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“**T**he Prosperity of a Country depends, not on the abundance of it's revenues, nor on the strength of it's fortifications, nor on the beauty of it's public buildings ; but it consists in the number of it's cultivated citizens, in it's men of education, enlightenment and character ; here are to be found it's true interest, it's chief strength, it's real power.”

—MARTIN LUTHER.

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## Editorial Notes



### Debts Kill.

On July 3rd the treasurer of our Publication Committee received a bill for \$177.01 from the printers. They threatened to draw upon him for that amount unless this bill was paid by the 7th. He then had less than \$20.00 in the treasury. This amount he had received for new subscriptions. He had not at that time, and has not on July 21st, when we go to press, received the books and bank balance from his predecessor. Neither had he then received the amount granted by our Synod in May. When this arrived we felt better. So did also our creditors, who were kind enough to show us mercy. The honorarium kindly presented by Synod to the editor, and which he has recently gratefully received, has also been used to pay the debt of our paper. Still we are in debt. Brethren and friends! Shall our Synod's first publication venture fail for lack of support? Pay your debts and thus help us to pay ours. Get some subscribers and advertisements for us. We shall be pleased to send sample copies to any addresses that you are kind enough to send to us. The honor and good name of our Synod and the Lutheran Church in Canada are at stake. We have tried to do our part to make this paper a success. Unless you help us, we must fail. Do you want us to fail? Read, think, act now.

Our new Manager and Treasurer, Mr. J. A. Loa, is earnestly and conscientiously taking hold of the financial affairs of our paper. Encourage him and your Publication Committee by giving your prompt and generous assistance. At our request, on July 21st, Mr. Loa gave us the following:

### STATEMENT

Showing what must be raised in order to ensure paper's existence for the coming year:

Bills in arrears for printing....	\$102.01
Printing for next two months at \$24.00 .....	288.00
Estimated expenditure, including postage, mailing, printing, etc.....	20.05
Loans from Synod and the Editor	100.00
	<hr/> \$510.06

Amount of cash on hand..\$16.40

Amount of cash with Mr.

Moring ..... 23.66

Loan from Rev. Clemens.. 50.00

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\$90.06

Balance to be made up.... \$420.00

The above amount might be raised as follows:

500 subscribers at 50c. ..\$250.00

91 subscriptions at 50c.

received thus far .... \$ 45.25

409 yet to be heard from 204.75

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\$204.75

Old balance..... 23.66

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\$273.66

Could be realized by advertisements, 2 Pages at \$7.50

a Page for 12 months..... 180.00

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\$453.66

### New Agreement.

We mentioned in our last issue that the firm, which printed our paper last year, was going to advance the price for doing the work for us this year. This caused us to enquire elsewhere in re to the cost of having this work done, with the result that we found it to our financial advantage to enter into an agreement with Mr. H. Gummer, printer and publisher, at Guelph, to print the paper for us. According to this agreement Mr. Gummer agrees to print 500 copies of a 16-page paper, monthly, for the sum of \$24.00 per month, for one year, beginning with this issue. This amount we have agreed to pay, subject to a sight draft, on the 10th of each month. The quality, size of paper, type, general make-up and workmanship is to be equally as good as copy of our Sept. issue, 1912. We have the option of using one or two pages for advertisements, monthly. If increase in the number of pages is desired, the price to be \$6.00 for each additional four pages.

Last year some of our congregations failed to secure subscribers and pay for the number of copies assigned to them. This accounts for our failure to meet our financial obligations last year.

We would hereby most urgently request that the pastors and congregations of our Synod make an earnest ef-

fort to secure at least as many subscribers as we take the liberty to assign to each parish, and that they see to it that these are paid for in advance. Their failure to do this may compel us to cease publishing our paper.

For the ensuing year we would assign to our congregations the number of copies, as follows:

#### Eastern Conference.

St. Peter's, Williamsburg (Rev. Dennig) .....	75
St. Paul's, Morrisburg (Rev. McCreery); St. John's, Riverside, (Rev. McCreery) .....	90
Redeemer, Montreal (Rev. Lauer) .....	30
St. Peter's, Ottawa (Rev. Clemens) .....	30
St. Luke's, Dunbar (vacant) .....	25
	250

#### Western Conference.

Trinity, Hamilton (Rev. J. A. Miller) .....	50
St. Paul's, Toronto (Rev. W. C. Miller) .....	50
Trinity, Humberstone, (Rev. Knauff) .....	30
St. Paul's, Galt (Rev. Wike) .....	30
St. Paul's, Guelph (Rev. Durst) .....	30
St. John's, Buttonville (Rev. Maurer); Bethesda, Unionville, (Rev. Maurer) .....	20
First Church, Berlin (Rev. Behrens) .....	20
St. Matthew's, Brantford (Mr. Wilison) .....	20
	250

We shall later publish an honor roll of our congregations, in the order that they come forward and discharge their duty to our paper. This list is headed by St. Paul's, Guelph, which has already sent in its payment for thirty or more subscribers. Who will be second? Let us hear from you soon.

#### Why Worry?

God is the Creator of the Universe. It is, therefore, His. "Of Him and to Him and through Him are all things." We are His and He made us. He is our Father in Heaven. We are His human children. Jesus Christ is God's divine-human Son. He is our elder Brother and Friend. All that the Father hath is His. "All power is given unto Me in heaven and on earth." These are His words. To His disciples He said: "Ask and ye shall receive that your joy may be full." "Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name He will give it you." (John 16:24-23). These blessed truths we Christians profess to be-

lieve. Why, then, worry? If we have not this promised joy it is because we ask not, or ask not aright.

A true Christian does not worry. He has no reason to do so. Jesus says: "In the world ye shall have tribulation; but, be of good cheer: I have overcome the world." (John 16:33). We are assured that "all things work together for good to those who love God." Why, then, worry? It is sinful to worry. It shows lack of faith in God. It is harmful. Worry makes men weary. Weariness robs us of strength. It unfits us for labor. What do we profit by worrying? Nothing is gained. Much is lost. Why, then, worry?

Put your trust in God. Go work for and with Him. Look up. Lift up. Cheer up. Remember, you are God's child; an heir of heaven; His co-worker on earth. God does not worry. Why should we worry?

We sometimes worry because things are withheld or taken from us which we think are essential to our happiness and well-being. God knows what we need. What He withholds is not necessary for us to have. We are in His care and keeping. What we need He gives us in His own way and in due time. When we have learned to say, with Jesus, "Thy will, not mine, be done," we shall worry no more.

In our Declaration of Independence we should all, with Eugene Thwing, include this item:

"From worry, which eats away courage from the heart; which disturbs the hours of sleep; which makes the body weak, which casts dark clouds over the way; which befores the brain; which causes hope to fade and faith to fail,—I declare my independence."

#### "Begging" for the Church.

Sir Robert Baden-Powell in his book on "The Canadian Boy Scout,"

says: "Funds must be earned by the Scouts themselves, by their work, not by begging."

The advice is a good one. Others, besides Scouts, might well be benefited by it.

