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OUR FINEST HOPE IS FINEST MEMORY.—George Eliot.

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Reports of 1908

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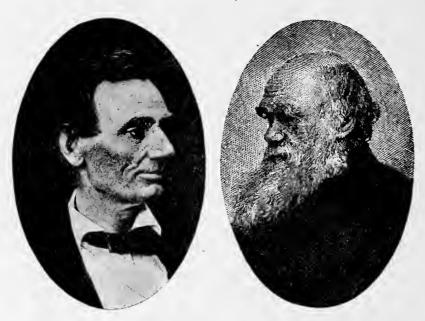
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Greeting.

To the Friends and Supporters of All Souls Church and the Abraham Lincoln Centre.

Dear Friends:

For the twenty-sixth time All Souls Church hands you its Annual, which is also the fourth annual exhibit of the work of the Abraham Lincoln Centre, representing the enlarged home, the increased activity, and the widening influence of the church.

The exhibit here made is one more gratifying witness to the wisdom, fidelity and diligence of my co-workers, a splendid justification of the confidence of those who have so generously entrusted us with funds and a great opportunity. It gives evidence of generous donations of time and money from helpers both inside and outside the building, who have given us what money could not buy, loving enthusiasm and intelligent, unselfish devotion. They have proved their faith by their work, theirs has been the love that is loyalty.

The last year was an eventful and an inspiring one. The completion of the woman's ten thousand dollar contribution to the endowment fund, the decoration of the Ellen Leonard room, made possible by the contributions of friends and the best taste and skill of the Art Institute, and above all, the inspiring Lincoln Centennial week, with its commemoration of the great and good man

whose name we bear, made the year memorable.

This Annual necessarily deals largely in Retrospect, but a study of it will center the attention on the Prospect. The things done are the truest exposition

of things to be done.

In addition to the reports, we have here embodied as much as can be put into cold type of the proceedings of the memorable Lincoln banquet. Some day this report will be a contribution to our history. I hope the printing of it will help us make of this institution an historical center to which the years will contribute increasing richness in the way of mementoes, relics, souvenirs, and documents gathering around the great name of Lincoln, the early history of All Souls Church, and the growing message of universal religion. All Souls Church helped cradle the great Parliament of Religions in 1893, the Congress of Religion is the child of its loins, and it increasingly stands for the open door of the universal faith and the welcoming hand of fraternal religion and applied piety. Most of our walls are yet bare, and too many of our shelves are empty; let us see to it that they take on beauty and inspiration.

I send this greeting from Vicksburg, Mississippi. All day yesterday I was "out on the line," where forty-six years ago come next May or June, I, as an humble "private in the rear rank," lay forty-seven days in front of frowning bastions and gruesome rifle pits. Those battle lines are now resplendent with memorial tablets, monuments and markers, the triumph of art, the joy of the historian, and the inspiration of the youths of all sections of our united country. Where the minie balls and cannon shells once flew, is now the children's playground, the city's joy and the nation's pride. Sacrifice and devotion were easy in those days of want and danger on both sides of the line. Have they become so hard in these days of plenty and ease? Are safety and life so much less in-

spiring than danger and death?

I write on a day of faith as well as from a place of heroism. St. Patrick is no longer the national hero of the Irish, but to the intelligent he is a noble missionary of the conquering centuries when Christianity was taming barbarous Europe, changing wildernesses into Empires and laying the foundations of cathedrals and universities.

Is it not an opportune time as well as an inspiring place for the introductory word to our Annual for 1908?

I subscribe myself with deep love and gratitude,

Your friend, minister and co-worker,

Jenking

Vicksburg, Mississippi, St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 1909.

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The Abraham Lincoln Centre and All Souls Church

Board of Trustees It has been a good year in Lincoln Centre notwithstanding the financial depression and the Presidential election. The reports of all the departments will show increased attendance and go to show that they daily justify their existence and the cost of their maintenance.

The Charitable Section, under Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Babbitt, has been doing most valuable work. As far as support is concerned, the weak spots are the Library, the Missionary and the Music

Sections.

The great achievement of the year is the completion of the Woman's Endowment Fund of ten thousand dollars. About ten thousand dollars of the men's portion of the Endowment Fund is provided for, leaving about eighty thousand dollars still to be raised.

The new department, the Kindergarten, meeting a longfelt want of the neighborhood, is being supported by an unknown friend. This gift has come to us through the good offices of Miss Amalie

Hofer.

. The installation of the Lincoln Tablets, the Gettysburg Address and the Farewell Address at Springfield, presented by Mr. Jones

to the Centre, was an event to be remembered.

During the year the pulpit has been occupied by Dr. Crapsey, of Rochester, New York; Prof. Shailer Matthews and Albion Small, of the University of Chicago; Rev. Caroline Bartlett Crane, Booker T. Washington, Wilbur D. Nesbit, Celia Parker Woolley, Rev. Gertrude von Petzold, of England, and other friends who spoke during the summer months. On the Sunday preceding the Fourth of July, a platform meeting was held in the interest of high patriotism. It resolved itself into a memorial meeting for Grover Cleveland, William Kent presiding. Among the speakers were Senator Clyde Jones, Representatives Tudor ApMadoc and Oliver Sollitt, Mr. Boyden and Jane Addams. Miss Ida Tarbell was prevented from attending the meeting, but was entertained the following day at Lincoln Centre.

We very much need young men and young women who will give a portion of their time regularly to assist the paid workers in

the different departments.

"Individual loyalty makes united strength," and with this individual loyalty, the possibilities of what might be done by Lincoln Centre for the community are almost unlimited. The Secretary The Executive Board met in Executive Session six times during the year.

The summer vacation services were in charge of Mr. Charles Stants. The speakers and subjects were as follows:

July 5-Willard S. Bass, of the Francis W. Parker School, "The Teacher's Recompense";

JULY 12-Rev. M. V. CADY, of Berkeley, California, "Ghosts of the Past";

July 19—Rev. M. V. Cady.

July 26—S. Laing Williams, Assistant United States District Attorney, "The New Negro";

August 2-Mrs. E. E. Smith, "The Unfulfilled Mission of the Republic";

August 9—Mr. Edgar T. Davies, Chief of the Department of Factory Inspection of the State of Illinois, "What Can the State Do to Improve the Condition of the Laboring Classes?"

August 16—Mrs. M. B. Powell, Chairman Missionary Section of All Souls Church, "Barnacles";

August 23—Miss Lillie Anna Pfeiffer, of the Juvenile Protective League, "Juvenile Delinquency";

August 30—O. W. Dynes, Assistant General Solicitor of the C. M. & St. Paul Railway, "The Gift of Silence."

SEPTEMBER 6—Rev. W. M. BACKUS, Secretary Western Unitarian Conference, "Means of Grace";

September 13—Rev. Celia Parker Woolley, Head Resident Frederick Douglass Center, "Pilate's Question—'What is Truth?"

Maurice S. Kuhns, Secretary.

House Committee It is again my pleasure to refer you to the report of the interesting facts in reference to the doings and achievements of the House Committee of your institution. She has practically shouldered, as heretofore, the entire responsibility, and to her is due the entire credit, in so far as the House Committee is concerned, of the eminently successful year.

There is, however, a small supplementary report due from me as chairman of that committee. On account of the activity of the Building Department and of the Steam Boiler Department of the City of Chicago, it has been found advisable to render your building, already practically a model for safety, absolutely safe in so far as it is possible. This has been done by making some slight changes in the exits from the different rooms and halls; by extension to all of the fire escapes so that they give complete egress from the building from the roof to the ground level; and the posting of proper signs and signals to show where these fire escapes may be found. Practically, no real use of the fire escapes should at any time become necessary, as it is the opinion of the architects and builders and also of the permanent occupants of the building that no fire could be started either among the furnishings or the material stored in the building, which would in any way jeopardize the building or its occupants.

It has also been advisable to change the system used in heating

the building from a high pressure to a low pressure system. The change has been completed and is now working in a very satisfactory manner. This removes any slight danger there might have been at any time of a boiler explosion, as it is now impossible to have a steam pressure of over ten pounds on the building, while heretofore it has been as high as sixty to one hundred pounds. This also goes towards economy in running the building, as the necessity for keeping a high-priced licensed engineer on the premises at all times is now obviated, and gives the management of the building at the same time much more liberty of action.

The cost of these changes, about six hundred dollars, will appear in the building expenses of the treasurer's report for the com-

ing year.

SUMNER SOLLITT, Chairman.

Lincoln Centre is the home of many activities, educational, industrial and charitable, a connection with any of which implies a certain amount of welcome and fellowship expended on the part of the workers, and the Social Section may often seem like a fifth wheel to the coach.

However, in the cracks of time during the past year we have had three so-called "Social Tuesdays" when we invited all interested in the work of the Centre to take luncheon with us and remain for the afternoon. One afternoon Miss Hofer gave a very interesting talk on the Festivals celebrated by our foreign population. Another afternoon Mrs. Jaques made us all happy telling us of her recent trip to Japan and exhibiting some of her souvenirs.

As usual, the Nature Day observance was arranged by Mrs. Bley, who secured Mr. Enos Mills, the Government Forestry Agent,

to give his celebrated lecture on "Our Friends, the Trees."

This coming year the Social Chairman hopes to have a committee large and active enough so that when time for another Annual Dinner wheels around she may have some definite knowledge of each name on our calendar list and be spared the humiliation of a lack of acquaintance with our guests.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Contributions	New Year's Reception\$ 3.23Socials30.66Groceries, etc.34.64Balance on hand9.65
\$78.18	\$78.18

Mabel Lamberson Sippy, Chairman.

Charitable Section The important part of the work of this Section is handled by Mrs. Babbitt, the Helen Heath Worker, whose report I trust will interest you.

Another branch of work which is fully appreciated in this section is the sewing department under the supervision of Mrs. Keeler, which meets on Tuesday afternoon of each week. They have sent

out from their department three hundred and sixty-two articles, including children's garments and linen for Lincoln Centre. The banner day was January twelfth, when they rounded up the day by sending out one hundred and thirteen articles.

The garments made at the Centre, with an additional seventy-five new garments donated by the Needlework Guild of America, were distributed in hospitals, public schools and destitute families in the Lincoln Centre territory. Al materials were donated for the children's clothing, so there was no expense in this department. I am sure Mrs. Keeler's faithfulness and regular attendance are fully appreciated and I take this opportunity to urge the ladies of Lincoln Centre who are interested in the work to come and help us and give us all the encouragement possible for the coming year.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Contributions and subscriptions\$1,270.35 Interest from Helen Heath Endowment Fund	Salary, Mrs. Babbitt \$600.00 Relief Work 710.82 Cash on hand 58.53
\$1,369.35	\$1,369.35

DECEIDES

Ella A. Thomas, Chairman.

Helen Heath Work

The Charity Worker of Lincoln Centre has cause for gratitude for the generous support and the sympathetic co-operation given her work. A year of financial and industrial depression has made a much larger amount of relief work than usual necessary. One of the pleasures of the year's work has been that it has brought your worker into pleasant association with other settlements and settlement workers.

I have visited or attended meetings at Neighborhood House, Chicago Commons, Douglass Center, Chicago University Settlement, Fellowship House, Hebrew Institute, Henry Booth House, the Memorial Home for Boys, Eleanor Home for Working Women, Model Lodging House for Women, etc.

A less pleasant but not less interesting duty was the enforced attendance at two police courts,—Stanton Avenue and fifty-first Street.

I have personally received contributions from sixty-one different sources, ranging from twenty-five cents to twenty-five dollars, aggregating \$642.85. Ninety-one families or individuals have received help other than financial. Of fifty-one appeals, a part were turned over to other organizations, and it was thought best to take no action regarding the remainder.

We have worked through and with the following organizations: Chicago Relief and Aid, Bureau of Charities, Children's Relief and Aid, Home for the Friendless, Chicago Orphans' Home, Visiting Nurses' Association, Legal Aid Society and Welsh Cymbrian Society.

We have made upwards of two hundred calls and received over five hundred. Forty-six families have been tided over periods of nonemployment and illness, the largest amount expended on one family being \$144.00, this covering a period of ten months' continuous help. So large an expenditure in one case calls for a bit of detail. On the tenth of March last, we were called to investigate this case; we found the family an exceptionally good one; American, Protestant, and consisting of father, mother and three children; the father in an advanced stage of tuberculosis; his business, that of a hoisting engineer; accumulated savings entirely gone through illness. pretty little mother was laid up with a broken arm. On the seventeenth of March the fourth child was born; the mother never was well again; tuberculosis developed rapidly. The first of April we took the baby away and placed it under the fostering care of a good woman, we assuming the financial responsibility of its keep, which we are still doing. Two weeks later, the mother's condition having become worse, the next older children were taken to the Home for the Friendless, where they were cared for until the mother's death, which occurred in August.

During the summer the father rallied sufficiently to work intermittently, always being able to get a day's work from his old employers when he was able to do it. After the mother's death, the children were taken to the Chicago Orphans' Home, where they still are, the father having earned enough to pay the necessary twelve dollars a month until December first, when he failed again. He is now in the tuberculosis hospital at Dunning. The oldest boy, through the Children's Home and Aid Society, has been placed in a comfortable farm home. The father still has hopes of being able to work again in the summer, but the Doctor considers this quite improbable.

Another case of interest was that of a young Welshman who had reached the point where he was unable to control the drink appetite, in consequence of which he had lost his position with one of our drygoods houses. The Welsh Cymbrian Society joined with us in the experiment of sending him to the Washingtonian Home. We then secured a pledge of re-instatement from his employers, though this was quite the hardest part of the task. At the end of the sobering-up process he went back to his old place, and, while the drink habit is not entirely cured, it has been held in abeyance, and his work has been so satisfactory that he has been put in charge of his department. The family was in absolute destitution when we found them. While he was in the hospital the little wife came to us in sore perplexity. The Loan Company had pounced upon her for immediate payment of usurious interest on a loan of fifteen dollars borrowed six months previously, the entire amount of the original loan having been paid. "What have you done about it?" I asked. "I took it over to my husband," she answered. "Well, what did he do?" "O, he went down and saw them." "Well, what did he say to them?" "O, he told them that Jinkin Lloyd Jones would fix it."

One more story will illustrate the dependence which our neighbors are coming to place on our advice as to what to do in their difficulties. Many of them do not know that there are public agencies

to which they can turn.

One of our neighbors came to us asking if it would be possible for us to loan her forty-one dollars, as the loan sharks were going to seize their furniture. Inquiry developed that in this case the original loan and a large amount of usurious interest had been paid. I told her it must be settled through the Legal Aid Society, and not by her or by us, and sent her dejectedly away, first loaning her the necessary two-dollar fee for their service. A few days later she returned, radiant with joy. It had been settled without any additional

expense.

I regret to say that the Penny-Savings work has been discontinued, the Chicago bank through which this work was done no longer wishing to carry it. It is a great pity, for where the work was systematically pushed, the entire time of a worker given and regular calls made on regular days, it proved of incalculable value. However, before the work was closed up a marked falling off was shown in the amount of savings, and this was finally found to have a very close connection with the increase in every neighborhood, street and block, of the nickel theater. Since this has come among us and evidently come to stay, it has brought us another problem to face. We must make it our business to know what kind of amusement is offered at these places in our neighborhood, and to see that decency is kept at the maximum, demoralization at the minimum. The assumption that this vicinity has little poverty and degradation indicates gross ignorance of the facts. You could stand at our back door and throw a stone and hit one of the most degraded human habitations to be found in Chicago. It is in the rear of a basement and can be reached only through an alley. This is quite the worst case in our territory, but there are countless others bad enough.

The hideous sounds of "revelry by night" that come through our windows in the small hours is something appalling to hear, giving

evidence, as it does, of the debauchery that is going on.

Our Employment Department has been no small part of the work, almost daily calls coming from both sides,—those wanting helpers and those wanting work. We have secured eight permanent positions; over a hundred days' works have been supplied. We have come into personal contact twice with our neighbor, the Holy Angels Church, both times securing co-operation; once in money and again in a pledge to look after the case.

We went into Vacant Lots Gardening last summer on rather a large scale. Two lots were cultivated. The results were not a success financially, but otherwise we thought we had large gains. The pleasure which more than a hundred children took in their garden plots and the wholesome hours spent in making and caring for them represented something that cannot be measured in dollars and cents. Our pulpit during vacation services was kept supplied with flowers.

Many of the gardeners got very fair returns in vegetables, but the intense heat and drought were largely responsible for our not having better results.

A Typewriting and Shorthand class has been sustained during the year under the able direction of Mrs. Baen-Griffiths. We have mothered this Department to the extent of paying rent on typewriters.

Personally, I want several things; among others, a well equipped laundry, a fine phonograph, and the feeling that we may have all the lights we need at night without any necessity for economizing. This, with music always on tap, would insure cheerfulness and amusement the year around.

Generous donations to the Clothes Closet, a most serviceable adjunct to our work, have been received and are gratefully acknowledged. Hundreds of garments have been distributed. We are grateful for any good garment that has wear in it, or any article of household furniture. We are fortunate in that two of our Lincoln Centre Chairmen were also members of the Needlework Guild, and we appreciate the generous donations from that organization.

We wish also to extend thanks to the volunteer helpers, ten of whom have rendered service in various ways,—in visiting, summer outings, and afternoon and evening clubs. Miss Nukom's Girls' Club held weekly evening meetings from February to July without a break; Miss Lobdell is doing faithful work with a circle of girls; and Mrs. Bone could give us interesting data regarding her experience in taking children to the country.

This report gives a hint only of what we are endeavoring to do, but it utterly fails to give the least idea of the possibilities that lie within the reach of Lincoln Centre. We are simply skirting the edge, barely touching territory that needs to be worked. We need all the help, all the enthusiasm, talent, money, and all of yourselves you can and will give, in order to make this work worthy the name under which we work and worthy of the man at the head of it.

FANNIE E. BABBITT, Manager.

The Kindergarten The Kindergarten was opened as a new and much needed department, October 4th, 1908, through the generous interest and support of Miss Amalie Hofer and her friend, whose name is withheld by request.

It seems fitting that this building dedicated to public service should minister to and be blessed by the presence of little children, for the love of children made tender and sweet the deep places of the heart of the one in whose memory this work lives, the friend of men, Abraham Lincoln.

From the beginning there has been the kindest spirit shown toward all our efforts. Mrs. Babbitt had secured the attention and anticipation of many mothers and children even before my arrival, so that the first round of visiting met with cordial response and the Kindergarten opened with seventeen children. The total enrollment is now fifty-seven, and we believe that every one of these has been helped and gladdened by the Kindergarten experience, however

short it may have been.

A new roll is made monthly and averages about forty children and, so far as we have been able to investigate, out list of nationalities numbers eleven, including American, English, Welsh, Scotch, Irish, German, Swedish, Scandinavian, Danish, Jewish, and one colored child. As two-thirds of the children are below the age of five years, the Kindergarten will be smaller during the severe weather. The regular attendance at present averages twenty-six, five have been in quarantine for some weeks, three have moved away, and two little girls have passed out into the Upper Garden during these Christmas days.

The mothers have shown a splendid spirit of co-operation and have entered upon their meetings with enthusiasm. The way they have become acquainted with and interested in the children of the whole Kindergarten is beautiful, the more fortunate ones often helping the others with gifts of clothing and these have been sweetly

and generously received.

On the Thanksgiving and Christmas Festivals we had many guests and celebrated with gladness in the spirit of the times. One of the sweetest pleasures of the Christmas time was the singing of carols at all the doors of the Lincoln Centre residents and workers

and for the Tuesday Morning Class in Emerson Hall.

