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CHURCH.

The new building now being erected on the N. W. cor. Dolphin and Etting Sts., will be occupied in October by the Congregation which now Worship in the Old Sharp St. Church on Sharp St. between Lombard and Pratt Sts. The new building will cover the entire lot which is 91 feet 6 inches by 90 feet 5 inches and will be two stories in height. The exterior walls are all faced with woodstock granite and lined on the inside with brick. The building is designed in perpendicular gothic with a tower 25 feet square and 85 feet high at corner. The plan is cruciform having gables on each of the four faces. The basement which is partially below and partially above the street grade contains lecture room, primary class room and 6 class rooms which can all be thrown into one large room of 4264 square feet floor space by means of sliding doors. There is also on this floor a library, kitchen, and two toilet rooms. The auditorium which is on the second floor, is arranged in ampitheater style with circular sloping floor and has a seating capacity of about 700, the pastor's study is also located on this floor. There is a circular gallery around three sides of the church with a seating capacity of about 500. A trustee or board room is located on level of gallery and has a fire-proof safe built into walls of same. The pastor's and trustee's rooms are furnished with open fire places. The auditorium will have open timbered roof with woodwork of Gulf Cypres and quartered white oak. The choir and organ is located in alcove back of pulpit.

The building is to be lighted by electricity and heated by steam and will have a slate roof. There are four stairways leading from basement to gallery, one located at each corner of the building making ample means of ingress and egress.

The north, south and east walls of auditorium will each be pierced by a group of three large traceried windows, the center one being 13 ft. wide and 27½ ft. high. The side ones being 5 ft. high by 13½ ft. high. These windows will be fitted with opolescent glass in rich designs to correspond with general style of architecture.

Mr. E. M. Noel is the builder and Mr. A. H. Bieler, the architect. Ground was broken Feb. 9th, and cornerstone laid March 24th, building is to be completed and ready for occupancy Oct. 15th, 1898.

THE CASE STATED.

new church is now well under way ed, from time to time, were Proviit may not be amiss to review some of the circumstances which have surrounded our case from the beginning of the struggle. fifteen or twenty years our people have been agitating the question before he succeeds in getting the of a new church but the first defi- desired model? When we contemnite move in that direction was made in September 1886, by the the new site over all that have purchase of a lot on Lexington St. For reasons well known the purpose to build thereon was abandoned. Some eight or ten other sites were, at various times, under more or less serious consideration but in each instance there were drawbacks which forstalled action. These impediments seemed to work greatly to our disadvantage, as evidenced in the discouragements to which they gave rise. As the result many persons, including some of our best workers declared that they would do nothing in the way of lending financial support to any new church project until the circumstance portended better issue Looked at from a human standpoint there may be much in the past mind that God often leads us by heavily drawn upon to carry it aid us by coming forward with sion divided into ten com- heralded from many sources.

strange, mysterious paths. For aught we know the hindrances Since the work of building the and draw backs we have encounterdentially ordered. We are incline to think so. Have we not been in the position of the worker in must make a number of castings plate the advantages in favor of occupied our notice hitherto, we conclude that the delays, disapointments, vexation of mind and expenditure of money have been blessings in disguise. Slowly we have come at last to our long desired haven. Now let us improve our opportunity.

The members of our congregation, unlike many others, have not, for several years past, been burdened with financial obligations, owing to the fact that we have had sufficient revenue to meet the expenses of the board of trustees, so that we have not been required to come before them for collections. But the situation is different now. We have upon our hands an enterprise of such magnitude that

raise the money so urgently need. ed we will be compelled to make any one. We go no futher than to personal sacrifice from day to day. Each one will have to reach down into his pockets and give till he feels it. Something may be realized from entertainments of various kinds, but experience warns us against placing too much reliance upon them. They are spasmodic and, therefore, an uncertain quantity. If we would pay our bills according to agreement and thereby maintain our standing for business the spirit of devotion now is the thus help their less fortunate neighintegrity before the public, we must time to show it, not by words only, bors. see to it that we provide for a but in deed and in truth. Let no stated amount to be paid regularly one shirk his post while duty loud- not take to this kind of organizainto the treasury.