Recently we called upon a multi-millionaire in the interest of our Church. Our purpose was to solicit his aid in erecting a Church building for our congregation. His reply was anything but favorable. He informed us that we were the second party which had that day called upon him "begging for the Church." "I am almost sick and tired of the name, Church," he said, "Every day I have one or more calls for help-

ing this, that or the other Church, or cause, appealing for aid in the name of the Church. It is impossible for me to grant every request. I must refuse sometimes." We were informed that this particular millionaire was of a generous turn of mind, as he was known to have rendered assistance to many Churches and philanthropic causes. We came to the conclusion, both from what he said to us and what we have since heard about him, that his gifts are usually bestowed where he finds it to be to his own interest to give them. Such is the generosity of the world.

It makes us boil with indignation and righteous wrath within when we hear men speak of the Church as a beggar. If people would rightly consider and understand what the Church is and what they owe to her, they would know and have to acknowledge that they, and not the Church, are the beggars. Christian people, in particular, and the world in general, owe more to the Church than they shall ever be able to do for her in return. The benefits of a Christian civilization and environments they owe to the Church. The least that they can do is to acknowledge manfully this debt, and endeavor to repay it to the extent of their ability, by giving their personal aid and co-operation in the interest of the Church. Unless this is done, and just in proportion as this Christian duty is neglected, our Christian country will revert back to the darkness of heathenism, out of which it has come.

On the other hand we believe that the promiscuous soliciting of funds, selling of tickets for entertainments, bazaars, etc., in the name of the Church, is often more harmful than beneficial to the best interest of the Church. Too often, we fear, we make our appeal for aid in the interest of the Church, upon a basis too low and sensual. Some of these appeals, we must shamefully acknowledge, are worthy of no better name than "begging." We fear that even in some cases the world is justified in applying the words grafting and gambling to transactions conducted in the name and under the auspices of the Church. Such business is unworthy of the institution bearing the name of Christ, whose actions in the Temple, when He cleansed it by driving out the traders, etc., show that such transactions in the name of religion do not meet with His favor.

None of these affairs would be necessary, or even tolerated, if all who profess to be Christians would do their duty,—discharge their financial obligations, as God's Word directs and they

have pledged themselves. Only because we have so many shirkers and "spongers" in our Christian congregations is it sometimes necessary for us to appeal for aid to outsiders, in order to carry on our work. If all our Church-members would take to heart and follow Sir Robert's advice to the Scouts, referred to above, we would hear no more about "begging for the Church."

#### Where and How Leaders are Made.

"The Lutheran" informs us that small Synods cannot create great leaders. Alas, for us, brethren in the Synod of Central Canada. According to this there is a small chance for us of becoming great leaders. Never mind, friends, if we cannot be great in the estimation of our great brethren in the greater Synods, we can at least be good. Is not goodness, after all, better than greatness? The great leaders are not always good leaders. Napoleon was a great leader, but was he as good as he was great? Even in the case of the great leaders among men we doubt whether the qualities which made them great are to be attributed to the size of the nation to which they belong, or the community in which they lived, moved and had their being. Where have most of our great leaders come from—the city or the country?

There is a great deal of truth in what Samuel Smiles says: "Great towns do not necessarily produce great men. On the contrary, the tendency of life and pursuits in great towns is rather to produce small men. The whirl of business and pleasure which prevades the life of cities distracts the mind and hinders its growth. There is a constant succession of excitements, producing no permanent impression, because one effaces the other. While the country boy is allowed to grow up, the city boy is rushed up. The latter is sharp and clever in his way, by perpetual friction with his fellows, and when he becomes quick and alert in his special business, he stops there, and goes no further."

Where were the qualities developed which made Alexander the Great, and Napoleon, the Apostle Paul and Martin Luther, the great leaders that they were? Where was the earthly preparation received by our blessed Saviour, which made Him such a great leader among men? Did not Aristotle take Alexander away from the court of his father, Philip of Macedon, in order that he might in solitude instruct him in every branch of human learning, es-



pecially in what relates to human government? Was not Napoleon born into a patrician family, on the Island of Corsica. Where did Paul and Luther receive their early education and training? Did not Paul say: "My manner of life from my youth, which was at first among my own nation at Jerusalem—after the most straitened sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee" (Acts 26; 5-6)? Was he a Roman citizen by birth? Luther was born and brought up in a large church body, but did his training in that body develop largeness of vision and sympathies? Did it not rather develop among its adherents "particularism," "narrowness," "pettiness," and some of the other peculiar traits which the Lutheran claims are the outgrowth of "small church bodies?" Where did Luther get his largeness of vision and sympathies, his strong individuality and courage of conviction? If we leave out of consideration his teutonic origin, his home training, and his discovery and study of the Scriptures, we fear that we shall look in vain for the cause of his greatness as a leader. What kind of training did Jesus of Nazareth receive, which made him the greatest of all leaders among men? Born, according to the flesh, in one of the smallest nations then in the world, of a people of humble origin and station in life, brought up in one of the meanest and most despised towns in Galilee, educated in the Synagogue of his home town, and at His mother's

knee. Such were the elements that entered into the training of the greatest and the best leader of all times.

The days of great leaders, Muhlenberg, Walther and Krauth, which "The Lutheran" mentions, was the day of small things, and small Synods. This, the editor seems to have failed to have noticed.

No, my friends, we believe that the development of great leaders does not depend upon the smallness nor the largeness of the Synod, the community, the nation, or the body politic.

As we stated above, if we fail to take into consideration the rock, out of which great leaders are hewn, their race origin, home-training, religious education and environment, we shall never arrive at the true conclusion as to what constitutes the chief elements, which make great leaders.

When Alexander the Great, at the age of eighteen, returned from the battle of Chaeronea (338 B. C.), where he overthrew the sacred band of the Thebans, his father said unto him: "My son, seek for thyself another kingdom, for that which I leave is too small for thee."

So the great leaders among men, trained intellectually, morally and physically in a quiet way, often by "a small body," when the elements of greatness have been created and developed are sometimes, but, not always, called to a larger sphere of usefulness.



## News from our Churches



**Ou. Seminary.** For general information we would state that at

the last meeting of the Board of Directors it was resolved to call a permanent President for the institution, in accordance with Synod's suggestion. The Committee on Teaching Staff is therefore very busy at present, doing their best to locate the proper person for that position, and we are happy to say that we are very hopeful of having the position manned by fall, which is all the more imperative owing to Rev. Prof. R. R. Durst having resigned his congregation at Guelph. This means that he shall not be with us as a teacher next year. The Board, together with the student body, are very sorry to lose Prof. Durst, for he was very thorough in his work. May God's richest bless-

ings go with him to his new field of labor.