Almost without exception the Kindergarten has brought in children from homes hiterto untouched by the influence of this work. We have found many of our children by speaking to the child on the street and asking him to lead the way to his home, selecting those who seemed most in need of friends. Others have come to us out of fortunate conditions and comfortable environment, and they too have been made welcome, for we all need each other and the more truly democratic the spirit the more real the culture. This is one of the real secrets of Kindergarten education.

Trained assistants are given us by Miss Hofer, the Principal of the Froebel Pestalozzi Training School at the Chicago Commons,

and this adds immeasurably to the success of the work.

The current expenses for materials, etc., are met by the envelope system, the children bringing from one to fifty cents a week as their

parents are able to afford.

Since the Kindergarten opened, fifty-six calls have been made in the homes, and this seems one of the best means of making the work worth while. In all cases both fathers and mothers have been appreciative of the visit.

I could tell you much more of our life in the Kindergarten, what we are doing and what we are working for in our life with the children, but a better way would be for you to come and see. At present we are taking up the trade life of the community and the activities of the workers who contribute so much toward the comforts and necessities of all.

The spirit shown toward the children has been uniformly sweet and kind, especially that of the elevator men, who have many extra duties because of their coming and going, and indeed every person in the building has been most helpful and considerate. Some of our babies have won Peter's warmest affection, and nothing is too much trouble for him to do for their pleasure.

It is impossible to mention the many acts of kindness we have received. Mrs. Thomas has been a fairy god-mother to us more than once. If you are ever discouraged or in need of cheering, come in and spend a morning with us and see how it will change the face of things. We can never do as much for the children as they can do for The Kindergarten is not a place for play alone, nor yet for work alone. It is above all else a place to live and to learn to live with and for others.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Tuition fees	Chairs 45.00
\$333.27	\$333.27

LAURA E. WHITNEY, Director.

The Missionary Section of this church Missionary Section cannot make the same edifying report as the other sections for the reason that it has no physical body; it is the intangible, spiritual element of the Lincoln Centre work, and yet all-important, for only the things of the spirit count after all. things that are seen are temporal, but the things that are unseen are of life everlasting." It is the unseen spirit of any church that gives it life, and such life must be largely generated in the Missionary Section. We must keep up our spiritual and financial relations with other societies working for the spread of the same ideas and ideals as our own. We should also raise a goodly fund to apply toward the support of UNITY, the printing in pamphlet form of those of our Pastor's sermons which seem to have the greatest missionary value, and the mailing of these and other helpful matter. Such was the aim of the present Chairman when she undertook to fill out the remainder of the year made vacant by the enforced absence of your former efficient Chairman, Mrs. Shears.

A slight deficit existed at this time (April, 1908) which was promptly met by the constituency. We then undertook to raise a mile of pennies and your Chairman is sure it might have been done had not personal matters compelled her absence from the Tuesday Morning Class all the fall. But as the work of any section comprises more than dollars and cents, your Chairman can report that in her experience of nine months she has found a growing interest in and a loyalty and generosity to the work which argue rich results in the future.

I have written twenty letters and fifty postals and mailed sixty-five copies of Unity and twenty pamphlet sermons where it was hoped they would do the most good, and the responses have brought much satisfaction. I have also secured four subscriptions to Unity.

The financial obligations of the Missionary Section are at the minimum, \$245. This merely pays the amounts already pledged to the societies with which we co-operate, but leaves no margin for the extension of our word and work. The receipts up to date are not adequate even to this.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1908\$121.95 Subscriptions toward 1907 Deficit and Easter Dollars 127.14 November collections 195.91	Western Unitarian Conference for 1907 \$ 25.00 American Unitarian Association for 1907 20.00 Congress of Religion for 1907 200.00 Congress of Religion for current year 200.00
\$445.00	\$445.00
Deficit for 1908 still to raise Western Unitarian Conference American Unitarian Association	\$25.00
	\$45.00

MARY B. POWELL, Chairman.

The Magazine Dispensary
The Magazine Dispensary now has plenty of space for housing the magazines and tables for sorting, making the work much easier than in former years.

The Dispensary has sent out fifteen large boxes of good magazines and given many away to neighbors. Letters of thanks and appreciation have been received from nearly all to whom reading matter has been sent. We should be glad to receive the names and addresses of families or country schools where such reading would be welcome.

No money has been spent for packing-cases, enough having come to the Centre to supply our need, and some of the people have paid their own freight, making expenses light.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Cash on hand, from 1907\$ 59.67	Express and freight\$ 11.66 Postage
\$ 59.67	\$ 59.67 Frances Lester, Manager.

The Sunday School

I have made thirty-seven calls upon people who send their children to All Souls Sunday-school. Everywhere I have been received courteously and nearly always most cordially. I wish to thank Mrs. McArthur for

the use of her auto-car, which on two afternoons made the work both agreeable and expeditious.

I wish I could make you see the Sunday-school as it really is. The service, which occupies fifteen minutes, is truly devotional, tender and solemn. I am sure that the youngest child is impressed and feels that he is in the presence of something mysterious and holy. Words and phrases, caught from some part of the service, will stay in his memory and sometimes in his life their true meaning will flash into his mind. The children sing sweetly and purely under Mr. ApMadoc's training, and the younger ones at least sing with great enjoyment. Mr. Jones devotes his deepest thought and ripest scholarship to these little ones and these are put at their service in the weekly review. At ten o'clock the School is divided into classes, each class seeking its separate room, where the teacher presents the lesson for the day. The devotion aand efficiency of the teachers cannot be too highly praised.

One of the tenderest and most impressive events of the year was the dedication on Harvest Sunday of two beautiful bronze tablets, the gift of Mr. Jones to Abraham Lincoln Centre, which were placed in the broad vestibule at the foot of the auditorium stairs, one of them bearing Lincoln's tender farewell at Springfield, the other his Gettysburg speech. Each tablet was unveiled by one of the children after reciting its text, and each unveiling was followed by an appropriate song written by members of the congregation and sung in chorus by the children. The scene was solemn and impressive as befitted the high occasion.

This is, in outline, the routine of the session, but the loveliness of the children, the sincerity and simplicity of the hour, cannot be described, but must be seen and felt. You will hear from Miss Jones what our attendance is, how much money we receive and spend, and how many teachers we have, but you cannot know what the real work is unless you come Sunday morning with your little child and, as a little child, with the seeing eye and the hearing ear and the understanding heart, enter into this fellowship.

CARRIE COLLINS REED, For the Superintendents.

Financial Report.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Balance from 1907\$ 19.47Collections168.58Easter jugs22.89Christmas jugs10.50From Class No. 67.10Donations31.35	Supplies\$ 84.76Printing28.33Easter party33.75Parents' meeting2.02Christmas party41.85Harvest decoration6.75To Mrs. Reed for furnishing Sunday-school Room33.60Balance on hand28.83
\$259.89	\$259.89

MARY LLOYD JONES, Secretary and Treasurer.

The Growth of Christianity.

BEING THE SIXTH YEARS' WORK IN THE SEVEN YEARS' COURSE IN RELIGION.
STEPPING STONES ACROSS SIXTEEN CHRISTIAN CENTURIES.

Things are not so ill with you and me as they might have been because of those who have lived faithfully a hidden life and rest in unvisited tombs. $-George\ Eliot.$

The following outline is essentially the same as that followed by the class seven years ago, but acknowledgment is here made for helpful suggestion, revisions and additions received at the hands of Prof. F. A. Christie, of the Meadville Theological School, and Prof. James Westfall Thompson, of the University of Chicago.

1. The Origin and Organization of the Early Church. Ignatius, Justin Martyr, Origen, etc.

2. The Persecutions.

Nero, Domitian; Roman legislation against the Christians.

- 3. The Mingling of Greek, Roman and Christian Elements.
 The Three Creeds. 451 A. D.
- 4. Constantine and Julian. 311-363.
- 5. Jerome. 340 (?)-420.

The Vulgate Bible.

- **6.** Augustine's "The City of God." 354-430.

 The Dream of a Christian Commonwealth
- 7. St. Benedict. 480-543.

The Rise of Monasticism.

The "Rule" of St. Benedict and its Ideal.

8. Monks and Missions in the West.

St. Patrick, Boniface, Ulfilas, Columba, etc.

9. Gregory I (The Great). 540(?)-604.

The Rise of the Papacy and the civil power of the church.

10. Mohammed. 570-632.

The birth of a new religion. Another triumph of monotheism.

11. Charlemagne. 742-814.

Crowned Emperor 800. The founder of the "Holy Roman Empire."

12. Alfred the Great. 849-901.

The great English king; the father of English literature.

13. The Conversion of the Slav.

Cyril, Methodius, St. Stephen of Hungary.

14. Hildebrand. 1020 (?)-1085.

"A great politician who knew how to use one power against another."

—J. H. Crooker.

15. Abelard. 1079-1142.

The rise of intellectual activity.

16. Bernard of Clairvaux. 1091-1153.

Abelard's antagonist. A stout churchman who feared such a free use of reason.—J. H. Crooker.

- 17. Feudalism and Chivalry: The Real and the Ideal.
- 18. The Crusades. 1096-1271.
- 19. St. Francis of Assisi. 1182-1226. The Coming of the Friars.

 The brother of the birds and fishes.
- 20. Cathedral Building.

Examples: Strasburg, St. David's, Amiens, Bourg.

- 21. The Rise of the Universities.
- 22. Dante. 1265-1321.

Before this name the nations bow;
His words are for all of mankind,
Deep in whose hearts, as on his brow,
The marks have sunk of Dante's mind.
—T. W. Parsons, on a bust of Dante.

23. The Black Death and Its Effects. 1348-49.

Nature will not be trifled with.

24. Wicliff. 1324-1384. Huss. 1369-1415. The morning stars of the Reformation

25. The Fore-runners of the Reformation.

Tauler (died 1361), Thomas a'Kempis 1380 (?)-1471, Wesel (1420-89). "Imitation of Christ."

26. Torquemada. 1420-1498.

A study of persecution. The Waldenses. The Albigension crusade.

27. The Great Renaissance.

Discovery and exploration.

28. Savonarola. 1452-1498.

Religion and the Renaissance.

29. Michael Angelo. 1475-1564.

Art and the Renaissance.

30. More's "Utopia." 1516.

Politics and the Renaissance. A dream of a new social order.

References.

For full analysis and detailed references in the field at large, the syllabus issued by Professor Thompson, of the University of Chicago, entitled "Reference Studies in Mediaeval History" (50c), a pamphlet of 130 pages, is specially recommended, and it is hoped that a copy of this exhaustive index to English sources will be in the hands of each student. "The Growth of Christianity," by Joseph Henry Crooker, is a little hand-book prepared in 1897 for this particular course and was published by the Western Unitarian Sunday School Society (30c); Robinson's History of Western Europe, and the same author's "Readings in European History," The Middle Ages (Ginn & Co.), are excellent guides; Munro and Sellery's "Mediaeval Civilization" (Century Co.), and Adams' "Civilization During the Middle Ages" (Scribners), are highly recommended.

The above books, with the usual encyclopedias and other material more or less available on the home book shelves, will offer to any student the necessary helps to appreciate and understand the course, but the following list of authors is published for the guidance of those who would pursue their

studies further by the help of the best authors available.

Hans von Schubert's "Outline of Church History," translated by M. A.

Canney, with supplementary chapters by Alice Gardner (an excellent work for the general reader. F. A. C.) "Dictionary of Christian Biography" (4 vols), Smith & Wace; "History of the Christian Church" (vols I, IV, VI, VII), Schaff; "History of Dogma" (7 vols.), Harnack; "History of Christian Doctrine," Fisher; "Continuity of Christian Thought," A. V. G. Allen; "Christian Institutions," A. V. G. Allen; "History of Latin Christianity (4 vols.), Milman; "Manual of Church History" (Vol. I, best single vol.), Newman; "Hibbert Lectures, 1888," Hatch; "Introduction to the Middle Ages," Emerton; "Mediaeval Europe," Emerton; "Ten Epochs of Church History" (10 vols.); "History of the Papacy During the Reformation," Creighton; "Christian Platonists of Alexandria," Biggs; "Julian, Philosopher and Emperor," Alice Gardner; "Julian, the Apostate" (2 vols), Gaetano Negri (an illuminating book. F. A. C.); "Francis of Assisi," by Paul Sabatier; "Reformers Before the Reformation," Ullman; "History and Life of John Tauler" (with sermons), S. Winkworth; "Bernard of Clairvaux," R. S. Storr; "Abelard and the Origin and Early History of Universities," Compayre; "Abelard," by Thomas McCabe (written by a monk who left the church); "Renaissance in Italy," Burckhardt; "Renaissance in Italy," Symonds; "Wycliff," Sergeant; "Era of the Protestant Revolution," Seebohm; "Oxford Reformers," Seebohm; "Erasmus," Emerton; "Life and Letters of Erasmus," Froude; "Martin Luther," Jacob; "Luther's Primary Works," Wace and Buckheim; "Age of Elizabeth," Creighton; "Essays in Ecclesiastical Biography," Stephen; "History of European Morals," Lecky; "History of Civilization in Europe from Fall of Roman Empire to French Revolution," Guizot; "Age of Antonines," Cape; "Europe in the Middle Age," Thatcher and Schwill; "The Apostolic Age," O. J. Thatcher; "The Holy Roman Empire," Bryce; "Eighteen Christian Centuries," White (not up to date or accurate, but there is no other one book to take its place. F. A. C.).

Tuesday Class in Religion

The Tuesday Class in Religion finished the New Testament studies begun the previous year and in October last undertook the study of the growth of Christianity, from the organization of the early church down to and through the time of Alfred the Great. The method of the leader was largely biographical, using the great names of the Middle Ages as stepping stones across the Christian centuries. The class consisted of an enthusiastic band of women averaging an attendance of about sixty.

Pauline Liberman, Manager.

Friday Evening Class in Religion In the twenty sessions, from January to June, this class, following the course of the Tuesday morning class, continued and completed the last year's study of the New Testament, with an average attendance of twenty-five. From October to December 18th, inclusive, the lessons dealt with Christianity from New Testament times down to the time of King Stephen. Thirteen sessions were held, with thirty-three names enrolled and an average attendance of twenty-two. This is not a large showing in numbers, but the interest of the class has been satisfactory and well sustained.

John Morgan Hill, Manager.

The Adult Class

The work of the Sunday morning adult class this year falls mainly in the medieval history, and deals chiefly with the institutional and ethical changes from the fourth to the fifteenth century. A syllabus is provided and the

method of instruction is by lectures, supplemented by collateral reading on the part of the class. Among the topics so far considered have been: The Origin and Organization of the Early Church; The Persecutions; The Mingling of Greek, Roman and Christian Elements; Constantine and Julian; St. Jerome; St. Augustine; St. Benedict; The Monks and Missions of the West; Gregory the Great; Mohammed; Charlemagne; Alfred the Great; The Conversion of the Slav. The attendance has varied between thirty and fifty.

JAMES WESTFALL THOMPSON, Leader.

The Confirmation Class Confirmation Class Alumni Alumni have been meeting together every year since 1890 at a banquet held very informally in the church. In this way the different members of the organization have a chance to become better acquainted and also to meet the incoming class, which is welcomed each year. Most of the absentees are generally heard from either by letters or telegrams, thus enabling the different members to keep in touch with the others.

The banquet for 1908 was held May the first, and was very well attended. After satisfying the inner man an interesting program

was given as follows:

S S	
Class Song of '90	
President's Address	Wynne Lackersteen, '91
Secretary-Treasurer's Report	Geraldine Higbie,'02
Solo	Jennie F. W. Johnson
Recitation	
Welcome to Class of 1908	
Response	
Class Song of '08	
"Love aand Loyalty"	Mary Lackersteen, '02
Welcome to Guests	Albert McArthur, '92
Our Guests	
Our Guest of Honor	U. S. Abell
Class Song of '91"To T	hee, Oh Truth and Right"
Our Pastor	Jenkin Lloyd Jones
Our Chorus of Faith	Response by the Alumni
Closing Song	"The Crowning Day"
Benediction	

Informal Dancing.

GERALDINE HIGBIE PALMER, Secretary-Treasurer.

Browning Section The report of the Browning Class will necessarily be fractional, for I am only onehalf manager and less than one-half the time I have one-third of the executive committee at home and the present officers have served

only one-half the year.

Mr. J. A. Loeb was our manager last year and Mr. Jones made our course most instructive and helpful in every way. We studied the following poems: "James Lee's Wife," "Gold Hair," "The Worst of It," "Dis Aliter Visum," "May and Death," "Too Late," "Confessions," "Youth and Art," and "Rabbi Ben Ezra," and during Mr. Jones' March absence the class read the five plays, "Colombe's

Birthday," "The Return of the Druses," "A Soul's Tragedy," "Luria," and "In a Balcony."

Beginning November 9th, 1908, we added some of the poems of Emerson and Whitman to our winter's course, which has made it most attractive. One hundred and twenty-three people have been present with us at different sessions, our average attendance being about forty.

The social features were the Home-coming party for Mr. Jones last April and two open evenings this fall, the important one being the ter-centennial celebration of Milton, held December seventh.

EXPENDITURES.

RECEIPTS.

Prospice

Dec. 21—A Christmas Preparation.

Dec. 28-Holidays. No Session.

Epilogue to Asolando

Balance Receipts from Receipts from admissions. \$58.40 Clerical work, Miss Best. \$8.00 Tickets and programs. 7.25 Postage. 6.00 Stationery, etc. 1.60 Cash on hand. 85.30 \$108.15 LUCILE MAE DYNES, Manager.		
A Season with the Major Bards.		
BROWNING, EMERSON AND WHITMAN.		
Nov. 9—The Poet Described. How It Strikes a Contemporary. The Poet		
Nov. 16—The Poet and the Man—Are They Separable? At the Mermaid House Shop Fragment on the Poet and the Poetic Gift. Myself I Sing. Browning Emerson Whitman		
Nov. 23—A Thanksgiving Day Preparation. Woodnotes, I & II		
Nov. 30— Flight of the Duchess		
Dec. 7—The Milton Ter-Centennial. (Dec. 9) Biographical Sketch. El Penseroso. L'Allegro. Paradise Lost reclaimed. A forty-minute reading.		
Dec. 14—Anniversary of Browning's Death. (Dec. 12) By the Fireside		

Jan. 4—Music Poems. A Toccata of Gallupi's Master Hugues of Saxe-Gotha Abt Vogler Abt Vogler		
Jan. 11—The	Higher Harmonies. The Sphinx Uriel Emerson Merlin I, II & III	
Jan. 18—Art	Poems. Old Pictures in Florence Andrea del Sarto Fra Lippo Lippi Browning	
Jan. 25—Art	Poems. Continued.	
	Ode to Beauty }	
Feb. 1—The	Illumination of Sorrow. Threnody	
Feb. 8—The	Illumination of Sorrow. Continued.	
	When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard BloomedWhitman	
Feb. 15. The	e Illumination of Sorrow. Continued. La Saisiaz	
Feb 22_Was	shington's Birthday.	
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March 1, 8, 1	5 22 29	
Water 1, 0, 1	Mr. Jones on his March vacation; the meeting will be in charge of the Executive Committee. A special program will be printed in due time.	
April 5—Nature and Patriotism. The Englishman in Italy The Italian in England Browning		
April 12—Fi	rst Meeting After Easter. Easter Day	
April 19—	I. The Initial Love II. The Daemonic Love III. The Celestial Love Emerson Emerson	
April 26—	Passage to India	
May 3—	May Day	
May 10—A	Browning Birthday Party. (May 7) Costume and character party, social dance—last of the season.	

