THE CHURCH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school lesson for June 13. Paul's advice to Timothy, 2, Timothy i., 1-7.

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Preliminary.—It is believed that Paul was approaching the end of his career (2 Tim. iv., 6), when he wrote from the city of Rome his second letter to Timothy, probably about 66 A. D., or four years before the destruction of Jerusalem. Twelve other epistles (or thirteen if Hebrews is assigned to him), had fallen from his pen. In them he had discussed the great doctrines of the church, occupying from the first to the last writing at least fifteen years. During that time he had travelled extensively in Palestine, Asia Minor, Macedonia, Greece, Spain and Italy. He has now come to old age (Philem. 9), but possessed of all his powers. Looking back and recalling the events of his useful though many times arduous service, or looking forward and upward to his reward (2 Tim., iv., 8), he is certainly qualified to give advice. It is always interesting to note the closing utterances of a great man, to study the substance and the style of his speech, and to learn the spirit by which he is dominated.

Personal.—What does Paul say of himself? After the usual manner of the time (see the epistles of James and Peter), he begins with his own name, using not that which his parents gave him, but that which he acquired at Paphos (Acts xiii., 9.). He calls himself "an Apostle of Jesus Christ," not hesitating to take the rank among the twelve (Matt. x., 2), whom Jesus ordained. He declares that he obtained this office "by the will of God," that is, he was not put into it by men, as Matthias was (Acts i., 26), a fact which he emphasizes in his writings (Gal. i., 1) as one of particular importance. The purpose of his appointment as an apostle he sets forth, that he might publish that eternal life (verse 1), which God had in view for mankind by the incarnation of his son Jesus Christ. In thus announcing his name and office, Paul was not egotistic. It was a necessary introduction to what followed, that their views of him might be had. Advice must be weighed in the scales of good judgment concerning him who gives it. This letter is not written by a man merely, but by a man in this high office.

Salutatory—What are Paul's thoughts and feelings concerning the one to whom he wrote (verse 2)? He applies no title—reverend, bishop, elder, deacon, evangelist, pastor—but calls him Timothy. That name told the story of his mother's devotion (Acts xvi., 1), and signified honoring God. Paul calls him "my dearly beloved son," and explains elsewhere, (1 Tim., i., 1), that his relation was one of faith. Timothy was converted under Paul's preaching, and by him received into companionship and ministerial service. (Acts xvi., 1-3). Through this relation had come those intimacies (Rom. xvi., 21), which had endeared each to the other, the heart of the older naturally turning with pride to his young associate. In his opening salutation Paul pronounces a blessing upon the young man, a three fold blessing of grace, mercy and peace, a summary of all spiritual good. And in this he recognizes God as Father, and Jesus as Christ (Messiah), or Lord and Master. These opening words apparently subordinated Timothy, yet at the same time they honor him, and must have been received with great favor.

Thankful—Paul next opens his heart as if unable to control his generous emotion toward the one beloved (verses 2 and 3). He declares his thankfulness for the friendship of Timothy, as he had done for the fidelity of the Roman Christians (Rom. i, 8) and of the Ephesian saints (Eph. i, 16). He professes that his service for God antedates his conversion, and reaches back to his forefathers (Acts xxii., 3), an announcemnt that his whole life had been consecrated. He says that in prayer he ceases not to remember Timothy day or night, according to his habit of personal petition. (1 Thes. i, 2). He refers to Timothy's tears, shed, perhaps, at their parting (Acts xx. 37-38), or under the influence of instruction given, and expresses an earnest desire to see him expecting that the meeting would give him joy. How wonderful that the heart of man can thus recall the sweet associations of other days and yearn for a reunion. Separation by a thousand miles awakens memory, intensifies love and kindles holy desire and hope.

Hereditary.—Thus far the letter had expressed the value of the relations existing between the two men and the regard arising from those relations. Next the thought turns to an estimate of Timothy's real worth (verse 5). It was after all his "unfeigned faith" that made him so dear to the apostle, a quality which had been previously mentioned as the end of all holy desire and achievement (1 Tim., i., 5). A man free from all hypocrisy, trustful and good, is universally admired. Besides, Timothy came of good stock. His father was a Greek, but his mother and grandmother were pious Jewish women, who turned to Jesus on Paul's first missionary tour in Iconium (Acts xiv., 19). It is evident that the regard for Timothy was increased by the fact that he was descended from such good women. However much we may rejoice over the conversion of one raised up out of degradation, we can never have as much genuine confidence in him as in one who has an inheritance of virtue. After the mock sentimentalism of some it is high time to put a premium on those who come of truly good families and who honor their parents, by walking in their footsteps (Ex., xx., 12).