We would also draw attention to the fact that the Rev. Prof. P. C. Wike has been secured by us to make a canvass of Synod's congregations on behalf of the Seminary, for students and funds. Thus far his efforts have been very successful. We would kindly urge that all congregations and members of the same welcome him and make a subscription to be paid annually through the officers of the congregation to Synods Treasurer and by him to the Treasurer of Seminary for its support. If every member of the church make only a small subscription of from \$2.00 to \$5.00 per year to this work, much more can be done in the future than in the past. But, each and every individual

member of our churches should be urged to give at least a dollar or two to this all-important work of the church each year. The moneys thus subscribed in the congregations should be paid in to the officers of the respective churches and by them sent in to our Synod's Treasurer, with the instruction that he credit their congregation for the amount, and send the same on to the Treasurer of the Seminary. Thus, brethren, let us each and all do something for our Seminary.

J. A. MILLER.

### Berlin.

A farewell reception was given to Rev. and Mrs. M. J. Bieber on June 17th by the appreciative members of the First English Lutheran Church, prior to their leaving Berlin for their vacation, which they are at present spending in Europe.

A welcome reception was also given to Pastor H. J. Behrens and family by the congregation on June 25th, after the usual characteristic Canadian manner, which needs no description here. Authorized by the President of Synod, the Rev. J. Maurer, the field missionary, before leaving Berlin, installed his successor, the Rev. H. J. Behrens, on Sunday, June 29th, in St. Matthew's church, which the First English Lutheran congregation has bought from our German brethren. The installation sermon was based upon John 6:20. The field missionary preached his final sermon as pastor in Concordia Hall, on Ex. 14:15, in the morning, and on the Aaronic benediction, Num. 6:24-26, at the evening service, after which he bade farewell to the congregation at the hall door.

The following resume is given by Rev. Bieber of his work in Berlin during the past year:

The first service was held on June 16th, 1912. The congregation was organized on February 2nd, 1913, with 87 charter members, and now numbers 119. Forty-one adults were confirmed, 14 of whom were baptised. The Sunday School began on June 23, 1912, with 23 members, and now numbers 81. The Luther League began in September with 14, and now counts 40; the Missionary Society in September, with 12, and now counts 18. Missions are studied in all the organizations, the every member canvass, and the duplex envelope have produced excellent results. St. Matthew's Church was secured on April 10th, for \$14,000, through a \$5,000 church extension loan. St. Matthew's may hold regular services in it till April 10th, 1914, (the congregation expects

to erect a modern, representative edifice on a new site.) The English Lutheran Church has justified its existence. It has not built on another's foundation, nor has it robbed other churches. Most of its members had not been ministered unto by the other churches. It is a consecrated, liberal, aggressive band; it has an able, zealous, consecrated pastor, who has already won the love and confidence of his people, and will with their co-operation move steadily forward.

### Brantford.

The attendance at our church services during the month of June averaged 43, and at our Sunday School 27. Mr. and Mrs. Pickering and two children have been received by transfer from Montreal, and Mrs. Nuggie has been lost by removal to the Northwest. Our S. S. enrolment is 31, and our cradle roll 17.

On Sunday, June 15th, we were favored with a visit from four members of Hamilton Luther League. They presented greetings from Hamilton, and an invitation to a picnic on July 1st. The invitation was gratefully accepted and on July 1st six members of our League attended the picnic. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent on Hamilton Mountain, and we all feel happier and benefitted by our association with the excellent young people of Rev. Miller's congregation. We hope to have them with us some time later in the summer.

On June 25th our Ladies' Aid held its annual meeting. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. F. Nicholls; Secretary, Mrs. George Kiehl; Treasurer, Mrs. H. Oliver. The officers of our Luther League are: President, Mr. Fred Warning; Vice-President, Mr. H. Yunker; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Frank Clarke; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Nicholls; Treasurer, Mr. C. F. Nicholls; Organist, Miss Lucy Clarke.

We have a competition on in our Sunday School to increase our membership. The leaders are Miss Erna Knudsen and Miss Lucy Clarke. The object is not only to bring in new members, but also to ensure regular attendance of old members.

At last meeting of our Church Council it was decided to make full use of the duplex envelope system, according to the plans suggested by Synod, and an every member canvass being made to secure weekly pledges for benevolence as well as an increase, if possible, in pledges for current expenses. So far most of our members have complied with the wishes of our Council.

It was also decided to make enquiries regarding conditions for acquirement of church property. The members of our Council are: Messrs. Milton Glebe, E. S. Neff, C. F. Nicholls, Andrew Borger, George Kiehl, Oscar Strand, J. B. Pickering.

On Sunday morning, June 22nd, Mr. Willison preached in Hamilton, and on the 13th and 20th of July, Rev. J. A. Miller preached in Brantford.

Mr. C. F. Nicholls was called to Mount Salem recently to the bedside of his father, who is sinking fast with an incurable disease.

Mr. Oscar Strand attended the funeral of a friend in Montreal on Dominion Day.

Greetings to all the congregations.

N. WILLISON.

**Galt.** These monthly letters are to keep our people posted concerning the affairs of our pastorate. But this attempt will need an apology, for the pastor has been away most of the time since the 20th of June. On the 22nd of June J. A. Miller, my predecessor, preached at both services for my people. Good congregations were out to hear him, morning and evening. On June 29th, Student Rembe, of Hamilton, occupied my pulpit, and on the first Sunday in July Rev. R. R. Durst, of Guelph. During this time the pastor was busy securing aid for the Seminary in Waterloo. This is a general work of the Church some one must do. I will be pardoned for speaking of the kind reception given me, both by the congregations and pastors visited. It is refreshing and profitable to travel over pastorate after pastorate, now with laymen and now with pastors, exchanging views, enjoying the country and breathing the pure air, to say nothing of raising money. For the church generally this last is the most profitable. My work began in Hamilton, where, with Pastor Miller, we had a successful day. On the second day the show came to the city, and rendered it useless to go further at that time with our work. I returned to Hamilton on July 17th to complete the canvass. In the eastern end of our territory, Dunbar was the first field to be worked. Bro. Ira Dilabaugh, the Treasurer, carried me in his easy conveyance to see our people, and for nearly two days we were busy about our Master's business. We will not soon forget his kindness in giving timely aid. In the large pastorate at Williamsburg I was for two days, conveyed from home to home by that well-known, genial Brother, Isaac Cassel-

man. Being much older than I he could teach me many new things, and one of the interesting ones was "How to whip up a slow horse." We parted with regret. The third day Pastor Dennig, having returned from his vacation, accompanied me. It was a busy day from early till late, and ended with encouraging success. A fitting close to this day was the annual strawberry festival at St. Peter's, Williamsburg. The crowd was large, strawberries and ice cream in abundance, and every one seemed to enjoy the occasion. The next pastorate was that of Morrisburg and Riverside. For more than ten miles along the banks of the grand old St. Lawrence, these Lutheran people are scattered. Some live five miles back from the river. There was nearly a week's busy work to reach these people, and a few remote ones were left for Pastor McCreery to see. Throughout this hot dusty week the faithful pastor cheerfully took me among his people. The same is true with Rev. W. C. Miller, in Toronto. Rev. J. Maurer, at Unionville, and Rev. R. R. Durst, of Guelph. I owe a debt of gratitude to all these for their general hospitality and valuable aid. They did much to make my mission the success it was. I will have more to say of the success in a later issue. Here I wish to state that but a small per cent. of our people refuse to aid our Seminary. They are realizing that it is of first importance; that it is necessary to educate Canadian boys for the ministry on Canadian soil; that if our church is to grow it should in Canada, we must have more faithful workers to place in the field white unto the harvest. Let all be encouraged. Those yet to be seen, prepare yourself for my coming. Let all forget their own woes and labor, to render others happy by developing this general work. As God has blessed you, so give. "He loveth the cheerful giver." "It is better to give than to receive." "Give, and it shall be given unto you."

