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PRICE TWO CENTS

THE Y. M. C. A.

A Question, a Commonplace Answer and a Whole-Souled Argument.

Q. Are you interested in the Y.

M. C. A.? A. Not interested, whatsoever!

Why, now, what's the use, Mr. Citizen, for you to be interested? The Y. M. C. A. is reaching out for the boys and girls of Narberth and for some men of Narberth who ARE interested. Why should the average citizen become interested in the youths and lassies of our town; why should he support an institution that is helping to house our young people and to instruct them physically and socially and morally in a way helpful to them? Why should a Boroughite go down in his coin chest for 25c or more a week to support

If you have a boy or girl who can use the association building and its work, your support will come unsolicited-for what would the self-denial of a small weekly payment mean to you when you know your son or daughter will be enjoying himself or herself in the healthy environment of the Y. M. C. A .- the community cen-

If you have no children, you would not be interested in the same measure, but you would not withhold your support from the suffering Belgians or for the feeding of persons in a far-off city.

The Y. M. C. A. does not ask alms; it appeals for your support, either by financial aid or personal service, on the basis of its usefulness to the community and on the merits of its equipment-gymnasium, play room, game room, etc., and because of the social opportunities afforded the clean, healthy, young American of our town.

Some men are so preoccupied with business, troubles and enjoyments that they overlook the boys and girls of our town; but one of my greatest pleasures is to come in contact with the children of my fellow-citizens to enjoy their spirit and to play and work with them for an hour or so when I can make it convenient to do soand I find I CAN make it "convenient" to do so very frequently. And most of our citizens could do the

Of course, we are told that the place for young folks is at home; but-"all work and no play"-you know the rest.

Come on, now, Mr. Man, give the Y. M. C. A. the good boost. Let everybody help some little. Don't expect any one person to run things, but put your shoulder to the wheel and help. If you can't do this-don't kick!

It is easy to criticise and condemn; but to advise and recommend is the duty of every good citizen of Nar-

Will you help boost the Y. M. C. A.? Why, yes, surely you will! Then come around and get acquainted!-Robt. Savill.

An Afterthought.

A clipping from the Philadelphia Ledger shows some Narberth talent. Eight of our young men are picked for the all-star basket ball team. What would these boys have done without a Y. M. C. A. in which to practice? Just another boost for Narberth—our town that helps some and that was made possible to these eight boys by the Y. M. C. A.

The game room is now ready for your patronage!

WHAT CAN I DO?

If any little word of mine May make a life the brighter, If any little song of mine May make a heart the lighter; I hope I'll speak the little word, And take my bit of singing. And drop it in some lonely vale

To set the echoes ringing! -Evening Ledger.

APROPOS INQUIRY. Fond Daughter-Pa, I saw in the paper where you got a number of

sealed proposals at your office. Official Father-Yes, dear. Fond Daughter-Pa, were any them proposals for me?

Happy New Near!

A MUNICIPAL CREED

By THOMAS L. HINCKLEY

Said the Spirit of the Modern City:

I believe in myself—in my mission as defender of the liberties of the people and guardian of the light of civic idealism.

I believe in my people—in the sincerity of their hearts and the sanity of their minds—in their ability to rule themselves and to meet civic emergencies-in their ultimate triumph over the forces of injustice, oppression, exploitation and iniquity.

I believe that good food, pure water, clean milk, abundant light and fresh air, cheap transportation, equitable rents, decent living conditions and protection from fire, from thieves and cut-throats and from unscrupulous exploiters of human life and happiness, are the birthright of every citizen within my gates; and that in so far as I fail to provide these things, even to the least of my people, in just this degree is my fair name tarnished and my mission unfulfilled.

I believe in planning for the future, for the centuries which are to come and for the many thousands of men, women and children who will reside within my gates and who will suffer in body, in mind and in worldly goods unless proper provision is made for their coming.

