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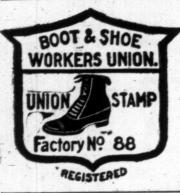
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In Holy Trini y, Christ Church and St. Joseph's.

Elaborate Programs Arranged for the Various Christmas Services.

Yesterday was observed as Christmas Sunday in many of the city churches and the occasion was fittingly commemorated in earnest words and sacred song. The musical programs rendered were invariably exceptionally fine and were presented according to the announcement there of in Saturday's Planet.

To-morrow, Christmas Day, will be commemorated in special service of sacred song in St. Joseph's, Christ and Holy Trinity churches, according to the programs annexed. Next Sunday at Christ Church an excellent service will be presented, the program for which will be published in Saturday's Planet.

To-morrow's

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH. Musical Director—H. Horstead. Organist—F. Phelps.

Opening Hymn, O Come all Venite, Dr. Cooke.

Gloria, G. H. Loud. Te Deum Laudamus, John E. West. Jubilate Deo. J. Lurle. Anthem, Calm on the Listening Eur Might, Danks, Miss O'Hara, Mr. H. Horstead and Choir.

Kyrie Eleison, F. G. Plummer, Gloria Tibi, E. W. Phillips. Hymn, Hark! the Herald Angels Sing.

Offertory, It came upon the Mid-night Clear, Sullivan, Miss Stegman

CHRIST CHURCH.

and Choir.

Musical Director and Organist-E. Forsythe.

Venite, Woodward. Te Deum, Dykes. Anthem, Thus Speaketh the Lord of Hosts, Stainer, soloists, Miss Alice Heath and Mr. Polson.

Jubilate Deo, Nevin. Offertory solo, Night of Nights, Mis Maude Oliver.

ST. JOSEPH'S.

Musical Director and Organiste Miss Nellie Rhody. Morning. Mozart's Twelfth Mass.

Offertory, Adeste Fideles, Novello, Veni Creator, Fr. Winkens. Soloists, Miss L. Smith. Messrs. Wilson, Kelly, Robert and Rhody. Evening. Musical Vespers, Est. Solos by Miss M. Marshall and Mr. W. Wil

Grand Magnificat, Lambillotte. Solo Adesta Fideles. Robert and choir.
Duet, O Salutaris, Wiegand, Miss L.
Smith and Mr. J. Rhody.
Grand Tantum Ergo, Lambillotte, Closing Hymn, Holy God, we Praise



Songs of Praise

Fredericton, N.B., Dec. 15th, 1899.
Having used SCAPRISH SOAP for the past len years, I find it the best soal that I have ever had in my house and would not use any other when I can ge SURPRISH. Mrs. T. Henry Troup.

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THE CASUAL HAND

An East London Type Described by Sir Walter Besant.

One of the "East London Types" described in The Century in Sir Walter Besant's east London papers is the "casual hand," the man hanging around waiting for a job. The writer takes up the "casual" as a boy.

He knows the tides; he knows the jetsam of the tide as it runs out. He trudges and wades in the mud of the foreshore to nick up what the ebb tide

sam of the tide as it than out trudges and wades in the mud of the foreshore to pick up what the ebb tide leaves. He knows all the ships, where they come from, whither they are bound. The great liners which put in at the West India dock, the packet boats, the coasters, the colliers, the Norwegian timber ships—he knows them all. He knows their rig; he knows the pay of the sailors and their work; he would like the former were it not for the latter, which must needs go before. He knows a great deal more than any boy educated in a public school concerning the imports and exports of London. Are not his friends engaged all day long in discharging cargo and in taking it in? He acquires as well a really wonderful amount of knowledge concerning crafty ways and cunning concerning crafty ways and cunning tricks by which a young fellow can live without working. And very early in life he acquires a thirst for strong drink that is destined to keep him down and drag him lower and to cut the thread of life when he ought to be in the prime and full

strength of manhood.

Some of these boys learn very early the way to pick up things unguarded and unwatched. You may recognize one of these lads by the way in which, with si-lent and slouchy step and with furtive glance before, behind, to right and left, he shambles quickly past a shop or stall where things are exposed for sale, guard-ed perhaps only by a little girl. You may see, if you pretend to be looking the other way, the hand dart out and snatch something which disappears in a pocket, while, without changing his step or his slouch, the boy goes on unsuspected. He is ready to pick up anything—a loaf from the baker, an onion from the green-

grocer, a banana from the costermonger.