P. C. WIKE.

**Guelph.** That the Canada Lutheran is highly appreciated in Guelph is evidenced by the large number of prompt renewals for the second volume. And some new subscribers were secured, making our mailing list number this year 35. It is always well filled with cheering news and excellent and instructive reading matter, and is certainly well edited. Mr. Editor, hearty congratulations.

The Holy Communion on the eighth Sunday after Trinity, July 13th, was not

so well attended as was hoped. Perhaps the holiday season interfered. If possible, a Sacramental Service will be arranged for a Sunday in September, before the pastor leaves his parish. If so it will be duly announced in the next issue and every member should strive devoutly to attend. Our acceptance of the Means of Grace are salient marks of our acceptance of and loyalty to the Lord, their founder, and our daily Benefactor.

Returns so far received from the religious census have given no new Lutheran material, but some non-attendant upon any church or Sunday School. Some who are very uncertain attendants, yet report themselves as Lutherans. They should be active in the church.

In his canvass for the Seminary, July 14th and 15th, Rev. Prof. Wike received much encouragement. A number paid their subscriptions at once. The cards are in the pastor's hands. Subscriptions can be paid through the duplex envelope, and, if properly marked, due credit will be given by the Financial Secretary, and the receipted card then returned.

On July 6th, by filling the pulpit of St. Paul's, Galt, the pastor relieved the President of the Synod Rev. Maurer, and enabled him to confer with our Church Council regarding present conditions and plans for the future. Under God, the future success of St. Paul's depends after all, upon the loyalty of every member and the harmonious fellowship of all members. Any organization or living organism profits by external contribution only, when, itself in healthy sturdy normal condition, it appropriates and assimilates in natural contact with proper sources of supply. "God helps him who helps himself," by helping him to help himself.

Mrs. A. H. Mogk is slowly convalescing after serious and painful sickness. The Lord, in grace, sustained her in the prolonged affliction.

Mrs. Geo. Doersam improves slowly. Mr. Chas. Behrend has been enabled to return to regular labors.

All need be thankful that general good health prevails in our congregation.

Our annual picnic is scheduled for Saturday afternoon, July 19th. Report will be made in the September issue.

Mrs. Fred Sankey has returned after a two months' sojourn with her son, Charley, in Toronto. We are pleased to note the return to Guelph of Mr. George Sankey.

Mrs. Simmons, mother of Mr. Ed.

Simmons, of York Road, has come from England for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Krouse, jr., have gone to Toronto to live.

Miss Harriet Hackborne is missed in Sunday School and congregation since her departure to reside in Winnipeg. May the Lord guard and prosper her there.

While in Goderich, Ont., during the week of June 15th, the pastor baptized Ruth Alma, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jas. Taggart. They are members of St. Paul's, Galt, and the pastor will ever remember their generous hospitality and his healthful days of vacation.

St. Paul's interest and payment period is September first. Then, too, the mortgage must be renewed or transferred. This is an excellent opportunity to reduce the amount of the same. All who gave monthly pledges and subscriptions to the \$1,000.00 Fund, should make their best efforts to pay up in full. This would enable Council not only to reduce the face of the mortgage, but also to make the imperative sanitary improvements in the church. All pledges fulfilled would mean an amount of over \$700.00 at their disposal for these urgent objects. What a relief it would be to the congregation—to all members. The payment of these pledges should be a matter of the deepest interest and the most conscientious effort to all members of our beloved St. Paul's. Give prayerful attention.

**Hamilton.** July is Trinity's month for outings. They began with the annual Sunday School and congregational picnic on Saturday, June 28th, at Dundas Driving Park. The weather was ideal. The turn-out was good. The programme of games with prizes was the best yet.

In the annual baseball game, between the married men and the single, the former proved victors by a score which we refrain from mentioning, (the writer being a single man).

There were games for everyone; the fathers and mothers, the Women's Missionary Society, the Men's Bible Class, the **Luther League**, the **Brotherhood**, the Teachers and Officers, and the various Classes of boys and girls. Everyone enjoyed themselves and all were happy.

After the games had been run off, all present adjourned to the tables around the log cabin, upon which the ladies had spread a supper that would have tempted the appetite of any epi-



cure. For this most excellent repast we owe our ladies a hearty vote of thanks, which we take this opportunity of tendering them.

The picnickers returned to the city in the evening, tired, but unanimous in their opinion that this picnic had been the best in our history. Much credit is due the committee who succeeded in making it the success that it was.

One Sunday, towards the latter end of June, a deputation of our Luther Leaguers, consisting of the Social Committee, paid a visit to St. Matthew's League of Brantford for the purpose of inviting them to join our League at our annual picnic on July 1st. We were received with every courtesy by our Brantford brethren, and were assured that our invitation would be accepted. We returned from the Telephone City feeling that Trinity and St. Matthew's should certainly see more of each other.

Dominion Day came, fine and warm, and with it came Mr. Willison and his good people from Brantford. They joined us at Mount Hamilton Park, and despite the intense heat, a very pleasant time was enjoyed. Owing to the heat, the afternoon was spent in games of a quiet nature, with as little running as possible, but after the refreshments had been partaken of, the evening was spent in playing baseball, ring games, etc. These were followed by a few short addresses and a number of songs, both of a religious and patriotic nature. We will not soon forget this first visit of St. Matthew's League to Hamilton, and we trust it will not be the last by any means. Miss Peterson deserves our heartiest congratulations for the way she conducted this picnic.

Thus two of our organizations celebrated their annual outings, but the Young Men's Brotherhood would not be satisfied with anything of such a brief duration. They consequently planned an outing to last for two weeks at least, in the form of a camp. On June 30th the camp began. The brethren pitched their tent at one end of the prettiest spots on Hamilton's famous beach, which separates Burlington Bay from Lake Ontario. At this beautiful resort with the lake to the east of them and the bay to the west, with the convenience of an electric railway connecting them with the city, and under the most ideal conditions, the Brothers are living very close to Mother Nature. The two weeks they intended to spend here are past, but, at this writing, the camp is

still here, and it is uncertain when it will break up.

Many friends of the Brotherhood have visited them in camp, and many have contributed towards its success, to all of whom the Brotherhood takes this opportunity of conveying its heartiest thanks.

It is from the Brotherhood camp that we send this report, and we must say that we are enjoying a vacation that we shall never forget, and are already planning for a more elaborate camp next year.