I believe in good government and in the ability of every city to get good government; and I believe that among the greatest hindrances to good government are obsolete laws-which create injustice: out-grown customs-which are unsocial; and antiquated methods-which increase the cost of government and destroy its efficiency.

I believe that graft, favoritism, waste or inefficiency in the conduct of my affairs is a crime against my fair name; and I demand of my people that they wage unceasing war against these municipal diseases, wherever they are found and whomsoever they happen to touch.

I believe that those of my people who, by virtue of their strength, cleverness or thrift, or by virtue of other circumstance, are enabled to lead cleaner lives, perform more agreeable work or think more beautiful thoughts than those less fortunate, should make recompense to me, in public service, for the advantages which I make it possible for them to

I believe that my people should educate their children in the belief that the service of their city is an honorable calling and a civic duty, and that it offers just as many opportunities for the display of skill, the exercise of judgment or the development of initiative as do the counting houses and markets of the commercial world.

Finally, I believe in the Modern City as a place to live in, to work in, and to dream dreams in—as a giant workshop where is being fabricated the stuff of which the nation is made—as a glorious enterprise upon whose achievements rests, in large measure, the future of the

IN SURVEY.

OFFICE SERVED WELL THOUGH SWAMPED BY CHRISTMAS MAIL.

The busiest season of the year for those who conduct Uncle Sam's postal business has passed, and though the volume of business, both incoming and outgoing, was enormous (82 bags of parcels post being received on Christmas Day), Mr. Haws and his obliging staff succeeded in handling it in their much cramped quarters by erecting large bins over the box cases and piling the packages to the ceiling of the office. Even after filling every available space, there were a dozen or more sacks of mail at noon on Christmas Day untouched.

In order to alleviate disappointments on the part of those expecting packages for Christmas, Mr. Haws accommodatingly extended the morning closing hour, from 9 to 11 o'clock and then gave up a generous portion of his part holiday by opening again from 5 to 7 o'clock.

While the volume of parcels post mail was large, the volume of letter and postal mail was tremendous; enough letters and postal cards being received on Christmas morning to keep the two regular assistants sorting and casing up from 6.30 A. M. until 1.30 P. M.

Mr. Haws said to a representative of "Our Town" that he and his assistants were well repaid by the patient manner in which the patrons accommodated themselves to the service rendered, which was the best they had to give.

MAIN LINE BASKET BALL LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs.

	Won.	Lost.
Narberth	3	0
Overbrook	1	2
Ardmore	1	2
St. Paul	0	3

Narberth Still Leads-Bill Durbin Sets Fast Pace With Eight Goals From Field.

Last Saturday night at the Narberth Y. M. C. A. the Narberth A. C. defeated Ardmore Y. M. C. A., going into first place.

Narberth played a great defensive game and had the largest crowd of the season on edge all during the

Fleck and Neven were two bright stars for Narberth, with their great guarding game, and Campbell, of Ardmore, was a star, caging five field goals. The line-up:

Ardmore. Narberth. Score: Narberth 35, Ardmore 22.

Field goals: Durbin 8, E. Davis 3, L. Davis 1, Godfrey 1, Campbell 5, Bartlett 2. Foul goals: L. Davis 11, Campbell 5. Referee: Dr. Romaine Hoffman.

Overbrook, 60; St. Paul, 5. Overbrook defeated St. Paul 60 to 5 in a Main Line League game. The line-up:

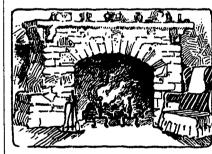
Overbrook. St. Paul. HarshforwardBurritt F. Smith forward..... Meyers W. Parson (Capt.)..centre....Esling M. ParsonguardLord W. Smith guardStannard Field goals: F. Smith, Esling 9, Burritt 7, Meyers 6, Stannard 5. Foul goals: Meyers 4. Referee: Lovekin, Haverford.

Notes of the Game.