Nothing comes amiss to him.

There are still lingering by the riverside survivals of the good old days when the whole people lived in luxury on the robberies they committed from the ships loading or unloading in the river. The barges go up and down with the tide. At ebb they lie in the mud. The men in charge go ashore to drink; the boys climb on board in search of whatever they can get. If the barge is laden with sugar, they cut holes in the bags and fill their pockets, their hats, their boots, their handkerchiefs, with sugar, which they nandsereniers, with sugar, which they carry ashore and sell. They get a half-penny a pound for their plunder. If the barge is laden with coals, they carry off all that their clothes will hold. One goes before to warn the rest of danger. Plenty of houses on the way are open to ther It is a comparatively safe and certainly a pleasant way of earning a penny or two.

Fat Foods. The mistake commonly made with ref erence to the use of fat food is that it is only or especially applicable in cold climates, an erroneous inference, the same as that cold is preventive of consumption. as that cold is preventive of cold in That fat is the almost exclusive food in arctic regions is because other food is not obtainable, not because of the frigid climate. It is necessary food, though not in such excess at all times and everywhere to supply the potential energy rewhere, to supply the potential energy required by the organism to construct the tissues and maintain the body, the temperature of the body being about the same in all climates. Fat does not stand alone in this regard except under such extraordinary circumstances as those re-ferred to. Carbohydrates of various ferred to. Carbohydrates of various kinds contribute to the same functions as fat under ordinary conditions, but they do not suffice to maintain the stamina of the organism to the highest degree anywhere without the assistance of or being supplemented by some kind of fat.-

Cause of Sighs.

Professor Lumsden says that sighing is but another name for oxygen starvation. The cause of sighing is most frequently worry. An interval of several seconds often follows moments of mental dis-quietude, during which time the chest walls remain rigid until the imperious de-mand is made for oxygen, thus causing the deep inhalation. It is the expiration following the inspiration that is properly termed the sigh, and this sigh is simply an effort of the organism to obtain the necessary supply of oxygen. The remedy is to cease worrying. One may be anxious, but there is no rational reason for worrying. A little philosophy will banish worry at once. Worry will do no good. It will rob one of pleasures when blessings do come, as one will not be in a condition to enjoy them.

Not Maudlin,

A correspondent of the Boston Tran script, writing about Magdalen college, Oxford, says: "Perhaps not all Ameri-cans know that the English still cling to the old pronunciation and call the col-lege Maudlin. At least this was true of one of our compatriots, and the men are, still telling this story about her:

"On first seeing the college and grounds she exclaimed ecstatically: 'Oh, how perfectly beautiful! How exquisite!' "Her companion, an Englishman, said 'We call that Maudlin,' whereupon she replied: 'Not at all. It is not maudlin to think or say a thing is beautiful, and I think you are very rude to say so!"

Rural Russia a Land of Poverty. It is in Russia's most fertile districts that the worst famines occur, for famine—a little one every year, a big one every —a little one every year, a big one every seven years—has now become a regular occurrence. And the country, as one flies across it, leaves the general impression of indigence. In sharp and painful contrast with western Europe there are virtually no fat stackyards, no cosy farmhouses, no chateau of the local land owner, no squire's hall—pitiful assemblages of men and women just on the hither side of the starvation line.

Spared the Very Worst. "Don't you hate to hear unpleasant things people say about you?" "No; I feel in luck that I don't have

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THE PROBABILITIES

G. N. W. Special. Toronto, Dec. 24-10 a. m.-Strong westerly, shifting to north-westerly, winds; light snow falls, or flurries. turning colder. Tuesday, cold and mostly fair, but local snow flurries.

Miss Chira Blight left Saturday on visit to friends in New York City. Master Wollie Sterch is visiting his cousin, Miss Susie Sterch, Adelaide St. F. E. Nellies, barrister, of Tilbury, was in the city to-day on legal bus-

Perrin's Kid Glovesiare the best. Thebeau & Jacques have full lines from \$1.00 to \$1.50. Miss Mabel Birch, of the Morpeth Public School staff, is spending the Christmas vacation at her home, 38

Planet Whist Trays make a most suitable and acceptable Christmas present. They can be obtained at this office.

H. N. Brown, of E ie, Pa., is spending his holidays with R. A. Douglas, Rabeigh St.

Miss C. M. Douglas, of Mount Albert, is spending, her holidays with her father, R. A. Douglas, Raleigh St. Buy umbrellas for Xmas presents, even if it is not raining. Thibodeau & Jacques have the best assortment &in the city.