The Library As Chairman of the Library Committee I have to report that the Library fund has fallen short this year fifty dollars of meeting its requirements, and we have thus far

been able to pay but \$500.00 of the Librarian's salary.

In theory and practice the Library is a neighborhood interest and activity, but as is often the case, the interest on the part of those who should be helpers and contributors to its support, according to our theory on the subject, has not worked out so well as the activity on the practical side. For practically it is the families of the neighborhood who derive the most of the benefits from the library and reading room. Especially the children of the neighborhood are book borrowers, and they would come, in even greater numbers, if we had more funds to keep a better book supply for them. Theoretically we have maintained that the neighborhood should help bear the expenses, but our theory has failed, and we find that the interest and contributions come from those believing in the general problem of the Lincoln Centre industries. The year's report will show the splendid work that is being done in a most efficient manner by our faithful and most capable Librarian.

(The following financial report will indicate that since the annual meeting the deficit mentioned above has been met.)

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
On hand from 1907\$ 2.03 Fines	Salary, Miss Walker\$600.00Salary, Miss Williams75.00Books122.82Binding19.05Magazines for 19073.36Daily papers15.97Supplies and stationery21.37Postage.46On hand35.56
\$893.59	\$893.59

Annie P. Lobdell, Chairman.

Librarian's Report During the year 1908 the Circulating Library was kept open three hundred and forty-eight afternoons. The number of books loaned was thirteen thousand four hundred and nine, an average of thirty-three a day, compared with three thousand five hundred and ninety-three and an average of thirteen a day in 1899, the first year of my connection with the Library. The greatest number of loans in one day last year was ninety-three.

The number of different borrowers during the year was nine hundred and forty-five, against three hundred and sixty-one in 1899. The number of books added by purchase last year was one hundred and fifty-five, against one hundred and twenty-one reported in 1899 and the number added by gifts was two hundred and seven compared with one hundred and forty-seven in 1899. The Reading Room was open every day and evening of the year with an estimated average

attendance of thirty-five. From the number of loans it appears that the use of the Library has increased about three and one-half times during the last ten years, although the number of books added was less than one-third greater than in 1899.

Until within the last two years our Reading Room constituency has been almost entirely made up of school children. Two years ago the current periodicals and daily papers began to attract a few adults and last year about ten men, residents of the neighborhood, acquired the habit of spending a quiet hour at the Reading Room tables, some of them two or three times a week and others almost daily, while the number of children and young people who make use of our reference books for school purposes is continually increasing. Our tables are now supplied with eighteen monthly magazines, one semi-monthly, six weeklies and four dailies, and to use the expression of a visitor, they are literally "worn to a frazzle." The publishers' bills, with the exception of the dailies, are paid for the coming year, but the amount is still a debt somewhere this side of the publishing houses. How this debt is to be paid I do not know, but one endowed with the moral courage needed to face this neighborhood want with empty tables would have at least one desirable qualification for a Librarian.

The last year was marked by two unique and happy events. In May an entertainment was given for the benefit of the Library by pupils of the Oakland, Forestville and Felsenthal Schools, and a week later a presentation of Milton's Comus was given by the Forestville School, the two together netting \$227.98 for the Library fund. For this we are deeply indebted to Miss Ripple and Miss Holbrook and their assistants, Miss Richman and Miss Teel and others, and to Miss Imogene Pierce for able assistance in advertising and the sale of tickets. The good will and co-operation of teachers and children thus so heartily manifested was most cheering and encouraging.

As usual, the Library was kept open during the summer months by Miss Ida Williams, whose service during many faithful years has been beyond reward in money or thanks, and this winter Miss Alice Thayer finds time to give us one afternoon of every busy week. Miss Liberman and Mrs. Purvin raised money to pay for a few reference books for the Sunday-school work, and to all these and other helpers the Library Department is truly grateful.

For the tenth time it becomes my duty, as it has been my privilege, to report in behalf of the Library. I have always reported in detail, and I believe it has always been given me to close with a word of hope. But this year I make no plea for the Library. Its sole claim to your sympathy and co-operation must rest on the plain facts and figures I have set before you. If these have shown you that it is reaching the community in any life-helping way, it is surely worthy of such generous and hearty support as the constituency of Lincoln Centre well knows how to give.

Music Section The Music Section has presented to the public five very delightful recitals, given in the Spring months at the respective homes of Mrs. Rosenwald, Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. Thomas, and twice at the residence of Mrs. McArthur, at which \$184.30 were realized to add to the regular subscription fund for current expenses. The sum needed, however, has not been raised and we regret to say we close the year very much in debt.

Also there have been many requests for a regular soloist for the Sunday services and this want we have been unable to meet on account of lack of funds, much to our regret. We hope sincerely that ways and means may be found to materially better these conditions and thus please the attendants at the Sunday service as well as pay our debts.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1908\$ 24.77 Subscriptions	Salaries, printing and sundry expenses	
\$556.07 Deficit to be provided for 231.00	\$556.07	

MINNIE McArthur, Chairman.

Manual Training The past year has been a very successful one with this section. Classes have been in daily session throughout the year with an attendance up to their maximum capacity, there being part of the time a waiting list of pupils anxious for an opportunity to enroll.

An average of nine classes per week has been held with a weekly attendance of forty-seven. The total enrollment for the year, one hundred and eighty-one, was divided as follows:—boys, one hundred

and fifty-five; girls, eight; men, five; women, thirteen.

To those who are unfamiliar with the work being done, a brief description of the course may be of interest. In the first place, there are no abstract problems. After a pupil has spent one or two lessons in learning to use the saw and plane, he is allowed to decide upon some article which he wishes to make for himself. After the plans and dimensions are carefully studied out, the material is secured and he goes to work. After the article is finished the pupil may keep it by paying part of the cost of the material used. During the year only two pieces have been left uncalled for, which shows the interest taken.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.	
Cash on hand.\$ 14.16Received through Mrs. J. P.730.00Gardner730.00Lessons184.20Material132.99Outside labor by instructor11.00	Instructor's salary\$800.00 Material	
\$1,072.35	\$1,072.35	

CHARLES I. STANTS, Director.

The Open Door The Boys' Open Door held its first session November first at 3:30 in the afternoon with an enrollment of forty boys. In the evening the attendance was increased to seventy and by the next evening to one hundred and eight. The boys are of many nationalities, and their ages vary from nine to nineteen. The entire enrollment is one hundred and eighty-five. The average attendance has now settled down to about twenty.

Games have been provided by interested friends which the boys thoroughly enjoy and of which they seemingly never tire, and from Miss Lester's generous magazine cupboard they have some of the best

magazines, which they are often permitted to take home.

On account of the varying attendance it was impossible to arrange any organized system of work or play with the entire membership, so it was decided to organize a club, beginning with fifteen of the most interested and well-behaved boys. The club held its first meeting November ninth with a membership of fourteen. Officers were elected and, with Mr. Jones' help a suitable name was chosen,—"The Lincoln Wide-Awakes of Abraham Lincoln Centre." and they are generally "wide-awake" in every sense of the word. Mr. Jones then told them the history of the first "Lincoln Wide-Awakes," a story in which the boys were deeply interested, and they have since repeatedly asked "when Mr. Jones would come down and tell them some more." The club holds its meetings on Monday, Tuesday and Friday nights, the other nights in the week and every afternoon being "Open Door," when any boy may come in.

The membership of the club has increased from fourteen to twenty-five, one boy being taken in at a time, and on a week's trial, though he is not aware of his probation. On Monday afternoons the boys are entertained and instructed by Miss Jessie Orton, while Monday nights are devoted "just to fun," as the boys say, that is, to games. On Tuesday nights, with the assistance of Miss Josephine Borden and Mr. Ernest Wetmore, the boys enjoy good music and sing popular and patriotic songs to their hearts' content, a piano having been placed in the room through the good offices of Mrs. Randall. Friday night is business meeting night, and any club member who is absent and does not have an excellent excuse is fined. On Saturday night every boy is on time and generally ahead of time, for that is what they call their "gym night." In the gymnasium they are instructed by Mr. J. O. Glover, and they thoroughly enjoy every moment of the time.

About two weeks before Christmas, Mrs. Babbitt and Miss Whitney presented the boys with some raffia, bright tissue paper and ribbon, and with these and pictures from the magazines, the boys made some very attractive Christmas presents for mothers, fathers and friends, and on Friday night before Christmas they enjoyed a candy pull, the money being provided by a friend, Miss Pummill, Miss Borden, Miss Whitney and Mr. Glover kindly assisting to make their pleasure complete. The room was decorated with holly and red Christmas bells presented by Miss Bensinger.

One of the boys is the proud possessor of a small moving picture machine and they are now planning to have a moving picture and minstrel show. The club room has been made more attractive by means of bright curtains at the windows, made by the Ladies' Tuesday Sewing Circle and put up by the boys themselves, while a few pictures add color to the walls.

At the Christmas Party on the fourth floor the boys joined in the game circle lustily, Miss Whitney having previously taught them

some of the games.

A Mothers' Meeting is now being planned to bring the mothers of these boys more closely in touch with their work and play at the Centre.

IRWIN BEST, Manager.

Domestic Science The Domestic Science Department has worked along its regular lines this year, conducting classes in cooking, sewing, millinery and dancing; has served its usual series of luncheons, and has added demonstration lectures in cooking to the limit of our time.

Eight hundred and thirty-five women, young ladies, girls and boys (for the boys cook) have registered and worked in this section during the year, and although it has been a year of financial depression we have managed to pay our bills promptly. This is no small item when I tell you that the grocer alone has required four hundred dollars and the milkman upwards of one hundred and fifty dollars.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Cash on hand	Salary of teacher\$800.00 Provisions for cooking and sewing classes
\$2,760.19	\$2,760.19

LUCILE MAE DYNES, Chairman.

The Gymnasium Active work in the Lincoln Centre Gymnasium began October 15th, 1908, after a period of idleness of about five months. Separate classes were organized for men, women and children. These were very poorly attended at first, but their membership has gradually increased.

Two evenings a week are devoted to men, one evening to women, and one evening to work which is co-operative with the Boys' Open Door. School girls come two afternoons a week, after regular school hours, and school boys report on one afternoon and on Saturday mornings.

The work of the department in the various classes includes calisthenics, dancing, running, jumping, club-swinging, dumb-bell, wand and marching drills, heavy apparatus work and prescribed individual

exercises for corrective gymnastics.

The gymnasium is in good condition and the equipment is sufficient for our needs. A special effort will be made during the coming year to interest the adults of the community in Lincoln Centre through the agency of this department and to make the year the most successful in the history of the gymnasium.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.	
Class fees	Instructor's salary\$110.00Repairs2.00Printing9.25	
\$121.25	\$121.25 AVERY C MARKS Director	

AVERY C. MARKS, Director.

It must be remembered **Parish Assistant and Treasurer** that the Lincoln Centre is still breaking new ground. It was built without precedent and we are groping our way in the management. While it is perfectly true that the different activities have prospered during the year as the reports show, it is also true that there is room for improvement in the internal arrangements. Reorganization and better co-ordination of the Sections and some uniform method of relating the various activities to the central office whereby each activity will contribute something to the general expense fund are desirable. This is a problem to which I hope the incoming board will give their early attention. At the present time the following classes and activities have no logical relation to any of the Sections that are now so efficiently directed by chairmen: The Stenography Class, French and German Classes, the Confirmation Class, Tuesday and Friday night Classes in Religion, the Kindergarten, University Extension, Dancing. All of these clearly constitute an educational group that offer unmeasured possibilities to some efficient manager who can give time and constant attention to the work. In short we need another Ellen Leonard to do now under more adequate conditions what she did so many years ago for the little All Souls Church across the way. The Ellen Leonard Room, the home-room of the building, to which her name has been so fittingly given, has begun to take on beauty. The decoration of the walls by Mr. Grant of the Art Institute is nearing completion and doubtless the necessary furnishings will come later. Near by is the Colonel Davis Guest Room, or the Chamber of Peace, as it has proved to many who

have tarried in it on their way, as a Japanese friend puts it, "Not to see the tremendous prosperities of the city but to read Jenkin Lloyd Jones and Abraham Lincoln Centre. I have read them and criticised them and the cream of my reading will appear in my future life."

Nineteen hundred and eight was marked by the completion of the Woman's Endowment Fund of ten thousand dollars, and \$7,-596.50 of this amount is already paid in. The women once again have set the pace for the men.

There are many unreportable elements which go to make up the success of a year. The specific work of the Sections has been duly set forth, but the co-operation and overlapping that have come from resident and non-resident workers deserve to be mentioned. Particular mention should be made of the indispensable service which Miss Walker renders, as copy-maker, proof-reader, publishing agent, book-seller, and the many worthy duties which have been unworthily thrown on the one who is always willing to shoulder them. Every year, as the pressure of work has grown greater, we have learned to draw on Miss Walker's ability and bank more surely on her ungrudging service. Last spring I started out heroically and made some fifty parish calls, and I am more than ever persuaded of the vast possibilities for Lincoln Centre that lie in this direction. I do not mean perfunctory social calls, but the kind that help us to get nearer the hearts of people and understand their problems and perplexities. We need to be more closely related, for what is Lincoln Centre after all but a smaller "melting pot," with a common loyalty and a common hope where we can stand shoulder to shoulder and friend to friend, casting into the fiery furnace our pettiness and the things that divide us, working together to be that new humanity for which the world is waiting? The subjoined table of figures show the receipts and expenditures for the year:

RECEIPTS.
Cash on hand Jan 1 \$ 9.40 Baskets 835.31 Susbscriptions 11,198.44 Subscriptions (1907) 227.95 Rentals 3,104.92 Advertising 72.50 Endowment Fund Dividend 200.00

EXPENDITURES.

Jenkin Lloyd Jones	\$3,600.00
Parish Assistant and Treas.	
Minister's Stenographer	877.50
Treasurer's Assistant	520.00
Music	222.00
Janitor	535.00
Engineers	1,286.66
Elevator Service	468.32
Scrub Women	790.97
	46.00
Watchman	
Postage	189.00
Printing	571.09
Stationery	55.83
Gas	197.29
Electric Light	1,018.95
Electric Power	626.14
Fuel	1,254.90
Telephone	205.95
Repairs	492.42
repairs	772.72

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.	
	Interest Insurance Piano Rent and Tuning Social Section Furnishings Laundry Operating Lantern Street Cleaning Removing Ashes Office Supplies Janitor's Supplies Engineer's Supplies Elevator Inspection Cleaning Rugs, Curtains, et. Special Assessment Booker T. Washington For Dr. Crapsey Sundries Balance on hand	110.97 165.10 47.50 34.64 361.30 92.97 20.00 36.00 35.00 29.49 105.87 73.29 4.00 43.15 163.53 145.65 50.00 143.19 28.85
\$15,648.52	\$1	5,648.52

EDITH LACKERSTEEN.

Minister's Report

I have nothing unique to offer in my figures for the year. As they are handed to me by my assistant they represent thirty-two new sermons and Sunday addresses; seven christenings; seventeen marriages; nineteen funerals; one hundred and fifteen classes, conferences and committee meetings, inside of Lincoln Centre; twenty-nine such meetings outside Lincoln Centre, in Chicago; thirty-six such summer meetings in Wisconsin; twenty public addresses given in Chicago, outside Lincoln Centre; one hundred two addresses and lectures delivered at fifty-four places in sixteen different states; the weekly editing of Unity, and one thousand one hundred thirty-three letters written, not counting circulars.

This makes an aggregate of three hundred and seventy-seven formal occasions, stated meetings, into which my life has been poured; without counting the literary work on UNITY, the correspondence, and the countless interviews, consultations and private conferences, covering a vast range of topics, reaching from "How to Pay the Rent" to "What is Heaven" and "How to Get There."

I know not how these figures will compare with previous years, but I am conscious of having had a greater opportunity to work for the things for which my twenty-six years with you have stood and for which the Abraham Lincoln Centre was built, than in any preceding year, excepting always the World's Fair year.

I have spoken to a greater number of schools, academies and colleges, educational and philanthropic gatherings than in any previous year.

This suggests the first consideration I have to offer you. My opportunities to serve the causes nearest to your hearts and mine

are rapidly increasing. However it may be inside of the Lincoln Centre, my outside audiences have greatly grown. I repeat with added emphasis that I deem my work with you, not for you. Let no one regret this work of the year on the score that it exhausts my vitality or hastens the time when my tongue will be silenced. Do I look sick? I certainly do not feel weary. It is many a year since I have come to the Annual Meeting in such conscious strength and health. But here and in the presence of this vast opportunity we will not measure work by time. Enough to know that now it is day and "the night cometh wherein no man can work." The old commission is still inspiring: "My father worketh hitherto, and I work."

What is true of my work is still more true of the work of the Lincoln Centre. Its opportunities, as all the figures show, have grown quite beyond the energy, the activity, or the money back of it. I do not underestimate the splendid zeal, the hearty efficiency, the growing skill of the workers; the tasks have developed them faster than they knew. But the work has grown in spite of inefficiency and inadequacy. The doubts and hesitancies are vanishing. Lincoln Centre has come to stay; its opportunities have already attracted the attention, not only of the neighborhood and the city, but it is watched with sympathetic anxiety and responsive enthusiasm throughout the land.

The Abraham Lincoln Centre is not a charity or an alms house for the poor and the dependent, to be supported by those who have no need of it, to whom it cannot and does not minister. Rather is it a "clearing house" of the higher commodities of life. Its ministrations are as necessary to the prosperous as to the unfortunate, and perhaps as much appreciated and used by the residents on the boulevards as by those on the side streets and alleys.

My word tonight is of the things to be done, not of things done, splendid as they are. In spite of the hard times and the financial anxieties connected therewith,—and these are always first reported to the church treasurer,—we have not only paid our bills, but the women have achieved what they started out to do two years ago and have put ten thousand dollars into the permanent resources of the Lincoln Centre; five thousand dollars more have come from the estate of Nelson Morris; other five thousand have come from other sources, so that we have twenty thousand out of the one hundred thousand dollars which this meeting two years

This is obviously the job of the year. It ought to be an easy task for the men. No man has been impoverished by his subscription to this Centre; no man has had reason to regret it. The resources of our constituency have immensely increased, and our future output, in time, interest and money, should not be measured by what we gave in the past but by the increase of our present income. This year will see the endowment of a hundred thousand

ago appointed a committee to raise.

dollars well on towards its completion. The Abraham Lincoln

Centre Corporation has been allowed to remain inactive, largely in consequence of the absence of our William Kent and the illness of our Doctor Shears, but its identity is by no means abandoned or sacrificed. Already I have reason to believe that the Abraham Lincoln Centre is written into the wills of men and women whose hearts turn this way and who see the opportunity for high investment, for depositing in a bank that will not break. But if any feel more confidence or interest in the parent organization, All Souls Church, its identity is secure and its organization is sufficient, as is proved by the reports of this year; so that investors in this Endowment Fund can choose whether they will allow the Church or the Lincoln Centre Board to hold in trust their invested funds.

There are great things to do this year. The churches in this community are waiting to be led by the men and women of the Abraham Lincoln Centre. It is already recognized as the common ground for civic, educational, philanthropic and social intercourse between church and church as it is between high and low, rich and poor. Next May there is to be held in Chicago a great National and Inter-national Peace Meeting. For this the instrumentalities of the Abraham Lincoln Centre are already solicited. Next April a great federation of the progressive forces of religion is to be held in Philadelphia. The co-operation of the Lincoln Centre has been solicited and its representatives are expected there; and, most of all, next month the Abraham Lincoln Centre is to offer to the Lincoln Centennial not only the noblest material structure reared in honor of the great Emancipator, but the living currents of human blood that flow through its walls, the nerves and hearts that are here.