the completion of the new church. the freedom from debt of our beau- to come forward and add their We have endeavored to keep with tiful Sharp Street Memorial. We names to the Roll of Honor, by in the limit fixed at the outset. have confidence in you that you contributing as much money as We believe that when the extent will not disappoint us. Let us, they can spare, and it is earnestly and quality of the work is consider- in the name of God, push on to hoped that everyone will become ed there will be discovered ample victory. justification for the outlay. It is just such an edifice as we were instructed to contract for and we think nothing is ventured by saying that most everybody will be pleased with it after its completion. We can look upon it with some measure of honest pride and hand it down, without blushing to our children and the generations following. We regret that there are to be found, here and there, persons who seem indisposed to give towards the fund on account the erroneous notion that the sale of and the parties are under the old Sharp St. property would provide sufficient money to cancel the debt for the new building, and brass and iron who, in many cases, probally leave a fair balance in have been estimated for our favor. Such persons are sadly mistaken. While we naturally Glass, Organ and Archi desire to sell for as large amount tect, Carpets and conas we can command. yet it would tingencies. be urreasonable to expect to get any thing like what some unfamilliar with the real estate market imagine. We are sure that after a sale has been made on the best possible basis, there will still be a considerable sum to be raised by us in order to be able to cancel the lebt. We hope none have concluded to wait until the building is finished before paying some part of the whole amount they intend to give towards it. Since we are bound to pay about one half of the estimated cost of the work in monthly installments until the date of completion, such withholding of means in the hands of our people THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY. might subject us to some embarrassment. We, therefore, entreat ing Plan: we have organized and friends show readiness to enlist

We have never thought of taxing company. present the facts concerning the to enlist in the work, among the state of the work in order that all members and congregation from may be properly informed, and so 800 to 1000 persons, each be prepared to appreciate their person averaging \$2.00 per opportunity to lend their coopera- month, would bring us out hand-

E. M. Noel, Main Contractor \$43,214.00 Crook, Horner & Co., heating and ventilat-John Trainor, plumbing, Kingsbury, Samuel & Co., 598.43 For above items contracts have been signed bond to complete the work for the sum named. The following items Seating, Cathedral

8,100.00 \$55,936.51

Cost of Lot, 11,375 00 Total Cost of Church and Lot, . . . 67,311.00

in monthly instalments, between and unassuming he keeps things the beginning of the work and the moving at a lively pace. He has 13th of October, the time the work on hand the contracts for two or is to be completed. We had in three other new churches in the hand \$15,000 balance of the loan city. which shows that we have to raise about \$14,000 by the middle of October, in order to meet our obli-

all who wish to see the work the church into ten divisions, heartily in urging forward the noble to regret, but we do well to bear in our energies and means will be advance without vexing delay, to under ten commanders, each divi- struggle. Words of good cheer are

successfully forward. In order to monthly payment of subscriptions. panies, with a captain for each

We were hopeful by this means somely. We do not wish to be We point out the obligation and understood as calculating that summons our members and friends every body will be able to pay \$2 by the love they bear to Christ and per month, but we are quite certain his Church, to lay their gifts upon that there are a number who could this hallowed alter. If you have pay more than \$2 per month and

We find there are some who do ly calls. Fly your colors from the tion and in order to meet the wishes We think we have not been ex- mast head of the old time honored or views of such people, there will travigant in deciding upon the ship, close up ranks and all to- be frequent invitations during our amount to be expended towards gether strike one mighty blow for Sunday services for such persons supporters of the work in one way or the other.

> It is our aim to take the names COST OF NEW CHURCH of all persons contributing and give them credit whether their contributions come through the companies or otherwise.

ARCHITECT AND BUILDER.

It believed the Church has been fortunate in the selection of the architect and builder. As an artist, uniting excellent taste with sound judgement and practical skill, careful supervision and affable manners, Mr. Bieler stands deservedly high in his profession.

It is, perhaps, too early to pass finally upon the merit of the work he is urging toward completion, but we venture the prediction that its success will add to his growing reputation.

Rare faithfulness in executing his contracts in strict accordance with the letter and spirit, has brought Mr. Noel to the front.

He has a thorough knowledge of We are obliged to pay \$28,068,25 the business and, although, quiet

ONWARD.