Reminding.—All this was intended to prepare Timothy for Paul's first advice (verses 6 and 7). The son of such a mother held in high esteem by the eminent apostle to the Gentiles, was reminded of the office into which he had been inducted, for he had been ordained to the Christian ministry by the imposition of Paul's hands (Acts vi., 6), and he is now urged to great faithfulness (1 Tim., iv., 14). "Stir up the gift of God," he says, a figure of speech in which grace is likened to fire that needs to be stirred up lest it go out (1 Thes., v., 19). In this there is a suggestion that possibly Timothy was retiring in his disposition, disposed to shrink from public service. He is reminded as a further incentive that the Scripture was not given to awaken his diffidence or fear, but rather to impart strength and love and mental soundness. Coming from his superior, his old preceptor and dearest friend, these words must have awakened Timothy to a higher appreciation of his duty as a minister of Christ. Many men need only to be reminded of obligation to be made faithful (II. Pet., iii., 1).

Exhorting—The Lesson Committee has abruptly broken the apostle's line of thought, by omitting all that follows the seventh verse, and beginning with the fourteenth of the following chapter. Fortunately the disconnected parts, when brought together, appear like a continuous composition. Timothy is urged, not only to diligence, but to loyalty to the teachings which had been delivered to him. (Verses 14 and 15.) Paul would save him from any speculations or digressions and hold him to the things which he had learned (Jude 3.) There was in that day danger of false doctrine contrary to the spirit of Christ, subversive of the soul. (Acts, xv., 24.) Paul had experience on that point all through his ministry, and now is anxious that his young friend should stand fast. As a special incentive he reminds Timothy, of whom he had received these teachings, namely, his spiritual father, and that he had been from childhood instructed in Scripture. (Verse 15.) Hence there was no occasion for turning aside to the traditions and vagaries of men.

Furnishing—He who has the Bible is fully furnished for the work of the ministry. This is made evident by several considerations. First, the Scriptures were "given by inspiration of God," (verse 16), and, therefore, they are both reliable and authoritative. (Second Peter, i, 21), when cannot be asserted of any other literature; second, they are able to make one "wise unto salvation through faith," (verse 15), giving all the information needed as a basis for the faith; third, they are profitable "for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction," so that the saved may go on up into the heights of excellence; fourth, they cover the whole range of thought and action in the Christian life, (Romans, xv, 4), so that by them the man of God may be perfect (verse 17); fifth, their outlines of human relations and duties are so ample that by means of them a man may be thoroughly prepared for all good works. These facts concerning the Bible were enough to hold a young minister to the one only standard of faith and practice.

Conclusion—Primarily this lesson is for ministers. It shows how those who have preached the Gospel for many years and are about to pass away turn to those who are to follow them, anxious that they should maintain the faith in its purity and discharge their duty fully. No true minister can be indifferent to the future. His work and its fruit will appear after he is gone, and, if earnestly desirous to advance the cause of Christ, he must seek to perpetuate with successors what he has begun. The lesson also has a message for all Christians. It is not enough for any man to live for the present, meeting its obligations as they rise. He must desire others to enter into and to complete his unfinished work. (Psalm, xc, 17.) In like manner they who are coming into places of trust, both ministers and laymen, do well to look reverently to their seniors, and inquire after the good old way of righteousness. (Jer. vi, 16.) The treasures bequeathed by the fathers ought ever to be prized. And whatever new thought or method may be proclaimed to the world, if one thing all may be assured, that man will never outgrow the Bible. To hold and teach its truths is the highest duty and honor of each generation.

Sunday Services.

Trinity Sunday. Gospel for the day, John iii., 1-16. Epistle for the day, Rom. xi., 33-36.

BAPTIST.

CALVARY CHURCH, West Fifty-seventh street, near Sixth avenue (Rev. Robert S. MacArthur, D. D., pastor)—Services, morning at 11, evening at 8; Dr. MacArthur preaches at both services.

EPIPHANY CHURCH, Madison avenue and Sixty-fourth street—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Dr. John T. Beckley, 11 a. m. and 4 p. m. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

FIRST CHURCH, Seventy-ninth street and Boulevard (Rev. I. M. Haldeman, pastor)—Services 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. The pastor will preach at all services. Bible school at 9:45 a. m.

MADISON AVENUE CHURCH, corner Thirty-first street (the Rev. Henry M. Sanders, D. D., pastor)—Services at 11 a. m. and 4:30 in the afternoon. The pastor will preach at both services. Chapel service Wednesday, 8 p. m.

SIXTEENTH CHURCH, Sixteenth street, near Eighth avenue (A. W. H. Hodder, pastor)—Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.

TABERNACLE, Clinton street and Third place, Brooklyn (Rev. Erwin Dennett, pastor)—Services at 10:30 a. m.

THE TEMPLE, Schermerhorn street and Third avenue, Brooklyn (Rev. Cortland Myers, pastor)—The pastor will preach at morning and evening services. Children's Day. Sunday school will have special services. The Temple choir will render Gaul's sacred cantata, "The Holy City." Programme with full service.