Detective Arch. Skirving left for Toronto this lafternoon to meet his son Dick on his way from South Africa. They will both be back home to-morrow afternoon.

The many friends of W. Davis, who has been confined to the house with pneumonia, will be pleased to hear that he is able to attend to business Saturday afternoon a team belong-

ing to a Ralleigh farmer took a run on Queen St. to the general damage of the rig and the strewing of parcels and baskets alloing the road. Crosscut saws—"Buffalo Bill," "Ma-leaf," "Lance," and others, at Morton's

John McKellar, a sailor from Chicago, got stranded in Wallaceburg and begged for bread. He was tried by Magistrate MacDougail, and fined \$25 or six months in jail. The man was brought to Chatham jail to-day.

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This morning Judge Houston further reserved judgment iill next Monday in the Sunday newspaper case. The Lord's Day Alliance are procecuting the vendors of Sunday newspapers. Judge Houston last Monday heard the case and reserved judgment for a week. In order to look further into the law the Judge has taken another week.

other week.

At the evening service in the First
Presbyterian Church yesterday Miss
Florence G. Stephenson contributed
an exquisite rendition of the secred an exquisite rendition of the sacred solo, "The New Born King," by L'Espoir. Miss Stephenson possesses a contralto voice of rich tone and exceptional compass, and the number was especially enjoyed. During the past three months Miss Stephenson has been studying with E. W. Schuch, the eminent Toronto vocal maestro.

THAMESVILLE.

De: 24.-Mr. and Mrs. Lambrook and Loretta are spending Christmas n Selforth. Mrs. Elizabeth Biles, widow of the

s in town.

The entertainment given by The entertainment given by St: Stephen's Sunday school in the Mayhew Hall last evening, was one of the best ever given here. An excellent program was given, at the end of which presents were distributed to the children of the Sunday school.

Wm. Sherman has gone to Bay City to spend Christmas with relatives.

Dow Brown has returned from Sombra.

Mrs. C. W. Mayhew and little Mirs. C. W. Maynew and dughter, of Detroit, are spending the holidays with relatives here.

Miss Billantyne, of Ottawa, is the guest of her sister, Mirs. J. Coutts.

Miss Eihel Ripley was in Chatham Saturday.

a native of Suffol England, and late Joshua Biles, died at the resi-dence of Mrs. Aldous Mayhew, at the dence of Mrs. Aldous Mayhew, at the age of 67 years. The deceased was a native of suffolk, England, and came to Canada in '54, residing in Chitham for a number of years. She was a sister of the late Mrs. Wm. Mayhew, and the last one of the family. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

BLENHEIM.

Dec. 24.—Geo. Appleford arrived home Saturday, after an extended trip in the west. He brought home very fine samples of gold with him. many other curiosities.

S. Wilk e arrived in town Saturday on his Christmas holidays.

M'ss Ashford is spending her Xmas with friends in Chatham.

A. McDowell, Walkerville, spent Sunday with friends in town.

O. Durfy is home from New York.

state.

H. Blakley Detroit, is spending a few days with his parents this week.

The Puzzle of the Cay.

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Merry Christmas

While thanking them for their liberal patronage.

..William Gordon...

STRUNG REBUKE TO A POLITICIAN

Who Appealed to the Liberals to Introduce Partyism In-

to Municipal Affair.

Montreal, Dec. 24.-George Dawson, the Liberal organizer for Eastern Ontario, has issued a circular to the faithful throughout the country, asking them to see to it that village, township and county councils be selected on party basis. The Witness, Liberal, in speaking of the Dawson appeal, Liberal, in speaking of the Dawson appeal, says:—"It is perhaps too much to hope that machine politicians like Mr. Dawson will not take every advantage they can take, still less that they will look on while their opponents take an advantage; but we are pretty well convinced that the average Liberal of Ontario is still a pretty independent sort of person, who is not yet prepared to accept the word of command as to how his village or township shall be governed from any fugleman whom a party organization may set up to give him his instructions. Our advice to the Liberals of Ontario is to vote for the best men they Ontario is to vote for the be know of for municipal councillors, what-ever their politics, and if they can see their

way clear to give a Conservative the pre-ference as a rebuke to this effort to saddle and bridle them, so much the better." Children Cry tor CASTORIA. Children Cry for

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