Our Generals and Captains are How WE EXPECT TO RAISE working with commendable faith and determination. Enthusiasm We have entered upon the follow- blazes along the the line. Members

THE APPEAL,

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Do something. The idle church member is a traitous character in whose hands the King's business is never safe. Christ's true ambassador is ever zealous of good works

Some people talk much and do little, others indulge sparingly in talk and do all they can. which class do you belong? 0 0 0

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You do not venture because of conscious lack of ability. Mrs. Catherine Booth's advice: "You go and put your hand to the plough, and He will give you strength to push it along."

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It may be that you are not called to lead. What then? Do not grow sour and fret. Do not become an obstructionist, but try to prove your self a good follower. For the victory won at Manila, the privates received the thanks of the Goverment and were voted Medals. Merit is more than position.

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Circulate THE APPEAL. A copy should be upon the table in every home within the bonds of our membership. Read it and then pass it around among your friends; it will do good wherever it is given an opportunity to be heard.

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Why not a monunent for Nick Biddle, the first negro who wore the "BLUE" in this State and whose blood was almost, if not the first, which was shed in the late civil war? He accompanied the Washand patriotism unite in giving high

Baltimore of "61". Only a few days ago white men Maryland soil, were seen cheering Capt Spencer's Company of colored soldiers on the way to Camp Wilmer. It is a long way from a salute with stones and a salute with waving handkerchiefs. Color-prejudic not soon emerge.

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THE APPEAL.

paper. to send forth THE APPEAL. It Sabbath for rest and worship. starts upon its mission imbued with a profound sense of the responsibility imposed, not that it involves a journalistic venture, for the field of its circulation is local and the matters with which it is to deal, hardly rise to the dignity of editorial treatment. It has an humble place to fill but the consequenses may, nevertheless, be far reaching, hence our concern.

The erection of a church, in the city or country, costing much or little, under the auspices of any denomination, is a most important undertaking in its bearing upon the vital welfare of the community and, therefore, has just claim upon the public for moral support, which may not be slightly regarded.

We are happy to know that the enterprise on whose behalf THE APPEAL is to speak has been so generally approved. The location, the architectural design, and the material employed, have been commended in strong terms from sources which deserve respect.

The policy of THE APPEAL will be to let no opportunity pass unimproved to advance the interest it is called to subserve. To this end we ask the co operation of all our readers and of those to whose attention the needs of the work may be brought, from time to time.

SUNDAY EXCURSIONS.

We believe it the plain duty of all who have at heart the welfare of mankind to resolutely oppose Sunday Excursions. They are unquestionably harmful in their effects and tendencies, and are not ington Artillery, a Pennsylvania to be toyed with because, some-Company, mobbed while passing times, they are given under the through Baltimore, enroute to auspices of churches to raise money Washington, D. C. Biddle, was for current expenses, or by persons made a target because he was "a connected with the church whose nigger in uniform". He was struck object is private gain. Sabbath on the head and face with bricks descreation, in whatever guise it and stones which caused the blood may appear, is not a thing to be to flow in profusion. He survived trifled with; it is a dangerous exthe brutal attack, however, and plosive charged with disaster and went "marching on". Religion death. Its presence is a serious menance to the permancy of our sanction to the practice of com- Christian institutions. Blot out the memorating true heroism whether Sabbath from our escutcheon and found among white men or black the surrender of our place in the van of Nations will soon follow. We hope to see the moral and religious Baltimore of 1898 is not the forces of our city, without regard to A mighty denominational lines, united in a change has come over the place. firm, bold stand against the pernicious evil. THE APPEAL is far and white women, born upon from advocating the placing of lawful forms of recreation under interdiction. We rather encourage such diversions and amusements which tend to invigorate and strengthen man's powers for action. We enjoy the sunshine, we delight is growing less dominant. Like sla- in exercise, we have a fond attachvery which gave it birth, it is ment for field sports and felicitate destined to pass away It cannot ourself upon the privilege of a long hold out against the potent stroll through the wood when the light of the twentieth century; fragrance of wild flowers are borne blasted and effete it will be regal- upon the passing breeze and the

are proper on week days which are out of place on the Lord's day. The desire to keep our members We must intelligently discriminate. and friends correctly informed with Rest assured that obedience to SHARP ST. M. E. CHURCH. regard to the work on the new God's law can in no way abridge church and to stimulate more wide the pleasures of man. Use the in our Church. A few persons spread and intense interest in Sabbath but do not abuse it. Hal- opposed it on the start but its carrying forward our plans for low it by the proper observance of advantages were so manifest after raising money, to be applied on the its sanctions. Let the steamboat the experiment had been given a debt, led the trustees to consider remain tied up at the pier and let the propriety of issuing a monthly the railroad engine enjoy its well-After much prayerful earned rest in the company's round study of the subject, it was decided house. Stay at home on the holy

SHARP ST. SUNDAY SCHOOL

A GLANCE BACKWARDS.