NORTH CHURCH, West Eleventh street, between Waverley place and Fourth street (Rev. G. M. Shott, pastor)—Morning sermon, "Princely Power;" evening, "Two Summer Resorts." Pastor Shott will preach at the Macdougal street branch at 4 p. m. Sunday on "Daily Allowance."

WASHINGTON HEIGHTS CHURCH, No. 460 West One Hundred and Forty-ninth street (Rev. B. B. Bosworth, pastor)—Morning subject, "The Child and the Church."

CENTRAL CHURCH, Forty-second street, west of Seventh avenue (Rev. Frank M. Goodchild, pastor)—Morning, "The Children's Praises." In the evening exercises by the Bible School.

CENTRAL PARK CHURCH, East Eighty-third street, between Second and Third avenues (Rev. H. M. Warren, pastor)—In the morning, subject, "The Spirit of Christ;" in the evening, "The Christian's Reward." Open-air service on church steps Sunday evening, 7 o'clock.

THE TABERNACLE, temporary rooms, No. 19 East Twenty-first street (Rev. D. C. Potter, D. D., pastor)—Preaching on Sunday morning and evening by the pastor.

WASHINGTON AVENUE CHURCH, Washington and Gates avenues, Brooklyn (Rev. Frank M. Ellis, D. D., pastor)—Service Sunday morning, 10:30; evening, 7:45.

ASCENSION CHURCH, East One Hundred and Sixtieth street and Park avenue (Rev. J. Mitchell Bronk, pastor)—In the morning, Children's Day service. Subject of evening sermon, "The Temptations of New York."

TREMONT CHURCH, No. 1815 Washington avenue (Rev. J. Bastow, pastor)—Services at 11 in the morning and 7:45 in the evening. The pastor will preach at both services.

ZION CHURCH, No. 451 Seventh avenue (Rev. J. W. Scott, pastor)—Morning subject, "It's High Time to Awake Out of Sleep," Rom. xiii., 11. Evening subject, "Death Not Always Desirable," Amos v., 18.

LEXINGTON AVENUE CHURCH, corner Lexington avenue and One Hundred and Eleventh street (Rev. J. L. Campbell, pastor)—In the morning, sermon to Sunday-school teachers; in the evening, services by the Sunday-school.

CONGREGATIONAL.

BETHESDA, "The People's Church," Ralph avenue and Chauncey street, Brooklyn, Rev. Charles Herald, pastor—Service Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. The pastor will preach at both services.

CAMP MEMORIAL, Chrystie street, between Broome and Delancey streets, Rev. H. G. Miller, pastor—Morning subject, "Saved for What?" In the evening special children's day celebration. Fine musical service, plenty of flowers, bright children.

CHURCH OF CHRIST (SCIENTIST).

METROPOLITAN THIRD CHURCH OF CHRIST, Scientist, No. 82 West One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, near Lenox avenue. Services Sunday morning, 10:45; Sunday-school, 12 m.; testimonial service, 8 p. m. Reading rooms, No. 217 West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Seventh avenue, open daily from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST, Scientist, No. 459 Western Boulevard, near Eighty-second street. Service Sunday, 11 a. m. Testimonial meeting Friday, 8 p. m.

NEW YORK (SECOND) CHURCH OF CHRIST, Scientist, Madison avenue, corner One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street. Sunday morning, 10:45; testimonial service, Friday evening, at 8 o'clock, at reading rooms, No. 96 Fifth avenue. Open daily, also on Sunday and Wednesday evenings.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, Scientist, Nos. 187-143 West Forty-eighth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues. Service Sunday, at 10:45 a. m. Friday evening, public testimonial service, at 8 o'clock. Christian Science Reading Rooms in vestry, open daily from 9 till 5.

EPISCOPAL.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, Eleventh street and Waverley place (Rev. B. F. De Costa, D. D., pastor)—Services morning, 7:30 and 10:30, evening 8. Dr. De Costa will speak in the evening on the "Mystery of the Trinity."

OUTDOOR STATION OF SEAMEN'S SOCIETY, Pier 6, East River (Rev. Isaac Maguire, pastor)—Services morning at 11 o'clock and afternoon at 3 o'clock. Reading room for sailors open daily from 8:30 a. m.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, corner Avenue C and East Fourth street (Rev. James G. Cameron, pastor)—Services Sunday morning at 7:30, 9 and 10:45; in the evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. E. B. Young, the curate, will preach the sermons.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, corner Park avenue and Eighty-second street (Rev. W. Everett Johnson, D. D., rector)—Services 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

CHURCH OF THE BELOVED DISCIPLE, Eighty-ninth street and Madison avenue (Rev. Henry M. Barbour, pastor)—Services Sunday at 7:30 and 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Services appropriate to Trinity Sunday.

ALL SAINTS', corner Henry and Scammel streets (Rev. William N. Dunnell, D. D., pastor)—Morning subject, "Trinity;" evening, "The Way of Life." The church will be open all Summer.