During our stay in camp we have learned to know each other better than ever before, and to sing with more genuine sincerity our Brotherhood Hymn:

Hail the Club that Friendship's tether,  
Firm and sure unites;  
Loyal Brethren bound together,  
By the Red and White.

#### Chorus.

This our Motto, this our Watchword,  
Purity and Love;  
"In friendship serving one another,"  
Young Men's Brotherhood.

Firmer still as time advances,  
May our union be;  
Friends whose worth each year enhances,  
Through their loyalty.

Love and service blended gladly;  
Thus shall life be bright;  
Young Men's Brotherhood, we hail  
thee,  
Hail the Red and White.

The Ladies' Bible Class was formally organized during the month, and elected Miss Scott as President, and Miss Queenie Schrader as Secretary.

Mrs. I. B. Miller and her daughter, Mrs. F. W. Otterbein, have returned from their vacation in Kansas.

E. B.

**Montreal.** The combined picnic of the Sunday School, Luther League, Ladies' Aid Society, and Laymen's Movement, which was held on Dominion Day at Bout de L'Isle was very successful, barring the extreme heat of the day. Games and contents were arranged by committees and suitable prizes were awarded to the successful contestants. As a proof that many enjoyed themselves and entered into the games and contests with interest we have the personal testimony of various individual, amongst whom the writer is also found, that the effects of the

picnic could be felt for quite a number of days following the outing.

On June 23rd Pastor conducted the funeral service over the body of Evelyn Pattison, infant daughter of John A. Pattison and his wife, Eliza. The child had been baptized by Rev. Lauer on November 22nd of last year.

During the past month Pastor officiated at two weddings in the parsonage. Mr. George Larson, a carpenter, and Mrs. Helga Hognerud-Olsen, widow of the late Oscar Olsen, of Christiania, Norway, were united in marriage on July 10th, the witnesses being Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Casselman. Mr. Hugo A. Lonnblad, a glass cutter, and Miss Sigrid Salminen, both of Finnish origin, were united in the bonds of Holy Wedlock on July 13th. The witnesses were Miss Mary Whitteker and Mrs. Katharine Holmes. The ring ceremony was used at both occasions.

At a special meeting of the congregation held on the evening of Sunday, July 13th, after the service, Mr. Ernest Viberg was elected a deacon. It was also decided at the meeting to invite the pastors and delegates of the Eastern Conference to hold the fall meeting of the Conference in our church building and to entertain the pastors and delegates coming to this convention. A thorough canvass of the congregation had been previously made by a committee appointed for that purpose, and it was on the strength of their report that the congregation considered the way clear to extend this invitation. As it is very difficult to secure a very large number of families who will be in a position to entertain delegates it will no doubt be necessary to restrict free entertainment to pastors and duly accredited delegates only. The congregation decided to hold its dedication services in connection with the meeting of Conference. The committee appointed to take the matter of arranging for Conference in hands is composed of the following persons: Mr. J. A. Johnson, Mrs. J. C. Casselman, Mrs. L. C. Tonnersen, Mr. G. W. Brooks and Mr. Ernest Viberg.

At the last meeting of the Church Council a Church Book Fund was started by each of the members contributing one dollar. New church books are badly needed for use in the church particularly for strangers that worship with us at our services. Pastor Lauer and Mr. Brooks were appointed a committee to take charge of this fund and collect as much money as possible from other members of the church for this worthy cause. We hope the members

will respond when approached by this committee.

A very heavy rain interfered a great deal with the lawn social that was held on Wednesday evening, July 9th. The Westmount Electric Light Company had so kindly erected six large overhanging electric lights over the church lawn and the ladies, under whose auspices the social was held, had gone to a great deal of trouble to make the social a success, but the weather conditions were very unfavorable.

The following persons were received into full membership with the Redeemer congregation on Sunday evening, July 6th: Mr. and Mrs. Axel Gunderson, formerly members of St. Peter's, Ottawa, and Miss Lena Hojager. We welcome them into the fold of this church.

W. H. C. L.

**Morrisburg.** Rev. August Rohrig and family, of Hazelton, Pa., are spending their vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Casselman, parents of Mrs. Rohrig. Rev. Rohrig preaches in St. Paul on Sunday, July 20th, at 10 a.m., and in St. John at 2 p.m.

Baptized—On July 8th, at the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orie Smith, John Percival Herman, born June 14th, 1913.

Rev. P. C. Wike, of Galt, presented the cause of the Waterloo Seminary in both churches on Sunday, June 29th, and accompanied by the pastor, made a canvass of the congregations during the following week, resulting in nearly \$400.

The anniversary held on July 9th, passed off very pleasantly, and was a success, both socially and financially.

On Thursday evening, July 10th, Morrisburg was shocked to hear of the sudden death of Mrs. Sidney Casselman. Mrs. Casselman had been at church on the preceding Sunday and attended the anniversary on Wednesday, apparently in the enjoyment of health, but soon after returning from the parsonage on Wednesday evening was stricken down with apoplexy. She did not recover to consciousness, but passed peacefully away on Thursday morning at 5.30, aged 65 years, 3 months and 10 days. The funeral took place on Sunday, the 13th, at 10 a.m., conducted by the pastor, and assisted by Rev. August Rohrig; buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Besides her husband she leaves to mourn her loss four sons, Eben, at home; Stanley and Lorne, of Morrisburg, and Melvin, of Glen Becker; and three daughters, Stella and Rubena, at

home, and Mrs. Reuben Loucks, of Williamsburg.

On July 11th Mr. B. H. Hayunga, of St. John's congregation, passed away at his home, Riverside, aged 76 years, 2 months and 17 days. Mr. Hayunga had been in failing health for some months, but was only confined to his bed a few days.

His funeral took place at St. John's church on the 14th, and was attended by a large concourse of sympathizing relatives, neighbors and friends.

Mr. Hayunga was a son of Rev. Hayunga prominent in the history of the Lutheran Church in Canada, and a brother to Mrs. Emma Carmen, of Morrisburg.

He leaves to mourn his loss besides his widow, three sons, Herman, of Riverside; Dr. George, of New York, and Bernard, of Lucky Lake, Sask; and two daughters, Lillian, of Moosejaw, Sask., and Emma, of Bracebridge, Ont.

His daughter, Edith (Mrs. Herman Hayunga) died in New York just one week previous.

The Luther League devotional and social meeting recently held at the home of Mr. Melvin Casselman, was well attended, and a pleasant and profitable evening was spent. Also St. Paul's L. L. held their business and social meeting at the home of Mr. John McMartin's recently.

The St. John's Ladies' Mission and Aid Society had two pleasant meetings at the parsonage, Riverside, recently, which were well attended and pleasant evenings spent. L. M. McC.

**Ottawa** The annual picnic on Dominion Day was a great success and much enjoyed, in spite of the warm weather. The prizes, which were this year donated by the members of the church, were greatly appreciated.