The year 1809 was a wonderful year; 1909, one hundred years later, the baby born in the backwoods of Kentucky comes to his social and civic majority in the endowment of the Abraham Lincoln Centre. Now is the psychological moment for us to make the appeal and to make it in such a way that the solicitor becomes a welcome friend and the contributor a much favored individual. He is given a great chance.

If the necessary machinery could be brought into action and the inspiration of the occasion were adequately used, the noblest achievement, the most permanent triumph of the centennial month in Chicago would be the completion of the hundred-thousand-dollar memorial fund to the great man who waited for the church of the Golden Rule, who died before it came, but who has found it in this civic and religious temple, reared in his spirit and consecrated to his name.

With great thanks to you all for another year of support, with great joy in your accomplishment and great hopes for the future, I appeal to you to forget the things that are behind and push forward to the things that are before.

JENKIN LLOYD JONES.

SERMONS FOR 1908.

It is the office of a true teacher to show us that God is, not was; that he speaketh, not spoke.—*Emerson*.

The Stalwart Christ: A Study from Art.

The Transformation of Paul.

Robert E. Lee, the Man Who Conquered Defeat.

The Temptation of Jesus.*

The Sad Humorist of the Sangamon.

Robert Burns, The Minstrel of the Poor and the Prophet of the Heart.

The Precious Ointment.

The Woman at the Well.

The Power of Poetry.

General Grant, the Silent Hero; An Appomattox Memorial.

Annual Confirmation Class Sermon.

Helen Keller's "A Chant of Darkness."

The Ministry of the Word; or, the Message for Today.*

The Cry of the Children.*

"Pete" Green; or, The Vindication of a Private Soldier.

Wayside Refreshments: A Vacation Preparation Sermon.

Barn Building: An After-Vacation Sermon.*

Christianity, the Sequoia Sempervirens in Religion.

Two Neighbors: A Temperance Sermon.

The Perplexities of an Independent Voter: What Presidential Candidate Are You Going to Vote For?*

Lyof Tolstoy, a Modern Prophet.

The Great Debate; or, The Prophet on the Stump.

"The World is Growing Better,"—Is It?

The Curfew.*

The Citizen. A Thanksgiving Sermon.*

Some New Phases of "The Woman Question."*

The Ter-centennial of Milton.

CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 1908.

Welcomed as Children of the Church on Easter Day.

As one lamp lights another nor grows less, So nobleness enkindleth nobleness.

-Lowell.

Millicent Hillis. Cecelia Hill. Nannie Houk. Mildred Howes. Dorothy Hyman. Eleanor Kellogg. Dorothy Kuhns. Rhoda Pfeiffer Jean Smith. Raymond Smith.

CHRISTENINGS.

Into and with the love of this Church I baptize thee.

Richard Wigglesworth Dole. Elizabeth Dagmar Dole. Norman Dorset Dole. Gordon Burroughs Turner. Charles Humphrey Treadwell. Marion McArthur Lucas. Clarence Remington Lucas.

^{*} Printed in Unity.

MARRIAGES.

"What greater thing is there for two human souls than to feel that they are joined for life-to strengthen each other in all labor, to rest on each other in all sorrow, to minister to each other in all pain, to be with each other in silent, unspeakable memories at the moment of the last parting?'-George Eliot.

Lewis Lund and Mrs. Clara T. Kirkpatrick. JAN. 1.

Louis W. Rapeer and Frances Chandler. JAN.

William Moore and Miss May Cummings. Ernest Lincoln and Miss Bessie Dahlheimer. Glen M. Tait and Miss Hazel C. Prigg. JAN. 5. FEB. 12.

April 16.

Walter Putnam and Miss Katherine Lois Scobey. April 22.

Frank Fisher Irwin and Miss Mamie Floyd. MAY John C. Vance and Miss Lucille Darmitzer. June 3.

SEPT. 23. Ira J. Mix, Jr. and Miss Alma C. Metcalf.

Tudor ApMadoc and Miss Nelle Gill. Sept. 26.

Henry Shonts and Mrs. Cora B. Smith. Oct.

Harrison P. Dale and Miss Pauline E. Taylor. James Ford Kroell and Mrs. Anna Frese. Burr Leach and Miss Grace Willard. Ост. 13.

Ост. 17.

Nov. 9. Milo B. Randall and Mrs. Ida Strawn Foord. Nov. 18.

Vernon Mosher Cady and Miss Bertha Chapman. Dec. 15.

John J. Edison and Mrs. Emma M. Dart. DEC. 23.

IN MEMORIAM.

Into the silent, starless night before us,

Naked we glide:

No hand has mapped the constellations o'er us,

No comrade at our side,

No chart, no guide.

Yet fearless toward the midnight black and hollow,

Our footsteps fare:

The beckoning of a Father's hand we follow-His love alone is there,

No curse, no care.

-E. R. Sill.

Mrs. Mary Doud, 66 years.

Mrs. Nancy Nickerson, 85 years.

Mrs. Rosa Nash Beckwith, 56 years.

Mrs. Jennie Elizabeth Paddleford, 70 years.

Frank N. Wilder, 57 years. Mrs. Mary Arnold Adams.

Mrs. Martha A. Lincoln, 71 years.

J. D. Pearse, 50 years. Amy Orcutt, 46 years.

Jerome Harbeck.

Jane A. Willard, 84 years.

Mrs. Elspeth Phillip, 92 years.

William Davies, 58 years.

John Lloyd Jones, 73 years.

S. H. Hawes.

Curtis D. Mezzarole, 56 years.

Mrs. Arabella Putnam, 55 years. Mrs. Theresa Lorinda Osborne, 75 years.

Frank Pope Breese, 57 years.

THE LECTURE FIELD.

Mr. Jones is on the University Extension Staff of the University of Chicago as "Lecturer in English," and the following courses are offered through that department. Application for the same should be made to the University or by direct arrangement with the Lincoln Centre office.

I. PROPHETS OF MODERN LITERATURE

(Syllabus published.)

- Ralph Waldo Emerson.
- 2.
- Robert Browning George Eliot. James Russell Lowell.
- 5. Walt Whitman.
- Henrik Ibsen.
- John Ruskin.

Victor Hugo, Lyof Tolstoy or Charles Dickens may be substituted

II. ART IN THE POETRY OF ROBERT BROWNING

With Stereopticon Illustrations. (Syllabus published.)

- Old Pictures in Florence.
- Fra Lippo Lippi. 2.
- Andrea del Sarto. 3.
- Francis Furini.

- 5. Gerard de Lairesse.
- The Bishop Orders His Tomb at St. Praxed's Church, Pictor Ignotus and the Guardian Angel.

III. MASTERPIECES OF GEORGE ELIOT

- 1. Adam Bede.
- The Mill on the Floss. 2.
- 3. Romola.
- Felix Holt.

- 5. Middlemarch.
- 6. Daniel Deronda; or, The Poetry of George Eliot.

3. Herbert Spencer, the Reconstructor of Human Thought.

Charles Darwin, a Hero of

IV. SOCIAL STUDIES OF HENRIK IBSEN

- 1. Biography and Introductory.
- The Pillars of Society. 2.
- 3. An Enemy of the People.
- 4. The Doll's House.
- Ghosts; or, Little Eyolf.
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V. EDUCATIONAL

- Francis Parkman, the Great 1.
- American Story Teller. Horace Mann, the Prophet of the 4. Common School.
 - Science. 5. Samuel G. Howe, a Prophet of Philanthropy.

VI. LITERATURE AND ART

In addition to lectures announced in University courses.

Michael Angelo; or, The Power 2. Jean François Millet, the French of an Art Ideal. (Illustrated.)

Peasant Painter. (Illustrated.) 3. In the vestibule of the Dante Cathedral. (Illustrated.)

VII. STUDIES IN FICTION

- Victor Hugo's Les Miserables. 1. (Illustrated.)
- 2. Victor Hugo's Notre Dame de Paris. (Illustrated.)
- Victor Hugo's Ninety-three. 3.
- 4. Mrs. Humphry Ward's Novels. (Six Lectures.) Dickens' Tale of Two Cities.
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- Charles Reade's Cloister and the 6.
- Eugene Sue's Wandering Jew.

VIII. HUMANE SOCIETY LECTURES

- Wuc, a Story of a Dog.
- "The Slaughter of the Innocent;" A Plea for the Birds.
- Frances Power Cobbe and the 3. Anti-Vivisection Movement.
- 4. The Law of Sacrifice vs. the Law of Cruelty.
- 5. The Children of the State.

IX. INTERPRETATIVE READINGS IN POETRY

Emerson, Browning, Walt Whitman, George Eliot, Kipling, E. R. Sill, Richard Realf, Edwin Markham, Sidney Lanier, William Watson.

FOR CHILDREN

The Bird in Poetry, the Dog in Poetry, the Horse in Poetry

X. FOR THE LYCEUM PLATFORM

Home Making. Prophet and Priest. The Cost of an Idea. Character. The Cost of a Fool The Great Literature, or, The Bible in the Light of Modern Thought. The Three Reverences. The Overlapping Territory; or, The Rare Notes from Obscure Singers. Common Grounds of the Sects. The Redemption of a Soul; A study Boys. of Goethe's Faust. The Parliament of Religion, and Who Was Taffy? or, The Story of the Welsh What Next? International Disarmament.

XI. BIOGRAPHICAL

George Washington. (Illustrated.)
Abraham Lincoln, from the Log
House to the President's Chair. Old John Brown of Ossawatomie. (Illustrated.) Mother Bickerdyke, the Great Army (Illustrated.) Nurse. Abraham Lincoln in War Time. (Il-General McPherson, a Knight of the lustrated.) 19th Century. Abraham Lincoln, the Sad Humorist Robert E. Lee, the Man who Conof the Sangamon. quered Defeat. The Great Debate, or the Prophet on Robert Burns, the Minstrel of the Poor and the Prophet of the the Stump. General Grant, the Silent Hero. Harriet Beecher Stowe. (Illustrated.) Heart.

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CALENDAR.

It has become impossible to enumerate or forecast with a sufficient degree of accuracy the numerous daily classes in the different departments. Weekly bulletins, showing the various activities, are issued. For the first week in each month these are mailed to all names on the Parish List, and are available at all times at the office of the building. For further announcements see the mid-summer announcements issued in June and condensed program in September. The following dates may usually be counted on as permanent:

Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Morning Service, 11:00 a.m.

Organ Recitals and Vesper Readings, 4:00 p. m., when announced Evening Lectures, 8:00 p. m., when announced.

Mondays-

Sundays-

From November to March and April to June, Study Classes in Literature, 8:00 p. m., led by Mr. Jones. Particulars given in the June announcement and special programs and the weekly bulletin distributed at the Sunday Services.

Tuesdays-

Class in Religion, seventh year's work in the seven years' course, "The Flowering of Christianity in Universal Religion, from Luther to Emerson, 10:30 a. m., beginning in October. Charitable work from 1:00 to 4:00 p. m. Luncheon at 12:00. Second Tuesday in the month, Luncheon, Conference of Workers, Social

afternoon

University Extension Lectures, 8:00 p. m.

Fridays-

Confirmation Class from November to Easter, 2:30 p. m. Men's Class in Religion, a repetition of the Tuesday morning lesson, 8 p. m.

Every Day—

Library and Reading Room, Domestic Science, Manual Training, Gymnasium, Boys' and Girls' Clubs, Charity Work, as per special schedules printed in weekly bulletin.

Meeting of the Executive Committee the second Monday of each month. Sociable, as per announcement.

Conference of Workers and Social afternoon, second Tuesday. Luncheon

· at noon.

Once a Year (1909)—

The ladies of the Church receive from 7:00 p. m. to 11:00 p. m. Feb. 14. The Annual Lincoln Memorial Sermon, "Lincoln, the Emancipator."

Good Friday Memorial Service. The Easter Festival. April 9.

April 11.

April 18.

Annual Confirmation Class Sermon.
Confirmation Class Alumni Banquet
Annual Decoration Day Sermon, "Gen. George H. Thomas, the May .7. May 30. Virginian, Who Chose the Larger Loyalty."

June 20. Annual Flower Festival.

Sept. 26. An After Vacation Sermon by the Pastor.

Oct. 3. Annual Sermon dedicated to the Study Classes in Religion, "The Chorus of Faith or the Harmonies of Religion." Opening of the Sunday School. Classes in Religion begin on the Tuesday and Friday preceding.

Library Sociable.

Nov. —. Nov. 25. Thanksgiving Dinner at the Lincoln Centre.

Christmas Festival.

Dec. 19. Dec. 26. Annual Review Sermon.

1910.

Jan. 13. Annual Meeting and Dinner of All Souls Church

Feb. —. Annual Meeting of the Corporate Members of the Abraham Lincoln Centre.

ORGANIZATION AND BY-LAWS.

HISTORY.

November 1882. 4, First Service held in Vincennes Hall.

8, December 1882. First election of officers.

29, 1884. May Articles of Incorporation recorded.

3, 1885. March Removed to Oakland Hall

September 12, 1886. Occupied the Church Home, corner Oakwood Boulevard and Langley Avenue.

Dedication of the Church.

Adoption of the following By-Laws.

12, 1886. October

1887. February 6,

January 13, 1898. Revision of Art. II of By-Laws, declaring the Church undenominational.

23, 1905. April First Service held in Abraham Lincoln Centre. May 28-June 1, 1905. Dedication of the Abraham Lincoln Centre

February 1907. Incorporation of the Abraham Lincoln Centre.

Celebration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of All 3-10, 1907. · Souls Church in the Abraham Lincoln Centre.

BY-LAWS.

ART. I. Name—This society shall be known as All Souls Church of Chicago.

Art. H. Fellowship—While declaring itself free from denominational and sectarian exclusiveness, this church is a part of the religious fellowship of the world and will co-operate with such religious organizations as are in accord with its spirit and its work.

ART. III. Seal—The seal of the society shall contain the name of the

Church, surrounded by the words "Freedom, Fellowship and Character in Religion."

- ART. IV—Membership—Section 1. Any person over sixteen years of age, in sympathy with the purpose and method of this society, may become a member by signing the Bond of Union (see page 82), and by recognition in such a manner as may be agreed upon by the candidate and the minister.
- SEC. 2. Certificates of membership or letters of withdrawal will be granted on application by the Minister or Chairman of the Board of Trustees.
- SEC. 3. Children over ten years, after having received instruction in the teachings and purposes of the Church by the Minister, may be welcomed as children of the Church, this class to be known as the Confirmation Class.
- ART. V. Officers—The Officers shall consist of a Minister, five Trustees, a Secretary and a Treasurer. These officers, with the Chairman of the four sections hereafter provided, shall constitute an executive committee and a council as provided in Section 5, Article VII.
- ART. VI. Duties of officers—Section I. The Minister shall have exclusive control of the pulpit, administer such ordinances as may strengthen the religious life of the Church, and be ex-officio member of all standing committees.
- SEC. 2. The Trustees shall elect their own Chairman, have power to fill vacancies, execute the will of the society, and assume such responsibilities as belong to legal representatives of similar organizations.
- SEC. 3. The duties of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be such as usually devolve upon similar officers.
- SEC. 4. The society alone can elect or dismiss the minister, remove an officer, expel a member, authorize the trustees to sell, encumber or purchase real property, and only at a meeting regularly called, and by a three-fourths vote of members present (provided that this three-fourths constitute one-fourth of the resident members).
- SEC. 5. "The Council shall consist of all the ex-chairmen of the Board of Trustees, and, unless otherwise provided by themselves, the senior councilman will be chairman and the junior councilor secretary of the council. This body will constitute an advisory council to co-operate with the Minister and the executive committee and will hold meetings, subject to the call of either the Minister or the Board of Trustees. The Council will further constitute a diaconate to foster the spiritual, social and other intangible and non-material interests of the society."
- ART. VII. Work—The work of the Church shall be divided into the social, charitable, missionary and such other sections as from time to time may be deemed expedient. Each member of the society will be expected to contribute one dollar a year to the "Working Fund" of these sections and to elect one or more sections with which to co-operate. The chairmen of these sections shall be elected by the society at the annual meeting. Under these each section will organize for its own work.
- ART. VIII. Meetings and Elections—Section 1. The annual meeting of the society shall be held on the second Thursday in January for the hearing of reports, for the election of all officers mentioned in Article V, except the Minister and the members of the Council, and the transaction of other business, etc.
- SEC. 2. Special meetings of the society shall be called by the Secretary upon the order of the Trustees, or upon the written request of ten members addressed to the Secretary.
- SEC. 3. Only those who have been members three months prior to the date of the meeting shall be entitled to vote.
- SEC. 4. Notice of all business meetings of the society shall be given from the pulpit two successive Sundays, or by mailing the same to the members ten days in advance.

SEC. 5. The Minister may present such interests as may seem to him fit, relating to the missionary or social life of the Church, to the congregation, at the close of any Sunday service, and action may be taken thereon if no objection is raised.

Sec. 6. The relations of the Minister and society may be terminated by three months' notice from either party.

Sec. 7. Eighteen members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ART. IX. Amendments—These articles may be amended by a threefourths vote of members present, provided they represent one-fourth of the resident members; provided, further, that the amendment shall be proposed one month previous to action thereon.

OFFICERS FOR 1909.

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ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

1809—February 12—1909.

The prairies to the mountains call, The mountains to the sea; From shore to shore a nation keeps Her martyr's memory.

Though lowly born, the seal of God Was in that rugged face; Still from the humble Nazareths come The saviors of the race.

With patient heart and vision clear

He wrought through trying days,—

"Malice toward none, with love for all,"

Unswerved by blame or praise.

And when the morn of Peace broke through
The battle's cloud and din,
He hailed with joy the promised land
He might not enter in.

He seemed as set by God apart,
The winepress trod alone;
Now stands he forth an uncrowned king,
A people's heart his throne.

Land of our loyal love and hope, O land he died to save, Bow down, renew today thy vows Beside his martyr grave!

Tune, Hummel.

FREDERICK L. HOSMER.

The Lincoln Centennial.

It is doubtful if history affords a parallel to the widespread, intelligent and spontaneous way in which the centennial of Abraham Lincoln was celebrated. The birth-day promptly overflowed into the birth-week. The manifestations in Chicago were typical of exercises all over the country and to a degree all over the civilized world. At Lincoln Centre the week was largely given over to the study and celebration of Lincoln history, as was fitting in a building "dedicated to public service honoring the memory of Abraham Lincoln, Democrat."

The quotation exercises of the Sunday-school on Sunday, February 7, showed the children not only in possession of a keen appreciation and love for Lincoln, but wonderfully well equipped with his familiar words.

The Fraternal Meeting on Monday evening brought from Mr. Beals a splendid appeal for internationalism and the peace program. Miss Jane Addams found a text in Lincoln's speech, made when he was twenty-seven years old, making reverence for law the civic religion of the land; Charles Hughes, of the Chicago Bar, spoke on "Fraternity," and Jenkin Lloyd Jones on "Lincoln as a Fraternalist."

On Tuesday night "The Lincoln That Survives" was the subject of the last of the six lectures in a course given by Mr. Jones under the auspices of the University Extension Society of the South Side.

On Wednesday evening the "Calico Party" was a great success. Emerson Hall was crowded; calico, blue jeans and "hickory" were glorified. Homer Smith, a veteran of the Iron Brigade, a fiddler of fifty years' experience, from Benton Harbor, Mich., called off the old square dances. If the experience of the Calico Party at the Lincoln Centre is to be relied upon, it predicts a revival of "Money Musk," "Pop Goes the Weasel," "The Arkansaw Traveler" and the rest of them. Unity would like to encourage the organization of "Gentryville Dancing Clubs" at its numerous centres, where calico, jeans, hard-times and hickory will represent the fashions, where square dances will be the order, older youths be in the ascendency, and seasonable hours enforced. Where will the first experiment be tried?