The first Superintendent was Mr William Johnson, who from his small statue, was nick named "Fippenny-bit Johnson." He continued as Superintendent untill May 25, 1841, when a number of members withdrew from Sharp Street and built a frame structure at the corner Howard and Montgomery Sts. forming an A. M. E. Zion Congregation. He was among those who eft. Mr. Emanuel Mitchell was at the time appointed Superintendent, which position he held for 33 years. The teachers who remained under Mr. Mitchell after the split were Harrison Webb, Asbury Jones, David P. Jones and Mrs. Nancy Jacobs. Mr. Mitchell also named another teacher who joined the school when a little girl, Miss Mary Jane Smith, who afterwards married a man by the name of Brown. She continued to teach for many years afterwards and now lives at Mt. Winans, Baltimore,

The literature then used in the school were the Bible, Church Catechism, Methodist Union Sunday School Hymn Book, John Comley's Speller and the A B C Card for the primary department.

The first note book was introduced into the school by Miss Annie E. Carr, now Mrs. William I Butler, Sr., the wife of our ex-superintendent.

The school anniversaries were held every 4th of July; the scholars brought their baskets of cakes and pies and other good things which suited their fancies.

At the organization of the Wash ington Conference, October 27th, 1864, the school was still under the superintendency of Emanuel Mitchell. The secretary at that time was Perry Greenwood and the late Joshua MacGill, treasurer.

The first female superintendent after the orginazation of the conference was Miss Mary A. Merberry. The first organ was purchased for the school in 1868, at a cost of \$175.00. The first organist was Miss Adeline Wells, then a scholar in the school. The first chorister employed by the school was Thos. Cooper, and the first school concert was given by him. From that time on the school continued to grow spiritually, morally and intellectually. This brings us up to 1874' when Elijah L. S. Johnson was elected superintendent, and continued in office for three years. He was the first man to introduce flowers into the school.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

ed to the past from which it will song of birds come forth from the object here, if you expect reward shady bowers. But many things for service, hereafter.

ENVELOPE SYSTEM.

For more than a year the envelope system has been in operation trial, that none are now heard to speak against it.

The envelopes are put up in packs of 52, each envelope in the pack having the same number. These packs are consecutively numbered so that each contributor has his or her individual number which is placed opposite the name on the book. As the envelopes come in weekly the proper credit is given and it can then be seen at a glance the exact amount each person pays into the treasury, for the support of the current expenses of the Church.

The system does away with the cumbersome practice of putting out the table and then cousuming a large portion of the time allotted for the service in persuading the people to come forward with their offerings. It discourgages the vanity which prompts one to give merely to make a show in parading up and down the aisles. It rescues Christian giving from uncertain, fluctuating impulse and places it on the scriptural basis of definite, stated exercise regulated by prin-

Our members and friends are to be congratulated upon the favorable outcome of the new plan, up to the present. It should be remembered, however, that there is room for improvement. We ought to be able to secure much better results in the future.

Every member of the Church and Congregation ought, as far as possible, contribute weekly to the ted. But knowing as I do that they support of the Church though the do not want for competent leaderenvelope system. why the finances of Churches so are stirred with intense enthusiasm. often drag heavily is because so I entertain no doubt as to the many persons are grossly negligent speedy victory. My heart goes respecting the duty of giving, or if out to the pastor and his noble band they give at all, give stingily. To of followers in the noble struggle, become "unfinancial" in the and my prayer is that wisdom and Societies is to forfeit the right to strength from above may be given share in the benefits. Do persons them in abundant manner. Let forfeit nothing by withholding their no one become frightened because money from the Church when they of the debt to be lifted. God holds

ble for the efficient working of the effort on the part of the members of the Quarterly Conference will ensure success, however great the difficulties to be overcome. Let them how to conquer; "Let all there be no relaxation of exertion. Partial success in the prosecution of any scheme should not induce inaction. Vigilance, constant devo- and financial interest, if we would tion and resolute performance are neccessary in order to make a grand achievement here, as in other business undertakings.