CHURCH OF THE RECONCILIATION, 242-246 East Thirty-first street (Rev. James G. Lewis, D. D., pastor)—Morning subject, "The Triune God;" evening subject, "The Beasts and the Elders Before the Throne."

EGLISE DU SAINT-ESPRIT, 30 and 32 West Twenty-second street (Rev. A. V. Wittmeyer, pastor)—The pastor will preach at 10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, Tenth street and Second avenue (Rev. J. A. Rylance, D. D., rector)—The duties as vicar of the parish have been assigned to Rev. Walter E. Bently, formerly of Christ Church, Deposit, N. Y.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE, East Seventy-fourth street and Park avenue—Divine service at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The Rev. Dr. Hughes will preach at both services.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, Mott Haven, Alexander avenue, near One Hundred and Forty-second street (Rev. Joseph Reynolds, D. D., pastor)—Sermons by the pastor morning and evening.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, Fifth avenue, corner Fifty-third street (Rev. John W. Brown, D. D., rector—Services 11 a. m. and 4 p. m. Dr. Brown will preach at the regular morning service on the Gospel for Trinity Sunday.

GRACE CHURCH, Brooklyn Heights, Hicks street, between Remsen and Joralemon, Rev. Chauncey B. Brewster, D. D., rector—Holy communion at 8 and 11 o'clock a. m.; choral evensong 5 p. m. The Rev. R. H. Baldwin will preach at 11, the rector at 4 p. m.

TRINITY CHURCH, Broadway, corner Rector street, Rev. Morgan Dix, D. D., rector—Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Dr. Dix will preach in the morning and Rev. J. Nevett Steele in the evening.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, Broadway, corner Vesey street, Rev. W. Montague Geer, vicar—Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. Geer will preach in the morning and Rev. Robert M. Kemp in the evening.

HOLY FAITH CHURCH, One Hundred and Sixty-sixth street, east of Boston road, Bronx Borough. Rev. Victor C. Smith, pastor—Service Sunday morning 10:30, evening 7:45. Summer fete to be held on June 17, afternoon and evening, in Mansion House, Boston road and Home street.

ST. DAVID'S CHAPEL, No. 611 East One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, Rev. E. G. Clifton, pastor—Morning subject, "The Promised Comforter." In the evening Dr. C. C. Tiffany will preach.

ST. AMBROSE, corner of Thompson and Prince streets, Rev. Philip Schuyler, pastor—Morning subject, "The Doctrine of Trinity; the Revelation That God is Love." Evening subject, "Prayer; Its Duty."

CHRIST CHURCH, Bedford avenue, near Division, Brooklyn, Rev. James H. Dwight, pastor—Morning services at 9 and 10:30; subject, "The Trinity." In the evening at 7:45, musical vespers, Gaul's "Holy City," sacred cantata.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH, Brooklyn Heights, Brooklyn, Rev. Reese F. Alsop, pastor—Morning subject, "Whom We Worship." Evening subject, "What We Worship.

CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD-THE-MARTYR, One Hundred and Ninth street and Fifth avenue, Rev. Edwin Wallace-Nell, pastor—Morning subject, "The Trinity." Evening subject, "Faith." Miscellaneous announcements, confirmation on Friday night, June 11, at 8 o'clock.

Willis avenue, corner of East One Hundred and Forty-first street, Rev. W. H. Barton, pastor—Service, morning, 10:30 a. m. In the evening, 8 p. m., children's day exercises by Sunday-school. During the erection of the new church services are being held in the tent on Brook avenue.

RUSSELL PLACE, Herkimer street, near Saratoga avenue, (Rev. W. C. Steele, pastor)—Morning subject, "Meditation." In the evening, children's service, Epworth League lesson meeting Thursday night; speakers, A. W. Byrt and others.

FORTY-FOURTH STREET CHURCH, Forty-fourth street, near Tenth avenue, (Rev. W. P. Brush, pastor)—In the morning, 10:45 a. m., Rev. M. Zwemer, missionary from Arabia, will preach. In the evening, children's day services, a festival of song and flowers. Every child presented with a growing plant.

PRESBYTERIAN.

WEST CHURCH, West Forty-second street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues; Rev. Anthony H. Evans, D. D., pastor—Services, morning at 11, evening at 8; Sunday-school at 9:45 a. m.

FIFTH AVENUE CHURCH, No. 708 Fifth avenue; Rev. John Hall, D. D.—Dr. Hall will preach at morning and afternoon services.

CLASSON AVENUE CHURCH, Classon avenue, corner Monroe street, Brooklyn; Rev. Joseph Dunn Burrell, pastor—Morning subject, "Nathanael's Surprise;" evening, "Sluggishness of Unbelief."

NEW YORK CHURCH, corner Seventh avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street; Rev. Charles S. Robinson, D. D., pastor—Morning subject, "A Trembling Governor;" evening, "The Convenient Season."

