The Churches

Services Held in the Various Town Churches Sunday.

ST. ANDREW'S

Rev. J. W. Wallace, M. A., B. D., occupied the pulpit in St. Andrew's church Sunday at both services. Special Christmas music was beautifully rendered by the choir.

In the morning Mr. Wallace took for the subject of his sermon, Matthew 5, 17. "I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill." When Christ came to this earth he was sent by God with a special mission to perform. He did not come in any strange manner, because God knew that if Jesus was sent as an angel or spirit the people would be inclined to fean away from him. Christ therefore came as a simple child and lived and grew with the rest of the people. He was then able to associate and talk with them as one of their number. Everything today can be traced back to the little babe lying in a manger in Bethleham We cannot understand the literature of today and of this last century unless we take in the mission of Jesus Christ to this earth. We cannot understand the progress of civilization during the last 19 hundred years if we leave out the work of our Lord on this earth. Everything is traced back to the birth of Jesus.

Everybody who is born today has reason to be thankful for what he finds here. Christ did not come to this world to destroy. He came that we might receive everlasting life. He came to develop any good qualities which may be in us, so that we can go out into this wide world and use them. There are many people who have talents hidden away when they should be using them for the benefit of others. The trouble is that they do not know how to use them. That was Christ's mission to this world, to hunt out these talents and develop them. If we may only do our duty, we should still hear as in olden times, the angel choir singing psalms of praise, bringing peace and goodwill to men.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Rev. Father Collins at St. Mary's church Sunday preached a very impressive sermon on the words, "Behold I bring you tidings of great joy, for to thee is born a Saviour."

The services next Friday (New Year's day) will be as follows:

8 a. m.—Low mass.
10.30—High mass.
7.30 a. m. — Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Quite an interesting discourse was given by the pastor, Rev. G. R. Welch, at the morning service on the subject, "The Devouring Locust and the Great Restoration." The text was taken from Job 2; 25; "And I will restore to you the ears that the locusts have eaten," etc. All sin is evil and evil like the locust, comes in and spoils the fairest and best fruits of our lives. But we have the blessed thought that God is our Heavenly Father, that He loves and cares for us. The fruits that the devouring locusts of evil have taken away from us he is restoring to us with greater blessings.

The subject of the evening sermon was, "Our Best Gift," taken from Prov. 23, 26, "My son, give me thine heart." It seems that here God is throwing down a challenge to us. He has given us His best, and now He asks us for our best. If we recognize God as our Heavenly Father it is going to make our lives divine and we will live lives that will be creditable to ourselves and to God. As God is the provider of our lives he ought to be the object of our most greatful affections. It is a great honor when a king bestowes a gift upon a subject. It is a much greater honor when the king asks a favor of a subject. And so it is with God. He has given us His best and now He asks a favor of us. He wants our hearts, and this is something that everyone can give. If we give Him our hearts we will give all things else. We are God's by the right of creation. We are his again by the right of redemption. He redeemed us in the precious blood of Jesus Christ, not only on the grounds of right, but also on the grounds of self interest we ought to give our hearts to God.

QUEEN-ST. METHODIST

Rev. Mr. Terril, of Greenbank, occupied the pulpit in the Queen-st. Methodist church on Sunday. Rev. J. R. Real was spending the holiday in Greenbank and the two pastors just exchanged pulpits for the Sunday.

Mr. Terril took for his text Matthew 4, 1. "Then was Jesus led up of the spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil." Mr. [illegible] reviewed the different [illegible]ions which Jesus was for Christ. [illegible] through, showing h[illegible] he held firm and [illegible] driving Satan aw[illegible] God gave Jesus [illegible] the tempter sa[illegible] will do the sa[illegible] only ask for that power he will make us strong so that when we are led into temptation we will be able to say, "Get behind me, Satan".

CAMBRIDGE-ST. METHODIST

The musical services in connection with Cambridge-st. Methodist church were most enjoyable and appropriate Mr. Harry Brimmell, Mrs. Widdess and Miss Edith Flavelle and Master Percy Mulheron, taking the solos. The work of the choir was excellent and was very much appreciated by the large congregations.

The morning text was taken from Luke 2nd chap., 9th verse, the subject being, "The first Christmas morning."