The Sonthwestern Christian Scott, D. D., a man of fine scholar- Sharp Street Memorial Church cerning what is going on within needy, seek out those who have Make holiness your supreme your own church throught the gone astray, gather in the children world, subscribe for the Southwest- and compel old and young to come ern, \$1.25 a year in advance.

GO FORWARD.

REV. G. W. W. JENKINS, P. E.

No one can review the history of this grand, old Church without feeling his heart thrill with gratitude unto God for her splendid record of glorious achievements starting almost with the opening of the century. Memory will delight long to linger about the old site around which gather so many endearing associations. Nor could we ever think of exchanging it for another were it not for the changes that have taken place in last fifteen or twenty years. no longer convenient to the majority of the members of the congregation, who now live at a long distance, so that to remain there indefinitely would mean slow disintegration and death. rejoiced last Fall when it became known that a new site at the cor. Dolphin and Etting Streets, had been purchased and that a beautiful stone edifice, fully up to the standard of modern architectural taste was to be erected thereon. When you pass this spot now you will see the walls rising steadily under the skillful hands of the workmen on a foundation broad and deep and firm.

I have no doubt but that when completed, the building will not only reflect credit upon the very deserving congregation and the great Methodist denomination, but at the same time, honor the race by showing its ability to accomplish something in the line of building worthy the highest admiration among men.

I regard it a stupendous undertaking which will exact much hard work and large sacrifice from those to whose hands it had been commit-The reason ship, and that the rank and file are able to give ; if not, why not? the key to inexaustable means and The officiary is largely responsi- if we trust Him there will be a sure way out. I believe in the plan adopted. United, persistent concentration of forces in order to success.

> Bismark, once said to his German subjects, desiring to show Germans come under this one hat." We must be of one spirit, one in prayer, one in faith, one in lovalty Let none falter. Meet win. difficulties bravely, make sacrifices in a joyous spirit. Pray, sing and shout while you labor, keeping your eyes on the sparkling crown which awaits you "over there."

Stand by your pastor, stand by Advocate, published weekly at the trustees, stand by the traditions New Orleans, La., by the M. E. of old Sharp Street Church, and, Book Concern is the official organ of course, you will not fail to stand for our Conference. Rev. I. B. faithfully by the work of the new ly attainments is the editor. He with your prayers, your time and wields a forcible pen and is suc- your money. I believe the senticeeding grandly in making a paper ment of the community is with you. that is a credit to the whole Go forward! Unite soul saving church. If you want to learn con- with money-getting. Care for the where "Still there is room."

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E	Chas. Weems,			54.00
	Evans Wilson,			24.00
	A. Newman,			22.80
	W. L. James,			28.00
	U. Lynn,			16.80
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	J. Fookes, .			12.60
	J. R. Wilson,			33.60
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	A. Williams, .			16.20
	T. Thomas, .	1-6-1		34.20
	J. R. Brown, .	A. Sayar		15.60
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	R L. Dunn, .			27.00
	T. H. Evans, .			33.00
	I. S. Gross, .			30.60
	F. A. Tasker,	* . T		37.80
	J. Barrol, .			19.20
	J. Morsell, .			12.00
	Pastor's Class,	-		37.80
	I. W. Fookes,			18.00
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THE JUVENILE CHURCH BUILDER'S LEAGUE.

The Juvenile Church Builder's League was organized. It is composed of the young people of the Sunday School. The name indicates the object it proposes to prosecute. Each member pledges to pay into the treasurery five cents or more, every month. money so collected will be used towards fitting up the Sunday School room. Already these youthful workers are winning commendation on account of the enthusiasm they have manifested in the movement.

The enrollment is expected to reach over two hundred. We bespeak for them the considerate attention of parents. We suggest that instead of money being given them outright, they be allowed a chance to earn something. Give them some light task about the house, or send them on errands and pay them for the service. In this industry and at the same time, be trained in giving to the cause of Christ.