Narberth plays Overbrook at Narberth Y. M. C. A. Saturday at 8 P. M. Overbrook defeated Ardmore last week and a hot battle is looked

Overbrook has two new men from Girard College playing with them for the rest of the season.

Lester Jefferies will be eligible to play with Narberth against Over-



By Lady Narberth

Mr. and Mrs. George Suplee are i ceiving congratulations on the birth of a baby girl, born December 20.

Miss Acsah Wentz is spending two weeks with her parents. Mr. George Brill, Sr., spent last

week-end in New York City.

The Chi Pi Sorority gave a dance in Elm Hall last Saturday night which was well attended by the young set, many youths and lassies home from school and college making the most of the opportunity to meet their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hartley and daughter Elizabeth spent the holidays with Mrs. Hartley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prescott, Essex avenue.

Mrs. Frank Shoener spent last week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Brill, Narberth avenue.

Miss Maizie Simpson leaves to-day for Scranton to visit her brother Bert and wife.

Miss Evelyn Harris, Price avenue, had as her guest for the last weekend Miss Marguerite Jansen.

Miss Helen Jones, South Narberth avenue, entertained Miss Dorothy Jackson over the last week-end. Miss Philippines.

Miss Louise Mills, Ambler, Pa., formerly of Narberth, spent the last | It is easy to concede that Mr. and dress.

week-end with Miss Marjorie Jefferies, Narberth avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sickels, of Woodside avenue, entertained the following at Christmas dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Emerick Sickels, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Armstrong, Miss Edith Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Pennypacker, Miss Muriel Pennypacker, of New York city, and the Misses Culley.

Miss Mary Mackeag, of Dudley avenue, is confined to her home with

Rodman street.

Mr. John McMenamin, of Chestnut avenue, has been confined to his' home with a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Perry, of Alexanthe the showing below: dria, Va., spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Robert Patterson, Sr., Mrs. Perry's mother.

Mrs. Geo. M. Henry, of Chestnut avenue, entertained a number of children on Christmas Eve. A tree, beautifully lighted with electricity, occupied one corner of the living room, and at 8 o'clock sharp Santa Claus himself appeared with his pack! so full that he could hardly carry it. Each child was made happy by a gift from Santa's own hands.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kirkpatrick entertained the Bridge Club Wednesday, December 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Rezo Brooks, of Chestnut avenue, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Brooks' parents in Yonkers, N. Y.

Messrs. Donald and Malcom Trotter, who conduct a large farm at with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H.

Mrs. H. C. Gara, South Narberth avenue, entertained one of the largest family gatherings for Christmas dinner, seventeen taking seats at their

FIRE CO. FAIR BIG SUCCESS.

The fair given for the benefit of the Narberth Fire Company was a success, financially and socially. Financially because it brings considerable Durbin (Capt.)..forwardBelcher money towards paying off the balance E. Davis forwardGodfrey owing on the automobile truck, Socially because it brought together L. Davis centre Campbell Mr. and Mrs. Maddox, of Woodside the residents of the borough to be- V. FleckguardYocum avenue, entertained at "the dansant," come better acquainted with one anDecember 26, the following persons: other; also a chance to meet the new Score: Narberth 35, Ardmore 22. Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Hoffman, Mr. and people that have moved in. The Mrs. W. B. Goodall, Mr. and Mrs. ladies who had charge deserve much credit, and the members of the Fire Company appreciate it very much. They worked hard and were anxious to see success come from their erforts, which it did, as will be seen by

> Mrs. Redifer's table, fancy and toilet, \$287.35; Mrs. Noel's table, groceries, \$144.87; Mrs. Stokes' table, household, \$77.00; Mrs. Winne's table, candy, \$69.71: Mrs. Harjes' table, aprons, \$42.24: Mrs. Harjes' table. donations, \$57.25; Mrs. Warner's table, cakes and jellies, \$38.10; Miss Zentmeyer's pond, \$27.25; Mr. Zentmeyer, tickets for supper, \$61.50; ice cream, \$19.65; Mr. Harjes, collected on canes, \$9.40; Mrs. Harsch, sale from supper \$3.64: Lew Hess, dances, \$2.00. Profits, \$839.96. Expense: Ice cream, \$16.51; printing and mail, \$6.19. Total, \$22.70. Balance, \$846.46.

WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE.

A meeting of the Narberth branch for. of the Woman's Suffrage Party will be held at the home of Mrs. A. J. Jackson recently returned from the Brattleboro, Vt., spent the holidays Loos, Haverford avenue, Narberth, on Tuesday, January 5, at 3 P. M. Mrs. Scott Nearing will make an ad-

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EDITORIAL NOTES

HAPPY NEW YEAR.

What a wonderful Christmas we had! Just think: the greatest, real Christmas that Philadelphia has ever known. No doubt this applies to our whole country, in spite of, or even perhaps because of the fact, that our hearts are saddened by the awful conditions of suffering in Europe. In wishing all a Happy New Year, may we hope to have the same sweet spirit of charity abide with us to the end.

OUR EFFICIENT POSTMASTER.

Hearty commendation is due our postmaster and his assistants for the manner in which they handled the Christmas rush, and the patience and courtesy that was shown to all, even to the extent of keeping open two hours later on Christmas morning, so that each might have an opportunity to get all their mail. Surely, we will all say well done, Mr. Haws.

THE 99% AVENUE

The Elmwood Avenue record goes unchallenged up to time of going to press

Is it true that it is to continue unchallenged?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor Our Town:

I do feel that we need larger and better post office facilities. This fact is evident to anyone who will take the trouble to watch conditions in our Narberth "Cubbie Hole" of a post office, particularly when the 5.15 or 5.45 P. M. trains arrive. The efficient attendants do their best to serve all promptly, but it is an impossible task.

I guess my shoes are larger than most of our citizens', because I always have to polish them after stopping at the post office and being walked over in that alleyway in front of the lock boxes.—H. C. Gara.

Editor Our Town:

It does seem that we have reached the stage when the small shed scrap heap and something more in keeping with the growth and development of the borough substituted in its place. Of course, we know Uncle youth. Samuel has been very busy trying to maintain friendly diplomatic relations with Europe and Mexico, but cannot someone get his attention long enough to impress upon him the importance of keeping abreast of the forward movement in Narberth?-Citizen.

To the Editor Our Town:

Is our borough in the cross-roads class that we should be inflicted with an antiquated post office which is hardly equal to the country store variety-there you have space to munch a cracker and exchange the usual village repartee, whereas we huddle together in a very limited space, so crowded as to be positively unsanitary and it requires diplomacy and ingenuity to extricate one's self.

A borough of 2500 or more people most assuredly is entitled to much better treatment from the postal authorities, and I am sure if their at tention is called to the inadequate facilities in Narberth, they will reedy same. It might be well for our Congressional representative to bestir himself in our behalf. A matter like this is certainly in line with his duties .- W. J. Kirkpatrick.

To the Editor:

Any movement toward the betterment of our mail facilities will receive my hearty endorsement. We in my opinion a still greater need is the free delivery of the mail to our homes. Very sincerely-John Van

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

Letters addressed to the following named persons remain unclaimed in the Narberth post office: Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brooks, Miss Johnnie C. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Wishrough, Mrs. Richard W. Clay, Mrs. E. L. Smith, Mr. C. S. Jones, Miss Emma Hammell, Jones, Mrs. Ella Bailey, Mr. Francis D. Godley. Miss Minni Yardley, Mr. industrial and political problems. John Jacobs, Mr. Arthur C. Lewis, Mrs. W. R. Verner, Mr. W. Millwood active factor in the present nation-Lindsay. Miss Anna Tibbens, Mr. and by first conserving its Childhood. Mrs. Ralph E. White.

CROSSED WIRES.