On Thursday Mr. Jones addressed 350 of the small children of the University School of Education in the morning, 400 of the boys and girls of the Lake View High School in the afternoon, and then took himself to Madison, where on Friday morning he addressed an audience of over 3,000 of the students and professors of the University and citizens of Madison, in Gymnasium Hall. At the close of the address President Van Hise announced that a replica of the Weinmann statue of President Lincoln, which is to grace the public square at Hodgenville, Kentucky, had been secured

for the University and was to be unveiled on the campus during

anniversary week.

On Friday evening, what was supposed to be the largest audience gathered in one place during the week was assembled at the Dexter Stock Show Pavilion, near the Stock Yards. Over 15,000 men, women and children were gathered to hear a chorus of 500 voices sing the old songs and to see Lincoln pictures. The crowd was too big to be reached by any human voice, even with the help of a long-range megaphone used by Mr. Jones in explaining the pictures. Many of them were beyond the reach of most of of the instruments of the admirable First Regiment band. But at least the bass drum was heard and the pictures were seen, and there was much enthusiasm and noisy applause. As an outpouring of public enthusiasm, a rally of all sorts and conditions of men, as an occasion for the making of citizens out of Slavs, Italians, Russians, Celts and Saxons, it was a great success.

One of the most attractive features of the week was the Fay collection of more than a thousand Lincoln pictures which were

kept on exhibition during the entire week.

The exercises at the Centre reached their climax, as was designed, at the Saturday night banquet. The 280 chairs were occupied and the tardy ones found themselves left outside the gate. The menu, which included roast pig, hominy, raw turnips, sassafras tea and rye coffee, was altogether satisfying, beautifully prepared by the ladies of the Centre and served by a gay band of half a hundred girls who entered singing "Bringing in the Sheaves." So tender and fine were the addresses, so wide and varied were the greetings, that we give over a few pages to their reproduction and preservation.

The last word at the Centre was the Sunday morning sermon on "Lincoln the Emancipator," found in another column. A storm of rain, slush and wind prohibited the organized appearance of the Eighth Regiment I. N. G., colored, but the Frederick Douglass Centre was well represented and a goodly attendance gathered

notwithstanding.

The same weather prohibition interfered with the evening audience at Orchestra Hall at the center of the city, where W. J. Calhoun, Chairman of the Committee of One Hundred, and Jenkin Lloyd Jones made the addresses, and Julius Lombard, the old war

singer, led in the Battle Hymn of the Republic.

It was a strenuous but not a wearisome week. The inspiration of many hearts beating as one, the uplift of great thoughts and the sustaining power of a great heart and noble life made the labor easy and the laborers numerous. It was a benign week everywhere. May the benignity spread and become perpetual.

Nancy Hanks Lincoln Born, 1783 Married, June 12, 1806 Died, October 5, 1818

O Mother Nigh-Forgotten

GOD BLESS MY MOTHER! ALL THAT I AM, OR EVER HOPE TO BE, I OWE TO HER.

—Abraham Lincoln

The empires aged and vanished;
The centuries unrolled;
A New World rose from shadow,
New cycles to unfold.

Again the heavens yearned downward; Again, in winter wild, The self-same stars were watching A Mother and a Child;

Another manger-cradle,
And oxen standing by,
And humble folk low bending
To catch a baby's cry.

O little knew the Mother,
Madonna of the West,
How Fame and Fate were watching
The babe upon her breast!

The boy her heart had prayed for,
And loved so mother-well,—
No dream foretold him Savior,
The land's Emmanuel.

No angel-vision showed her
The spirit's growth in grace,
The wisdom and the stature,
The patience in the face.

She heard no song of captives In rapture of release; No praising world acclaim him God's Messenger of Peace;

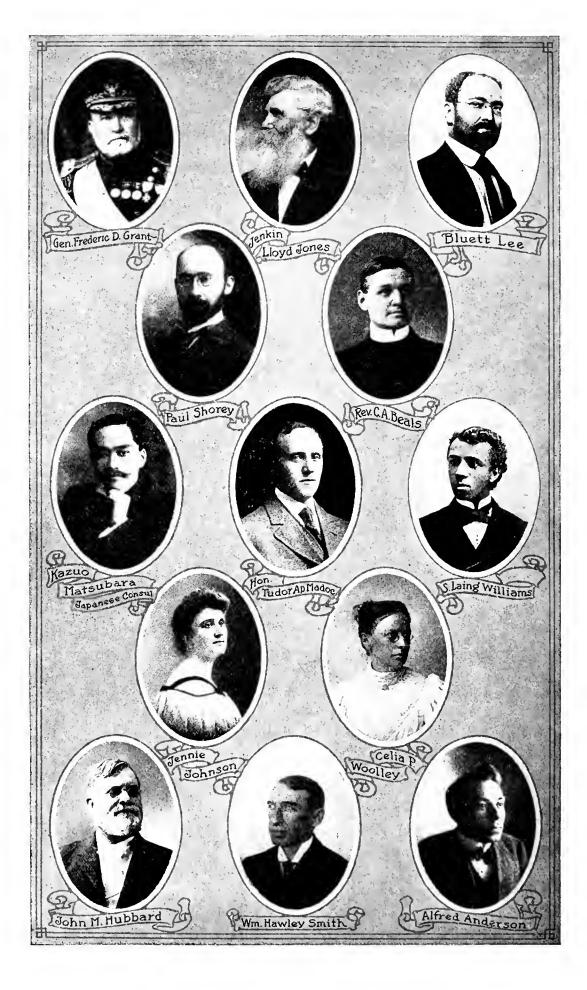
Nor saw, across the Aprils,
A form upon a rood,
And a great nation shaken
With grief and gratitude;

Nor felt the four winds throbbing With distant birthday bells, As, South and North commingling, One surge of gladness swells.

O Woman of the birth-pangs, Mother, who never knew, With battle-scars outfaded, Our faces turn to you!

O Mother, nigh-forgotten,
Today, amid our joy,
A land all thanks remembers
The Mother of the Boy!

WILLIAM C. GANNETT.



The Banquet.

We give below such a part of the addresses given at the Lincoln Centennial banquet as could be caught by our stenographer's pencil and can be reduced to cold type; but no reporter or compositor can translate the beauty of the scene, the cordiality of the wide fellowship there represented, and the enthusiasm that kept growing from the beginning to the end. Emerson Hall and the adjoining rooms were never so taxed before. The maximum possibilities of the floor for banqueting purposes were tested and upwards of 280 guests were seated at the tables, without counting the half-hundred waiters and ushers who were served to a full banquet of their own on the sixth floor before their work began on the fourth.

The room was beautifully trimmed with flags, with Leonard Volk's bust of Lincoln at one end and a newly painted oil portrait by Mr. Brooks, the Chicago portrait painter, at the speakers' end.

After the company were seated the corps of waitresses, consisting of the young ladies and girls of the Centre, in white, with red, white and blue shoulder sashes, marched in and took their positions, singing "Bringing in the Sheaves," the company heartily joining in the chorus. After a word of greeting from the Chair, the company arose and sang Mr. Hosmer's Memorial Hymn and the Rev. C. A. Beals of Boston spoke the word of prayer, gratitude and blessing.

After the dinner, the toastmaster, Mr, Jones, said:

"Chicago keeps a postmaster for political purposes; it is his business to keep up the party fences and to do the partisan chores, but we have an assistant postmaster who attends to our letters and keeps the complex convenience going. Our postmasters come and go but our assistant postmaster stays from one administration to another; he cannot be dispensed with, and so we have our letters regularly. But it is not as our assistant postmaster that we welcome John M. Hubbard here tonight, though we are not unmindful of his services in that line, but as the campaigning voice, the singer of war-times and the original and inimitable interpreter of 'Old Shady' in Chicago, whose song he will now sing."

Mr. Hubbard then rendered the old war-time song, and the company joined with increasing fervor in the chorus.

The Toastmaster:

The more I ponder on the story of Abraham Lincoln, the deeper and deeper I read into the history, the more I am impressed with the cruel neglect and gross injustice to the memory of Nancy Hanks and Thomas Lincoln. It was a cheap way of glorifying the great President by the early biographers, that of discounting his ancestry and minimizing his privileges, and their shallow estimate still tyrannizes over us. I am persuaded that when the proper perspective of history is obtained and the historic material, meager as it is, is adequately studied in the cold light of critical science.

we shall find ample reason to believe that in Nancy Hanks we had a tender and beautiful character. So I asked our friend Gannett, poet tender and true, to respond to the toast of Nancy Hanks Lincoln. He lives in Rochester, N. Y., and could not afford the time and strength for travel. But poetry does not need incarnation; I beg to begin the program of the evening by reading Mr. Gannett's lines. (They will be found in an adjoining column.)

The Toastmaster:

I baited my hook for some more metrical interpretations of the too easily dismissed Thomas Lincoln and the always approved, blessed step-mother, Sallie Bush Lincoln, and threw it among our poets, but without result. Some day the ballad of Thomas Lincoln will be written and the benignity of the step-mother, who "always understood me," will be crystallized into great sonnets, and both will become classic.

I am persuaded that by the tests of the new pedagogy, which considers the man educated who can do things, Thomas Lincoln was a better educated man than many of his critics, for he built, largely with his own hands, five different homes, as I count them, rescued his fortune from the bottom of the Ohio River, carried his wife and two children, with but one horse, perhaps more than a hundred miles through the wilderness, chopped his way through eighteen miles of forest, anticipated the postoffice by seven or eight years, established a home forty miles from a doctor, one hundred and fifty miles from a preacher, won the love and confidence of two noble women, and, last but not least, fathered Abraham Lincoln.

Last fall I was privileged to visit, in her own home, Mrs. Chapman, daughter of Dennis Hanks, and her son, Mr. Robert Chapman, the present postmaster of Charleston, Illinois. Mrs. Chapman spent many weeks at a time in the home of Thomas Lincoln, and in his later days he was a welcome guest at her own fireside in Charleston, the county seat of Coles County. She said, "He was a dear, quiet, lovable old man. I never sat down to a meal at his table without his invoking the divine blessing, and in his later years he found much comfort with his newspaper and Bible, which he read hours at a time." I invited Mrs. Chapman and her son to be present here tonight. We would have been proud to welcome them, but failing this privilege, the following letter will interest you:

Charleston, Illinois, Feb. 9, 1909.

Rev. Jenkin Lloyd Jones, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir—Just returned home and found your letter awaiting me. I thank you for both my mother and myself for your kind message, as also for your very kind invitation to be with you and take part in your ceremonies

on the occasion of your celebration of the anniversary of Lincoln's birth.

I regret very much our inability to be with you on this occasion, but my mother's age and feebleness prevent her leaving home, and I find it impossible for me to leave my business at this time.

There is no question but the charge so commonly made that Thomas Lincoln was ignorant and indolent is false, and I am just as anxious as you can possibly be to have this error corrected, but, although I know it to be false, a mere statement of this fact from me would amount to nothing.

The time for me to gather statements from persons who personally knew Thomas Lincoln and other evidence disproving this charge, is too short for me to do so in time for your use on this occasion; but I promise you I will devote myself to this task at an early date, and as soon as possible make publicly known the real facts

Please convey the thanks of both my mother and myself to your association for your kind invitation as well as our regrets and hearty

congratulations.

We both hope we may have the pleasure of having you with us again.

Sincerely yours, ROBERT A. CHAPMAN.

The Toastmaster:

Once in this position I would indeed have been between two thorns. The father of the man on my right was my commanding officer; I, the humble private in the line in front of Vicksburg, honored the great commander then, revere his memory now, and it is with peculiar emotion that I present to you General Frederick D. Grant, the son of his father.

(The entire company rose to their feet to welcome the speaker, with cheers, waving of handkerchiefs and tear-dimmed eyes. When quiet was restored, the General spoke as follows:)

General Grant:

Mr. Toastmaster, Ladies and Gentlemen: First, I want to thank you for your cordial greeting which I appreciate very gratefully. I have talked a good deal lately to men, but my training as a soldier has made me feel that it is not proper to talk much before the superior officer. I do not refer to my friend, Mr. Jones; I was thinking of the many ladies here. At home I talk very little.

The song just sung, "Old Shady," brought back to my mind the commencement of the Vicksburg campaign; my father's cook was called "Shady." On the 22d of April, 1863, he had brought his command, all except those belonging to the 13th corps, General McClernand among them, who had already been down to the Mississippi, toward New Carthage; all the others were collected at the headquarters at Milliken's Bend; he gave them directions to follow and outlined their campaign; Shady, the cook, had his guitar and sang that song. Next day the army marched forward to fight those great battles attended with the surrender of Vicksburg, and I might say we captured the father of our young friend on the left (Blewett Lee) whom I had the distinguished honor of meeting several times on the road.

It was my great good fortune to be with my father, close at his side, much of the time during the Civil War, when I had the opportunity of seeing and listening to many of the noble and distinguished men who were loyally serving their country during that great struggle; thus I had the honor and happiness of seeing and meeting our revered and martryred President, Abraham Lincoln.

In looking back to those dark days of the Civil War, I have

distinct personal recollections of the first two meetings between President Lincoln and my father, General U. S. Grant. These two occasions seem to my mind the most momentous and memorable in the history of our nation, as these meetings marked the beginning of the end of our great struggle for the existence of our nation.

The principal and determined efforts of President Lincoln's administration were directed to the preservation of the Union, which naturally could not be accomplished without the success of the Union armies in the field. Up to the spring of 1864 the progress of the Civil War had not been satisfactory to the people of the North, and little success had been accomplished, except in the vic-

tories at Donnelson, Vicksburg and Chattanooga.

After the campaign of Chattanooga the President and the people of the United States turned impulsively to General Grant as the leader of the Union armies, and a bill was introduced in Congress reviving for him the grade of Lieutenant General, which grade had died with Washington, though Scott had held it by brevet. The enthusiastic members of the House of Representatives received the bill with applause. They made no concealment of their wishes and recommended Grant by name for the appointment. The bill passed the House by a two-thirds majority and the Senate with only six

dissenting votes.

President Lincoln seemed impatient to put Grant in this high grade and said he desired to do so to relieve himself from the responsibilities of managing the military forces. He sent the nomination to the Senate, and General Grant, who was at Nashville, received an order from the Secretary of War to report in person at Washington. In compliance with the order he left Chattanooga on March 5 for Washington, taking with him some members of his staff. My father also allowed me to accompany him there, I having been with him during the Vicksburg campaign and at Donnelson. He reached Washington in the afternoon of March 7, and went direct to Willard's Hotel. After we had made our toilets my father took me with him to the hotel dining-room. There I remember seeing at the table next to where we were seated some persons who seemed curious and who began to whisper to each other. After several moments one of the gentlemen present attracted attention by pounding on the table with his knife, and when silence was secured he arose and announced to the assembled diners that he had "the honor to inform them that General Grant was present in the room with them." A shout arose, "Grant! Grant! Grant!" and the people sprang to their feet, wild with excitement, and three cheers were proposed, which were given with wild enthusiasm. My father arose and bowed, and the crowd began to surge around him. After that, dining became impossible, and an informal reception was held for perhaps threequarters of an hour, but as there seemed to be no end to the crowd assembling, my father left the dining-room and retired to his apartments. All this scene was most vividly impressed upon my youthful mind.

Senator Simon Cameron of Pennsylvania, ex-Secretary of War, soon called at Willard's Hotel for my father, and accompanied him, with his staff, to the White House, where President and Mrs. Lincoln were holding a reception.

As my father entered the drawing-room door at the White House the other visitors fell back in silence and President Lincoln received my father most cordially, taking both his hands and saying, "I am most delighted to see you, General." I myself shall never forget this first meeting of Lincoln and Grant. It was an impressive affair, for there stood the Executive of this great nation, welcoming the commander of its armies. I see them now before me, Lincoln, tall, thin and impressive, with deeply lined face, and his strong, sad eyes; Grant, compact, of good size, but looking small beside the President, with his broad, square head and compressed lips—decisive and resolute. This was a thrilling moment, for in the hands of these two men was the destiny of our country. Their work was in co-operation for the preservation of our great nation and for the liberty of man. They remained talking together for a few moments, and then General Grant passed on into the East Room, with the crowd that surrounded and cheered him wildly, and all present were eager to press his hand. The guests present forced him to stand upon a sofa, insisting that he could thus be better seen by all. I remember that my father, of whom they wished to make a hero, blushed most modestly at these enthusiastic attentions, all present joining in expressions of affection and applause. Soon a messenger reached my father calling him back to the side of Mrs. Lincoln, and with her he made a tour of the reception rooms followed by President Lincoln, whose noble, rugged face beamed with pleasure and gratification.

When an opportunity presented itself for them to speak privately, President Lincoln said to my father: "I am to formally present you your commission tomorrow morning at ten o'clock, and knowing, General, your dread of speaking, I have written out what I have to say and will read it, and it will be only four or five sentences. I would like you to say something in reply which will soothe the feeling of jealousy among the officers and be encouraging to the nation." Thus spoke this great and noble peace-maker to the General who so heartily coincided with him in sentiments and work for union and peace.

When the reception was over at the White House my father returned to Willard's Hotel, where a great crowd was again assembled to greet him and remained with him until a late hour of the night. After the crowd had dispersed, my father sat down and wrote what he intended to say the following day in receiving the commission promoting him to the Lieutenant-Generalcy and to the command of the Union armies.

Father proceeded to the White House a few minutes before ten o'clock the next morning, permitting me to accompany him. Upon arriving there, General Grant and his staff were ushered into the President's office, which I remember was the room immediately above what is known now as the Red Room of the Executive Mansion. There the President and his Cabinet were assembled, and after a short and informal greeting, all standing, the President faced General Grant, and from a sheet of paper read the following: (The speaker held up the paper.)

"General Grant, the nation's appreciation of what you have done, and its reliance upon you for what remains to be done in the existing great struggle, are now presented, with this commission, constituting you Lieutenant-General in the army of the United States. With this high honor devolves upon you also a corresponding responsibility. As the country herein trusts you, so, under God, it will sustain you. I scarcely need to add that with what I here speak goes my hearty concurrence."

My father, taking from his pocket a sheet of paper containing the words that he had written the night before, read quietly and modestly to the President and his Cabinet. (The speaker again showed the paper.)

"Mr. President, I accept the commission with gratitude for the high honor conferred. With the aid of the noble armies that have fought in so many fields for our common country, it will be my earnest endeavor not to disappoint your expectations. I feel the full weight of the responsibilities now devolving upon me, and I know that if they are met it will be due to these armies, and, above all, to the favor of that Providence which leads both nation and men."

President Lincoln seemed to be profoundly happy and General Grant deeply gratified. It was a supreme moment when those two patriots shook hands in confirming the compact that was to finish our terrible Civil War and to save our united country and give us a nation without a master and without a slave.

From the time of these meetings the friendship between the President and my father was most close and loyal. President Lincoln seemed to have absolute confidence in General Grant, and my father always spoke of the President with the deepest admiration and affection. This affection and loyal confidence were maintained between them until their lives ended.

I feel deeply grateful to have been present when these two patriots met on the occasion when they loyally promised one another to preserve the Union at all costs.

I preserve always as a treasure in my home a large bronze medallion which was designed by a distinguished artist at the request of the loyal citizens of Philadelphia, upon the happy termination of our great Civil War, and which is a beautiful work of art. Upon this bronze medallion are three faces, in relief, with the superscription: "Washington the Father, Lincoln the Savior and Grant the Preserver," emblematic of a great and patriotic trinity."