THE OLD SHARP STREET CHURCH Union Square Quilt ASSOCIATION.

The above association was first in conception and would have been first in the field but for the fact that the founder thought it best not to take steps towards effecting an organization until permission had For children must be seen-not been secured from the authorities of the church which was somewhat I must not talk about my food, belated.

bership thirty-six ladies. The Association is quite unique. It is Nor while I'm eating speak aloud proposed to make a memorial quilt of fine durable fabric. It will contain 36 squares with their And when I ask, say, 'If you several borders whereon will be inscribed a number of names of The table cloth I must not spoil, persons living and dead. Each Nor with my food my fingers soil; name to represent 10 cts paid into Must keep my seat when I have the treasury. It promises to rank, when completed, as a curiosity Not round the table sport or run; worth preserving. About one(\$100) When told to rise, then I must put dollars have come into the treas- My chair away with noisless foot, ury and now stand to the credit of And in my heart to God above, the Association on its bank In praise for all His wonderous

The interest taken in the work justifies the prediction that a large measure of success will attend the efforts of those striving to promote

THE UNITED STANDING ASSO'N.

The United Standing Associaraising money comprehends perand the giving of entertainments. So far the efforts of the ladies have been crowned with success. the bank through their hands. It is the intention of the Association to pay for one of the large cathedral windows.

of persons were present and a neat standard of benovelence. sum was realized. The spirit of the ladies is aggressive.

THE LADIES' CHURCH AID SOCIETY, No. 1.

The Ladies' Church Aid Society is the latest to enter the field to help forward the new church enterprise. Its attitude is that of an ally rather than a rival. It will seek to create a fund which is to furnish the carpets for the new

If diligence and perseverance in a noble cause bring reward there is a bright future for this Association. On the first Sunday in June at 8 o'clock p. m. there will be preached a special sermon and collection will be taken.

The ladies will appreciate any assistance with which they may be favored from time to time

TABLE MANNERS.

Below will be found some excel lent rules presented in rhyme, which we quote for the benefit of our youthful readers who may have way they may learn habits of need of them. Commit them to memory and practice them daily.

> "In silence I must take my seat, And give God thanks before I eat: Must for my food in patience wait Till I am asked to hand my plate; I must not scold, nor whine, nor pout,

Nor move my chair or plate about With knife, or fork, or napkin ring I must not play-nor must I sing; I must not speak a useless word--

heard; Nor fret if I don't think it good; The Association has in its mem- My mouth with food I must not crowd,

> Must turn my head to cough or sneeze,

please;"

done,

love."

PRINCIPLES OF CHRISTIAN GIVING.

The first I will mention is impli ed in another and more accurate word than "giving"; it is "administrating." The principle, then, is; All that we have belongs to God. We have no claim even to tion has been in operation for a ourselves. "Ye are not your own." year. Twenty-four ladies compose Abilities, gifts, means, are all the body. The plan adopted for talent which we, as "stewarts of the manifold grace of God," are to sonal contributions at stated times improve. We are administrators of an estate. This is life's true theory.

The second principle is express-More than \$100 have gone into ed in this question: "How much 'can' I give?'' not "How much 'must' I give?'' John Wesley said we were to be judged not by the amount we gave away, but by The last entertainment, given at what we had left. This is no wild the residence of Mrs. L. Y. Garrett schedule. It doesn't imply nor 555 w. Hoffman Street, was a very inculcate poverty. "As God hath creditable affair. A large number prospered him' is the inspired this as a standard we may have luxurious "living," provided only that we also have luxurious "giving." The Lord permits a generous allowance for the personal account of His Children.

> There is still a third principle. It is this; Generosity measures growth in grace. The two keep pace. Christian progress is increasing Christlikeness, and the inmost characteristic of Jesus is self-sacrificing love. Paul prays that we "may abound in this 'grace' also," meaning the grace of giving. Unless the purse baptised with the Holy Ghost, our sanctification is wofully incomplete. Innate narrowness of soul must yield to the enlarging grace of God, else one is not'born again." Saintly stinginess -- there is no such thing!

-Rev. F. N. Upham.

