

fifth chapter of St. Matthew's Gospel, verse eighth.

On Tuesday morning, December 2, at 10:30, after a sermon by Mr. Wilson from the twelfth chapter and thirty-seventh verse of St. Luke, full of interest and impressive.

The Bishop admitted to the sacred office of deacons, Mr. Percival H. Hickman, lately Professor of mathematics in Racine College. The candidate was presented by Mr. Wilson.

The parishes at Blair and Indiana were committed to his care, as lay reader, on All Saints' Day. They lie in the midst of the Scotch and Irish Presbyterian emigration that settled the belt of Pennsylvania, west of the Alleghenies.

DELAWARE.

WILMINGTON—Immanuel Chapel.—Many years have elapsed since the Bishop has had a new church in Wilmington to consecrate.

Notwithstanding the lowering sky on the afternoon of Advent Sunday, which later came down in sleet, Immanuel chapel, at Riverview avenue and Seventeenth street, on "the Highlands," a new suburb of the city, was completely filled with an attentive and reverent congregation to participate in its solemn dedication to the service of Almighty God.

NEW JERSEY.

TRENTON—Trinity Church.—A costly memorial window in the chancel of this church was dedicated December 1. The window is a triple one surmounted by a rose window. The baptism of Christ is the subject of the central section, with the Blessing of Little Children on one side and the Adoration of the Magi on the other.

WISCONSIN.

EPISCOPAL VISITATION.—The Bishop is at present engaged in an Advent visitation of a portion of the La Crosse Convocation district. This district comprises the twenty-one north-western counties of Wisconsin—and is a most interesting missionary jurisdiction. The present visitation includes the Eau Claire and Superior, and Hudson and Superior divisions of the Omaha railway. At Eau Claire the Church is strengthening and increasing continually in efficiency.

LONG ISLAND.

BROOKLYN—Church of the Messiah.—A public meeting was held in this church on Sunday evening last, under the auspices of the Missionary Committee of the diocese. The subject discussed was "The Italian Population of this City and the Work Among Them."

MASSACHUSETTS.

LOWELL—Consecration of the new Chancel of St. Anne's Church.—On Thursday of last week, before an immense congregation, the Bishop duly consecrated the magnificent addition to this church, with a special office. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. J. C. Manchester of St. John's church, the absolution being pronounced by the Bishop.

The music by the supplied choir, under the direction of Mr. H. B. Day, was very hearty and satisfactory and gave excellent promise for the future when choir and organist become fully accustomed to their new surroundings.

After the service the clergy and invited guests enjoyed, in the refectory connected with the chapel, the hospitality for which the parish is noted.

The improvements have been almost wholly within the church, and there the transformation has been marvellous. Once inside one does not now see much of the old church that claims recognition. While the changes have been elaborate and many of them expensive, there has been exercised remarkably good taste in harmonizing all of them into a beautiful and appropriate whole.

But the great improvement has been in the addition of the new chancel and organ chamber. This addition is 36 feet deep by about 40 wide, the chancel occupying the entire depth and 27 feet of the width. The chancel is beautiful. Its decoration is exquisite, yet sufficiently substantial in tone to meet the approbation of all. The color of the walls is Egyptian red about two-thirds of the height. The upper part is finished in handsome diaper work in delicate shades of buff.

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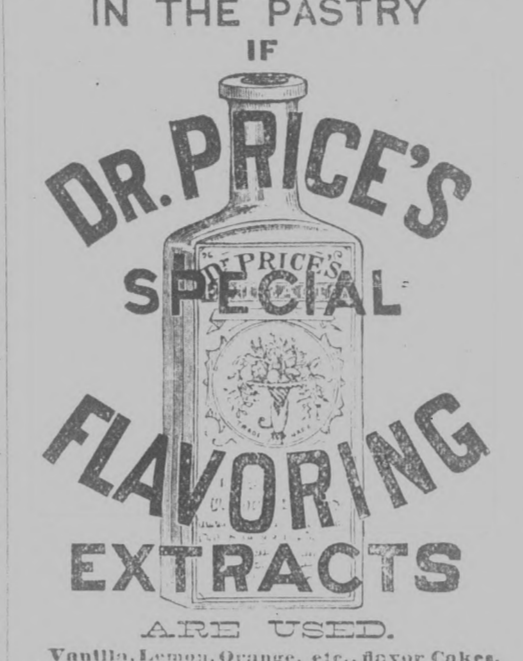
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