

DR. NELSON'S FAREWELL

Ended His Ministry at Knox Church
Last Night.

Presbyterian General Sunday School
Secretary Here.

Special Services In Other of the
City Churches.

Rev. S. Banks Nelson, D. D., closed his pastorate at Knox Presbyterian Church last evening, when he preached his farewell sermon to a congregation that filled the edifice to overflowing. Chairs were used in the aisles, and many people of necessity were turned away. To-night there will be a farewell social, and Dr. Nelson will leave immediately for Minneapolis, to assume his duties as pastor of the Park Avenue Presbyterian Church. His parting message breathed good feeling, and the sermon itself was a brilliant discourse, delivered in his characteristic style.

"This is my last sermon in your midst," said Dr. Nelson at the close of his discourse. "I hope it is not my last sermon in the church. I hope you will sometimes graciously invite me here again."

Notwithstanding the circumstances, I trust you will be able to say I have left here gracefully.

Sometimes a minister had more rewards; sometimes he had less. Dr. Nelson referred to a church which had been in existence in 1893, during the panic, at a salary of \$2,000 a year.

"At the end of three months," said Dr. Nelson, "the treasurer came and told me there was almost no money. Well, I knew that before he told me. For six months at \$7 a week I served that church with as much zeal and efficiency, I think, as I have here. During that time I received two calls from other churches. I felt it was time for me to leave, but there was clear interference from God's Providence and clear reward."

Ministers, he declared, were soldiers. If they were not they would have their own business and get as much as they could. But they were soldiers, and the rewards received, whether large or small, were their rewards. When he came to Knox Church, Dr. Nelson admitted, it was his ministerial life, but it seemed he could never get settled down. He was hardly in a house before he had to leave. His offer to buy it was refused. It seemed to him that his managers never felt Knox Church could have a place where the minister might permanently live without buying a house himself. Just as this discussion was going on as to economics came the offer from Minneapolis.

"I think you will agree," he said, "that I have waited and watched to see my way clear, and now I have to go."

Dr. Nelson referred to the pleasant relations that had existed during his pastorate, and the unanimity of feeling. There had not been a word of discord. "I have enjoyed it very much," he said, "and shall always look back upon my stay here as a pleasant and happy one. I trust united you will continue to go on doing good work. Had it been God's will, I should have been delighted to have led the work."

In a parting benediction he said: "I feel sure, and it is a comforting thought to think, that you will pray the same thing for me."

"The Apostolic Benediction," he said, "is a beautiful thing. It is a benediction, he defined, as something lifting people up and beyond ordinary things, lifting them out of their everyday run of life to higher things. Christians did not know that grace was but they knew that the Lord Jesus Christ had it. Gracefulness was that which never made one sub an infirmity. Nelson related an incident of a woman who would not recognize her own cook, two doors from the house. "Most curious and ungrateful woman, unworthy of the name of woman, and I told her so," he said. "Our frills and ruffles should not be so stiffly done. If Jesus Christ had remained on His throne merely looking down at us the world would have fallen to pieces of its own rottenness long ago."

"Don't you know it just that lack of grace which makes the world such a hard place?"

Dr. Nelson advised his hearers to treat others as they would that they should be treated themselves. "In other words," he advised, "be just yourself, and honest self and a decent self. It was just Christ's natural way that brought Him down into this world of sin. If Christ had not come down to have helped the world He would have better stayed away from the law without the Gospel would be an iron rod that would break us all to pieces."

Christ, he said, had never come on earth to give good advice. That was a secondhand kind of help. He came to give the good news of how people might get out of their troubles, and he never talked about good advice or held a convention.

There was no grace in anyone who was a bad crank, who when things were being straightened out gave them a jerk and made them crooked again. He threw the apple of discord into a multitude of people who were trying to get their minds united.

Dr. Nelson quoted a passage from the New Testament which he said described Christian Socialism. If any man could be called that, God was no monopolist. He did not keep His throne for Himself, the water of life nor the light of heaven. He sent His Son to die for humanity and bestowed His love on every human being. The Holy Ghost was the great communist of Christian Socialism.