CALVARY CHURCH, One Hundred and Sixteenth street, between Lenox and Fifth avenues; Rev. James Chambers, D. D., pastor—Morning services 10:45.

EAST HARLEM CHURCH, One Hundred and Sixteenth street, near Third avenue; James G. Patterson, D. D., pastor—Children's services in the morning; preaching by pastor in the evening.

CHURCH OF THE SEA AND LAND, 19 Market street; Rev. John Hopkins Denison, pastor, in charge—Morning subject, "What Is Love?" in the evening, children's services in a living flower garden.

HEBREW CHRISTIAN MISSION, Allen Street Presbyterian Church, No. 128 Forsyth street; Rev. Herman F. Faust, pastor—Services to-day at 2 p. m. Subject, "Perjuries of Today."

PHELPS MEMORIAL MISSION, 314 East Thirty-fifth street, Rev. Theo. W. Harris, pastor—Evening subject, "Honor to God's Name." Miscellaneous announcements, Excelsior Athletic Club, Monday, Tuesday and Friday evenings; Junior Excelsior, girl's clubs, etc.

BETHANY CHURCH, East One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street, near Willis avenue, Rev. George W. F. Birch, pastor—Service Sunday morning, 10:30; afternoon, 4 o'clock, communion.

FAITH CHURCH, 359 West Forty-eighth street; Rev. James H. Hoadley, pastor—Service Sunday morning, 10:45; evening, 7:45. Pastor will preach at both services.

PHILLIP'S CHURCH, Seventy-third street and Madison avenue, Rev. J. E. Bushnell, pastor—Service Sunday morning, 11; evening, 8 The pastor will preach at both services.

WEST END CHURCH, West One Hundred and Fifth street and Amsterdam avenue, Rev. John Balcom Shaw, D. D., pastor; Rev. I. Hunter, assistant—In the morning, 11 a. m., Children's Day services; evening service 8 p. m. Special singing at both services, and sacrament of baptism.

KNOX CHURCH, Seventy-second street and Second avenue, Rev. Dr. William Hughes, pastor—Service, morning, 11; evening, 8. The pastor will preach at both services.

ROMEYN CHAPEL, 420 East Fourteenth street, Rev. J. P. Dawson, pastor—Service, morning, 11 o'clock; evening, 8 o'clock. Pastor will preach. Christian Endeavor, prayer meetings at 7 p. m.

SECOND GERMAN CHURCH, 435 East Houston street, Rev. Conrad D'Oench, pastor—Morning subject, "Planting;" evening subject, "Growing."

PARK CHURCH, Eighty-sixth street and Amsterdam avenue, Rev. Anson P. Atterbury, pastor—Subject at 11 a. m., "God's Plants." No evening service. Children's day exercises.

REFORMED.

BETHANY CHURCH, No. 235 East One Hundred and Ninth street, Rev. Paul Sommerlatte, pastor. Morning subject, "Nicodemus and Christ." Evening subject, "God, the Cause of All Life."

MOTT HAVEN CHURCH, Third avenue and One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, Rev. G. Edwin Talmage, pastor. Morning subject, "The Trinity."

MARTHA MEMORIAL REFORMED (German), West Fifty-second street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, Rev. Paul H. Schratz, pastor. Morning subject, "The Spirit of Pentecost;" evening subject, "Work of the Holy Spirit."

BLOOMINGDALE CHURCH, Boulevard and West Sixty-eighth street, Rev. Madison C. Peters, pastor. Morning subject, "The Importance of the Individual." Evening subject, "A Plea for Old-fashioned Mothers."

SECOND COLLEGIATE REFORMED CHURCH OF HARLEM, One Hundred and Twenty-third street and Lenox avenue, Rev. William Justin Harsha, pastor. Morning subject, "The Transfigured Life." Evening subject, "Summer Phenomena and Their Lessons."

REFORMED EPISCOPAL.

FIRST REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Madison avenue, corner Fifty-seventh street, Rev. W. T. Sabine, D. D., pastor, Rev. R. L. Rudolph, assistant—Services at 11 a. m., 3:30 and 7:45 p. m. Strangers cordially welcome.

UNIVERSALIST.

GOOD TIDINGS CHURCH, Brooklyn, Quincy street, near Reid avenue, Rev. Arnold S. Gantis, pastor, will preach at the services.

PROSPECT HEIGHTS CHURCH, Sixth avenue and Ninth street, Brooklyn, Rev. Alice K. Wright, pastor. Morning subject, "Allegory of the Garden of Eden." Sermon by Rev. Augusta J. Chapin, D. D. (The only woman doctor of divinity in the world.)

MISCELLANEOUS.

FRIENDS' MEETING, 144 East 20th street, opposite Gramercy Park. Morning subject "Not Pre-arrangement." Bible Class 10 a. m. Sabbath morning in church parlor.

