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## THE CHRISTMAS SERVICES

HELD IN THE VARIOUS CHURCHES ON SUNDAY.

The Choirs Presented Splendid Musical Programmes—A Cantata in the First Congregational Church.

The united congregations of the First and Bethel Congregational churches were given a cantata by the united choirs in the First Church on Sunday evening immediately following the usual service. It was under the able direction of Miss Grace Taft, organist, and those taking solo parts in it were: Sopranos, Miss Winnie Woolgar, Miss Marguerite Fearnie and Mrs. Watson; contralto, Mrs. G. Coward; tenors, E.E. Leach and Rev. T. De C. Raynor; baritone, E. Boswell. The cantata was entitled "The Nativity of Christ" by Caleb Slimper.

**Chalmers Church.**  
Rev. J. W. H. Milne, principal of Ottawa Ladies' College, preached on both services in Chalmers church on Sunday. The congregation in both instances was large. In the morning the choir rendered the anthem, "Hail to the Lord's Anointed," and Miss Beatrice Wiltshire sang a solo, Miss Annie Tweddell took the solo part in the anthem at the evening service, which was "O Holy Night." Miss Ethel Kent rendered a solo at this service.

**Sydenham Street Methodist.**  
There were large congregations in Sydenham Street Methodist church on Sunday for the Christmas services. "The Fulness of Time" was the subject of Rev. W. T. G. Brown's sermon at the evening service. Miss Woodman sang "The Birthday of a King" and Capt. H. Angrove "Night of Nights," and the choir rendered the anthem "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" and "Holy Night." Ernest Madrand played the "Hero March," a postlude.

**St. George's Cathedral.**  
The services in St. George's Cathedral on Sunday were well attended. Bishop Bidwell preached in the morning, and Rev. C. Whalley in the evening. At the latter service a number of Christmas carols were given.

**At Queen Street Methodist Church.**  
The music in Queen Street Methodist church on Sunday was of a very fine character. A choir of thirty voices rendered Christmas anthems with great effect. Seldom has the congregations enjoyed better music. The soloists, Mrs. H. T. J. Coleman, A. Pettigrew, Allan Haffner and Judge Lavell, were all at their best. Much of the music

was new and creditable to the choir leader, R. M. Chase. On Sunday evening Rev. Dr. McCallum, of Fiske University, Nashville, Tenn. made an effective prayer and also a brief pointed address on Christ's power to save. Rev. Mr. Ellis conducted the services.

**St. Luke's Church.**  
There was a very large congregation in St. Luke's church on Sunday evening to hear Rev. J. De P. Wright speak on the history of the festival of Christmas and the reasons why it should be observed. The soloist was Mrs. Morris.

**Brock Street Church.**  
"Hark Christ Come Again to Bethlehem" was the subject of the sermon preached in Brock street church on Sunday evening by Rev. G. S. Clendinning. The church was well filled and the music was splendid. The choir was assisted by Mrs. H. Van Luven, violinist, Toronto.

**At St. James' Church.**  
At St. James' church on Sunday evening there was a special carol service with lantern slides. The choir will render special Christmas music at the service to be held on Christmas morning. Rev. T. W. Savary delivered a helpful sermon at the morning service on "The Lord's Coming Blessing."

**At First Baptist.**  
Miss Edna Singleton and Miss Muriel Braithwaite were the soloists in the special programme of Christmas music at the First Baptist church on Sunday. Miss Singleton rendered "The Star of Peace" at the morning service, and Miss Braithwaite sang "The Lord's Coming Blessing" in the evening. Prof. Mathers, of Queen's University, was the preacher at both the services. It was announced that the new pipe organ would be used for the first time at the services next Sunday.

**Held Gift Service.**  
The children of St. George's Cathedral held a "gift service" on Sunday afternoon, when each one brought a suitable gift for the children who have suffered in the terrible disaster at Halifax. The goods will be shipped to Halifax immediately.

**Service at the Fort.**  
Dean Starr held a special Christmas service at Fort Henry on Sunday. Holy Communion was celebrated. The chapel was nicely decorated.

### CHILDREN HAD BIG NIGHT.

**Santa Claus at Orphans' Home on Saturday Night.**  
Santa Claus made his annual visit to the Orphans' Home on Saturday night, and the children were indeed a happy lot. There are fifty-two children in the Home—twenty-six boys and the same number of girls.

A handsome Christmas tree, very prettily decorated, occupied a prominent place in the school room, and on it was found a nice gift for every child in the home, while every one connected with the institution was remembered in a suitable manner. The usual Christmas entertainment was held on Friday afternoon, when a fine programme was rendered.

### Bishop Bidwell's Christmas Pastoral.

In his Christmas pastoral, the Bishop of Ontario says: "This will be the fourth year in succession that the Christian message has come to a world grievously torn by strife and conflict. But we must not lose hope because the peace for which we long so earnestly is delayed. For the only peace for which we can rightly pray is one pleasing to the mind of God, such as was announced to the world at the birth of Jesus Christ. The dire forces of tyranny, of lawless might and oppression, of unbridled ambition, and ruthless cruelty must be overthrown at all costs, and justice, freedom and goodwill once more enthroned throughout the world, before any true peace can come, and such a peace God will surely grant to us, with self-denial, courage and patience, we strive against the powers of evil to the end."