J. C. Robertson Here.

Yesterday morning, in Erskine Church, the General Secretary of Sabbath School Work, Rev. J. C. Robertson, of Toronto, delivered an interesting address, which was instructive as well as helpful to those engaged in Sabbath school work. The text chosen was Proverbs xxvii. 6. By way of introduction, the reverend gentleman expressed pleasure at the privilege of coming to Erskine, especially as he was connected with Sabbath school work. There are 2,500 Sabbath schools in Canada in connection with the Presbyterian Church, and Erskine was far above the average. He had a message to the superintendent, officers, teachers and scholars of the school. Those who are making the greatest progress are the schools that have the sympathy and hearty co-operation of the homes. One of the great aims of the Sabbath schools is religious teaching, impressing right truths and principles into the minds and hearts of the scholars, the outcome of which is character building. The aim of the work is that the boys

and the girls committed to the care of the schools should be taught the Christ-like spirit, and in this connection the speaker impressed upon the parents their duty in helping along the good work by proper training of the boys and the girls at home, which was of vital importance in aiding the work of the Sabbath school teachers. There must be hearty co-operation of the homes with the schools. Many of the homes from which the scholars come are very imperfect and lacking in the great essentials of character building. Some of the ideals set forth were: (1st) to have all our children in the Sabbath school; (2nd) the studying of the Bible in the homes; (3rd) that all the scholars should attend the regular services of the church. The religious impressions made very early in life of reverence for the church and its teachings were of the utmost importance; (4th) the boys and girls shall be so taught that the teaching and example of the great teacher will abide in their young lives, so that in the years to come it may be said of them they went about doing good. In the evening, to a large congregation, Rev. S. Banks Nelson's New Year's message was forceful and to the point in that it overlooked the past, doing the right and living in the bright sunshine of the available future.

Rev. Mr. Robertson preached in St. John Presbyterian Church last evening.

To Strong Young Men.

In First Methodist Church last evening Rev. R. J. Treleaven, the pastor, preached "A Message to Strong Young Men." He spoke first of physical strength, commenting upon the fact that great feats of strength in athletics, although they won for such men as Hanlan and Beach, in the aquatic world, and Sullivan, in the athletic world, and Edmondson, the plaudits of the crowd did no good to mankind. Yet it was a sin for a man to be weak and sickly, if he could be strong, physically. Then he spoke of the power of birth, position and place, and was glad that it was wanting. Still there were traces of the worship of title, even in this democratic land. At Ottawa, for instance, it could be seen in men and women, especially women, who were almost ready to kiss the foot of titled persons. If a dog of his sort for forgot it, in his presence he would shoot it on the spot. He dealt carefully with the good and bad sides of the power of money and with the power of learning, and in closing took up the moral and spiritual power.

At the close of the service Mr. Treleaven referred to the fact that that was Miss Mann's last service as organist and choir leader. During the 21 years that she had held the position she had worked faithfully and the very excellent music that the congregation always got was a tribute to her.

Last Night.

Last evening in St. George's Church Rev. P. C. Hovitt preached his last sermon of the year. It was thoughtful, direct and earnest, and the kind that stirs the careless and stimulates the Christian to greater zeal. It was the custom of the Church of England, he said, to read the Old Testament over at least once and the New Testament twice during the year. He had, therefore, selected his text from Rev. xxiii. 14. The tree of life mentioned had six references in the scriptures, three times in Genesis and three times in Revelation. The first time, Mr. Hovitt said, it had reference to Adam's expulsion from the garden of Eden, and it was God's judgment of love that turned him out and would not permit him to re-enter. Had he done so he would never have been in his sinful state, and his posterity could never have known redemption. But this tree of life was symbolic of Jesus Christ, and all those who in this day of grace appropriated His life would surely participate in those heavenly blessings suggested by the text. The tree stood for durability, beauty, fragrance, shade, a shield and food, all of which were portrayed in the Saviour. Mr. Hovitt pointed out that the keeping of the commandments, which he said was impossible, and which sinful man could never broken, morality, good works, charities, etc., which had their place, could not make the sinner fit for the paradise of God. The only way to regain it was to accept the great gift of salvation, the only right or true way, and being Christ's, and then the one who does so would have a fixed, irrevocable position in the presence of God forever.

The music by the choir was particularly well rendered.

Evangelist Ranton.

In Emerald Street Methodist Church yesterday morning Evangelist Ranton was the preacher; his text being John vi. 67, 68. In his introduction he referred to the fact that one class after another was forsaking Christ, and turning to the world. He said, "Will ye also go away?" Peter said, "To whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." Man must and will go some place. Some will follow the proud Pharisee; some will follow the Sadducee; some go one way, some another; but all find in some way, happiness, peace and satisfaction. There is only place where these can be found, and Peter took the right course and went to the right place. There are three special reasons why all should follow Christ. 1. Because He alone can solve the problem of sin. It does not take a philosopher or scientist to discover the fact of sin. You cannot go up any street of the city without seeing evidences of the fact. One has only to look into his own heart to discover that sin abounds, but Christ alone can eradicate it: His blood will wash away every stain which sin can make. He said unto Nicodemus, "Ye must be born again." The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, can cleanse completely.

