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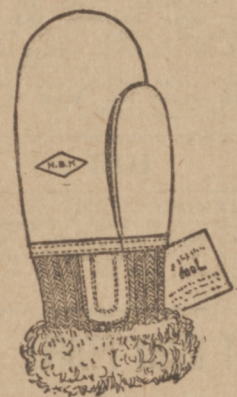
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DEATHS

McCANN—In this city, on the 28th inst., Daniel McCann, leaving a wife, four sons and three daughters to mourn their loss. Funeral Sunday at 2:30 p. m. from his late residence 574 Brunswick street. Friends are invited to attend.

Campbell—In this city, Dec. 28th, 1905, Sarah, beloved wife of Andrew Campbell, in the 61st year of her age, leaving her husband and two sons to mourn their loss. Funeral Sunday at 2 p. m. from 161 Adelaide street, to Fernhill cemetery.

THE UNFADING GLORY OF BETHLEHEM BELOVED

Three Reasons Why the Little Far-Off Town in Judea Is So Noted and Held in Esteem by the Civilized World.

(The Watchman.)
 Just why "The Little Town of Bethlehem," of which Phillips Brooks so tenderly sang, fills so large a place in the heart of the world it is worth while to ask.

It might be said that it is because it is the birthplace of the founder of one of the great religions of the world. But no such sentimentality about the garden of Lumbini, near Kapiavastu, India, the birthplace of Siddhartha Gautama, the Buddha, or about the place in the district of Lu, which witnessed the birth of Kung Futsze (Confucius), although both are of princely line. The honoring of the place by the birth of eminent men seems to be quite as much a matter of convenience as of sentiment. Those which are remote and difficult of access are neglected, and if any place connected with the life of one whom the people desire to honor receives special regard, the most accessible and attractive place is selected. It is doubtful if even ancient Vernon, the home of George Washington, would be so much regarded if it were not for its delightful location so near to the national capital.

But Bethlehem, remote, difficult of access, without scenic interest, decaying, as the centre of the religious sentiment of the Christian world. Why? One reason is because the life of Jesus, who was born in Bethlehem of Judea, introduced a new conception of life into the world. It was not simply the idea of a life of freedom from sin that He brought. The desirability of holiness had been taught before him, especially by the Buddha. But holiness had been urged as a relief from the consequences of sin. Gautama exhausted the pleasures of his princely world before he left it all and adopted the life of renunciation. To him the life of self-denial had come to promise more pleasure than the life of indulgence. But Jesus was holy from the first. The Saviors complained to Suddhodana that his son was wasting his life in pleasure and was not fit to become the king; Jesus challenged the Jews, "Which of you convinceth me of sin?" The life of Jesus illustrated for the first time in the history of the world

the beauty of holiness for its own sake. Not simply as a relief from the sufferings and weariness caused by sin, but because it is in itself good to be holy, is the lesson of the life of Jesus.

Another reason why Bethlehem is tenderly remembered is because the birth of Jesus brought to the world a new idea of love. Before that time, whenever love had risen above the common level of sensual passion, there had been thought of nothing beyond a suitable return for the affection of others. But Jesus said, "If ye love them that love you . . . what do ye more than others?" "But I say unto you . . . love your enemies, do good to them that hate you, bless them that curse you, pray for them that despitefully use you." The negative grace of self-restraint taught by the teachers before Him, He enlarged to the positive virtue of altruistic benevolence. "and as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them."

Moreover the birth in Bethlehem brought into the world a new idea of the relation of man to God. In previous ages the highest religious thought had been that God might be with man, or might even be like man, or might manifest Himself in the form of man. With Jesus came to earth the new truth of a real union between God and man. He came not as a manifestation of God, like the messenger of Jehovah who appeared to Abraham and Jacob, not as a man through whom God spoke, as through the prophets; but as God spoke, as a true man—in a genuine though mystical union; and He taught that as He is one with the Father, so are His disciples one with Him. From the words and life of Jesus it is evident that this union is not limited to a union of love, of sympathy, of belief; but it is a union of spirit and nature by which man becomes in a true sense sons of God. Bethlehem of Judea, "the little town of B'thelem," has the supreme honor of being the place where occurred the most stupendous fact in human history, and the union of God and man, was first consummated.

TEMPLE OF HONOR

Semi-Annual Meeting of Grand Temple at Milford Yesterday

The semi-annual meeting of the Grand Temple of Honor was opened yesterday afternoon in the Milford Hall.

The report of Grand Recorder W. C. Simpson showed in New Brunswick four temples, Victoria, Alexandria, Milford and Fraternal; four sections, viz., Victoria, Alexandria, LaTour and Fairville; two councils, viz., Eastern Star and River-side.

The membership in the temples is 201; in the sections 122, and in the councils 42. A small loss in membership is reported. The receipts were \$36.50. Orders drawn on the grand treasurer were \$80.01, which was paid for propagation work, supreme council tax, grand recorder's office expense and salary, etc.

He regretted that there were about \$75 unpaid on pledges for building up the order. He urged the need of united action to advance the work. "Bro. Logan has succeeded in getting La Tour Section in good running order, and has a fair prospect of Fairville section being reorganized shortly. Alexandria and Victoria are endeavoring to keep them in active work. Fraternal, I regret to say has surrendered its charter, but it is probable a number of its members will unite with the other temples."