### Canadians Popular With Swiss.

London, Dec. 22.—Reporting to the Canadian Red Cross, Col. Claude Bryan says, generally speaking, the conditions among Canadians interned in Switzerland are satisfactory, the only complaints being on minor points or sheer ennui. He emphasized the fact that the Canadians are extremely popular and much in demand for special tasks. Thus Capt. W. H. Hooper, Carleton Place, is a deputy to Col. Plot, military attaché to the British Legation, Capt. Scudamore, of British Columbia, is also on the staff. The men are well fed and have plenty of occupation and recreation.

### Queen's Hockey Team.

Lou Marsh, of the Toronto Star, says: "The unknown quantity in the eastern O. H. A. group is Queen's University. The Kingston College team has lost several of last year's team by enlistment. Rappell, who was with them two years ago, is in the Royal Flying Corps at Deseronto, and is eligible to play where he pleases. So is Fahy, who is in the same corps here. They, however, probably have some good men coming up from junior ranks or just entering the college."

### Building Permits.

A. Alexander and E. Alexander have taken out permits for the erection of two frame dwellings on the north side of Raglan Road between Montreal and Patrick streets.

### Big Christmas Trade.

As a result of the fine weather on Saturday the stores were crowded with Christmas shoppers. Business has been good in all lines of trade.

**Skating on the Lake.**  
A big crowd enjoyed skating on the lake on Sunday. Quite a large number of ice boats were also out during the day.

The name of Reeve W. E. Scott is being freely mentioned in connection with the Almonte mayoralty election for 1918.

## HE IS SURPRISED AT THE RESULTS

I'm Beginning to Feel Like a New Man" Says Forrest, After Taking Taniac.

"For three or four years," said William Forrest, 247, Bernice Crescent, Toronto, "I had suffered from painful, disordered kidneys, and nervousness without being able to get anything to help me. My kidneys bothered me constantly and the pain in my back, especially when I stooped over or tried to lift anything, was terrible. My nerves were all to pieces, I had weak, shaky spells, and my hands would tremble so at times I could hardly hold anything. I also had attacks of dizziness, when everything seemed to get dim before my eyes, and my head would swim so I could hardly stand up. I had little or no strength and energy and always felt tired and worn-out."

"I am now on my second bottle of Taniac and I can certainly tell a big difference in my condition. The pain has almost disappeared from my back now and my kidneys don't bother me anything like they did, and I'm beginning to feel like a new man. My nerves are more quiet and steady and I don't have those weak, dizzy feelings like I did. I am already feeling better in every way than I have in a long time, and am regaining my strength rapidly. I have really been surprised to get such wonderful results in so short a time, and I can recommend Taniac to all suffering people because I believe it will do them good."

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## TIDINGS FOR OUR READERS

PRESENTED IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FORM.

**The Whig's Daily Condensation of the News of the World From Telegraph Service and Newspaper Exchange.**

The official estimate of Halifax dead is now 1,500.

The cost of living was still higher in November than in October.

An embargo against the export of butter to other than the allies of the United States is announced.

It is stated in Toronto that four per cent. beer may still be made and sold under the new prohibition orders.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mason, wife of Brig.-Gen. Hon. James Mason, died at her home in Queen's Park, Toronto.

The allied Governments' buyers are again purchasing meats in Canada—the direct result of the Victory Loan.

The business of the United Farmers' Co-operative Company will exceed \$1,000,000 this year, which is a large increase.

T. W. Wood of Baltimore lost a valuable collection of butterflies and insects, the work of a lifetime, when fire destroyed his house.

Premier Lloyd-George's emphatic disclaimer that Britain had selfish aims of extending her territory through the war brought almost universal approval from the London press to-day.

The spread between milk distributors' prices and those paid to producers is limited to five cents in Ontario and eastern Provinces and five and a quarter cents in the west.

The Kaiser's so-called Christmas peace terms are a laughable joke as far as Poland is concerned, Polish leaders said at Washington. Chief among them was the celebrated Polish pianist, Paderewski, organizing a Polish-American army for France, with headquarters here.

German owned properties under heavy guard, police reserves patrolling all downtown streets and a deep undercurrent of hostility against Germany by street crowds were visible evidence Sunday of how Buenos Aires has been stirred by the latest Luxemburg revelations.

## GENERAL KALÉDINES RESIGNS.

Is Unpopular With the Troops at the Front.

London, Dec. 24.—The resignation of General Kaledines and his associates in the military government of Cossacks, who have been resisting the Bolsheviks, is reported in a Petrograd despatch to the Times. The purpose of this move is said to be to permit the formation of a strong popular Government. Gen. Kaledines explains he has decided to withdraw on account of his unpopularity with the troops at the front, who refuse to obey him in consequence of misrepresentations on the part of his enemies. The despatch does not suggest any weakening of the Cossack movement, which is represented in other reports as still progressing.

Mayor Montgomery, Smith's Falls, has intimated that he will not seek re-election.

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## JUDGE NOT HARD: BUT "THIS IS WAR"

His Lordship's Reply to Sister of Engineer Refused Exemption.

Montreal, Dec. 22.—Judge Ducloux dismissed a dozen appeals against military service. "You are hard," said a weeping woman to him after he had ordered her brother retained by the military. He was a railway engineer. "No, I am not hard," replied his Lordship. "This is war. Please do not imagine that I enjoy this. I do not sit here for fun."

**Hunt Governor of Arizona.**  
Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 24.—Arizona supreme court seated G. W. P. Hunt as governor of Arizona. Hunt contested the election of Gov. Campbell, who now holds the office. Hunt is a Democrat.

The early worm should keep later hours.

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