On Wednesday evening of last week while the Grand Lodge of Masons was in session, St. John Court, Heroines of Jericho, was installing its officers for the ensuing year.Quite a brilliant assemblage of ladies was present, and a most pleasant evening was spent.

The following officers were installed: Mrs. Mary E. Thompson, most ancient matron, second term; Mrs. Hantali Brown, assistant most ancient matron: Sir Thomas A. Dodd, Worthy Joshua, third term: Miss Rebecca Dennis, secretary; Mrs. Annle Brown, treasurer.

Georgiana Taylor, corductress; Sadie Boode.

A. Dodd, Worthy Joshua, made a few brief remarks felicitating the | Our last Communion this year. Isthe success it had met during the near Presstman, Sunday, services all year. He also in a very neat speech day. At 5.30 a.m., prayer meeting ing, 25 cents and 35 cents. introduced the invited guest, among 11 a. m., sermon by the pastor, subwhom were Sisters Cornelia Snyder, lieet "Birth of Christ," at 3 p. m., and Laura Hariis and Sir Josoph sermon by a stranger and at 8 p. m.

Dodd, Right Eminent Grand Com- Don't miss this opportunity of being

The annual report showed that 31 new members had been added to the roll during the year, and over \$100 ton and Carlton streets, 4 a. m., sertead been added to the bank account mon by the pastor, 11 a.m., sermon of the Court.. At the close of the in- by the pastor, 230 p. m. Sunday stallation a collation was served un- school, 4.30 p. m. A. ... C. E. & L. der the direction of M. A. M. Mary | 8 p. m., the Sunday school gives a E. Thompson.

EMPTY STOCKING CIRCLE-In view of the opposition coming | from the white "Empty Stocking Club" to the use of that name by the colored association, the latter will hereafter be known as "The Empty! aré Stocking Circle."

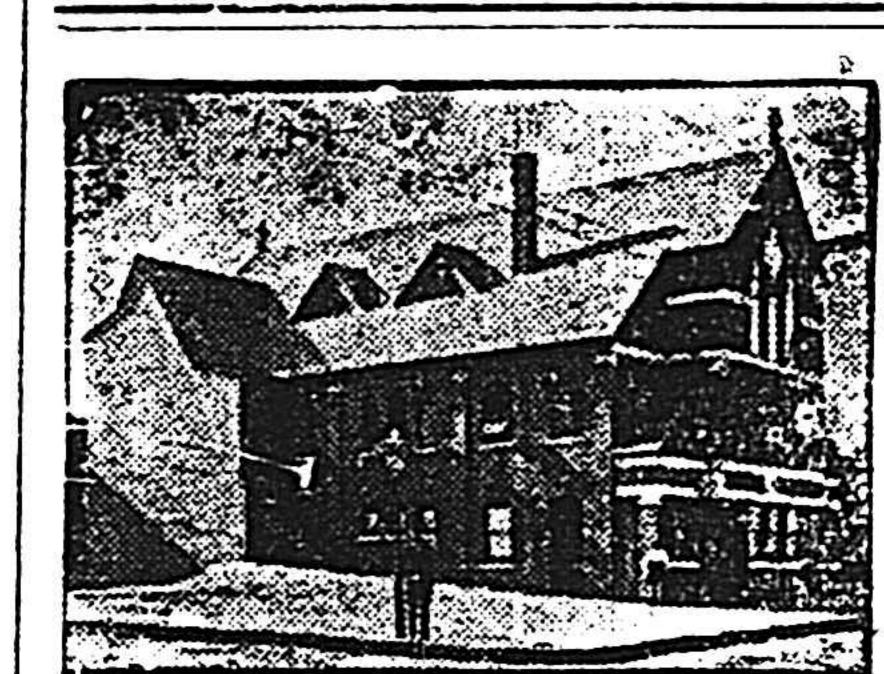
The meeting of the Circle on Wedmesday evening, at the Y. W. C. A. was largely attended and considera- and make the offering as large as ! ble interest manisested. Donations possible. of thirty odd pairs of stockings, over Esteen dollars in money and a nun. ber of pounds of candy were reportthe stockings of the children of the o'clock at Payne Memoriel A. M. E. Monday, Jan. 2, 1905. various infant asylums on Friday Church, under the auspices of the afternoon of next week. The child- Sunday school. Rev. L. M. Beckett, A Rare Treat. ren will assemble in the rooms of the pastor. Mr. Andrew Gassaway, Y. W. C. A. An attractive program | Superintendent. has been arranged for the pleasure of

the little oues. to receive donations of any kind to mon on "The Birth of Christ," by Beckett, president of the Circle, 1367 Admission 5 cents. N. Carey street; Mrs. Minule Johnson, 634 George street; Mrs. Warner T. McGuian, 1911 Division street; Mrs. M. E. Murphy, 1320 Lymid Hill a Son is given. avenue, or sit the office of the Afro. American Ledger, 307 St. Paul St.