At the July meeting of the Luther League four new members were received, all men. The League will assist the ladies of the Missionary Society in helping to make the Lawn Social a success, which is to be held Friday evening, August 15th, on the K. D. Guild lawn, 219 Laurier Ave. W. The August meeting of the Women's Missionary Society will be held at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Holz, Experimental Farm, Thursday afternoon, August 14th. The next meeting of the League will be held August 7th at 101 Gilmour street, Mr. Sternberg's residence.

The pastor hopes that the Communion on Sunday morning, August 3rd, will be well attended by the members.

It is expected that several new members will be received into the church on that day. Let us remember Christ's words: "This do, in remembrance of Me."

A Junior Sewing Class has been planned and started, and the nucleus of a male choir formed, during the past month. The former meets Wednesday afternoons, the latter on Wednesday evenings, both at the parsonage.

Our annual financial report has been printed, by our treasurer, Mr. Max J. Runge, and distributed among our members. We hope that the information which it contains will give our members inspiration to do even greater things in the future than we have done in the past.

As soon as we receive the \$4,000.00 promised by the Church Extension Society, the Building Committee will proceed with putting its plans into execution. That means activity and opening up of purses by all our members. We have just received the \$100.00 promised to the Building Fund by our generous and faithful, Mr. C. H. Sternberg, M. A. Who will be next to send in cash or pledge? Mr. Sternberg and sons are at present fossil hunting in Alberta. Their address is Steeveville, Alta. Success is attending their labors we are told. Mr. Geo. Sternberg, until recently with the American Museum, of New York, has entered into the service of the Dominion Government, and is now at work with their father and brothers, Charles and Levi, in Alberta.

Mr. F. T. Bengtson, who recently was operated upon at St. Luke's Hospital, for appendicitis, is recovering. Baby Harvey's whooping cough is also improving.

Sunday School and church services are being fairly well attended, considering that this is vacation time for many.

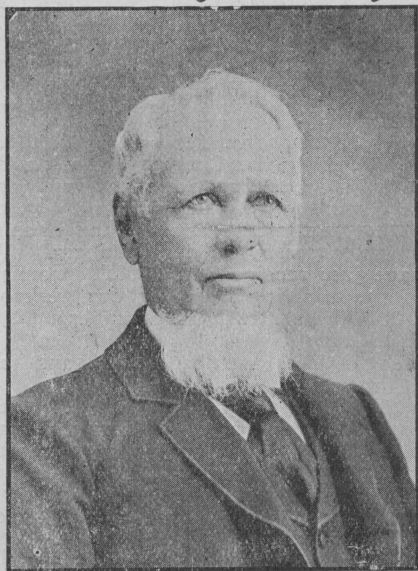
We are informed that one of our members, Miss G. Kosmack, was recently married to Mr. Martz, of Ottawa. The marriage took place at Miss Kosmack's parental home, where, we are told she is still sojourning, nursing her mother, who is not well. Her husband has returned to Ottawa to his work and is here residing with his mother.

The Luther League Orchestra surprised Mrs. Stata on July 9th at her home, where it meets weekly for practice. In recognition of her kindness and hospitality to them the members of the orchestra presented her with a silver-mounted pie plate. A presentation address was read by Miss Mary Roeske, the faithful organist of the orchestra and the church. J. J. C.



### Port Colborne—Humberstone.

The funeral of the late Henry Cronmiller, sr., who passed away in the early hours of Saturday morning, was held Monday afternoon, and in attendance was one of the largest ever held in Port Colborne or Humberstone within the last few years. The many friends from town as well as from neighboring towns and cities who attended, show the high



THE LATE MR. CRONMILLER.

regard in which deceased was held. The floral tributes were many and costly, the aged pioneer resting, as it were, in a bed of flowers. At two o'clock the pastor, Rev. W. H. Knauff, conducted a brief service at the house, after which a very impressive service was held in Holy Trinity Lutheran church, Humberstone. The funeral being held on the 84th birthday of the deceased, Mr. Cronmiller, the pastor took his very appropriate text from Eccl. 7:1.—"The day of death is better than the day of one's birth." A beautiful solo, "God Calls Thee Home," was very ably sung by Arthur Knoll, with chorus by some members of the choir, and under the able direction of Mrs. F. A. Deterling, who presided at the organ. The honorary pallbearers were M. M. German, M. P., E. E. Fraser, M. P. P., Col. Raymond, of Welland, George H. Pettit, of Welland, Reeve John Cook, of Port Colborne, and Magistrate F. J. Quin, of Port Colborne, while J. Biederman, Frank Kramer, Reeve Wm. Kramer, John Rams-

den, George House and Albert Near served in the capacity of acting pallbearers. Eight employees of the Cronmiller & White Brewing Company, of which Mr. Cronmiller was president for many years, and up to the time of his death, were flower bearers. Interment was made in the family plot in Overholt's cemetery.

Mr. Cronmiller's parents were Michael Cronmiller, of Bertie and Dorathea Barbara (nee Lenz). Of this pioneer family, who immigrated from Germany one son remains, George Cronmiller, of Welland, who also attended the funeral of his last brother. Mrs. Squire Near, sister of the late Henry Cronmiller, predeceased him 45 years ago, and a brother died some years ago.

A quiet wedding took place at 3 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, June 25th, at Holy Trinity Lutheran parsonage, when one of our young men, Mr. Harry Kramer, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kramer, was united in holy wedlock to Miss Cora Elizabeth Kinsley, of Gas Line. The young couple will reside with the groom's parents on the beautiful fruit farm at Bethel. We wish them a long, happy and blessed married life.

Joy and cheer was added to the home-life of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Hesler, who are so well known to many of our readers, in the birth of a son and heir, Arthur Werkley, Sunday evening, June 29th. He is an unusually promising young fellow. Arrangements are being made for the Christian Baptism to be solemnized in the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Gust. Hesler have received quite a shock, when, by a telephone message from Toronto, they were informed of the sudden illness of their youngest son, Harold, who was since the conventions transferred to the Toronto Branch of the Royal Bank. On Monday evening, July 7th, he was suddenly stricken with a severe attack of appendicitis, and was hurried to the Cottage Hospital on Wellesley street, and underwent an operation at midnight. Mr. and Mrs. Hesler hurried to Toronto next day, and found him comfortable, although quite weak. Since then he has been improving slowly and we hope surely. May God be merciful and grant a regaining of lost strength and a permanent recovery.

Our Ladies' Aid Society held a sewing in the Annex of the Church last Wednesday, the members turning out well and have many fine articles in preparation.

Visitors at the parsonage are: Miss Olive Ritzer and little Lorraine, sisters



of Mrs. Knauff, and Lizzie Froelich, all of Waterloo.

The service Sunday evening, July 13th. was very inspiring. The choir sang in its usual acceptable manner. The pastor preached a very comforting sermon: "The Tears of Jesus," John 11:35, after which Miss Ritzer very sweetly sang the appropriate solo, "Tears of Christ, Oh Tears Divine." This is a composition of Prof. Theo. Zoellner, organist and choirster of First English Lutheran Church, Berlin. Miss Ritzer, although a member of St. John's, Waterloo, has frequently assisted in the musical part of the services in our sister church in Berlin.