The first Christmas service was held in the open fields, very early in the morning, and the congregation consisted of a small number of shepherds. The minister was from a far off city—an angel of the Lord bringing a message to the people, of peace and repose. The angel choir choir sang, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace, goodwill toward men." and even unto this day it is still sung by the Christian hosts. When the service was over the shepherds went, as directed, and found Jesus, and rejoiced.

Often a great man will arise and change the whole beliefs of the world, in science, in invention, etc, and so Jesus arose and changed the whole moral world. Accept Jesus and wretchedness and weariness goes out, and peace enters. The secret of joy is to tell to the world that Christ is come.

The evening sermon, "The Magi and the Star" was listened to by a still larger assembly than that of the morning and was very interesting and instructive throughout.

ELDON COUNCIL.

Kirkfield, Dec. 15.—Council met in McKenzie's hall, Kirkfield, on Tuesday, Dec. 15th, 1908, the day set by statute. Members present, Councilors Spence, McFadyen, Robinson and McQuorrie. The reeve not being on hand, on motion of Robinson, seconded by McQuarrie, Councilor Spence was elected to the chair. The minutes of the former meeting of Nov. 7th were read and on motion of Spence, seconded by Robinson, were adopted. The reeve here took his place at the board.

David Wright waited on the council re his being assessed for lots 57 and 58, S.P.R., which he does not own and for which he was assessed in 1907 and 1908, and paid taxes on same in 1907, and he called the attention of the council to the fact that this same property was owned by and assessed to Wm. Fry, who paid taxes on same.

Spence—Robinson—That the taxes charged to D. Wright on lots 57 and 58, S.P.R., for the year 1908, amounting to $4.36, be rebated.—Carried.

Spence—Robinson—That we leave the matter of Mrs. Taylor re gravel over for consideration.—Carried.

John Bell waited on the council asking for a rebate of $4, which he paid in his taxes for statute labor, which he claims had been performed by him. The matter was referred to the clerk, who produced the road list of the road division upon which John Bell's statute labor was computed which showed that John Bell's name appeared twice on said list in mistake and that his road work was marked done.

Robinson—Spence—That we give John Bell a rebate of $4 for road work overcharged.—Carried.

A. D. McMillan waited on the codncil, claiming a day's road work for having to put up fences in the spring, which were laid down last winter for snow roads.

McFadyen—Spence — That A. D. Campbell be allowed one day's road work on next year's statute labor for work performed by him on con. 8, opposite lot 14.—Carried.

Dougald McFadyen waited on the council regarding debenture tax against his property for S.S. No. 3. He claimed that his property was not included in this section when the debenture by-law was passed. The by-law being produced it was found that this was the case.

McFadyen—McQuarrie—That we rebate to Dougald McFadyen the sum of $1.43, debenture rate charged against his property in 1908.—Carried.

The property of S. J. McKinnon and John McEachern were in like condition to McFadyen's. That we give S. J. McKinnon a rebate of $3.74 and John N. McEachern of $2.75 of the debenture tax in S.S. No. 3.—Carried.

The following communications were read: Aemilius Jarvis & Co., stating that they had a large amount of funds on hand to be let out on short loans to corporations, and solicited our patronage; H. C. Small, secretary Ontario Railways and Municipal Board, drawing the attention of the council to the Ontario Municipal Security Act in 1908; Jas. Cornish, calling the attention of the council to the fact that Mr. Russell had done nothing toward moving the dike he had built on the 6th con. line.

J. R. McNeillie, county clerk and treasurer, re lot 22, con. 7, stating that he had had a letter from the Deputy Attorney General, expressing the opinion that this property cannot be charged with taxes for the year 1907. Taking this along with the provisions of the Assessment Act, sec. 5, S.S. 1, he was forced to the same conclusion and he has therefore written off the arrears; a petition signed by a number of the ratepayers of Victoria Road, asking that the taxes of Mrs. Sarah Taylor be rebated and that she be exempt from statute labor.

Spence—Robinson—That we instruct our collector to strike off the taxes of Mrs. S. Taylor for 1908 and that we rebate Alex. McInnis' debenture rate in S. S. No. 5 for 1908.—Carried.

Spence—Robinson—That the account of McDiarmid & Weeks be left with the reeve for adjustment and settlement.—Carried.