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ance for reducing adiposity." "Dear me! There won't be a city in Europe when this awful war is over."-Buffalo Express.

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\$1.00	One Year's Subscription to Our Town		

STUDY OF CHILD IS MOST IM-PORTANT.

Efficient Parenthood-Equipped Childhood is Slogan of the American Institute of Child Life.

It has been truly said that the mother's business, (that of making men and women) is the most important of all pursuits and a calling for which the most skilled and thorough training is needed. Yet many a mother with a previous child in her arms suddenly realizes that she knows little or nothing about caring for their child mentally or physically. All at once she feels ignorant, helpless. Yet she yearns with the strongest of all love-mother-love to give her child every aid possible to help him toward perfection and happiness.

Many another mother though she has been trained and though she is Be chary of the Cherry tree, but mark capable has her hands over full and post office should be relegated to the as the little flock increases lose their enthusiasms. And to these mothers The anything which can bring back their high purpose is like restoring their

These are some of the problems that those interested in the welfare of parents and children have been pondering and now come to the world's knowledge the great store house where all these helps may be obtained namely The American Institute of Child Life. This institute interprets the best that is known about children to those who love and care for them and give to children and young people an appreciation of the best things in life and equips them with just the right material for their individual needs. The slogan of the institute is "Efficient Parent hood.-Equipped Childhood."

Mr. M. H. D. Hall, one of the gen eral secretaries of the institute is at present in Narberth visiting the mothers and teachers who regard the rearing of children a happy privilege and a holy duty, calling for careful study and painstaking care.

If a sufficient number of these earnest-hearted mothers and teachers become interested in the work, Mr. Hall will favor a Child Life Chapter in the town. These chapters are being formed all over the United Statesthe object or purpose of this organization shall be to promote the complete development of the child.

The American Institute of Child Life is a part of the great and far reaching campaign of Education that is being waged throughout our land. Its ultimate purpose is to conserve and promote human efficiency. Conservation certainly need a larger post office and teaches a wholesome regard for created values, it preaches the sanctity of a child's life, and economic value of our boys' and girls' health.

The present century is distinctly the century of the child. We are beginning to see-through the misfortunes of the child-through its tears and sufferings-many of the causes that are responsible for the troubles not only of the child, but of men, as well: for, after all, there is no child problem that is not a parent problem -a problem of the home, and when we get back to the problem of the Miss Annie Plost, Mrs. Annie M. home, we are face to face, of course, with all your great social, economic,

Every mother knows that the hap-Miss Elizabeth Smith, Mr. Jos. A. piness or misery, success or failure, Mueller, Mr. George Nobbensmith, Mr. of her little one depends upon the and Mrs. Gustavus Cook, Mr. and knowledge and sympathy she puts into Mrs. Eli Heumey, Mrs. Albert Smith, its training, hence, she becomes an Conger, Mrs. Nannie Jackson, Miss wide movement to conserve the Man-Martha Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. hood and Womanhood of the country

COMPLETE.

"Was your Christmas present in the nature of a surprise?"

"I should say so. It was just what I wanted."-Judge.

Everything has a bright side-ever

the dark lantern.

It's too had that we can't live long vithout getting old.

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though you find him slow. Do naught to make the Willow weep nor Balsam bawl some more,

make the Cypress sigh, nor box the Box to make him sore. Don't try to spread the Butternut, and let the Beetree be.

Don't stroll upon the Beech, nor think the Cedar tree the sea. sure to call the Spruce well

groomed; don't call the Plane tree plain. call the Poplar popular, because

'twill make him vain. the Oak O. K.

needs help. And still other mothers Be careful how you hurt the Pine, for fear he'll pine away. wrong way up it would not do

to strike the gentle Fir, If that should happen, then you would not hear the Juniper

make Catalpas mew, nor make the Dogwood Sycamore, t make the Bay tree bay, nor call

the Chestnut tree a bore. Horse-chestnuts do not drive too fast nor have the Hazel green. t ask the Rose tree when he rose,

nor sift the Ashes clean. kalsomine the Walnut ere the Maple says you may.

hem the Hemlock with a spool of Cottonwood too gay. daily striving thus to mind such

hints and rules as these. No trouble you will have in learning "How to Treat the Trees."