2. He alone can supply the needs and longings of the spiritual nature. He cannot do it; society cannot do it; wealth cannot do it; pleasure cannot do it; morality cannot do it—only Christ can. He meets every demand of our higher nature.

3. He alone can reveal to us the future. He stood near the grave of Lazarus and said, "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in Me shall never die." Then death lost its power for the true Christian, and he can sing "I would not live always; no; welcome the tomb." He closed a grand sermon with an eloquent appeal for all to come to Christ in the last Sunday of the old year and find Him the one who could life the soul into life and eternal felicity.

At the close of the service Miss Ruth Williamson, of Stockton, Cal., sang very sweetly, "The Holy City."

In the evening Rev. W. G. Brown, M. A., of Chicago, preached a pointed and practical sermon, the pastor, Rev. Dr. Williamson, being indisposed and not able to conduct the song sermon as advertised, which was therefore postponed till next Sunday night. Mr. Holland, of New York, sang two solos in excellent style, which were much enjoyed by the large congregation.

CASTORIA.

The Kid You Saw Above Bought

Signature of

THE THAW TRIAL.

UNWRITTEN LAW GIVES WAY TO
LEGAL INSANITY.

No Attempt to Prove Justification for the Slaying of Stanford White Will Be Made by Thaw's Counsel—Trial Commences Week From To-day.

New York, Dec. 29.—One week from to-morrow Harry K. Thaw will be called a second time before a jury to make his defence to the charge of having murdered Stanford White. It is said there will be no further delay. Thaw and his attorneys are actively preparing for the trial, while in the District Attorney's office the State's case has been ready for presentation for some time. It is announced that Mrs. William Thaw, mother of the defendant, and who has been in very poor health, believes she will be able to come on to be with her son during the opening hours of his second fight for life and freedom. Other members of the family circle also are expected to reach the city during the week, and will remain throughout the trial. The Countess of Yarmouth, the defendant's sister, who is in England, is not expected to be present. Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, who is a daily visitor at the Tomb, where her husband is incarcerated, will, of course, be one of the first arrivals in the court room on Monday next.

It can be authoritatively stated that



The Plaza in front of the Casino, where Madame Gould demanded she should be executed.

Emma Levin, for whose assassination Madame Vere Gould was sentenced to death, but has had her sentence commuted in Monte Carlo.



Mme. Vere Gould.

BOUND AND GAGGED

PLUCKY MARION GIRL MANAGES TO GIVE THE ALARM.

Lillian Everett, of Marion, Surprised by Burglar, Manages to Warn the Police of Her Predicament—Robber Escapes.

Mazon, O., Dec. 30.—"Come to the home of R. R. Wright, on South State street. My feet and hands are bound by a burglar."

There was a noise that to the policeman at the other end of the line, though, there was a struggle, then silence. A squad of bluecoats was rushed to the Wright home, where 17-year-old Lillian Everett was found lying bound to the floor. She had managed to remove the towel tied over her mouth and to struggle to the telephone. With her chin she dislodged the receiver, got ventral and police headquarters. The girl claimed she was seized as she stepped out the back door by a masked man, who dragged her into the house. He demanded the silver service used on Christmas night, threatening her with death if she screamed, then bound and gagged her, while he ransacked the house. Apparently the girl was unharmed. Nothing was missed, as the silver service had been taken to the Waddell Children's home yesterday. The burglar escaped.

MANIAC'S HEADLONG DASH.

Leaps From Upper Window and Runs Wild Until Captured.

Cleveland, Dec. 30.—John Mitchell, 2309 Church avenue, Northwest, leaped headlong through a window at his home after escaping from the State Hospital yesterday, and eluded two men who had been sent to recapture him.

Bleeding from a score of cuts, he scattered people right and left as he ran through the streets. Patrolman Kaviz finally succeeded in grappling with him at West Twenty-third street and in Detroit avenue Northwest.

Mitchell was on his way to dinner at the State Hospital when he stepped into a dark corner and waited until the keepers had filed past. Making his way stealthily out of the building, he boarded a street car and made his way to the West Side.

When the keepers knocked on the door of his home, Mitchell ran up to the second floor. Hearing their footsteps on the stairs he became frantic. Without hesitating he plunged through the glass and sash of a window to the street below.

Kaviz was standing at West Twenty-third street and Detroit avenue when a man ran past without a hat or coat. People dodged to the right and left and the policeman started in pursuit. A chase of five blocks ended with the policeman making a flying tackle. Mitchell fought desperately and had to be dragged to the eighth precinct station. He was returned to the hospital.