SALVATION ARMY Memorial Hall 14th street, West. Morning subject, "Holiness; evening subject, "Salvation." Commander and Consul Booth-Tucker will be the principal speakers.

BEACON LIGHT RESCUE MISSION, 207 East 125th street, Rev. P. St. Germain, superintendent; 10 a. m. Sunday-school; also Bible class for men; 8 p. m. lesson and testimony service. Meeting every evening; new and interesting speakers. Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, hallelujah service, after which all homeless men are invited to partake of a lunch.

SECOND CHURCH OF THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST, 160th street, near Franklin ave., Rev. S. T. Willis, pastor. Morning subject, "Christian Confidence." Evening, "The Whole World for Christ. This is a children's day service.

THE HARLEM PEOPLES' MISSION has moved from 124th street and 2d avenue to 2308 2d avenue, between 118th and 119th streets. Joseph Bennett, superintendent. Service every evening, except Friday and Saturday. Sunday-school 2:45 p. m.

REFORMED CATHOLIC.

CHRIST'S MISSION, No. 142 West Twenty-first street, Rev. James A. O'Connor, pastor. Morning subject, "Conversion of a Paulist." J. T. McGovern, formerly connected with Paulist Fathers, will be the speaker.

Among the Catholics.

Rev. William O'B. Pardow, S. J., will preach in the Church of St. Francis Xavier, Sixteenth street, west of Fifth avenue, to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. John F. X. O'Connor, S. J., will preach in the evening.

The second of the quarterly conferences of the Catholic clergy of the Archdiocese of New York was held at 10 a. m. yesterday in the hall of the schools of St. Patrick's Cathedral, on East Fiftieth street. Archbishop Corrigan presided and the secretaries were Rev. John F. Kearney and the Rev. Dr. James Dougherty.

The Rev. Henry A. Braun, rector of St. Agnes's Roman Catholic Church, in East Forty-third street, was elected a member of the Union League Club at its monthly meeting Thursday night. While the club has among its members clergymen of nearly every faith, Father Braun has the distinction of being the first priest of the Roman Catholic Church elected to membership.

This evening the members of St. Ignatius Council, Catholic Benevolent Legion, and their visiting friends will have the pleasure of listening to an address by the Rev. Peter Gravel, of the Church of St. Jean Baptiste. The meeting will be held in the rooms of the council, at No. 160 East Eighty-sixth street. The subject Father Gravel has chosen is "The Labor Question."

The Chinese mail brings the news of the terrible murder of Rev. Father Mazell, a Roman Catholic missionary, who was working in the Province of Shanatung, in Northeast China. A fanatical mob rushed into the house of the missionary and killed him and his native interpreter. They then mutilated the bodies of their victims in a dreadful manner.

At the Church of St. Francis Xavier henceforth a special 25-cent collection will be called for on the first Sunday of each month instead of one annual collection, as formerly, for the support of the parochial schools. No annual collection was called for last year and the amount raised by collectors, entertainments, etc., fell nearly $2,000 short of meeting the running expenses of the schools.

To-morrow evening at solemn vespers in the Church of St. Joseph, on Sixth avenue, two beautiful new statues, one of St. Aloysius and the other of St. Anthony of Padua, will be unveiled with very impressive services. The sermon on the occasion will be delivered by the Rector, the Rev. Denis P. O'Flynn. These statues are votive offerings from two parishioners, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Kracht.

The Newark Diocesan Conference, composed of the pastors of the 150 Roman Catholic parishes in northern New Jersey, decided at a meeting held on Thursday night to begin the erection of a new cathedral that will cost about $1,500,000 and take ten years to build. The site of the new building is to be the land known as the Bishop's Lot, bounded by Fifth, Sixth and Clinton avenues and Ridge street. In one corner of it now stands the Church of the Sacred Heart.

Delegates from the Catholic Young Men's Societies of Albany, Boston, Newark, St. Louis, St. Joseph, Mo., this city and other places met at the pastoral residence of the Church of the Visitation, at No. 70 Verona street, Brooklyn, on Thursday, and decided to hold the annual convention in Boston on August 31. The delegates also recommend that a meeting of the Catholic Unions in the metropolitan district be held in the near future in Madison Square Garden.

Among the Israelites.

Dr. F. de Sola Mendes will conduct the liturgy in the West End Synagogue, Eighty-second street, corner of Amsterdam avenue, at 10:15 this morning, in the absence of the regular reader.

"Samson's bequest" will be Dr. M. Krauskopf's subject this morning in Synagogue Atereth Israel, No. 323 East Eighty-second street.

The subject of the sermon in Beth Elohim Synagogue, on State street, Brooklyn, this morning will be "Samson." This synagogue will be renovated in the near future.

The annual confirmation exercises will be held at the Hebrew Institute to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

Rev. Dr. R. Grossman will lecture this morning on "The Priestly Benediction." The closing exercises of the religious school will be held to-morrow at 3 p. m.