Blanche Elizabeth Wade, in Home and School.

A QUERY CONCERNING HIGH-WAYS.

What has become of the loan authorized by the voters of Narberth a year ago for the purpose of street improvements? While we appreciate the good work of the highway committee during the past summer, there are still a number of streets that are hadly in need of attention. In addition to streets wholly within the borough, we have Haverford avenue and the part of Wynnewood avenue on the south side of the railroad, which are both in a very bad condition. While it is true this part of Wynnewood avenue is used more by nonresidents than by residents, this does not seem a good reason for allowing it to become a joke among those who have occasion to use it. Of course the bumps may serve as a substitute for a compass on a dark night, but isn't it, after all, a penny-wise-poundfoolish method of economy when we have a reputation to maintain? What think you, Honorable Burgess and Council?—A Booster.

"What are you doing about your take physical doctor's advice to exercise deah boy?"

"I've gone in for croquet and needle work and have bought an electric winabout."

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ON THE 8.14

And Elsewhere in Our Town

Certainly you don't have to make any New Year resolutions, if you don't want to, and a great deal of what you will probably say about the absurdity of such pledges will be

On the other hand-ah, that's the fine, legal phrase (one of our lawyer friends was around to the tepee for venison the other night)-while we might say as much to prove that the fault was not with the making of resolutions, but in failing to keep them, all that will be waived or allowed or granted or whatever is the correct word, and we shall proceed to resolute to our heart's content.

Therefore, we do solemnly declare: First-That during 1915 we will take a little more interest in civic affairs-because we know in our hearts that to make Narberth the very best home town, we all-each and every one of us-must take part in borough activities; give a little time and thought to its problems; serve on a committee, when that is necessary; put in a couple of hours of work when that kind of help is needed.

Confidentially!

You'd do that much, in a jiffy, if the Boss asked you. Yes, you would. We've all done it many a time, and we'll do it again. Don't you think that an old Indian Chief—or a Young One if you don't think a prospective bald spot entitles one to dub one's self "old;" besides, an "Old Indian Chief" sounds a whole lot more poetic than a "Young Indian Chief-"

Pardon me, but these verbal bypaths are certainly confusing. Where were we? Oh, yes. Don't you think that an old Indian Chief doesn't know all about standing in with the Boss? Sure, that's the wise thing to do, but how much wiser-perhaps "better" it is to "stand in" with your home-the town where you spend the major portion of your recreational and sleeping hours, the town where your children live and get their education?

Old Omar Khayyam had the right idea-only he didn't know it, when

"Ah, Love! could you and I with Him conspire To grasp this sorry Scheme of

Things entire, Would not we shatter it to bits-and then

Re-mould it nearer to the Heart's Desire?"

Perhaps we can't "grasp this sorry Scheme of Things entire," but we can at least grasp it to the extent of Narberth, and the only sure way to do that is for every person whose residence in the borough goes to make the town, to take an interest in

ocal affairs and lend a helping hand. The best way to prove that you prefer living in Narberth to fighting along the Aisne, and that you believe in a democracy, civic righteousness and a social conscience, is to get busy right here-in Narberth, and right now-on the threshold of 1915.

Take the idea that is back of the Civic Association—not ours any more than theirs-but take the idea of civics and expand it far enough and you'll have an organization, an idea, an attitude, a viewpoint or whatever you choose to call it that will prevent wars, and you won't stop them until that day arrives.