Spence—Robinson—That by-law No. 325 of the municipality of Eldon, a by-law for appointing the time and place for the nomination of members of the municipal council of the township of Eldon for the year 1909, and of appointing polling places, deputy-returning officers and poll clerks for the election of same, be now introduced and passed in the usual way.—Carried.

McFadyen— Spence — That by-law No. 326 of the municipality of the township of Eldon, a by-law for providing for the clerk's fees in carrying out the provisions of the ditches and watercourses Act, be now introduced and passed in the usual manner.—Carried.

McFadyen—Spence—That the following gravel accounts be passed and the reeve issue his orders on the treasurer for same: M. Haygarth $5.30, M. Mitchell $5.35, P. J. McDonald $13.50, A. Ross $2, L. D. McInnis $10.10, J. McRae $7.50, A. Marks $4.80, J. Hill $2.90, Mrs. R. Bell $4.70, H. Wellington $4.30, D. Ferguson $15.12, J. Armour $3.60, T. Collins $11.25, C. Campbell $10.20, F. McRae $14.50, P. Anderson $2.30.—Carried.

Spence—Robinson—That the following wire fence bonuses be passed and the reeve issue his orders for same on treasurer: A. Everson $2.50, W. J. Fry $20, K. McInnis $18, H. Thornbury $23.50, T. Thornbury $5.75; D. A. McIntyre $15.75, J. Ward $21.75, P. Morrison $10, A. Veale $7.25, J. N. Campbell $14, J. P. Campbell $12.50, J. McEachern $8.50, N. McEachern $12.35, D. R. McFadyen $7.25, W. Elford $21.75, M. McLean $6.50, N. Campbell $5, L. McEachern $1.—Carried.

Council adjourned to meet at Lorneville in Plank's hall on the day set by statute, being Monday, January 11th, 1909, at the hour of eleven o'clock a.m. B. Stacey, clerk and treas.

Wedding Bells

SIMPSON — McGUIRE

On Wednesday, Dec. 23rd., a quiet wedding took place at the house of Mr. and Mrs. John McGuire, Penetanguishene, when their second daughter Mary Alice was married to Mr. John M. Simpson, principal Bobcaygeon public school, the officiating ministers being the Rev. F. W. Gilmour, Penetanguishene, and the Rev. W. G. Smith, Bobcaygeon. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a beautiful dress of white pailette silk. The bridesmaid was Miss Nettie McGuire, sister of the bride, who also wore white silk. Mr. B. L. Simpson, a member of Hamilton Collegiate Institute staff, and brother of the bridegroom, acted as best man. The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a handsome fur-lined coat, and to the bridesmaid a handsome crescent pin. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Simpson left on the afternoon train for Toronto and the West, where they will spend their honeymoon, after which they will return to Bobcaygeon.

LIVE BITS OF NEWS.

More than half the southern states are now "dry."

Swinburne would not extend the franchise to women.

Lady Amherst has taken out a British patent for a muff.

Austria has a force of 155,000 men ready to invade Servia.

Natives at Tungan refuse to quit planting opium poppies.

Thirty Hebrew families have been ordered to leave Finland.

Typhus has broken out among the Austrian troops in Bosnia.

Mrs Files, of Dover, was found dead in bed by her husband.

The infant thrown from a G.T.R. train near Kon oka, was still born.

The general store of H. Bax at Ridgeway was robbed of $300 worth of goods.

Ten-year-old Elsie Craven, a London pantomime dancer, gets $500 per week.

Addison Smith, the oldest man in Kent, a negro, is dead at Shrewsbury, aged 111.

A mutiny in a prison in Rome was quelled by the firemen turning on the hose.

The first snowfall of the season in Great Britain covered England and Wales yesterday.

Henry McPhaill, for 45 years Brockville's constable and bailiff, is dead, aged 82.

A black and white mottled owl was captured by Thomas Armstrong of Hamilton.

Ed. Jeffrey, while driving across Bay Lake, lost his team worth $275 through the ice.

A German student at Mainz, because he could get no money, killed his father and three sisters.

Hiram R. Berry, a wealthy manufacturer, was found dead in his automobile, in Spring Valley, N.Y.

The body of Wesley Mill was found floating in the lake near Burlington on Christmas morning.

Three labor disputes were reported in Canada for November, with a loss of time of 5,715 working days.