He spoke of the good work done by Grand Templar Dr. Roberts, who had responded to the request of Chas. J. Morrison, of Victoria Temple, and Bro. Hicks were referred to. The report of Dr. W. F. Roberts, grand worthy templar, makes reference to the evident way in which God has blessed the working of the order. He points out that temperance work is a department of Christian work, that is of Christ's work. The churches give one Sunday out of 52 as a temperance day, or two per cent of their efforts to fight an evil causing at least 50 per cent of crime. There is great need for more of Christ in the temperance lodge rooms and work and need for more temperance work within the church confines. Dr. Roberts also urged further systematic organization for political influence. The session will be continued next Friday evening.

BIG STORM IN THE BAY

Digby, N. S., Dec. 29.—(Special)—A telephone message from Westport tonight states that a big storm is raging along the Bay of Fundy shore. Boat fishermen who went out this morning experienced difficulty in returning.

Only one serious accident has been reported up to a late hour tonight, but it is feared others have occurred. One boat occupied by Daniel Stanton and his son, of Tidville, filled and sank off Whale Cove. Both men succeeded in keeping afloat until picked up by the crew of another boat. They were both very much exhausted and little hopes are entertained for their recovery.

Bull, the five-year-old son of O. S. Dunham, broke his collar bone this afternoon while coasting in his yard, Queen street. A physician was immediately summoned and the little fellow is resting quite easy tonight.

CAPT. ATKINS BODY FOUND

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 29.—The body of Capt. Levi Atkins, of the British schooner Myrtle Leaf, drowned in this harbor a month ago as the result of a collision, was found today. It was badly decomposed and will be buried here unless his family in Nova Scotia claims it. In Captain Atkins' pockets were found \$80 in cash and a gold watch and chain.

CALVIN AUSTIN IS HEAD

Boston, Dec. 29.—It was announced tonight that Calvin Austin, vice-president and general manager of the Eastern Steamship Company since its formation, has been elected president of the corporation to succeed Hanson B. Fuller, resigned. Mr. Fuller recently sold out his shares to Charles W. Morse, the controlling holder, and others.

The company controls all the water lines from this city to Maine ports and New Brunswick.

The stomach of Fremantle Weir, whose body was found on the beach near Digby, was brought here yesterday and will be analyzed by M. V. Paddock.

ME AN' OTIS

Empire Dramatic Club to Play in West End on New Year's Day.

The production of "Me An' Otis" at Carleton City Hall on New Year's afternoon and evening is being looked forward to with considerable interest by residents of the West Side and as both performances are to be given under the auspices of the Carleton Cornet Band, the performers should be greeted by bumper houses, both afternoon and evening.

In engaging the Empire Dramatic Club the band has made a special effort to provide entertainment for the people of the West Side and no stone has been left unturned to make the show even better than when given on the East Side some months ago. The place has been in rehearsal for the past few weeks and the acting manager, George Nelson Price, of the Thespian Club, Boston, looks for a smooth, clean production of the pretty New England comedy. Added to this the Carleton Cornet Band will introduce their own specialties, thus giving a continuous performance.

The cast is as follows:
 Dick Davis, a student at Hale College, fond of football and girls.
 Chas. M. Keaton, Byron Makepeace Thornton, his roommate, not fond of football or girls.
 Otis Tewksbury, of Perkinsville, Betty's father.
 Harold G. Taylor, Reginald Thomas, a young man of fashion.
 Sam Scully, Tewksbury's hired man.
 Herbert B. Tobin, Betty Tewksbury, Otis' daughter.
 Miss Agatha Maxwell, Florence Follett, Betty's city friend.
 Rosella Tewksbury, wife of Otis, and head of the family.
 Miss Alfreda A. Marshall, Sophronia Ruggles, Florence's maiden aunt.
 The company will use their own scenery and music will be furnished by the band's own orchestra.

CONTRACTOR MISSING

Moncton Mourns Sudden Departure of Well-known Building Contractor.

Moncton, Dec. 29.—(Special)—A well-known building contractor has been missing from the city for some days, and inquiry on the part of those to whom he was indebted fails to reveal his whereabouts. The contractor in question came here from Boston a year or two ago, and during the past summer built four or five houses for citizens. He was well known to the city by the number of local firms, who are now mourning his disappearance. It is said the missing builder's liabilities in the city will amount to \$100 or \$200. It is thought he has returned to Boston.

Robert J. Colpitts was ordained into the Baptist ministry at Point de Bute yesterday afternoon. The newly ordained clergyman has charge of Point de Bute, Bayside and Port Elgin districts, and is a brother of Rev. H. G. Colpitts, of Yarmouth.

CIVIC SERVICE EXAMS

Among the candidates who passed the civil service qualifying examination November, 1905, are:
 At Charlottetown—J. A. Corcoran, Alex. McNevin, J. H. Monaghan, Annie F. Sutherland.
 At Halifax—William F. Carney, Robert Dorman, Alida J. Estabrooks, Janet M. Estabrooks, Robert B. Farrell, Aimee McN. Fay, P. S. Finlay, Thos. F. Gaul, Edgar R. Gordon, John H. MacKenzie, Charles Nelson, Margaret Rennie, Philip Ring, Walter E. Rogers.
 At St. John—W. Arthur Anderson, Frances L. Bell, Harry Coll, W. W. Frost, John McGowan, Helen A. MacMurray, L. E. Tapley.

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AFTER OUR CHRISTMAS ANNOUNCEMENTS it is needless to again remind the people of our ability to supply all gift-buying needs. There are still numerous holiday novelties left, and the stock of sensible items of apparel for workday and dress occasions, offers unlimited scope for those who contemplate making New Year's boxes. Stores open Tonight until 10 o'clock.

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