But as Irvin Cobb says, "there's a certain lady to whom I am related by marriage who threatens to leave me if I don't stop talking about the war." So we'll put on another film and consider

The Little German Band

that visited Narberth the other night. As a practical, hard-working, hardblowing exponent of President Wilson's neutrality proclamation we submit that the said German band is entitled to first honors. Why? Because it-or rather "they," meaning the members of the band-with all the characteristic "ump-tah-ump-tah-umptah-ump" of the most thoroughly German band that ever played its way through Brewerytown, stood under the electric light at Elmwood and Maple avenues, the other night, and "favored us" with that georgemcohan-sounding war song, entitled-?

You guessed it-Tipperary! Yours for more neutrality, Chief Wingebone Junior.

News of the Churches

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. John Van Ness, Pastor.

Sabbath, January 3, 1915, 10 A. M.-Sabbath school; all departments; two Bible classes.

11 A. M.-Public worship, with sermon by the pastor on the New Year text.

7 P. M.-Junior Congregation, led by Mr. Samuel W. Foster.

8 P. M.-Public worship with sermon by the pastor.

It is expected that the young people of the Junior Department of the Sabbath school will sing at morning worship.

The meeting for Thursday evening of this week promises to be most interesting and helpful. The exercises will begin at 8.30 by the rendition of Fillmore's New Year's cantata, entitled "The Holidays' Grand Review." This will be given by the entire Junior Congregation dressed in costumes. There will follow an hour of music and recitations. There will be instrumental selections on the organ and by the orchestra; solos by Mrs. Reginald Gorham, Mrs. L. Wayne Arny and others, and singing by the Ladies' Chorus. A popular reader is also expected. Then will follow a social hour under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society. Refreshments will be served. At 11.30 there will be a report from the delegation returning from the dedication of the Snuday Tabernacle and this will be followed by a devotional meeting, led by the pastor. The closing moment of the old year will be spent in reverent prayer. The public is most cordially invited to unite with us in this Watch Night Meeting.

Celebration of Christmas as a Birthday.

In many respects the celebration of Christmas by the Sabbath school of the Presbyterian Church last Wednesday was the most notable and praiseworthy event in the history of

The Primary Department, under the leadership of Mrs. Haws, had its exercises in the afternoon, with many delightful songs and recitations and a Christmas tree, and Santa Claus and all the entertaining things that the little tots enjoy.

In the evening the church was again filled with the children of the Main School and their friends, and the "Birthday of the King" was observed in a unique and reverent service that impressed everyone as most suited for such an occasion. There was music on the organ and piano and on the chimes and by the orchestra and singing by the large Young People's Chorus and the twenty-eight children of the Junior Department, and many other recitations and songs. A special feature was the violin solo by Master Keith Abele, and the story of Christmas, reverently told by Miss Melchior. A deep spirit of consecration pervaded all the exercises. Instead of receiving gifts as in former years, the entire school unanimously and magnanimously decided to take the amount previously expended on themselves and present it to others as a birthday gift to Him whose birthday we celebrate. As a result, the contribution of the school to the Presbyterian Orphanage exceeded that of any previous year. The remarkable growth of this Sabbath school this Fall has brought the present enrollment up to 228 members.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH.

Rev. Andrew T. Burke, Rector. Sunday services

8 A. M.—The Holy Communion. 9.45 A. M.-The Sunday school. 11 A. M.-Morning Prayer and Ser-

4 P. M.-Evening prayer.

There will be a second celebration of the Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month at 11 o'clock.

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Masses on holydays: 6.30 and 8.30 A. M.; Masses on weekdays, 8.00 A.

tions, 8 o'clock.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. Emerson L. Swift, Pastor.

The Bible school will meet next Sunday at 10 A. M. We have a wellgraded school and classes for all ages. One of the most important resolutions you should make for the New Year is to systematically study the bible. Come with us if you do not go elsewhere and we will help you. Mrs. H. N. Kirby, Sadya, Assam, will give an interesting missionary talk to the school.

The service of worship will be held at 11 o'clock; subject of the sermon, "The Way and the Guide." The ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be observed. Two will be welcomed to membership.