The little fish tug Rhine went to pieces against a pier at Frankfort, Michigan and the crew of four drowned.

Some men are so pugnacious that they would fight a gas bill.

SOLONS NOMINATED

Electors of Ontario Municipalities Name Their Candidates.

THIRTY-SIX ACCLAMATIONS

Most of the Cities, Towns and Villages Throughout the Province Will See Good Contests — Ninety Places Will Vote on Local Option Measures — Bylaws Dealing With Others Things Are Few.

Municipal nominations were held throughout Ontario yesterday, the feature being the small number of elections by acclamation, candidates for the various offices being plentiful almost everywhere. There are not many important questions coming before the electors in the way of bylaws compared with last year, except that some ninety odd municipalities will vote on the local option question.

Following is a list of the mayors elected: D. McLachlin, Arnprior; C. Krug, Chesley; G. Sutherland, Ingersoll; A. Loerch, Listowel; W. S. Hall, L'Orignal; J. W. Horseley, Meaford; J. de W. Randall, Niagara; R. Rankin, North Bay; W. S. Davis, Oakville; C. Hopewell, Ottawa; H. Rush, Peterborough; I. Matthews, Port Arthur; M. Mullen, Preston; J. P. Henry, Ridgetown; W. Edwards, Rockland; J. E. Hayes, Seaforth; G. Geddes, St. Thomas; M. Sawtell, Woodstock.

The following reeves were elected by acclamation: H. C. Melin, Ayr; J. W. Gage, Barton; J. F. Dawson, Ernestown; J. A. French, Glanford; E. Meekley, Matilda; A. E. Baker, Merrickville; M. Ryan, Newburgh; E. Norman, Osprey; G. A. Wallace, Pilkington; J. H. Smith, Port Colborne; W. H. Pugsley, Richmond Hill; G. Telfer, South Dumfries; Dyoux, South Easthope; J. H. McKay, Tiverton; A. P. Potter, Tottenham; L. Boyce, Warkworth; W. Ronald, West Williams; J. J. Wilkinson, Woolwich.

Strathcona Will Stay.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, who recently arrived from London, where he has been negotiating with the Imperial authorities on the cheap cable proposition, made an important statement touching the rumored retirement of Lord Strathcona from the High Commissionership last night.

There is, he declared, not a foundation for the many stories going the rounds of newspapers on both sides of the Atlantic regarding the retirement of Lord Strathcona. The Canadian High Commissioner, Mr. Lemieux stated, will, if he so desires, remain in London as the representative of the Dominion as long as there is breath in his body.

C.P.R. to Build to Gowganda.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—The Herald yesterday afternoon says: "It was learned yesterday on good authority that, although no actual decision had been arrived at, there is every probability of the C.P.R. building a railway to Gowganda, the new silver field towards which prospectors are being drawn from all parts.

"The C.P.R. is prepared, it is said, to construct the road without a subsidy, from its system at Sudbury, which would run in a north easterly direction into the heart of the new silver country by Gowganda, Miller and Estrett Lakes, Oboshking and Hanging Stone, where thousands of stakes have been driven."

Mexican Power Conference.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—J. H. Plummer reached the city yesterday, and E. R. Wood, C. H. Cahan and F. S. Pearson, representing both sides of the Mexican Power Tramway's conference, are expected to-day.

There seems to be a somewhat more conciliatory feeling abroad, and it is doubtful now if the meeting will generate any spectacular display of fireworks.

There will be a conference of Mexican Power directors at the Bank of Montreal to-day, after which the situation will be more clearly defined.

The 'Frisco Relief Fund.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 29.—With a balance of $397,267 on hand, the relief corporation which had charge of the distribution of the fund donated to San Francisco during the time of the fire of 1906, will turn this money over to the various charitable organizations the first of the year.

Yellow Syndicate.

Paris, Dec. 29.—The investigation by the police into the Mattis incident—Mattis is the unemployed waiter who on Christmas Day waylaid President Fallieres on the street of Paris and made an attempt to pull his beard—has revealed Mattis' relations with the "yellow syndicate," a royalist organization, and as a result the police Sunday sealed up the offices of the newspaper published by the organization, with the intention of making a thorough search of the premises.

The editor of the paper is Pierre Bietry, a deputy from Finisterre. Sunday night he defied the orders of the police and broke into his office.