Twenty-three graduates of the religious school were confirmed on the morning of Shebuoth, the opening and closing prayers and valedictory being recited by Mabel Herts, Josephine Meyer and Madeline Richter.

Dr. G. Gottheil will deliver the conference sermon at the eighth annual convocation of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, which will take place at Montreal, beginning Tuesday evening, July 6, to continue throughout the week.

An adjourned meeting of representatives of the Jewish congregations and societies of this city was held at the synagogue, Central Park West and Seventieth street, on Wednesday evening. Judge Isaacs in the chair, Rev. Dr. H. P. Mendes acting as secretary. The committee on resolutions, Rev. Dr. Kohler, Rev. Dr. Mendes and Hon. Isidor Straus, reported a series, which were adopted without amendment. The resolutions favor colonization of Palestine, object to the presentation of a Jewish question to a diplomatic congress of the great Powers unless submitted by the Alliance Israelite, Anglo-Jewish Association and Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Religious News in Brief.

The General Council of the Reformed Episcopal Church, in session in the First Church, Fifty-fifth street and Madison avenue, almost unanimously approved the ordination of Ballington Booth.

Rev. Roderick Terry, D. D., pastor of the South Reformed Church, New York, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the one hundred and thirty-first annual commencement of Rutgers College to-morrow evening.

Bishop Potter, of this city, preached in behalf of the Melanesian Fund on the eve of St. Barnabas celebration at Eton, England. The provost of Eton entertained the visitors at lunch, and afterward presided at the annual meeting. Several American bishops were among the speakers.

The Young Women's Christian Association, No. 7 East Fifteenth street, has arranged a Summer course of instruction and entertainment, which opened last night with a programme of music and recitation. There will be entertainments every Friday evening throughout the Summer.

The Rev. William T. McElveen was formally installed as pastor of the New England Congregational Church, in South Ninth street, near Driggs avenue, Brooklyn, Thursday night. The charge was administered by the Rev. A. J. F. Behrends, and the right hand of fellowship was extended by the Rev. J. C. Wilson.

Three of the curates of Calvary parish having resigned to accept other duty, the men shortly to take their places will be the Rev. Edward C. Hutchison, the Rev. John M. McGann and the Rev. Ellis Bishop. These men are of the recent graduating classes at Cambridge and Berkeley Divinity schools.

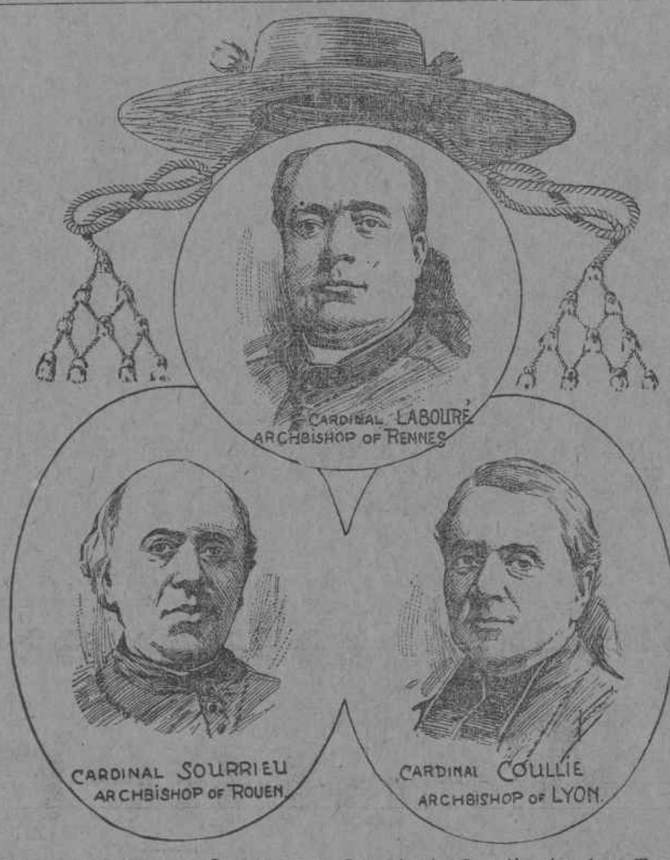
At the suggestion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington the Standing Committee of the diocese of New York requested the bishop of South Carolina to set forth a proper prayer for use on Sunday, June 20, that being the day appointed in the English Church for the religious commemoration of the sixtieth year of the reign of Queen Victoria.

Philadelphia clergymen have protested against the "growing evil of bicycle riding on the Sabbath" in a letter which they have addressed to the wheelmen's clubs. The directors of the Philadelphia Sabbath Association have also issued a letter to the same effect, in which they say: "Such practices (the association) must regard as demoralizing to the bicyclist and an open disregard of Sabbath ordinances, and so an influence for evil in the community."