The Young People's service will be held at 7 P. M.; subject, "Who is on the Lord's Side," Matt. 10:32,39. A consecration meeting.

Subject of the sermon at 7.45 is 'Freedom for 1915." Good music by the Young People's choir.

The Evangel Circle of King's Daughters will meet at the church Wednesday at 10.30 A. M. A full attendance of members is desired. A helpful prayer meeting in the evening at 8.

A New Year prayer service will be held at the church Friday morning at 8 o'clock. It is always well attended and has proved to be of great blessing to many as they start out in the New Year. We will announce at this time the motto of the church for 1915. A general invitation is extended to the public to attend.

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Watch Night service, Thursday evening, December 31, at 9.30; unique and inspiring program. Come and spend in joyful service the last hours of the old year in God's house and thus make ready for the new year.

New Year's Sunday, January 3, 9.45 A. M.-Sunday school assembly. 11 A. M.-Offeratory, "There Is a Green Hill Far Away," Gounod; The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; reunion of all families of the congregation; reception of new members by letter and profession of faith. Service of Song, 7.45 P. M .- Brief service of familiar hymns, Congregation; soprano solo, "O Dry Those Tears," Terese Del Riego, (Mrs. L. Wayne Arny); "Onward, Christian Soldiers," Macdougall, (Mr. David D. Stickney, soloist); Contralto solo, "Hold Thou My Hand," C. S. Briggs, (Miss Marion Brill); Jerusalem, O Turn Thee, "Gallia," Gounod, (Mrs. L. Wayne Arny, soloist); short address. "Getting On With People," Rev. Chris G. Koppel, pastor. Musical numbers by the church chorus choir.

A SCOTCH BLESSING.

"If after kirk ye bide a wee, There's some would like to speak to ye.

If after kirk ye rise and flee,

We'll all seem cold and stiff to ye. That one that's in the seat with ye Is stranger here than you, maybe; All here have got their fears and cares

Add your own soul unto our prayers:

Be your own angel unawares."

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Of every man's life, your life, there is a paper record; a record of the time or service you sell, to practically everything you need and buy.

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THE HELPING HAND.

Lift 'em over-there they stand Waitin' for a helpin' hand! Lift 'em over-by the stream Where they wait with eyes of dream!

Lift 'em over-some day you May stand there with longing, too. Some day all of us, indeed, After pride has left us need, Shall be standing there with dim Eyes of sorrow asking Him Through the gate or at the bar Where eternal rivers are, Won't He lift us over, please! Have we lifted such as these? -Evening Ledger.

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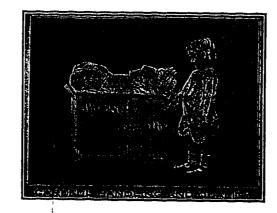
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The new life needs a new power and a new purpose.

The Church offers to meet that need in her Message and her Master. We are talking the big realities The Church of Christ offers to en new Life. And, as the poet

ays,
"'Tis life of which our veins are

scant;
Tis life for which in vain we pant;
Life! More life, and fuller, that we want.'

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If the reader be spirit-hungry, if he wants to realize what life in its fullness may be, we invite him to come to Church, where he will hear the Good News of Life; and of the wonderful gift.

"I am come that ye may have life, and other that the transfer was the conditions of the conditions o

wonderful gift.
"I am come that ye may have life, and that ye may have it more abundantly."
In this new year give the Church and her gospel a tryout. Let her have a fair chance at your best self. Then in you may be fulfilled Tennyson's prophecy.
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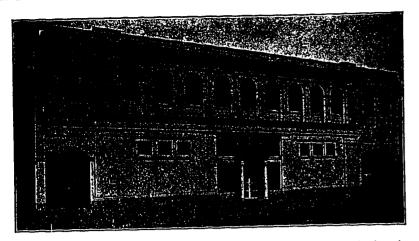
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