Bishop Fitzgerald, of the M. E.

said; There is a little friction bet- loving spirit. ween the races in some placeswhiskey and meaness make friction wherever found. The good black home. people have no sympathy with the daily in all your praying. brutes of their own color who here your language, the language of less crimes. A brute is a brute, no I forget the, O Jerusalem, let my matter what may be his shade of right hand forget her cunning . . .

WHAT A NEGRO MISSIONARY DID.

Stewart, among the Wyandot Indians, in 1816, was the inspiring fer a favor upon us by informing Stewart's parents were "free col- of such works.

ored people and pious members of the Baptist Church. residing in Powhatan County, Va." Having lapsed into carelessness and inebriety, Stewart was converted at Marietta, O., in 1816, under Methodist preaching. At once he set out, with the conviction of a divine call, for the home of the Delaware Indians, and thence journeyed to the Upper Sandusky. Here, through a black interpreter. "now a fugitive slave and a backslidden Methodist," he preached to the Wyandots, and was instrumental in "many notable conversions." Near the mission church afterward built for worship, and which was restored from its ruined condition in 1880, he rests among his Wyandot brethren.

The impression produced by the evangelistic success of Stewart among the Indians of Ohio was widespread. He wrought larger things than he knew. The good work of this humble, although chosen instrument in the hands of God, shall never be forgotten; and when this world shall be emancipated from heathenism he shall be more revered than ever!

The Methodist Episcopal Church throughout the land "was stirred to its profoundest depths by these triumphs of grace" and three years later was led to found its Missionary Society.

-Methodist Year Book.

KEEP SWEET TOWARD THE CHURCH.

You want to keep your spirit sweet towards the church. It is easy to get out of joint; then every thing goes wrong. Nothing can be done right when the soul is soured. Sour Godliness is an uncomfortable thing. The spirit of censoriousness and fault-finding, especially when it is the most prominent element in one's religionwhich is sure to see wrong in Church, South, whom we have everybody but itself—is a cuckoo's known for many years, recently egg in the dove's nest, which addressed the students of the Cent- ultimately feeds upon the nest ral Tennessee College at Nashville itself. Keep sweet towards the Among other things he Church, cultivate a gentle and

BE INTERESTED IN THE CHURCH.

Cary it about with you in your among all sorts of people every- heart as you do your home. Rewhere. White rascals and black member it is your church, and its rascals will make trouble wherever welfare is your welfare. If it sufthey are thrown together. Good fers you suffer. Whatever militates white and good colored people get aginst it militates against you. If along without trouble. I have been you, by neglect or willfulness, or living here in Nashville for the by word or act, hurt it, it is your last twenty years, and during all own soul that will receive the that time I have never had a cross wound. The blow you give it will word or unkind look from a black rebound on your own head and your man, or woman. Nowhere in this wife and children will receive the country are the people more homo-stab. Cherish the Church and it geneous than in the South. The will cherish you; starve it and it good white people of the South will bring famine and leanness in condemn lynching and lynchers to your own soul and into your own Pray for your Church and there are perpetrators of name your deepest sincerest soul, be, "If complexion-white, black or mix- let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth, if I perfer not Jerusalem above my chief joy."

-Bishop R. S. FOSTER.

If any of our readers have in their possession very old books The evangelistic work of John treating on Methodism in relation to its early struggles, achievecause of the organization of the us concerning the same. We are Missionary Society of the church. interested in securing a collection

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SHARP STREET CHOIR.

Sharp Street has never been without a choir. Abraham Richardson was made Chorister at the organization in 1802. After filling the position creditably for 28 years, he was succeeded by Richard Hiner. He held the place for 12 years rendering very acceptable service. Then came Willam Carr, under whose assiduous labors the choir won an enviable distinction among lovers of music. For thirty years he swung the baton to the delight and edification of all the worshippers. Principally through his instrumentality, a Melodeon was purchased, which proved of great assistance to the singers. Venerable in years and saintly in life he recalls with pleasure, the years spent directing the service of song in the Sanctuary. Mr. Carr was succeeded by the late John S. Simpson who was choister for 16 years. His abilities were of an high order and as might naturally have been expected he made the choir more famous than ever. During his leadership, the pipe organ was added. Wm. E. Simpson was next to assume charge. He has held the place continuous ly since, except an interval of about 3 years, when Thomas R. Ovelton, was choirster. At present, the choir not only substains the honors of former years but constantly adds to its laurels.