(Long and continued applause.)

The Toastmaster:

I wish I could tell you, General Grant, the truth I feel and know, that in this response to your word and this appreciation of your presence you may read the growing respect and abiding honor which we in common with a grateful nation, North and South, feel

for your father.

The father of the man on my left was commanding forces on the other side, who were firing at me. Some years ago when a large delegation representing the Confederate army came to Chicago to dedicate the noble shaft in Oakwood Cemetery, which marks the resting place of four thousand or more unnamed Confederate dead, it was my privilege to ride beside the father of the man on my left as provisional Chaplain from the North in the dedicatory ceremonies. He might have said to me then, as the venerable General Longstreet did at the reception given to the representatives of the lost cause at the Palmer House when I said to him in the reception line, "I dodged many of your bullets, General." Promptly came the response, "I was not firing at you, sir." Let us remember tenderly tonight that the last ounce of strength that Stephen D. Lee had to give was spent in doing the honors of the South to representatives of the northern army, which once he had conscientiously opposed and to which he had as conscientiously surrendered. This last exertion of cordiality carried him to his grave.

I have learned to know and love this young man on my left in his own personality. In the fulness of time I expect to shift to his shoulders a part of the responsibilities and privileges of the Abraham Lincoln Centre. Tonight we welcome him as the representative of the country that honors Abraham Lincoln; not the South, his old home, nor the North, his new home, but the entire country; aye, the

entire world. I have pleasure in presenting Blewett Lee.

(The company rose to welcome Mr. Lee, with prolonged applause and manifestations of delight and cordiality.)

Mr. Lee:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: It was my father's privilege before his death to honor the memories of Abraham Lincoln and General U. S. Grant; it is my privilege to know and honor Robert T. Lincoln and General Frederick Grant, and I share with my father the happiness of having known and honored Jenkin Lloyd

Tones.

This meeting tonight has been to me a great lesson in patriotism and a great lesson in history; I feel that nothing I could say would be worthy of such an occasion and such an audience. At the time when I was born it was not an easy thing to find a southern man who would give public expression of praise to Abraham Lincoln; there was a great deal of bitterness in the South in those days. There had been great loss, great devastation, and great misgovernment following Mr. Lincoln's death. Last Sunday I was reading what southern men are saying about Mr. Lincoln; they were the earnest words of

many men; every one breathed the same message of love and admiration for Mr. Lincoln. It would be just as hard today to find a southern man who would not honor and praise Mr. Lincoln as it would have been in the year I was born to find one who would. That change in the feelings of southern men towards the man who conquered them is the greatest honor that has been done to the memory of Abraham Lincoln since his death. That change of feeling not only honors Mr. Lincoln, but it honors the southern people also.

Mr. Lincoln was too great a man for any part of the country to claim him. But I want to say that the southern people have a peculiar feeling towards him in that he was born in Kentucky and that he came of Virginia stock, one of the "second families," as Mr. Lincoln liked to say. Mr. Lincoln was very southern in his characteristics, There are two things which somewhat distinguished the South of those days. In the first place, the South was rather a frontier country; the southerner was a farmer; he loved the out-of-doors. Mr. Lincoln was an open-air man; he was a man of the forest and the prairies, of the great spaces and the deep shadows. And then, he had a southerner's large and leisurely ways. He liked to hear songs. His cabinet used to be very impatient about his stories. It is said that Mr. Stanton used sometimes to get up and leave when Mr. Lincoln started a story. If that had been a cabinet of southern men they would have sat and listened to Mr. Lincoln's stories all day long. The southerner had been reared in the presence of the negro race; the presence of the bondman had made him sometimes too imperious, had made him a born ruler. He fixed his ambitions on the career of a soldier or statesman. Mr. Lincoln had that strong sense of personal honor. We forget that he once accepted a challenge to fight a duel with swords. One time when the wrath of the President was aroused by some persistent office-seeker, he picked the man up bodily and put him out of the room. We remember that Mr. Lincoln was a captain of volunteers, and that he said that position gave him more pleasure than any other he ever held. He was a born ruler of men. When he entered his cabinet, there was a number of great men in it who thought themselves far better fitted than he to run the country; one of them offered to do it for him. Soon every one found his place, and the country found that one of the greatest rulers in the history of the world was in the presidential chair at Washington.

It is wonderful today to think with what infinite tact he won over to the Union side the border states; when that was done, the conflict was really decided. And with what skill he avoided complications with European powers. There never was a man who filled a nation's need better than did Abraham Lincoln.

The first General Grant said that Abraham Lincoln was the most just friend the South had, and I think that is true. One of the last acts of Abraham Lincoln was preparing a message to Congress providing compensation for the emancipation of slaves. When Mr. Lincoln submitted that draft to his cabinet, not a man of them would

agree to it. At last he said, "You are all opposed to me," folded up the document and never signed it or sent it to Congress.

Mr. Lincoln had one of the most trained and cultivated senses of justice that any man ever had; he looked upon the emancipation of the slaves as a great act of military necessity, just as the destruction of any other property would have been. That was very far in advance of the men of Mr. Lincoln's time and very far in advance of most of us at this time.

Another thing-Mr. Lincoln was not in favor of universal suffrage to the black race; he favored the extension of suffrage to those negro troops who had fought in the Union army and to certain others who through intelligence were qualified to exercise the important prerogative. There is very little doubt today that the plan which the tactless President Andrew Johnson tried to put through, of restoring the southern states promptly to their old place, was Mr. Lincoln's. There was only one man in the country who had the public confidence and political sagacity sufficient to put through a plan of that kind, and when Mr. Lincoln fell by the assassin's bullet, a great wave of popular indignation and rage which swept over the country made that plan impossible. The dykes of sectional strife were cut and the great waves rolled over the South. When Mr. Lincoln fell, the clock of American progress was set back for a period of ten years. (Jenkin Lloyd Jones: "Fifty years.") Fifty years. I am rightly corrected.

I do not think these things would have endeared him so much to the people of the South as the personal character and history of the man. It is not possible to read the story of Mr. Lincoln's life without loving him. There is something infinitely pathetic in this gifted man so eager for learning, denied every thing but the very rudiments of education; in this man so deeply religious, persecuted and accused of infidelity; in this man so tender and loving, deprived by the hand of death of his first love; in this man borne down all his days by the crushing weight of poverty; in this man working for

fourteen long years to pay the old debts of Lincoln & Berry.

In one of his early addresses to his constituents he said that if they did not see fit to elect him it would make very little difference:

they did not see fit to elect him it would make very little difference; he had become so used to disappointments. That man was so tempered by sorrow that "the steel could bend to the hilt and then straighten and thrust again;" that man was so trained by personal misfortune that when the time came to bear the woe of a whole country, his shoulders were strong enough to meet it. There is no life, to my mind, which so vindicates the ways of God with men as the life of Abraham Lincoln; that so explains the purpose of pain and the significance of evil as the life of this man who learned life's perfect lesson.

The time has come that he foresaw in his first inaugural, when the mystic chords of memory, stretching from every battlefield and patriot's grave to every heart and hearthstone, have been indeed touched by the better angels of our nature and are swelling everywhere the chorus of union. But they are swelling, too, the cords that stretch from Gettysburg and Springfield, with majestic and immortal music to the manner of Abraham Lincoln

tal music to the memory of Abraham Lincoln.

Tonight as a man southern born, speaking in the city which Lincoln loved, and which honored him greatly, living and dead, I would lay a leaf of palm beside the Northern pine—a spotless magnolia beside the white rose of the North. He came from us to you. He was the best we bred. He lived among you a life which was noble and stainless. His fame belongs to us all. The South gave Abraham Lincoln and kept Robert Lee. But the Mother never forgets her sons.

When Mr. Lincoln died it was as though Glory had said, What shall I do for my beloved son that men may never forget him? Then, she said, He shall die like Caesar, in the hour of his perfect triumph; he shall die like William the Silent, in the hour when he has saved his country. And so he passed from us and took his place among the everlasting stars. Enter, Abraham Lincoln, into thy immortal destiny. Long as men shall live upon the earth, thy pathetic story shall wring from their hearts the tribute of love and tears. Those who strive for freedom shall remember thee, and he that struggles alone up towards the light shall be comforted by thy wondrous story. Little children shall sound thy praises with early breath, and old men who love their fellows shall speak to them of thee. Wherever the people rule, thy name shall be glorious; whosoever shall die for a noble cause shall remember thee; wherever love of country is dear and pure devotion is prized, wherever character counts above all, wherever men know the innate dignity of the human soul, wherever men are uplifted by great examples and are exalted by sublime sacrifice, thou wilt be remembered. Enter into thy everlasting dominion over the minds and hearts of men!

(Great applause.)

The Toastmaster:

To you, my friend and brother, I am sure again I speak for these friends when I say that this response is not simply in appreciation of yourself and your tender words, but of the great big South, for which we have a large place in our hearts and of which we have high hopes.

Mr. Lee has spoken of that leisurely element in Mr. Lincoln that enabled him to find recoil in song and story. A truce for a few hours tonight from the corroding hurry of Chicago; let us rest in the sense of leisure. I am going to ask Miss Jennie Johnson to sing for us one of Lincoln's favorite songs. This phase of Lincoln's character was little understood, or rather grossly misunderstood. When under the awful strain that followed the battle of Antietam he was riding over that gory field he asked Colonel Lamon, once known as the singing sheriff of Sangamon County, then provostmarshal of the District of Columbia, for that sweet, sad little song he loved so well. The newspaper reporters caught some fragments of the distorted story, and the next day the New York dailies lam-

pooned the President who "mocked the solemnities of the battlefield with flippant song." The mocking flippancy was on the other side. There is none now to misinterpret the burden of that great heart or begrudge him the relief that may have come from this pensive song.

Miss Jennie Johnson then sang "Twenty Years Ago, Dear

Tom."

The Toastmaster:

Thirty years ago, when I was pastor at Janesville, Harry Anderson ran the best barber shop in the town and the most popular string band in that part of the state. The band went up and down southern Wisconsin playing for dances and parties, among which were the dances of All Souls Church; for All Souls Church in Janesville, as All Souls Church in Chicago, believed in dances and practiced the faith. The members of that string band have since become famous. The boy who played the 'cello has become Dr. Dan Williams, who has won renown in surgery; Dr. Charles Anderson is a practicing physician, highly esteemed; Dr. C. L. Bentley is a dentist, well known in the profession throughout the country. Alfred Anderson has become the secretary and much of the directing brain of the Provident Hospital, while Harry Anderson is still the willing hand and the kind heart that keeps the wheels oiled and going around at the hospital. The only fault I find with him is that the rheumatism interfered with his playing his violin at our "Calico Dance" last Wednesday. It is a source of great joy to me as well as of much significance, to think how these four colored boys have risen out of the Janesville barber shop to positions of such efficiency and usefulness. Were it not for his painful modesty the mantle of Paul Laurence Dunbar might have fallen upon the shoulders of Alfred Anderson, who will now read us an original poem.

Mr. Anderson:

MANDY'S TRIBUTE TO LINCOLN.

Dair jes' wus me an' Mandy on de place hyeah all alone, De chillin dat wus livin' had all lef' us w'en dey's grown. W'd saved a lil money, an' w'en Mandy said to me, "Afore de Master calls us daih's one place I'd lak to see; De restin' place of Lincum," w'y I somehow couldn't speak, Jes' drawed huh close beside me, kissed de teahdrops f'om huh cheek I knowed she couldn't stan' de trip, but let huh hab huh way, And so we reached de sacred spot a yeah igo today.

De snow was lyin' on de groun', de win' was raw an' col'. I put my coat aroun' huh 'cause sh'e feeble lak an' ol'. De sun cum out ob hidin' an' de ol' red, w'ite an' blue Wus wavin' proudly overhaid, an' actin' lak it knew Dat Mandy, deah ol' Mandy, so good, so kin' an' brave, Had cum to put some posies on ol' Marsa Lincum's grave. An' kneelin' daih upon de groun', she off'ed up a prayeh Dat mus' have teched de heart ob de recordin' angel daih.

An' as I led huh f'om de place de flowehs seemed to smile, She un'erstood, an' answered back, "In jes' a lil while." De springtime cum an' mockin' birds were singin' as befo', An' ivy vines a clingin' still aroun' de cabin do'. But Mandy neveh heahs de birds, er knows de ivy creeps, In yonder chu'chyard wid huh hands across huh bres' she sleeps. An' so I'm strewin' flowehs on huh grave de ve'y way She did on Marsa Lincum's, jes' a yeah igo today.

(Great applause.)

The Toastmaster:

The record of the Janesville string band is sustained.

I know of one who was a pickaninny waif during war time; one in whom a northern officer became interested, attached him a time to the battery which he commanded, and then shipped the little chap north and he found a welcome place at the hearthstone of Lieutenant Laing's home; the father and mother took him in. He won their confidence and they opened up the privileges of America to him. He became an alumnus of Ann Arbor, a lawyer of confidence and standing, a judge by the appointment of the United States. I take great pleasure in presenting to you S. Laing Williams. (The company rose to their feet in welcome. Much applause.)

Mr. Williams:

Mr. Toastmaster, Ladies and Gentlemen: If I had a becoming sense of modesty it would be difficult for me to try to speak after so flattering an introduction. I have been a member of this church so long and have sustained such cordial relations to its members that I sometimes really forget that I am a colored man and persuade myself that I am an every-day American citizen.

Of course, on an occasion of this kind, where Abraham Lincoln is the theme and the inspiration, you will all agree that it is entirely proper to have a little color in the program. I have listened to the speeches and have read the editorials and magazine articles during the past month upon this great occasion, and as I have listened to these great eulogies I have persuaded myself that it will be utterly impossible for anybody in the future to hate their enemy or hate their neighbor. The great achievement of Abraham Lincoln was emancipation, and those who love Lincoln and cannot love his work are not patriots, are not true friends of Lincoln, and are not good citizens.

What have we been doing during the past forty years? What have we done to justify the sacrifice of this great nation that culminated in the emancipation of the black race and in the death of Abraham Lincoln? Has it been worth while? Have these once chattels shown themselves worthy of the sacrifice, and have they made any progress in winning the respect of Anglo-Saxon America? What have they done? Infinitely more than was ever expected of them.

In the first place I want to say, and I think you will all agree

with me, that no people were ever so severely tested as these people whom I have the pleasure of representing. Tested in what way? What did you do? As if by a stroke of a pen you thrust these millions of people into the great body politic and bade them be equal citizens to the best you have in this country without an hour of preparation. Did they fail? Of course they failed, and who would not have failed under like circumstances? We know the horrors of reconstruction as indicated and hinted at by Mr. Lee. But, my friends, remember this,—the fault was not with us but with those ugly patriots who attempted to exploit these untrained people. The sins of the reconstruction are upon the heads of those white men who went South for the purpose of using the colored men as tools to exploit the South! And we are blamed for it. Who was at fault? A right answer to this question will some day be made and our people are not afraid of the answer. But these people who are the beneficiaries of Abraham Lincoln's great administration and death, they did not commit the political sins that halted our progress towards citizenship; the sins of reconstruction were not committed by ignorant negroes but by educated Anglo-Saxons. What have we done to justify the sacrifice? I am justified in saying that these people have shown a strong democratic spirit, an instinct, because they first realized that in order to become good citizens they must be educated, and the battle for education began immediately, even before the close of the war, and that passion has never yet ceased. They have worked night and day; they have worked through poverty and persecution in order to get a schooling. And as a result of this forty years of effort they have succeeded in overcoming sixty per cent of the illiteracy. If those men who went down there as statesmen to use the negro vote had carried to the South the same spirit as the New England school ma'am who went down there with her books and Bibles, we would not now have much of a race problem in this country. There is nothing in the history of the progress of a people that is more interesting and pathetic than the passion for education in the early years of reconstruction. At this very hour in the South, away back in the remote districts, far from railroads and far from civilization, we see slips of girls who have some scant education, collecting these dark children of misfortune into little hovels, sometimes without doors or windows, and teaching these poor children of misfortune to push their way up into liberty, into happiness and independence. It is a picture that would touch the heart of every American if he could but see it and feel it. They have justified the faith that Abraham Lincoln had in them by the sacrifice they are making to educate their children up towards citizenship.

But, my friends, what have the American people done? What is the attitude of the American people today towards the colored people who have tried and are trying and have succeeded in educating themselves? What do we want today? All we ask as American citizens is the right to be all that we can be, through education, character and ability to contribute to the greatness of our country.

All we ask is the right of a man; you must know that it is utterly impossible for a man to be satisfied with half liberty. Let me plead with you as American citizens to get rid of this nightmare, this

unworthy fear of the thing you call social equality.

Some of our southern people have gone mad on this question. And yet it is but nightmare without substance. What we want is rights. We cannot enforce or prevent social equality by law or by hatred. We simply want and are determined to be good American citizens; we want a fair chance, we want to serve our country serve it in the military field, in politics, as educators, as economists. Are we permitted to do this? It is a very good thing, a very generous thing, to contribute money for the education of these colored people in the South, but it seems to me a very unkind and unjust thing when that boy or girl becomes educated and comes here, equipped for service, and asks for a chance to make his way in the world and is turned down because of his complexion. I do not believe that is fair; I do not believe you think it is so. I believe that out of the enthusiasm for Lincoln and out of the great spirit of fraternity which certainly must be engendered, we have a right to hope that in the very near future a more liberal spirit will take hold of the hearts of the American people and enable us as citizens of this republic to realize all that is best and all that we deserve as American citizens; realize the victories that have been fought on the field of battle, in the field of education, in economics, which becomes us as American citizens.

The Toastmaster:

I hold in my hand this brass candle-stick, these snuffers and these spectacles, which were once the property of Dennis Hanks, on whose grave, which I found last fall in the old cemetery of Charleston, overgrown with briers, are inscribed the words, "The tutor of our martyred President." These interesting relics were donated last week to the Abraham Lincoln Centre by our friend and neighbor, Rev. F. W. Gunsaulus, who obtained them from Dennis Hanks and who now wishes them to be deposited among the treasures of the Abraham Lincoln Centre, which Mr. Gunsaulus says is the noblest monument yet erected to Lincoln. Dennis Hanks assured Mr. Gunsaulus that "The first piece that ever was writ by Abe to speak was writ by the light of a candle in this candle-stick." Abraham Lincoln did write, and did write masterly English. His illiteracy has been overworked. Mr. Lincoln was a man of letters, a man of books, and the final estimate of him must come from a man of books. I know of no man more adequate to the task, no one better acquainted with books and with men, than the son of my old companion and colleague, Daniel L. Shorey, Prof. Paul Shorey of the University of Chicago, who will next address you.

(Applause.)

Mr. Shorev:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: Mr. Jones is kind enough occasionally to admit me to some part in the fellowship of good times and good work that he inspires here; I am unwilling to decline his invitations, and so I violated the first principle of the scholar's conscience in consenting to address you tonight; for the first duty that a student owes to the public is to speak only of what he knows; and I have no special competence to speak of Lincoln. And so after having been first rewarded for this violation of my conscience by a most delightful evening, I find myself now punished, for I cannot sustain the high and pathetic note to which these ceremonies have been attuned by the singing and speaking tonight. I have no personal reminiscences of Lincoln, no new scholarly investigations to lay before you, no sectional or peculiar race feeling to identify me with Lincoln's work, nothing to give me a claim upon your attention. I am not even going to praise Lincoln, which would be the fitting note for an occasion such as this. I am merely to discourse of one aspect of his life, and that, as many would deem it. the least significant. Lincoln was not primarily a bookman. It was in contact with homely realities and converse with plain people that ne developed the combination of kindliness, sagacity and unswerving devotion to truth and right as God gave him to see the right that makes him unique. But because I am myself a bookish person I am to speak of Lincoln in relation to his books and bookishness, and the only preparation I have made is that I did not read last Sunday's Tribune, but re-read the speeches and letters of Lincoln.

