

a perfect fit, and all were finely costumed. By and by, Santa Claus, F. B. Green, jumped out of the fire-place so suddenly that the children in the audience screamed. We don't know how many generations Mr. Green is removed from the original Santa, but of his direct pedigree there is no doubt. There was a delightful surprise for Mr. Gould in the shape of a lot of books, presented by Mr. Wrenn in a most tender and fitting little speech.

The music was good, Mrs. Chas. H. Warren taking Miss Hull's place, who was sick, at the last moment. The school has about 10 teachers and about 140 pupils.

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION.

The Bethany Sunday School held their Christmas entertainment on Christmas eve. A tree had been tastefully trimmed, and the church interior nicely decorated for the occasion by the ladies during the day.

Quite a lengthy program was rendered, but with plenty of changes to keep the school and entire audience interested to the end. Promptly at 7:30 the service began with an organ and violin voluntary, which was followed with a beautiful anthem by the choir. The little folks all had pieces to speak, and they did so well that the audience often showed its appreciation by applauding.

Several young men tried to enlighten each other in a short discussion concerning the present monetary depression, until they were prompted by another, who asked them to give their attention instead to the Christmas festivities.

One of the best exercises was that of the ten virgins, which was near the close of the program.

Just before the entertainment was over, something happened which was not on the program, yet nevertheless amused the little folks very much, and that was the appearance of Santa Claus, all dressed up.

After the distribution of candy, apples, etc., everybody, young and old, went home happy, feeling they had spent a pleasant evening.

TRINITY SCHOOL.

Our Episcopal friends have the knack of making these festivities of the highest order of merit. Their tree was elegant as a tree and it was superbly trimmed and filled with presents, and when fully lighted seemed from fairy land. But the charm of the whole occasion to us was its lofty tone, cheerful, but dignified, devout, worshipful indeed. The music was abundant and of their usual high order, by their surplined choir. Supt. W. O. Hipwell read a detailed report, saying he had

been there just 20 years, told a bit how things were two decades ago. He mentioned each teacher and class by name, for each class as well as teacher has a name, specifying the excellencies of each, recalled his own boyhood experiences and recollections. He made an urgent appeal for the formation of five or six classes of boys, as the school now numbers 32 boys and 50 girls, 82 in all; he wants an even hundred or more. The finances are in fine shape, not a cent of indebtedness, and thirty cents in the treasury.

Rector Wolcott gave a beautiful five minute address, and we left before the close, with regret. The house was packed and as far as we could see into the Sunday School room.

FIRST UNITED EVANGELICAL.

The Christmas entertainment at the First United Evangelical Church Dec. 23d was a howling success in more ways than one, for when jolly old Santa Claus came down the chimney and appeared below several of the smaller children were frightened and sang out in non-melodious voices, but when old Santa smiled kindly upon them and proceeded to pass candy and goodies they were soon all laughing and smiling.

The program was excellent. Hattie Gieser's little declamation needs special mention and a crowded house all enjoyed an evening's entertainment given for the children.

In connection with the receiving it was not forgotten that it is more blessed to give than to receive and a large offering was taken up for missions.

LUTHERANS.

The Lutheran church had a full house Christmas eve at their Sunday School festival. Plenty of music, an address by the pastor and a fine tree loaded with presents. Julius Johnson personated Santa Claus in an admirable manner. We only regret we could not get there so as to see and enjoy it all ourselves, and give a full report.

CHRISTMAS ECHOES.

Rector Wolcott closed his little speech by voicing the thought and heart of all present. Namely, that they might meet Superintendent Hipwell there twenty years hence.

The Baptists did a very thoughtful and graceful thing in presenting Miss Geraldine Hull a very fine gift, as an expression of their appreciation of her services in their choir for the last two years or more.

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