tion of the Heads of colored Indus-! select voices. Chief characters are: trial Schools, and Colleges. will be | Pilgrim, Miss Maria Jolly: Teacher, kield in Memphis, Tenn,, next woek. Mr. Benjamin D. Burk; Tempter, Mr. Educators from all parts of the Samuel J. Hooper. country will be present and take If you want to enjoy an evening of part in the program. Among those sacred pleasure come. with will take prominent parts are Prof. W. H. Councill, president of the 1, & N. College, Normal, Ala.; Rev. Dr. M. C. B. Mason, secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Societa of the Methodist Episcopal Dhurch; Mrs. XMAS BAZAR. Annie Cooper, principal of the Wash-Fagton High School, Washington, D. C. and Prof. J. H. N. Waring, M. D., of the Baltimore City High and Training School, Dr. Waling is chairman of the executive committee.

A special sermon was preached to the St. Joseph Council Juvenile of ding. the I. U. St. Luke at the Mt. Vernon) Baptist: church, on last Sunday Drills and Presentation. aight by the pastor, Rev. George Washington. The children assembied in the lecture room and marched up into the main auditorium, which made a splendid showing. Jos. A Pratt, G. W. P. Chief, was present.

Wouldn't Stand for Tattling. A little boy in Deering, Me., was brought before his father recently and accused of killing a chicken. "Who told you about it?" asked the boy. ond Sunday in Jacuary at 2.30 The hen did," said the father. Noth ing more was said that day, but the divine services. next morning the hen was found dead, and the boy being accused of killing it: admitted it, saying in defense, "Yes, It did kill the hen, and I'll kill every that tells on me.



ST. JAMES' CHURCH. Park Avenue and Preston St. Rev. George F. Bragg Jr. Rector

and 4th Sundays in the month.

11 A. M. Divine Service: 8 P. M., Service and Sermon.

The first service Christmas morning will be at 6.30. Holy Communion High Celebration and sermon at 11 a. m.

Cornelia McNamara, associate con- St. John A. M. B. Church, Sunday ductress; Sadie Boone, I. G. K.; Sale-1 school every Sunday at 2:30 p. m. na Low, O. G. K. Court directors: | Everybody invited to come. Strang-George Brown, Edward J. Evans, ers visiting the city are extended a Dunmar Brown. Ark bearers, Au- special invitation to take part in our gelina Kellev. Annie Brown, Mary services. Good music. Rev. J. Albert A. Sanks, Annie M Banks. Banking Johnson, pastor, teaches the Men's committee, Mary Kelley, Mury Keen Bible class. Your presence will be appreciated. J. H. Murphy, Supt. Aster the installation, Sir Thomas | I. Albert Johnson, D. D., Pastor. ts

Court on its excellent condition and real Baptist church, Bruce street Jackson, all of Zerrubable Court. The pastor will also preach from William E. Tilghman, M.W. Grand | the subject, "Last Opportunity." Master: J. H. Murphy, M. E. Grand After which we will have our Com-High Priest, and Sir Thomas A. munion services. All are welcome.

> Allen A. M. E. Church, Lexing-Cantata conducted by Messrs. Howard D. Brent and John Dyson.

Wm. Taylor, Supt. A. L. C. E. & L. J. W. Norris, Pastor.

Special Offering.—Christmas, New Year's Day and 2nd Sunday in Jan uary, 1905, Madison Street Presbyterian Church. Members and siends are cordially invited to be present Geo. E. Frey, Clerk of Sessions.

Cantata Extraordinary. Christ-

Shiloh Free Baptist church, 4 a. The ladies in charge would be glad | m., Christmas services, 11 a.m., ser-

> COME ONE COME ALL. Behold unto us a child is born unto us

Church, Christmas night, Dec. 25th, EDUCATORS TO MEET-The at 8 P. M. Subject: The Beautiful

Strictly Silver Offering at the door. Edward Hughes, Supt. Charles Robinson, Sec. Rev. S. H. Brown, D. D., Pastor.

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Wednesday, Dec. 28, Recitations,

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

All regular Masons in good stand- list our people have access to. ing will meet in the basement of Grace Presbyterian church, corner of o'clock, for the purpore attending

By order, W. E. TILGHMAN, Grand Master. L. H. Smith, Grand Secretary.

CHURCHNOTICES Christmas Night, Sunday, Dec. 71

AT 7.30 O'CLOCK, AT

Waters A. M. E. Church,

Christmas Exercises of the Highest Order under the aus pices of the Sunday School of said Church.

Processioaal March by the Entire Sunday school under the solemn strain of "Silent Night."