We often contrast the realities of life with the unreality of books, but nothing that is a part of life and experience can really be opposed to life and experience. Books, as Wordsworth tells us, are themselves a real world. "Over that art which you say adds to nature, is an art which nature makes." Demosthenes swore by the warriors who died at Marathon. Lincoln's greatest oath was, "As sure as God reigns and school children read, that black, foul lie can never be consecrated into God's hallowed truth." We may then consider as a part of Lincoln's life, and as a part of the life of any great man whom we study, the lessons it has to teach us about the right uses of books and reading. In an age of print we cannot escape this influence of reading upon our lives. The only result of not reading much, or with care and selection, is that the little we do read, or are told of others' reading, produces an undue impression upon our tastes and thoughts, whether it be the Sunday Supplement, the Ladies' Home Journal, or only the advertisements on the

diliboards.

Lincoln, at the age of fifty years, spoke of his own education as "defective." But if we look closely at his life we shall find traces of self-education which, even from a scholastic point of view, may be thought to be not inferior to much of the mental dissipation, the coddling and the cramming with pre-digested spoon-fed pap which passes for education in highly esteemed schools. And the tools and

the instruments of this self-education of Lincoln were books. What else could they be? A limited number of simple books.

Lincoln, like all effective men, was fiercely ambitious in youth. This ambition was not mainly, though it was in part, the natural human desire for predominance and worldly success; it was more the nobler ambition of self-realization; in theological language, the desire to use rightly the talents that God had given; the noble curiosity to ascertain what we can find out only by trying,—whether the talent is one or five. This ambition it was that inspired Lincoln.

Xenophon gives as a reason for gymnastics and physical culture the thought that a man even though not by nature handsome or strong ought to be ashamed to die before he has seen his body at its best. The same idea is put in a more modern and spiritual way by the German poet Ruckert in a distich which may be roughly Englished thus:

> "A vision haunts us, of ourselves at best; Nor till we grasp it can our souls find rest."

It was this passion for self-realization, for making something of himself, that spurred Lincoln on, and the instruments that he found to his hand for a lad in the southern Illinois of the '30's and '40's were books. Books were the only key to the larger world of thought and beauty, of all the experience that we sum up in the trite but necessary word culture. A pitiably limited number they were; the only means to develop himself for effective action and influence upon his fellows. He made the resolution to read every book within a circuit of ten or twenty miles. Fortunately the supply within the ten-mile limit, though miserably inadequate according to modern ideas, included little mere trash. Had an up-to-date circulating library been at hand, stocked with a complete set of Oliver Optic and the six best sellers, it is quite possible that this Lincoln celebration would never have been held. For in all our provisions for the education and the reading of children we are apt to forget two or three great principles which Lincoln's dealings with books illustrated: First, that too much undigested reading in early life is as dangerous as too much undigested food; second, that an ambitious child will read something; he will even read good books if he cannot get bad ones, and that the child will, like the rest of us, follow the lines of least resistance and fall back upon a diet of unlimited sugar plums if it can get them.

From these dangers of the up-to-date boy Lincoln was preserved by a healthy appetite for plain food and a lack of any other. In the use of his limited supply of reading he instinctively employed two principles, recommended but rarely enforced in practice by our pedagogy. In the first place, he read thoroughly; he Fletcherized his reading, so to speak, converting it into bone and sinew, not into fat and flatulent waste. Furthermore, Lincoln read with a direct purpose; he did not read to accumulate inert information, or for the decorative inutilities of mere culture, but to enable himself to do

something. It was a very simple but nevertheless a very definite end that he proposed to himself. In later life he advised all young men to form clubs and practice upon one another in debate for selfimprovement. He himself at once practiced and applied all that he learned. His first desire was to attain one of those things that have been defined as very little things to know and very great things not to know; his desire was to learn to speak and write correct and lucid English and then to reason clearly and to the point. And it is amazing the extent to which he achieved these two ends in the very earliest portion of his career. His earliest letters and speeches are written in substantially correct English; they are altogether free alike from the old fashioned florid Southern oratory and from the quaint mixture of Bowery slang and sophomoric declamation that too often passes for eloquence in Congress today. He does not strain after epigram, indulge in cheap classical allusion, or mix his metaphors. The question has been raised whether Lincoln was really a great orator. Mr. Bryce says that properly speaking he was not; Mr. Bryan says that he was; it is not for me to arbitrate between two such authorities. But there can be no question that Lincoln was an incomparably persuasive speaker. There has never been another man who could make his points with the same convincing persuasiveness, and although he had probably never studied Demosthenes, I seem to see in him a certain Demosthenic quality of logic, suffused with but not overmastered by emotion, and a certain Demosthenic power of crowding his opponent into a corner, forcing him to a definite issue by a swift succession of inevitable and unanswerable questions.

I should like to read a few short sentences here and there from some of his speeches, that indicate the kind of homely effectiveness that he achieved. He had trained himself in the Socratic method, but never fell into that excess of subtlety and ingenuity into which it betrayed the Greek mind. He did not play with fallacy dramatically but exposed it and brushed it contemptuously aside, as some of his most characteristic utterances show: "Specious and fantastic arrangements by which a man may prove that a horse-chestnut is a chestnut horse." "Sophistical contrivances groping for some middle ground between right and wrong." "Many arguments or strings of words passing for such." "Everything in this world jibes in with everything else." "I have no way of making an argument up into the consistency of a corncob and stopping his mouth with it." "They who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves." "No man is good enough to govern another without that other's consent." "When I hear anyone arguing for slavery I feel a strong impulse to see it tried on him personally." "A universal feeling, whether well or ill founded cannot be safely disregarded." "In grave emergencies moderation is generally safer than radicalism." "If the minority will not acquiesce the majority must or the government must cease." "Would you drop the war where it is, or would you prosecute it in future with elderstick squibs charged with rose

water?" "I shall do nothing in malice; what I deal with is too vast

for malicious dealing."

These and other sayings that might be quoted show his power of speaking directly to the heart of the matter, and what is more, to the heart of his audience. If not oratory, it is something better. There is no time to attempt to go into detail. His reading could be broadly classified under three heads,—old-fashioned school books, two or three great classics, a few minor classics, and law. Even in these days of manual training, "schooling" is still largely a matter of reading a few text-books. The difference between Lincoln's use of "text-books" and ours is very simple,—Lincoln mastered his text-books and our children "go through" theirs. In addition to school books he read Shakespeare and the Bible and a little minor poetry of sentiment. This of course did not make him a bookman or a professional literary critic. Its chief effect was that it helped to keep alive in Lincoln the eternal springs of feeling; his soul never dried up so that he could not enjoy Shakespeare, as his great contemporary Darwin confessed of himself. In his latest years we find him enthusiastically discussing his favorite passages of Shakespeare with actors who visited Washington.

The effectiveness of Lincoln's Bible quotations might be illustrated by many anecdotes. One, though familiar to you all, I cannot

omit.

In the great debate with Douglas, when Douglas had quoted as dangerous and incendiary Lincoln's statement that "a house divided against itself cannot stand," his reply was: "Does the judge say it can stand?—If he does, then there is a question of veracity, not between him and me, but between the judge and an authority

of a somewhat higher character."

The educating power of the study of law, both in itself and for Lincoln is a theme which would demand an extended address. The law is a study which makes a small man cunning and a large man sagacious. The chief characteristic of the mature Lincoln was his benignant sagacity. But in addition to this broader effect of legal study Lincoln derived from his reading of law books very much more culture than we realize; the old copy of Blackstone which he rescued from a barrel taught him not only law but perhaps quite as much of the best qualities of the eighteenth century man—lucidity, reasonableness, moderation, and even a certain literary polish, as is acquired in many a pretentious seminar in eighteenth century literature.

The real proof of the adequacy for its purpose of Lincoln's education through books is that fact that it made him competent to meet every opportunity of his enlarging career,—his practice on the Illinois Circuit, his service in Congress, the debate with the brilliant and versatile Douglas that made him president. And when the supreme crisis came it found Lincoln equal to it,—it found him equal to it not only in character and in deed, but in the ability to utter the inevitable and absolutely appropriate word—the tender and simple

pathos of the last farewell to friends and neighbors at Springfield; the first inaugural with its wistful appeal, "Why should there not be a patient confidence in the ultimate justice of the people? Is there any better or equal hope in the world?"—and its yearning conclusions: "I am loath to close," etc.; the annual message of 1862, "The fiery trial through which we pass will light us down in honor, or dishonor, to the latest generation," and the second inaugural, "With malice toward none, with charity for all." Above all, the Periclean Gettysburg address, and the exquisite letter to the woman who had laid five sons upon the altar of freedom.

These things are too familiar for further quotation. They conform exactly to the old Greek definition of perfect and classic writing,—that which would be marred by the addition or subtraction of a single word. The man who could not only do the deeds that Lincoln did, but could say the words that Lincoln said,—surely

his education was not altogether "defective."

The Toastmaster:

I said the man of letters is the man to interpret Lincoln; he must be turned over to the poets. We have some poetry mills of our own here in Lincoln Centre and we can almost always say on any great and high subject, "as one of our own poets has said." I have asked Miss Evelyn Walker of the Lincoln Centre to make a contribution.

Miss Walker:

In the Lincoln Centre, as in other large manufactories, we make a series of by-products, and one of these our leader loves to call poetry. He knows that this is a great word, to be used sparingly and in all seriousness, for none knows better than he the marks of the amateur or the difference between the temporal and the eternal. But there is place for offerings great and small to the memory of Lincoln, and I am glad and grateful for the privilege of laying my tribute with the others which have been gathered here tonight, at the shrine of the greatest of Americans, whom we all alike love and revere.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Infinite patience and pain,
Infinite sorrow and wrong,
Infinite loss become gain,
Infinite hope to the strong

Out of the ages he came,
Out of the turbulent years,
Born of the stress and the strain,
Harvest of toil and of tears.

For freedom, fetters and gyves,
For conscience, prison and ban,
O stern and harsh were the lives,
And fearful the cost of a man!

Till a woman—a forest flower— Clasped to her throbbing breast The century's sealed dower, A man-child for the West.

A man, to rise in his might
And rend the shackles that bound
Fair Liberty, crouching in night,
By her eldest lovers uncrowned.

What shall we do for our dead?

Build him a temple of fame?

Carve him of marble a bed,

Garland with laurel his name?

There are deeds may be paid of men,
And to some rewards delay,
But his gift was measured to him again;
God took him the shining way.

The Toastmaster:

Now is the time to ask Miss Jennie Johnson to lead us in singing "A thousand years, my old Columbia." Let us all join with Professor ApMadoc in the chorus.

(Singing.)

The Toastmaster:

Speaking of poets, we have a bunch of them. I have here a telegram expressing the regrets of James Whitcomb Riley and his friend, W. C. Bobbs, of Indianapolis, that weather and health prevent their attendance. We also would have had with us tonight Chicago's poets, W. D. Nesbit and S. E. Kiser, had they not been snatched out of our grasp and carried out of town by circumstances beyond our control.

Henry VanDyke writes me from Paris his regret at being unable to make a direct contribution on account of his engagement as lecturer at the Sorbonne. He sends cordial greeting and tells us that on February 26 he is to speak on "Washington to Lincoln—the Father to the Savior of his country."

Richard Watson Gilder sends his greetings with the words:

I am to read my sonnet on "The Life-Mask" at Carnegie Hall. Will you take as a message from me, so that I may be remembered in your interesting exercises, this sonnet which you will find in my books?

Here is the life mask that inspired the great sonnet.

Hamlin Garland is out of town, else he would be with us here tonight. He writes:

If I were to be present I think I would quote Walt Whitman's words on Lincoln and Lincoln's comment on Walt rather than attempt to add any word of my own to the flood of Lincoln reminiscences. Whitman saw the man under the grotesque exterior and his words have the forth-right appeal of sincere admiration. It is well for us to have an ideal, a figure of altruistic significance, to which we can attach our unqualified praise. It is true that the Lincoln of today is not the Lincoln of 1865, but this is because

we are not confused by non-essentials and blinded by prejudice. We get at the inner quality and aspiration of the real Lincoln.

Helen Keller, the great tender soul, out of her live world of thought and feeling, though of no sight or sound, sends her thanks for the letter and wishes to express her interest in the Lincoln celebration. But her correspondence has grown far beyond the reach of her two hands, and the writing which she has already undertaken is more than enough to keep her occupied. But she says that sometime she hopes to come to Chicago, and sends her kindest greetings.

Edwin Markham writes:

Dear Comrade on the long way—I am always delighted to get a word from your soul, and I stand ever ready to do any service within my power. I am sending you enclosed a copy of a revision of my Lincoln poem which I have just made for the Lincoln centenary. God light your way and guard your gate!

I propose to read from the autograph copy of Mr. Markham's "Lincoln, the Man of the People," introducing my next Sunday

morning sermon of "Lincoln the Emancipator."

This greeting will find responsive chord in this company. Mr. Lincoln's visit to Five Points, N. Y., on the week of the great Cooper Institute address, is an incident strangely overlooked by some of the biographers, not sufficiently appreciated by his interpreters. Out of the heart of this same Five Points comes to us this greeting, from "The Young Men's Lincoln Club of Five Points." The names on the letter head are interesting, among which I find Mazzoni, Dignacco, Frunzi, Ehrenberg, and many more of the kind. The President writes:

Dear Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Centre-

The Young Men's Lincoln Club of Five Points, New York City, sends its fraternal greetings to the Abraham Lincoln Centre on the Centennial Anniversary of the birth of the "Greatest American." Most of us or our parents are from the land of those noble apostles of liberty, Garibaldi and Mazzini, but we have found in Abraham Lincoln the greatest of all liberators, and we rejoice that it is our privilege as well as our duty to honor with you Fraternally yours, John A. Shedd, President. his illustrious name.

You will be glad to know that in your name I have sent a response, and our greetings will be read at their celebration.

Listen, then, to the words of the poets:

LINCOLN.

From Mary S. Savage, Madison, Wisconsin.

How the past doth clasp and hold him, As a soul beyond compare! Will the future thus enfold him Through its lifting, countless ages, As a soul supreme and rare! Write on your immortal pages, Poet-prophets, skeptic sages, "There are couriers in the air

That announce him everywhere,
And the world will not forget him!"
For the mystic horns of elf-land
In a fine fanfare beset him,
Till the wakened woodland echoes,
Ariels of our wondering pelf-land,
Sprites aswing 'twixt smiles and tears,
Set his cherished name aflying
Hither, thither, faintly crying,
"Lincoln, Lincoln, Lincoln!"
Down the long responsive years.

Ah, the captured venerations Of the coming race of men That await him—habitations In the hero-hearts of then! For the echoes are compelling; Soft and mellow, yet insistent; Ever loyal, ever distant; Clinging, like a faint foretelling Of a larger life to be, On the far horizon's edge; Thrilling with the measured tremble Of the pulsed eternity Where the elf-land horns assemble, In the cloud-land, on the ledge. E'er from thence, the mountain echoes, Vibrant mystics of the spheres, Set his cherished name aflying, Hither, thither, faintly crying, "Lincoln, Lincoln, Lincoln, Lincoln!" Down the long, responsive years.

LINCOLN—AN APPRECIATION.

From W. D. Simonds, of Oakland, California.

Within the wild-wood waste a cabin stands, Gaunt poverty dwells beneath that roof; Half-naked children shiver in the snow, Fearing the terrors of that savage land.

A tall lad, face to face with fate, Ignorant but strong! rude but brave, Looking toward life with youth's ambitious awe, Desiring most to prove himself a man.

Long years of toil with sorrow for his guest, Dreary defeat with now and then small rift of light, And inner voices whispering,—"Be ever to the right Most true. Large deeds await thy hand."

A nation torn with civil strife, While storms of wrath swept far and wide, Union and Liberty as a vanished dream; Who now, who now, can save the state?

Ah, this is strange. The college and the church Can yield no man who measures to our need. The cabin-nurtured son of wood and field Holds true in brawny hands the helm of state.

Through years of war, of hate and death, This man must bear a people's woe. How calm! How wise! Sublimely great, Gentle alike to friend and foe.

Victory, and the honest praise of honest men, One hour of triumph, Flag and Union saved; Behold a madman's murderous deed, And then, an immortality of fame.

THE GREAT WHO GROW MORE GREAT.

From W. D. Nesbit, Chicago.

Not as the great who grow more great
Until from us they are apart—
He walks with us in man's estate;
We know his was a brother heart.
The marching years may render dim
The humanness of other men,
Today we are akin to him
As they who knew him best were then.

Wars have been won by mail-clad hands,
Realms have been ruled by sword-hedged kings,
But he above these others stands
As one who loved the common things;
The common faith of man was his,
The common faith in man he had—
For this today his grave face is
A face half joyous and half sad.

A man of earth! Of earthy stuff,
As honest as the fruitful soil,
Gnarled as the friendly trees, and rough
As hillsides that had known his toil;
Of earthy stuff—let it be told,
For earth-born men rise and reveal
A courage fair as beaten gold
And the enduring strength of steel.

So now he dominates our thought,
This humble great man holds us thus
Because of all he dreamed and wrought,
Because he is akin to us.
He held his patient trust in truth
While God was working out his plan,
And they that were his foes, forsooth,
Come to pay tribute to the Man.

Not as the great who grow more great— Until they have a mystic fame— No stroke of fortune nor of fate Gave Lincoln his undying name. A common man, earth-bred, earth-born, One of the breed who work and wait— His was a soul above all scorn, His was a heart above all hate.

LINCOLN.

From S. E. Kiser, Chicago.

We strive in narrow selfish ways
To win advancement or have praise,
To gain rewards, to hear applause,
To be accounted great or wise;
We make convenience a cause,
And ever look with watchful eyes
For that approval, right or wrong,
Accorded by the noisy throng
To them that have the wit to see
Which way the crowds intend to fare,
And brazenly pretend to be
The God-sent, glorious leaders there.

He saw with vision true and clear,
And, crushing doubt and scorning fear,
Advanced, with conscience as his guide;
Discerning where the course was laid,
He waited not for wind or tide,
Nor for the mob's approval stayed;
A giant where weak pygmies rose
To jeer and clamor and oppose,
He pressed with godlike earnestness
And an unconquerable soul
Through hellish hate and bloody stress,
To die a martyr at the goal.

We worry over little cares,
We mutter foolish, selfish prayers,
And think that God will deign to heed;
We scheme to keep our brothers back,
We long to dazzle or to lead,
And sigh for riches that we lack;
We covet honors and are proud
To win the favors of the crowd
That for a little while has time
To cheer us where we strut, to let
Us fancy we have grown sublime,
And then is ready to forget.

We read the sad appeal that lies
Within his kindly, sunken eyes
And learn a little of his lore;
We mark the lines upon his brow
And dimly see how much he bore,
And in our weakness wonder how;
We gaze upon the sculptured face,
And all the patient sorrows trace;
We search for vanity, for pride,
That, human-like, he might have claimed,
Then thrust our little cares aside
And turn away, and are ashamed.

ON THE LIFE-MASK OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

From Richard Watson Gilder.

