The banquet itself, which was served in eight courses, was made up of the choicest of delicacies and an abundance of the substantial as well, and was pronounced by all as probably the finest ever served in the city.

At half past ten Stanley E. Parilli as toast master announced the beginning of the intellectual part of the evening's entertainment in his usual witty style. Supt. J. W. Simmons responded to the toast of "The humorous side of the wheel." W. S. Hunt followed with a toast on "Ourselves and the candidate." Rev. J. C. Cromer considered "The theology of the wheel." G. B. McCaughaugh kept the ladies in laughter by the witty way in which he treated the toast "The Eldorado Club." Rev. E. W. Hunt spoke of "An auxiliary to an auxiliary." Mrs. Fred Caburn, president of the Eldorado Club, made a neat speech thanking the gentlemen for the interest they had taken in their club and called on Mrs. Gilbert Taylor to say good night in behalf of the club, which she did in a witty speech which none could fail to appreciate.

Local News.

Mart Chapman, of Ionia, is in the city the guest of F. A. and A. M. Hurlbut.

Chas. Saekrier returned from Cheboygan Wednesday, where he was visiting friends.

Miss Ivalota Boies, teacher in Central school building, spent Sunday at her home in Lansing.

Miss Lulu Wellman, of Detroit, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. V. Northrop, for Thanksgiving day.

The schools of the city closed Wednesday for the week to give the pupils a chance to enjoy Thanksgiving.

Mrs. R. D. Crawford is in Ann Arbor for a short visit with her sons, A. A. and R. W. Crawford, who are attending the University.

D. F. Mertz, principal of the High School, went to Ann Arbor this morning to attend the meeting of the Michigan school masters' club. He will also visit his brother in Detroit before returning home.

The Junior Literary Club met with Miss Sarah Owen last Saturday. Many interesting stories of Conan Doyle's writings were told and papers upon his life were read. The next meeting will be with Miss Addie Crowe, 715 West main street.

Next Sunday being Advent Sunday special services will be held morning and evening at Christ Episcopal church, with appropriate music and special sermons by the pastor, that at 10:30 being on "The Significance of the Advent Season," and at 7:30 "A special sermon to St. Andrew's Brotherhood."

Rev. W. S. Ament will address the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. at four o'clock Sunday afternoon. He will be attired in Chinese costume and will show and explain the interior of a Chinese home with its gods arranged and with incense burning. It is to be an unusual service. All men are invited.

Early Tuesday morning John Reynolds, residing on Corunna avenue, went to his barn to feed his horse, but upon opening the stable found a pool of blood, and the horse lying dead upon the floor with its throat cut. Mr. Reynolds suspected his son-in-law, Simon Sharp, with whom he had not been on the best of terms, and a warrant was issued by Justice McCaughaugh, Marshal Barristford and deputy Maek went to the home of Sharp and placed him under arrest. The fight which Sharp put up aroused the suspicions of the police and a search through the house was enacted. A surprise was in store for the police, as they found the robes, blankets and wearing apparel which was stolen from clothes lines in Corunna and Owosso last week. Besides Simon the officers found at the home Hiram Pickens, Cora Bell Van Court, who were all placed under arrest. In default of \$200 bail each they were taken to the County jail to await their trial which takes place this morning. Many of the articles stolen have been identified by the owners.

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