Bishop Potter has written the following letter in commendation of the work of the Brothers of Nazareth, at Verbank, N. Y.:

"My Dear Brother Gilbert: You are to be congratulated on the progress of your work, and upon the undaunted courage with which you have given yourself to it, under great discouragement. The principle of Priory Farm, especially as a place where convalescents may carry long enough, after being dismissed from our city hospitals, to recover strength for the battle of life, seems to me to be one of great value and most wise philanthropy. 'Stand upright on thy feet!' said St. Peter to the lame man, and this is what your work is saying and enabling men to do. The commendation of it by Mr. Ludlam, superintendent of the New York Hospital, shows how real and important a service it is rendering. Faithfully yours, H. C. POTTER."

At the session of the Reformed Synod, in Asbury Park, Friday, a resolution was adopted appropriating $100,000 for missionary work during the coming year. This will be distributed to the various classes. An appropriation of $5,000 was made for Hope College; $10,000 was voted by the Synod to be used in meeting various recommendations of the General Synod in behalf of institutions of learning.



Three Prelates of France Greated Cardinals by Pope Leo XIII.

The Chapelle de l'Elysee, in Paris, was a few days ago the scene of most solemn and imposing ceremonies. In the presence of the President of the French Republic, the cardinal's beretta was conferred on the archbishops of Lyons, of Rennes and of Rouen. Monsignor Couille, of Lyons, was born in Paris on March 14. Monsignor Laboure, of Rennes, hails from Pas-de-Calais, and was born October 27, 1841. Monsignor Sourrieu was born in Haute-Garonne on February 27, 1825. The three dignitaries have rendered invaluable services to the Roman Catholic Church.

CHURCH OF THE INTERCESSION, Western Boulevard and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, Rev. Henry Dixon Jones, pastor—Morning at 11. Trinity Sunday services; evening 5, full choral.

LUTHERAN.

Many of the Lutheran pastors of the city are absent from their charges attending synodical meetings.

FINNISH SEAMEN'S CHURCH, No. 53 Beaver street—Rev. V. K. Durchman, pastor. Farewell address by Pastor Durchman in the morning in Finnish; in the evening in Swedish. Rev. A. Hukkanen, the new pastor, will also speak.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, Cumberland street, Brooklyn, near Lafayette avenue—Rev. A. Steimle, pastor. Services Sunday morning at 11, and evening at 7:45.

CHRIST CHURCH, 1084 Lafayette avenue, near Broadway, Brooklyn—Rev. H. S. Knobeuchuh, pastor. Service Sunday morning, 10:45. Evening, 7:45.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, Madison avenue and Seventy-third street—Rev. J. B. Remensnyder, D. D., pastor. Morning subject, "The Trinity Mystery." No evening service.

BETHANY CHURCH, Teasdale place, between One Hundred and Sixty-third and One Hundred and Sixty-fourth streets, near Third avenue—Rev. J. Fred W. Kitzmeyer, pastor. Morning service, 11; evening, 8.

SWEDISH LUTHERAN BETHLEHEM CHURCH, Third avenue and Pacific street, Brooklyn, N. Y.—Dr. F. Jacobson, pastor. Morning service at 10:30; evening at 7:30.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH (GERMAN), Corner Broome and Elizabeth streets—Rev. J. H. Sieker, pastor. Morning, 10:30; sermon on the Gospel for the day; evening, at 7:30, sermon the Epistle for the day.

HEBREW MISSION, No. 70 Pitt street, corner Rivington street—Rev. Nath. Friedmann, pastor. To-day, at 2:30 p. m., "The Trinity."

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, corner of South Fifth and Rodney streets, Brooklyn—Hugo W. Hoffman, pastor. Morning (German), 10:30, subject, "Depths." Evening, 7:30 (English), subject, "The Sixth Petition."

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, One Hundred and Fiftieth street, near Robbins avenue, Rev. Gus. H. Tappert, pastor, subject, morning, "Heaven." Evening, "Hell." This congregation will remove to One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, near Westchester avenue.

METHODIST.

WESLEY CHURCH, Glenmore and Atkins avenues, Brooklyn (Rev. Nathan Hubbell, D. D., pastor)—Morning subject, "Silent Before God." In the evening, children's day exercises.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, West End avenue and Eighty-sixth street (Rev. G. P. Eckman, pastor)—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by pastor. Sunday-school at 3 p. m. Prayer service Wednesday at 8 p. m.

UNION CRURCH, Forty-eighth street, west of Broadway (Rev. Clark Wright, D. D., pastor)—Services at 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Earnest Workers' Bible Class, 9 a. m. Mr. John Beatty leader.

SANDS STREET MEMORIAL, corner Clark and Henry streets (Rev. D. A. Jenkins, pastor)—Service, 10:30 a. m. Subject, "Little Foxes." Evening, children's concert, children's day exercises. Sunday, June 20, exchange with Dr. Harcourt, of Philadelphia.

SECOND STREET CHURCH