We append the names of persons who at one time have been members of the choir. Many of them have gone to that beautiful land where they sing before the throne of the Lamb.

Wm. Watkins, Lemuel G. Griffin, Isaac Webster, London Hill, Josiah Henson, Jas. Butler, Ruben R. White, S. B. Hebrue, John Davis, George Kelly, Wm. Gibson, Agus tus Sevoy, Chester Wilson, Richard E. Owens and Son, Jacob Bishop, Geo. W. Milbourn, Chas. Lee, Jos. Green, Aaron Taylor, Benj. Fleetwood, Benj. Ferguson, Samuel Hiner, Isaac Myers, Henry W. Martin, Rachel F. Morsell, Ellen Davis, Mary E. Jones, Susan Burgess, Elijah Bradox, Mary Myers, Catherine Steward, Annie Ockemy, Caroline Kelley, Cecelia Savoy, Prudence Garner, Martha Bradox, Susan Bradox, Susan Ochemy, Elizabeth Fowler, Mary Cook, Madame Mahoney, Francis Vinson, Kate Simpson, Nancy Wells, E. Paraway, Jane Hutchins, Rosey Cook, Georgia Turner, and Susie Wilson There are others but we have not space for them at present. For the above items we are indebted to Mr. L. M. Nicholson, who has served as assistant choirster.

The Washington Annual Conference was organized by the General Conference of 1864. In the same year, Oct. 27th the first session was held in Sharp St. Church, Bishop Levi Scott, presiding. At the meeting in Cumberland last March after thirty years of successful struggle, the body took action looking to putting a memoral gothic window in the new Church, to commemorate the starting place. The matter was referred to a committee composed of the Presiding Elders. We sincerely hope they may have the thorough cooperation of all the pastors and people in raising the money necessary to defray the expense of the laudable undertaking.

THE WOMEN AT WORK.

The devotion of the women to Church-work, in its manifold forms is truly admirable; there is nothing spasmodic or transient about it. The element of continuity pervades their purpose and they are not wanting in intuition for finding out devices to help forward their plans for the advancement of a good cause. We give a practical illustration. On the 22nd of April Mr. Cabel and Elizabeth P. Callaway, 1017 Druid Hill Ave., celebrated their Silver Wedding. The arrangements were left to Mrs. Callaway and this is the way they were carried out. Cards of invitation were sent to a number of friends several days before with the announcement that no presents would be received, but instead a silver offering for the new church would be acceptable.

The evening was fair and the spacious parlors were filled with

The bride and groom were handsomely dressed and appeared to be happy in the review of a quarter of century of delightful companionship. The occasion was inspiring.

In the hall there stood upon the table a box adorned with a cover of silver paper, near which burned a candle, mounted upon a silver candle stick in the form of a light house signal. Here the offerings were deposited which amounted to nearly twenty dollars. Under the circumstances this was a very beautiful and appropriate celebration. The example is worthy of imitation.

A NOTE OF GOOD CHEER.

Rev. J. Lanahan, D. D.

I deemedit a great privelege to participate, in company with exmayor Latribe, and Rev. Dr. Lyon in the laying of the cornerstone of your new church, so long and greatly neeled because your people are now so far removed from their present house of worship, business section.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

It has been decided to begin the call for money for benevolent causes, the first Sunday. It is important that due attention be given the matter by all concerned. A11 LAUNDRY CALLED FOR & DELIVERED The discipline requires it. expected to respond and help raise the apportionment in full.

In the afternoon of the 1st Sunday at 4 p. m. a Sacred Concert will be rendered under the auspices of Co. B toth Division. Basil F. Hutchings, General, W. Oscar Johnson, Captain. Splendid musical talent has been volunteered. Bring an offering.

In the evening of the same day a sermon will be preached to the Ladies Church Aid Society. Mrs. Smothers, Prest., Mrs. Wilks, Sec.

Children's Day 2nd Sunday: 11 a. m, sermon by the Presiding elder, Rev. G. W. W. Jenkins, afternoon and evening, Children's Day Program.

Entertainments at the church,--6th of June, Mrs. Eliza Jones; 7th, to 11th, J. C. Fortie; 13th, Sunday School; 15th Aarat Williams.

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