Full Cantata-Christmas Hosannas. 1 Tableaux -1. The Infant Christ in the Manger.

2. Visit of the Wise Men. 3. Shepherds leading the way, tell the story in the burning words of Scripture.

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mander, K. T. and grand secretary, with us. Rev. Wm. A. Young, pas-J. L. H. Smith, were among the vis. tor and sister Bertha Calvin, Church A merry Xmas and a happy New Year

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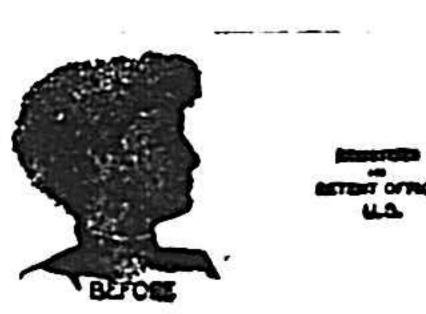


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Mr. Howard L. Blake of Boston, has loined his wife, who is visiting Mrs. Chas. Wise. They will leave tor Philadelphia, where they will spend the holidays.

Mrs. Chas. Wise and Miss Lvdia. Johnson gave a reception at their residence, 711 Linden avenue, in honor of Mrs. Howard L. Blake of Boston. The evening was very pleasantly spent. At 10.30 the dining room was thrown open and there the guests enjoyed all the delicacies of the season. Among those present were: Mr. and Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Anderoc29tf son, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Dales, Miss C. Combes and Mr

THE MARRIAGE of Miss Lavinia sultation Free. Office 811 Ensor was solemnized at her parents' home my 21; 3m | 1124 Woodyear street, Thursday, Dec. 15, 1904. The ceremony was Mary Henson was bridesmald and Mr. Joseph Downes best man. The Curly Hair Made Straight By Many useful presents were received. Among the out of town guests was her aunt, Mrs. Deward.

RECEPTION AND SURPRISE.—

A pleasant surprise party was tendered Miss M. M. Brown of Norfolk, Va., at the residence of Mrs. G. D. Palmer of 530 Robert street, by Mr. amil Mrs. Alexander of Roland Park. A large number of friends were present. A nong them were: Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Smith, Mr. and This wonderful hair pomade is the only safe [Mrs. A. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. eurly hair straight as shown above. It nourlishes the scalp, prevents the hair from falling out or breaking off, cures dandruff and makes the hair grow long and silky. Sold over forty-the hair grow long and silky. Sold over forty-the harmless. It was the first preparation every harmless. It was the first preparation every large of the harmless. It was the first preparation every large of the harmless. It was the first preparation every large of the harmless. It was the first preparation every large of the harmless. It was the first preparation every large of the harmless. It was the first preparation every large of the harmless. It was the first preparation every large of the harmless of the h Sold for straightening kinky hair. Beware of characteristics. Remember that the Original characteristics are characteristics. Remember that the Original characteristi the that claim to be just as good -but always & A. Dobbins, Joseph Hall, James insist upon getting the genuine, as it used to keep the hair straight, soft and bits to keep the hair straight, soft and bits to keep that healthy, life-like appoints. Brockenbough and David Robinson. A pleasant effening was spent and a number of presents received. Miss Brown lest the city on Friday sor her home to spend the holidays with

> Baltimore, Md., Dec. 19, 1904. Mr. J. H. Murphy, editor,

307 St. Paul street, city, Dear Sir:-Under date of December 17th, "The Lancet" published a report to the effect of my being married in Washington, D. C., on the 30th, ultimo.

I would thank you to contradict that statement through the columns of your paper by saying it is untrue and that the person or persons who are responsible for same have told a base falsehood.

Trusting you will have this appear in vour next issue, I am, Yours truly,

HOWARD D. BRENT.

COMMUNICATED.

Mr. Editor: On account of a breaking down of health, due direcetly to the aggressiveness and vigor with which he has always pushed his work, Rev. John W. Backett last May was compelled to give up the pastorate to which he was assigned. His condition has not substan.

tially improved. We, with a number of laymen, believe that the pa-tors and officers, especially of the A. M. E. churches of this city, [could not do a better thing than to give their members and the public an opportunity to make this big hearted, publicspirited, disabled pastor a cash Christin sports but bleaches out white, the skin remaining mas gift by an "after collection" at the morning service on Christmas or New

> Year's Sunday. We make this suggestion at the solicitation of quite a number of laymen and public spirited men and women. Harry Burgess, P A. Goines, and others

Maine Man Caught White Hedgehog. The white hedgehog captured by Henry Beal of Parkman a few weeks ago has succeeded in making his escape, gnawing through his cage, which was composed of wood covered with fence wire. While in Mr. Beal's possession hundreds came to see him, several coming many miles. Mr. Beal refused several quite large offers for him.—Guilford Citizen.

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