Quarterly Congregational meeting was held Sunday morning, July 13th. Continued progress was noted. The Treasurer's report was very favorable. The congregation granted the pastor a vacation of two weeks (two Sunday) which he expects to spend in Waterloo the beginning of August. The congregation also offered Dr. Raimer, Superintendent of Slav. Mission Work, the use of our church and communion vessels for a service for the Slavonians here, which the Doctor expects to conduct on August 3rd.

Our Synod's financial agent for the Seminary, the Rev. Wike, expects to be with us Sunday, July 20th. We wish him as good success here, as he has met in our other congregations. Rev. Knauff will occupy his pulpit in Galt that Sunday.

Miss Eliza Pitzke, who has spent a year with Mrs. O'Fallon, of St. Louis, Mo., as companion and attendant, is spending the summer with her parents and sisters here. Mrs. O'Fallon is also here with her family for the summer, occupying her summer home at Solid Comfort, the summer resort here.

W. H. K.

**Toronto.** Although "vacation time" is making its influence felt upon our regular attendance at services, yet, St. Paul's is progressing very acceptably along all other lines. At the S. S. picnic, held in High Park, June 28th, the largest crowd that ever attended any of our outings was present and heartily enjoyed the various games and races as well as a sumptuous "common supper," served in the spacious pavilion after the interesting exercises had come to a close. The S. S. officers and teachers are about to study "The Lutheran S. S. Handbook" at their weekly meetings. A successful teacher should know the best methods, and also what is most necessary to be

taught, and this our eager and energetic officers and teachers will find fully and clearly set forth in "The Lutheran S. S. Handbook."

Another encouraging feature of our work in Toronto is the very enthusiastic meetings of our recently organized Women's Missionary Society. These interested workers have secured some 30 subscribers to The Mission Worker, as well as offer four of their number to the congregation to serve as local visiting deaconesses. They have also, during this month, organized a Junior Mission Society, with an enrolled membership of over 30 of our "young" ladies of St. Paul's. Financially, too, they have been active, for, \$10.00 towards the India Hospital Work have been sent off; \$10.00 raised for the Literature Fund of the G. C. Women's Missionary Society, and a very considerable portion of the \$30.00 for the G. C. Home Mission Fund of \$15,000.00 is already in the Treasurer's hands, or in envelopes distributed for that good cause.

Sunday, July 20th, the congregation will decide upon a definite site for their new and larger church to be erected in the near future.

Rev. Prof. P. C. Wike, in his two days canvass in behalf of our flourishing Seminary at Waterloo, collected \$143.00. At a later date he will return to complete his work in the interest of that much needed institution. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into his harvest."

W. C. N.

**Williamsburg** The Rev. P. C. Wike, Synod's representative to solicit funds for the Canadian Lutheran Theological Seminary, preached morning and evening, June 22nd, and later called upon the members, securing \$278.50 in cash and subscriptions.

During the pastor's vacation, Mr. Linden-Shannette, Rev. L. M. McCreery and Rev. P. C. Wike preached, thereby enabling the church to be open at least once each Lord's Day for worship.

Verna Elizabeth Barkley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Barkley, was baptized at the parental home Friday, July 11th. The parents were the sponsors.

The Junior Missionary Society will picnic Friday, July 25th, in Whittaker's woods, and at the same time carry out their monthly programme.

The Misses Ruby and Susan Reddick, of Toronto, were guests at the parsonage recently, while visiting their sister, Mrs. Ralph Shannette, of Williamsburg.

The annual strawberry festival was

attended by several hundred people, the proceeds were \$113.00.

For the past four weeks the pastor has been afflicted with a severe cold and hoarseness, which has made speaking and preaching very difficult.

Miss Meda Whitteker and Mrs. Willis McIntosh are the Committee to whom all subscriptions for the "Canada Lutheran" should be paid at once. All subscriptions of last year expired July 1st. Keep in touch with your Church and read "The Canada Lutheran." We had a large list of subscriptions last year. Let us do as well, and, if possible, better, this year.

C. A. D.

### SYNOD NOTES.

Sunday, August 17th, is to be observed by our congregation as General Council Day, according to the resolution adopted at the meeting of Synod. Pastors will please take notice.

The Rev. A. M. Hahn, formerly of Dunbar, has entered upon his duty as pastor of a flourishing congregation, near Rochester, Indiana, belonging to the Chicago Synod.

### The Treasurer's Report.

May 27th, collections at Port	
Colborne . . . . .	\$9.50
June 24th, St. Paul's, Toronto,	
for Bethany Orphanage . . . .	2.00

C. H. Fierheller, Treasurer.

### WHY I AM A LUTHERAN.

Rev. G. F. Krotel, D. D.

(Continued from July Issue.)

And now let me tell you "why I am a Lutheran." I was born in a Lutheran section of Germany, of Lutheran parents, whose forefathers had probably been Lutherans from the days of the Reformation. I was baptized in a Lutheran Church. Brought in my childhood to this country by my parents, I attended a Lutheran parochial school, Sunday School and Church, and was confirmed when I was sixteen. I remained a member of one and the same congregation during my college course and while studying for the ministry. I was ordained by the Lutheran Synod, of which I am a member to-day, and I have been in the Lutheran ministry for almost forty-three years.

While I became a Lutheran, in virtue of my parentage, surroundings and early education, I have remained a Lutheran from conviction. I thank God that my parents brought me up in the church

to which they belonged. I believe it to be the duty of parents so to do if they are convinced that their church is a true church of Christ. If they lack this conviction they should attach themselves to one that is a true church, and train up their children in it. I look upon the Lutheran Church as my spiritual mother, to whom I am indebted, under God, for the sincere milk of the word, which I have received at the hands of her ministers and teachers. Her services, usages, books, traditions and spirit have influenced and molded me in such a way that it would be unnatural for me to be anything but a Lutheran. While I appreciate the truth found in other churches, the strong points that distinguish them, and the great services they have rendered, and continue to render, to the cause of our Lord Jesus Christ, I am frank in confessing—and I trust without any bigotry—that I would not feel perfectly at home in any of them. I feel towards my church as I feel toward my country. Although born in another land, I glory, as millions of my fellow citizens, native and foreign born do, in being an American citizen. I glory in being a Lutheran, and that I am, so to speak, "bone of her bone, and flesh of her flesh."

I am a Lutheran because the study of the Word of God during many years has confirmed me in the conviction that the Lutheran Church in her confessions teaches and confesses in harmony with that Word and is a true witness of Jesus Christ.

I am a Lutheran because my church, not only in her confessions, but in her preaching and teaching, gives such prominence to the two fundamental principles of Evangelical Protestantism, the so-called formal principle, viz.: that the Bible is the only infallible rule of faith and practice; and the so-called material principle, viz.: that men are justified by the free grace of God through faith in Christ. The "Formula of Concord" says: "This article concerning Justification by Faith (as the Apology says) is the chief in the entire Christian doctrine, without which no poor conscience has any firm consolation or can know aright the riches of the grace of Christ," as Dr. Luther also has written: "If only this article remain in view pure the Christian Church also remains pure, and is harmonious and without all sects, but if it do not remain pure it is not possible to resist any error of fanatical spirit."