Protests In P.E.I.

Halifax, Dec. 29.—Four election petitions have been filed in the courts of Prince Edward Island. The first petition is against the election of Hon. Jos. Reed, who was elected by the casting vote of the returning officer. Another is against the election of Murdock Kennedy, the only Conservative member returned in Queen's County. Others are a petition against the election of Hon. James Cummiskey and against the election of Matthew Smith as assemblyman on the usual charges of corrupt practices.

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QUEBEC BYE-ELECTIONS.

Sir Louis Gouin Succeeds In Carrying All Four Seats.

Montreal, Dec. 29—Sir Lomer Gouin swept the green yesterday in the four bye-elections, the Conservatives losing two of the few seats won in June last.

M. J. Walsh defeated Ald. O'Connel in St. Ann's by 200 votes, while in Chateauguay H. Mercier carried the seat by 144. In Laval Hon. H. E. Leblanc, the Conservative leader, is again defeated, J. W. Levesque, who was elected in June by 6 being returned by 145 majority. In Quebec Centre Leclerc, the Government candidate, defeated Ald. Laviguer, independent, by 140.

A RIGOROUS LAW.

South Australia Plans Drastic Measure Regarding Hotels.

London, Dec. 29.—(C.A.P. Cable.)—The Melbourne correspondent of The Chronicle writes that the South Australian Legislative Assembly has just accepted a most drastic licensed victuallers' bill. Some idea of the changes which the measure legalizes may be gathered from the following facts:

It proposes to close all hotels during Parliamentary elecetion days (federal or state), Christmas Day and Good Friday, renders illegal single women holding licenses, unless they at present do so; abolish duplicate barrooms unless special permission is given by the magistrates; requires travelers to journey ten miles from their homes before they become bona fide travelers; tightens the provisions of existing law.

Respecting closing at 11 p.m., if the bill passes the legislative council, South Australia will have in operation the most advanced liquor law of the whole Commonwealth.

BRIEFS FROM THE WIRES.

The C.P.R. have appointed a freight and passenger agent at Prince Rupert, B.C., the G.T.P. terminus.

The Finance Department at Ottawa have received $100 conscience money.

While Hon. Mr. Lemieux was in mid-Alantic on his way west on the steamer Amerika he was surprised to receive wireless messages from Lord Northcliffe, Mr. King and Fred Cook, who were passengers on the Lusitania, going east.

W. L. Mackenzie King will visit India en route to China on Hindu immigration matters.

Hon. Mr. Fielding, now in Paris, is said to be quite hopeful that the French-Canadian treaty will be ratified.

Boy a Bad 'Un.

Windsor, Dec. 29.—The inquest into the shooting of Elijah Thompson, a Malden farmer, by his son, will be held at Amherstburg on Thursday.

Facts gleaned by Provincial Detective Campeau would indicate that the young parricide was subject to paroxysms of passion, during which he was in the habit of threatening to kill those who excited his anger.

After young Thompson shot and killed his father, his mother held him until an officer arrived. The prisoner buried his teeth in his mother's arm and struggled to free himself, but was prevented from escaping. The charge of murder will likely be laid.

Combination In Philanthrophy.

New York, Dec. 29.—"If a combination to do business is effective in saving waste and in getting better results why is not combination far more important in philanthropic work?" In this question is set forth the text of an article by John D. Rockefeller, published in The World's Work.

The general subject of the article is "the value of the co-operative principle in giving." He says he has "seen the organization of the Roman Church secure better results with a given sum of money than other church organizations are accustomed to secure from the same expenditure."

Ask For Conciliation Board.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—The Department of Labor has appointed Zebadie Berube and Felix Marois of Quebec to be the members of the board of conciliation under the Lemieux Act, in the dispute between the John Ritchie Shoe Co. of Quebec and its employes. This case is notable because it is the first instance in which employer and employes have agreed to submit their dispute to a board of conciliation.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers has applied for a board on behalf of the employes of the Kingston & Pembroke Railway, but no action has yet been taken.

Waterworks Surplus.

Brantford, Dec. 29.—The Brantford waterworks system, at present the only municipally-owned public service of this city, declared the splendid surplus this year over and above payment of interest and sinking fund of $12,400.

The net earnings were $51,793.68, being $6,000 in excess of last year. This showing is the best yet.

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