THE TIGER A SPORTSMAN.

An English M. P. Makes Plea for His Protection.

New York, Dec. 29.—A cable from London to The Sun says: J. D. Rees, M. P., writes to The Times a touching plea on behalf of the tigers of India, urging that the Governments should be paid for the killing of man-eaters alone. These, he declares, are perfectly well known to the natives and are no more common among tigers than murderers are among men.

He admits that tigers kill a certain amount of deer and cattle, but he adds: "The deer stalker is a gentleman and sportsman, whose life is spent in well going, for he kills the deer that eat the crops which maintain the Indian Empire; while the cattle lifter, although no doubt they have much of the poacher in their composition, prey only upon the feeble and less valuable members of the herd. The villagers are willing that they take this toll in recognition of the good they do in destroying the crop destroyers."

Mr. Rees scoffs at the foolish idea that the ignorant entertain of tigers walking about seeking whom they may devour. He says: "The only tiger I ever knew who acted in this manner it was discovered after death had been suffering from some abnormal pressure on the brain, so that he was not accountable for his actions."

Claiming that the publication in The Globe of a story concerning an old woman in Stratford is ungrounded, Dr. Beattie Nesbitt has entered suit for libel.

DOWN WITH RENT.

SOCIALISTS HELP RENT STRIKERS TO FIGHT TRUST.

Party Opens a Bureau to Aid Tenement Dwellers in Their Demand for Lower Rent—Hard Times Conference—75,000 Repuffed Out of Work in Gotham.

New York, Dec. 30.—That the Socialist party organization is behind the agitation for cheaper rents on the east side was demonstrated to-day with the organization of "the anti-high rent bureau of the Socialist party." The bureau consists of one member each from the second, fourth and sixth Assembly districts and two from the eighth Assembly district, which is taking the lead in the rent strike. Every member of the bureau is also a member of the general committee of the Socialist party in New York.

To-night a "hard times" conference was held between the bureau and the United Hebrew trades, an organization of about 120 Jewish trades unions, with a membership of some 75,000, most of whom are Socialists working in the clothing, fur and cap industries. The conference determined, in addition to helping the strikers, to get up an out-of-work demonstration and ask the city to start some kind of municipal construction project with the view of creating jobs for the unemployed.

The bureau is also going to appoint a bureau to find out the number of unemployed in New York City. A rough estimate put the number at 75,000. On the east side the conditions are aggravated, the leaders declare, by the recession in the clothing industry.

Some 3,600 tenants got together at the New Pacific Hall at No. 209 Task Broadway, this afternoon and passed resolutions pledging all tenants living between Stanton and Catherine streets, and the East River to stand out against the exactions of the landlords. The meeting also pledged its support to the Socialist party and declared that "what its members wanted was not charity, but work."

The Socialist leaders say that rent-striking has also broken out in the 20th Assembly district, centering around 109th street, between Second and Third avenues and in Brooklyn, where the Socialist headquarters at No. 126 Cook street are the focus of agitation. It is being fomented by a house-to-house canvass in all the districts affected and by the distribution of documentary leaflets. Every tenant is being urged to insist on a 30 per cent. reduction of his rent.

An attempt will again be made Monday evening to resume the Rutgers Square meetings, which the police broke up Saturday night because it did not have a permit. This time it is coming off, the leaders declare, partly or no permit. A meeting will be pulled off at No. 206 East Broadway.

Monday, Miss Pauline Neumann goes up to the Bronx to start the ball a rolling there.

FOR STRATEGIC REASONS.

Dams and Locks on Panama Canal to be Built Inland.

Washington, Dec. 28.—For strategic reasons and to prevent their bombardment and destruction by a hostile fleet, the Isthmian Canal Commission has determined to change the location of the dams and locks, which it was originally intended to construct at La Boca, and instead they will be built at Miraflores, four miles inland, and within the zone of safety.

President Roosevelt has approved the change of plans. It is said that, aside from strategic reasons advanced for the change of the plans, is also that of the cost, the saving of time in the completion of the canal, and that a more satisfactory foundation can be secured at Miraflores. The estimated saving in cost will be considerable.

The Lansdowne, the Canadoc Ekfrid and the Burns River rural telephone companies have been incorporated.

A Liverpool firm has refused to accept a consignment of wheat from Melady & Co., Toronto.

STANLEY MILLS & CO., Limited

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30th, 1907

100 Cases Choice Navel Oranges 19c Dozen

We have secured for to-morrow's selling another 100 cases of very choice Navel Oranges, all fine, sound, sweet fruit, in fact they're just about as fine a lot of Oranges as we have ever offered. Regularly they would sell from 20c up to 40c per dozen, on sale to-morrow at the grocery department all at 19c per dozen.