This bronze doth keep the very form and mould Of our great martyr's face. Yes, this is he: That brow all wisdom, all benignity; That human, humorous mouth; those cheeks that hold Like some harsh landscape all the summer's gold; That spirit fit for sorrow, as the sea For storms to beat on; the lone agony Those silent, patient lips too well foretold. Yes, this is he who ruled a world of men As might some prophet of the elder day—Brooding above the tempest and the fray With deep-eyed thought and more than mortal ken. A power was his beyond the touch of art Or armed strength—his pure and mighty heart.

The Toastmaster:

We have with us tonight as honored guests Consul and Mrs. Kazuo Matsubara of Japan, and it gives us great pleasure to welcome these representatives of progress and fraternity from the islands of the Pacific. (The audience rose to welcome them; there was long applause.) Mr. Matsubara expressed his high appreciation of the privilege of attending this meeting. He said that the life of Abraham Lincoln was read throughout Japan; that from the primary school to the college boys, young and old, men and women, rejoiced in his name and recognized him as a power in promoting the morals of the country. He returned thanks for the greetings extended him and his wife and expressed great interest in the Abraham Lincoln Centre.

The Toastmaster:

In such a program as this the Frederick Douglass Center, an object lesson in fraternity, should have a spokesman. I take great pleasure in introducing as the next speaker the Head Resident of the Frederick Douglass Center, Mrs. Celia Parker Woolley.

Mrs. Woolley:

There are two things that always mark the really great man. He must have the kind of mind that can grasp a great leading idea or principle from which he never swerves. And he must have a large and generous spirit free from impatience and all pettiness, that spirit expressed in the memorable words, "With malice towards none, with charity for all."

What was the great principle which Lincoln never lost sight of? Simply the old ideal of human rights that we have been working on ever since the dawn of human society. His determination to save the union first and at all hazards was part of his faith in human liberty. He felt that a great beginning had been made on these shores in the work of self-government and that the entire world was watching the result. He knew the union could not be preserved

with slavery yet he would not make slavery the object of his first attack. It was the attainment of freedom through union for which he worked without halting and against the bitter opposition of friend as well as foe.

Where do we stand today in respect to this prized and venerated principle of freedom? Mr. Williams, representing a people recently enslaved, has told us the story of his race's achievements since the days of Lincoln and the Emancipation Proclamation. We see what the black man has accomplished. But what of ourselves, who belong to the "dominant" or superior race? How much farther are we on the way, how true have we been to the great law of human brotherhood which we profess?

We live in an age of ceaseless activity for improved social relations on all sides. The work is going forward, as I look at it, on three main lines. There is the field of economic strife where class is arrayed against class, the rich against the poor, the employer against the employed. Then there is that other line defined in the "Woman's Movement," and finally there is the line where the clash of conflicting opinions is sharpest of all, where feeling is most bitter, reason and justice less operative than anywhere else, there is the race or color question.

Are we not doing today just what we have always done, building fences, putting up all sorts of bars and restrictions, trying to limit the progress of this or that social group, afraid to share the great boon of liberty we so prize and continually laud? There is no more discouraging commentary on Lincoln's fame and work than

the race prejudice of our day.

We are here to celebrate the hundreth anniversary of Lincoln's birth. I want to say that I do not believe that anywhere in Chicago—probably nowhere in the country at large—has this centennial been so fitly observed in spirit and in deed as right here tonight. Our guests of honor come from two sections once engaged in fratricidal war, and the negro, now a free man also, the object and cause of that former hatred and strife, is here also. And that other dark-skinned brother from Japan has his place with us. Here true hospitality reigns, here the bond of fellowship has been widened to include all and exclude none. Let us pay homage not only to the man and the event that bring us here, but to the large and fearless mind that planned this feast and reunion. Let us pay tribute to the present occasion and to the man whose vision and whose courage merit the fulfillment of all his dreams.

The Toastmaster:

I next venture to call upon Rev. C. A. Beals; he hails from Boston, but he belongs to the world. Tonight we are not nationalists but internationalists. He is here in the interest of the one great issue today in statecraft, that of international disarmament, the doing away of the horrors of war. I take great pleasure in presenting the organizing Secretary of the American Peace Society.

Mr. Beals:

During my theological seminary course I supplied, the second year, in the old Massachusetts town of Hingham. I had among my parishioners several families of Lincolns, and the family resemblance led me to ask if President Lincoln were of the same stock. In these later years it has been established that he did spring from that old stock at Hingham in Massachusetts Bay, which was settled by immigrants from old Hingham in England. A meeting house was built here in 1638, the oldest house of worship in the United States that is still in use.

I shall never forget tonight. I think these addresses, truly eloquent, will live in our grateful memories and be an inspiration to us. I have felt like weeping all through this service,—as the son of that first Captain, foremost of Captains of our time, spoke, and the son of that truly great Lee stock of old Virginia spoke, with true eloquence. Is it not a pity that the passions of a nation should ever make it possible for such men and the sons of such men to take one another's lives? It is unthinkable today that ever we should so be driven by any stress of unreasonableness.

I thank God for this interdenominational meeting. God for the presence of this man, the Yankee of the Orient. This is the time of brotherhood; we are going to have in Chicago next April or May a great national peace conference. I think we are right at the turning of the road in human history; I think we have wasted enough money; I think we have poured out enough treasure and life in the renewing processes of education until the better angels of our nature have cried out against it and we are going to try to do something different. Chicago with its national peace conference is going to be placed in the annals of history, between the old chapter, which is now closing, and the new chapter of democracy and world peace in the kingdom of God, so far as the relation between man and man is concerned. We want all of you to have a part in it, want you to feel the thrill of the bigness of the enterprise, to pray for it, to give for it, to talk it up and out so that the whole world shall feel thrilled.

The Toastmaster:

We have with us here tonight William Hawley Smith, an interesting combination of the school master and the funny man, the author of "The Evolution of Dodd," an old pioneer of Illinois.

Mr. Smith's address was of the kind that it is impossible to report. He was the funny man of the evening and something more. His address abounded in stories of the days of Lincoln, with whom his pioneer father was intimately associated. He himself was a member of the Lincoln Wide Awakes in the '60's. But there is no reporting sheet lightning and it is foolish to attempt to harness laughter. From beginning to end it was full of the wit that is tender and the tenderness that is ever witty.

This sentence must suffice: "It seems to me the thing that characterized Lincoln above everything else was his gift of common sense. Now common sense is the faculty of the human make-up which is sure that Truth is good enough, and which has a way of getting at the truth, utterly regardless of conventionality."

The Toastmaster:

We come to our last address; our young man from Springfield, the leader of the "Band of Hope." Down there in the humiliating mix-up, the petty trading and trickery, Tudor ApMadoc has maintained his independence. May his work as Leader of the "Band of Hope" continue and his influence grow.

Mr. ApMadoc:

The politician is successful either because he is selfish and always governed by the sole interests of self, or because he is altruistic—a promoter of the general welfare and the interests of others. The former distrusts the people because he fears public scrutiny and knowledge; the latter fears neither press nor corporation, and has

implicit faith in the sound, sober sense of the masses.

"Democracy," said Pasteur, "is that order in the State which permits each individual to put forth his utmost effort." And, therefore, our actual form of government permits of the selfish and unpatriotic effort as well as of the effort for the sake of principle. The great underlying facts that ours is a government of principles and not of men and that the sovereignty lies not in the President, not in Congress, not in the Federal Government, not in the commonwealth, but in the people who adopted the constitution and in the people whose right it is to amend it, render short the rule of corrupt leaders, and their permanent extermination is dependent upon the progress of political intelligence in the individual and the continued right of political expression by means of the secret ballot and the primary.

The greatest Republic of all time sprang up in the wilderness of America. From the wilderness of that Republic there rose the greatest democrat to save it and render it wholly free. Lincoln lives, is revered and was a success because he was a political altruist, a politician with a heart beating warm for the people of his time, with a heart big enough to transcend the boundaries of his nation, a heart indiscriminate of clan, color, creed or clime. He did more for fundamental democracy than any other one man in American history. His two great traits were strong sense of public duty and absolute fairness toward friend and foe; his platform: "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right, as God gives

us to see the right"; his party—humanity.

The statesman needs something more tangible than enthusiasm. Reason, firmness and fairness must be his foundations if his work is to endure. Ability under untried conditions, ability to distinguish

popular excitement from the will of the people, ability to be fearless, honest and convincing, test the right of any statesman to a splendid place in history.

"Annealed in white-hot fire he bore the test
Of every strain temptation could invent,
Hard points of slander, shivered on his breast,
Fell at his feet, and envy's blades were bent
In his bare hand and lightly cast aside;
He would not wear a shield; no selfish aim
Guided one thought of all those trying hours;
No breath of pride,
No pompous striving for the pose of fame
Weakened one stroke of all his noble powers."

Disrespect for law is one of the great dangers of our time. And no statesmanship can endure in the shadow of such disrespect. Lincoln was essentially a respecter of law. And never for a moment did that respect and reverence lessen. He once said, "I know the American people are much attached to their government; I know they would suffer much for its sake; I know they would endure evils long and patiently before they would ever think of changing it for another—yet, notwithstanding all this, if the laws be continually despised and disregarded, if their rights to be secure in their persons and property are heeded by no better tenure than the caprice of a mob, the alienation of the affections from the government is the natural consequence." He also said, "Let reverence for law be taught in schools and colleges, be written in spelling books and primers, be published from pulpits, and proclaimed in legislative houses, and enforced in the Courts of Justice, in short, let it become the political religion of the nation."

It is an easy thing in our country for a resourceful man to become dangerous. The freedom of democracy is such that but partially successful appeals to the sordid and baser natures of the masses sometimes cause us to doubt the wisdom of our form of government. But the people, as distinguished from the mob, and very often by a very thin line, come to their own, and the apparent danger passes. The impulse, nobly inspired by grief and love, which draped every American heart in the mourning of sadness upon the death of McKinley, shamefully and madly turned into blind rage upon the blowing up of the battleship "Maine" in Havana Harbor. The great leader realizes the possibilities of American impulse and emotionality, and, therefore, leadership to be grand must be unafraid of influence, unafraid of the mob, and rest solely and completely upon American sovereignty, the people.

Untried in crisis as our government was, that period came when men's minds were influenced with all the bitterness of sectional discord. The South, as its people saw it, was defending its firesides and its institutions, and the North, as its people saw it, was defending manhood and freedom. At no time in our history was speech so inconsiderate and appeal so frenzied. But the crisis in the union came, and there rose up to meet it the statesman and man of principle and justice with a heart as broad as humanity itself and a mind clear in its freedom from studied logic and open to the immediate needs of his people. Conscience, not results, guided him. The greatest crisis of the new world produced its greatest man. And the greatest triumph of Americanism was the production of Abraham Lincoln.

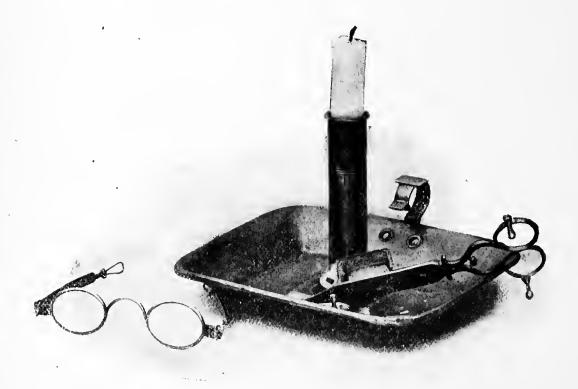
"A blend of mirth and sadness, smiles and tears; A quaint knight-errant of the pioneers; A homely hero, born of star and sod; A Peasant Prince; a masterpiece of God."

The Toastmaster:

Friends, we have come to the end of our program. We part chastened, sweetened, strengthened. The occasion has been more impressive than the impressive words. The broad fraternity here exemplified has carried convictions deeper than the unique words that have been spoken. Let us go hence in tender humility, in brave courage, and try to be worthy the great patrimony of grief and sorrow, of hope and strain that have come to us as they came to and through Abraham Lincoln.

With many thanks to the friends who have contributed to this

evening's inspiration, we bid each other good-night.



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Thirty years is a long time, and the past thirty years of human history, of political and social, ethical and religious history, is vastly longer than the "fifty years" which England's poet once called "better than a cycle of Cathay." There are few religious journals today which have been "doing business at the old stand" for thirty years. There is, perhaps, hardly another religious newspaper whose present editor began as much as thirty years ago, and has guarded and guided his craft through three decades. Yet that is the least of UNITY's claim to distinction.

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C. A. OSBORNE.

Unity Publishing Company In addition to the publication of UNITY, the Unity Publishing Company has another industry of which you are likely to hear for sometime, for we are told on high authority that it has no end,—I mean the industry of book-making. The work done in this department, the preparation of manuscript, proof-reading, the struggle with printers and afterwards with printers' bills, is of that intangible kind which if well done counts for nothing at all, but if poorly done reflects an undesirable notoriety on all concerned.

Last year we appeared in the publishers' lists with a new book, a little one, but it bears on its title page the names of John T. Mc-Cutcheon and Jenkin Lloyd Jones. It is called "What Does Christmas Really Mean?" Though late on the market and hampered by the inexperience of amateur publishers, it passed into the second thousand before Christmas, and a promising business house now proposes to lend a hand and begin next season with an order for three thousand copies. Perhaps this little book, which is characterized by the Chicago Evening Post as "sweet, wise and full of the spirit of brotherly love," and of which Mr. Gannett writes, "It should go into many a home and many a mother's hand and many a child's heart this next Christmas season, and leave its message with big as well as with small folk," may yet prove our best venture,—so long as it is our last. It certainly promises to pay its own way in the world, and that is better than we can say of some of our bantlings; but this work has been from first to last a missionary activity, established for the

primary purpose of extending our Pastor's influence and helpfulness beyond the sphere of his spoken word, and it should not be cause for surprise if the money balance sometimes turns up on the wrong side.

In addition to Mr. Jones's books we have several attractive titles by other authors, among them being Miss Louella Chapin's "Round About Chicago," and now, only a few weeks from the press, Rev. Joseph Newton's appreciative and altogether delightful life of Professor David Swing. The prosperity of the Lincoln Centre Shop is closely associated with the success of our publications, and the New Year opens with unusual promise for this department.

EVELYN H. WALKER.

The Lincoln Centre Shop

The Lincoln Centre Shop weathered the hard times of last year

and a good holiday trade helped to even up accounts.

The sale of books was larger than the year before, and we sold many of our own publications, among them three hundred of "What Does Christmas Really Mean?" A printed list of our publications brought many mail orders and much appreciation of the kind of things we make. We are gradually building up a wholesale as well as a retail trade and hope to bring a better report next year.

Frances Lester, Manager.

The Congress of Religion Yesterday the world needed to be reminded that the real things of life are the ideal things, and that those things which can be measured in pounds and ounces, in yards or ampères, are only the temporal things after all. But that was yesterday; a new day has dawned in which the scope and power of a spiritual dynamic is the matter of deepest human interest. When therefore one writes of an ideal that has become incarnate, of a vision that has been carved in more enduring form than marble or bronze,—even in the pantheon of the race,—he has the assurance that neither panegyric nor an apologetic is needed. The Congress of Religion belongs truly to the realm of the ideal, is one of the spiritual dynamics of modern history. It has brought together on its platform leaders of diverse creeds, Catholic and Protestant, Conservative and Liberal, and has demonstrated the essential unity of faith and the common interest in the deepest things of truth and right and God. And in fact, this is the real achievement of the Congress. This is the assurance of its value and of the immortality of its message,—that here at least a Bethel has been established, an altar has been consecrated to the God of our fathers and to the common faith of mankind; that here where sound the clash of creeds and the strife of sectarian armies, the Congress has sounded a bugle-call to the help of the helpless and against the nameless inhumanities of creed and custom, commerce and society; has summoned every child of the

Infinite to fall into line with his brethren of every faith and march forth, conquering and to conquer, in the name of a common Fatherhood, and in the cause of a world-wide brotherhood.

The magnificent work is not finished, it is only just begun; but the Congress of Religion has caught up the note which was heard around the world, even the message of its forbear, the Parliament of Religions, and has re-echoed and set to the music of the churches this gospel of glad tidings. In the days of the years that are coming the Congress may be forgotten, but many people from many lands shall join in this song of the free until its melody shall fill the earth, its truth inspire humanity.

C. A. OSBORNE.

Tower Hill deserves a place in the Twenty-sixth Annual of All Souls Church, because it is here that the work of the church is carried on during the summer months. Here the books are read and the programs formulated which help to make the class work and the sermons of the coming year. Tower Hill began as a place where tired people might find rest and renewal to prepare once more for the world's work. In 1890 the sixty acres of barren hillside was purchased by Jenkin Lloyd Jones, W. C. Gannett and S. S. Hunting. The cattle have been kept off, the fires have been kept down, and Nature has been given a chance to clothe with beauty what was once a barren hillside.

But Tower Hill yields more than physical rest. In the classes, lectures, readings, communings, many a one has gathered strength to face the harder problems of life and to make the barren spots

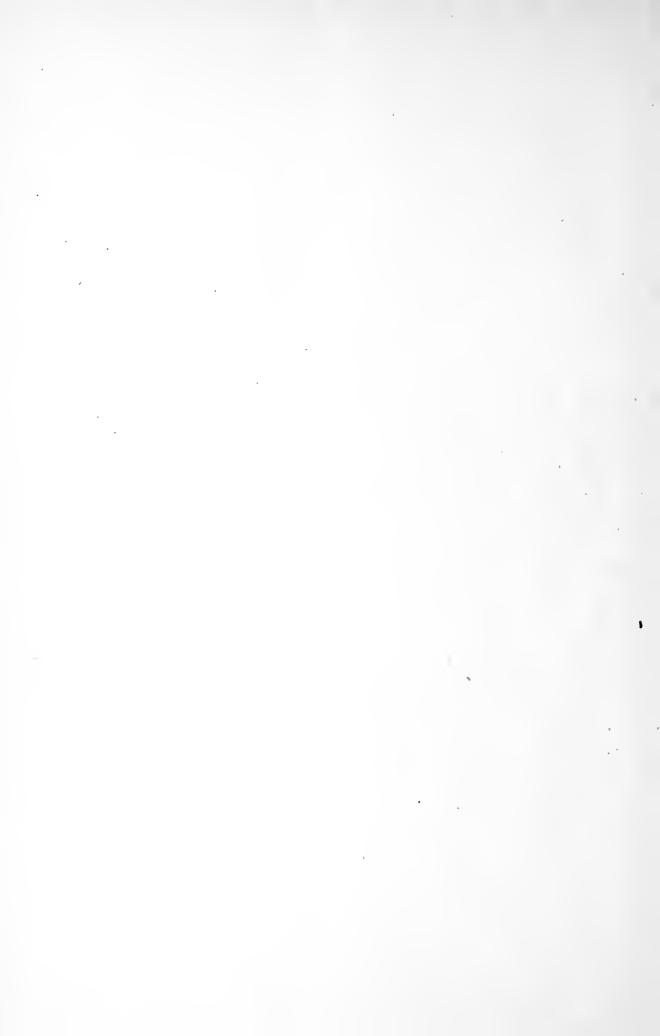
of the soul-land blossom, even as the sandy waste.

There is no hard and fast program and there are many pleasant surprises, but as a rule the summer work runs somewhat as follows, continuing for five weeks. This year, as usual, Mr. Jones gives a condensation of the work of the Classes in Religion. There are readings from the poets, generally a dip into Ruskin, some science,—trees, flowers, ferns, insects or birds, studied at first hand,—and, as last year, the Wisconsin Women's Congress will have a two days' session.

Anyone wishing to know more of Tower Hill may address Mrs. Edith Lackersteen at Abraham Lincoln Centre, Chicago, until July 1st; after July 1st, at Spring Green, Wisconsin.



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