I am a Lutheran because the Lutheran Church is not only Scriptural, but

historical and thoroughly conservative. From the beginning she laid stress upon the history of the Church in all preceding ages, and desired to hold fast all that is good, and not contrary to the letter and spirit of the Gospel. In her "Book of Concord," containing all her confessions, she gives the first place to the three ancient creeds, the Apostle's, the Nicene and the Athanasian, to show that she rests upon the old historic trunk.

When Luther reformed the service of the Church he desired to retain all that was edifying and beautiful, and not contrary to the doctrine of God's Word. Therefore, the Lutheran Church has retained a liturgical service and the observance of the church year. When zealous iconoclasts began to strip the churches of their artistic ornaments Luther protested, and hence the Lutheran Church, the Church of the "Conservative Reformation," has no objection to paintings and statuary in her sanctuaries.

(To be continued.)

## BIEBER'S ABROAD.

### A Letter from Denmark.

At 2 o'clock, p.m. on Tuesday, July 3, 1913, amidst the blowing of whistles, the waving of flags, the fluttering of handkerchiefs, and the parting salutes of beloved ones, from New York Harbor, the field missionary and his wife began the most delightful trip of their lives. For 12 days they were quartered in a pleasant, second cabin, outer room of the S. S. United States of the Scandinavian-American Line. This comfortable steel vessel of 10,000 tons, built on the Clyde, is 515 feet long, 58 feet wide, and 42 feet from keel to upper deck. It has double bottoms, watertight apartments, and enough life boats for its 1200 passengers and crew. It is thoroughly modern and propelled smoothly by two engines of 8,000 horse power. It has luxurious dining-rooms, libraries, smoking, lounging and rest rooms, and spacious promenades on the four decks.

The vessel accommodates 105 first, 130 second, and 965 third cabin passengers. The first and second cabins were filled and there were 660 in the third cabin. With few exceptions all were well-to-do Scandinavian-Americans, of all trades, occupations and professions from all portions of the United States and Canada, on a summer visit to the Home Land. We, in the second class, were all as one family and sociability

reigned supreme. English was spoken, but more Danish, Swedish and Norwegian from the captain to the humblest servant. They were married, single, alone, with families, servants, nurses, on honeymoons (our 15th), all with few exceptions in happy mood.

There was not a day of rain, nor of storm, nor of mishap. There was no sea-sickness. Captain Gutsche said it was the most remarkable voyage he ever made. Even the North Sea was calm. The 3,615 miles from New York to Christiansand, Norway, were covered in 10 days, at the average rate of a mile in four minutes, and the remaining 700 miles to Christiania and Copenhagen in two additional days. The days were spent in conversation, promenading, reading, playing, sleeping, and eating. Seven meals a day were served. Early breakfast, 6.30; (rising bell, 7.30), breakfast 8.00; bouillion and crackers on deck, 11 a.m.; dinner, 12.30; coffee and cake, 3.30; supper, 6.00; tea and biscuit, 9.00 p.m. The band played at intervals all day and evening. The Atlantic News by wireless was printed on board, and distributed every alternate day.

Services were held on board on each of the two Sundays of the voyage. On the second Sunday, July 13th, the Field Missionary preached. The service was held on the lower open deck, in full view of the passengers of the three classes. It was in charge of Rev. T. Wathne, who, with his bride, are on their way as missionaries to India (Norwegian Baptist). Following was the service: "A Mighty Fortress," led by the band; Ps. 103, in Norwegian; prayer, in Norwegian; "Nearer My God to Thee," by band and congregation; sermon, in English, on Ps. 103:2, followed by the Lord's Prayer in English; "Beautiful Saviour, King of Creation," band and congregation; Benediction, in English. The service lasted 35 minutes. Seven-eighth of the congregation were Lutherans. It was one of the most unique services I ever attended. The day was ideal, calm, cloudless. The Rev. C. E. Holmes, Litchburg, Mass., (Congregational) preached on the previous Sunday. At 5 p.m. Sunday we reached Christiansand, (5000 population) on the southern point of Norway. A steamer and freighter met us and took the passengers, and luggage to shore. The harbor was filled with pleasure boats, flying the Norwegian flag. On each side of the city, tier upon tier, rise the hills and mountains, like mighty billows. A light house and fortress command the harbor. The

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panorama on this Sunday afternoon was one of the most pleasing I ever saw. At six we steamed away to the east.

On Saturday afternoon the Captain gave his "farewell dinner" to the passengers, the flag of each one's nation was one of the souvenirs, roast duck one of the features. On Saturday at midnight we reached the northern coast of Scotland, and in the morning beheld the first land in 9 days. The sun rose at 3.15 a.m. and set at 9.15 during the last five days of the voyage! The sun-sets and sun-rises were magnificent. On Monday, July 14th, we rose at 3 a.m. to view the entry into Christiania fiord, and the city was reached at 6 o'clock. Remaining till 1 p.m., six of us hired an auto, and for \$1.10 each spent four hours seeing the fine, clean city, (225,000 population), and its environs. It is the Capital City of Norway; has a University, palaces, museums, the Parliament houses, the King's Palace, public buildings, etc. It is very clean. On Tuesday morning we reached Copenhagen, and were cordially met by our Danish friends, who will during the next few weeks entertain us in their delightful portion of the world.

M. J. BIEBER.

Copenhagen, Denmark, July 15th, 1913.

## SHARING A VACATION.

(By Alice Grenshaw).

When Bert came home from the country, he brought a big market basket with him, carefully covered. The boys and girls living in the vicinity of his grandmother's home had spent half the day before in making that basket ready. Anyone who lifted the cover would have seen a great number of wild flowers tied into little clusters, and with their stems surrounded with damp moss.

Of course the biggest bunch of all was for Bert's mother. And as soon as he had kissed her and told her the news from the farmhouse, he unfolded his plan. He had been very sure that

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his mother would approve, and her smiling face told him that he was right, before she had spoken a word.

Not very far from Bert's home is a section of the city where the homes are poor and the streets swarm with dirty children. Here Bert went with the basket on his arm. He had thought there were a great many bunches of flowers when they tied them up the day before, but when he found himself surrounded by a crowd of little people with eager faces, and outstretched hands they seemed sadly few. A wrinkled old woman hobbled up to the outskirts of the crowd, and Bert tossed her a spray of golden-rod over the heads of the children. He saw the wistful face of a little crippled girl at a widow, and made up his mind that she should have some flowers, whoever went without. And by that time the big basket was empty.

"Oh, dear!" sighed Bert, as he turned homeward, leaving disappointment behind him, as well as pleasure. "Why doesn't everybody who has a vacation bring back something for the folks who don't? Then maybe there'd be enough to go round."