Mixed Nuts	18c lb.	French Peas	15c
Table Figs	15c lb.	Candy	
Java and Mocha Coffee	40c lb.	Chocolates	15c lb.
Table Raisins	20c lb.	Creams	10, 15c lb.
Jacob's Fancy Biscuits	25 and 40c lb.	Caramels	20c lb.
Liquid Coffee 20 and 35c bottle		Lowney's Boxes	40, 50c
Mince Meat, 3 pkgs.	25c	Pan You Sauce	15c
Lime Juice	25c	Wagstaff's Marmalade	15c
Gillard's Relish	20c	Choice Dates	10c lb.

Sale of Fur Neck Pieces

Three special values in Natural Alaska Sable Scarfs, fine selected skins, double finished, complete with ornaments and chain fastener. Excellent value regularly at the prices named.

Regular \$12.50 Scarfs for \$8.50
Regular \$15.00 Scarfs for \$10.00
Regular \$18.50 Scarfs for \$13.50
Large Pillow Muffs to match \$8.50 |

\$12.50 Marmot Mink Muffs

for \$9.00

An excellent value; large Pillow Muffs of selected marmot mink, rich glossy fur, nicely finished with tails and claws. Regular price \$12.50, Tuesday for \$9.00

Sale of Shoes and Slippers

Customers in our Shoe Section to-morrow will find excellent bargains on just such lines as they are most likely to be in need of.

To Clear To-morrow

Men's Bath Slippers, Women's and Misses' Fancy Velvet House Slippers, in Juliet style and neat fur trimming, all sizes, regular prices \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50, your choice 69c |

Misses' and Girls' Slippers

Misses' and Girls' Felt House Slippers, also Quilted Felt Slippers, with one strap, felt soles, leather soles, all sizes 19c |

Men's Box Calf Boots

Men's Box Calf and Dongola Kid Blucher Boots and Plain Laced Boots, extension soles, sizes 6 to 10, regular \$3 pair, Tuesday \$2.35 |

Boys' Box Calf Boots, sizes 1 to 5 for \$1.48 |

Remnants

White and Colored Madras

250 short lengths of White and Colored Madras for drapes and odd lengths of Silkline, Cretonne and Art Saten, on sale to-morrow in Drapery Department, 3rd Floor, at just half regular price.

15c Silklines for 12 1/2c

15 choice patterns of Silklines for drapes, etc., Oriental and floral designs, in both light and dark colorings, full yard wide, regularly 15c yard, Tuesday 12 1/2c |

STANLEY MILLS & CO., Limited

Anniversary Sale

First Week of These Splendid Savings

During January Anniversary Sale commencing now we will make Women's Garments at lower prices in our dressmaking, separate skirt and waist-making departments, and in our well-known good style. Place your orders now, the earlier the better. Sale of Colored and Black Dress Goods; big savings in what is new and dependable.

Sale of Winter Wrappettes 12 1/2c yard

A large assortment of English Wrappettes and Kimono Cloths in the heavy flannelette and cashmere finish, light and dark colors, in checks, stripes, plaids and spots, worth 20c, and a few pieces at 25c, priced for entire clearing out at per yard 12 1/2c |

85c Silk Corduroy

59c

New Silk Finish Corduroy Velvet in the medium and wide cords, very fashionable this season for suits; showing in navy, green, cardinal, wine and cream, 85c quality. Anniversary Sale 59c yard |

25c Art Satens

19c

Fancy Art Satens, in both fine and heavy makes in assorted patterns and colors, splendid for covering cushions or comforters, and may be used for drapes, regular 25c. Anniversary Sale 19c yard |

Wool Scarfs for Winter Reduced

For winter comfort, White Ice Wool Scarfs, in long and wide widths, fancy weave ends, some being trimmed with chenille spots, in assorted colors, large choice, at 49, 60 and 89c |

Making Flannelette Gowns at 25c

During January Anniversary Sale we will make to measure Women's and Men's Flannelette Night Wear Garments in the best possible manner and in our own workrooms at 25c, instead of 45c, and delivered promptly. Order now. First orders receive first attention.

FINCH BROS.

29 and 31 King Street West

Dr. McConville, sentenced at Kingston to 16 months for assaulting an old woman, tried to hang himself in his cell.

Thomas Fitzgerald, general manager of the B. & O. Railway, has resigned.

A young man, friendless and penniless, has been taken to a Kingston hospital with both eyes shot out.

H. M. e. Algeria has been ordered to Equivalant from Hong Kong.