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FAMOUS HYMN THAT SUNG ITSELF

Interesting Story of Dudley Buck, the Organist, Is Retold

An interesting story of how Dudley Buck was seized by the divine power of a hymn, and produced fitting music for its one and only performance, is told in The Westminster (Philadelphia.) The relater of the incident is Rev. George B. Spaulding who was a pastor in Hartford, Conn., in the early days of Dudley Buck's career as an organist. In Dr. Spalding's church was a most notable group of singing men and singing women," and "he was their master, their very soul, and ours also." The writer calls this, "an instance of his surpassing genius," and writes:

"From my study window I heard the organ as Buck was practicing in the church across the street. I went in for the purpose of getting his choice of music for a hymn which I wished sung on the next day at which there was to be the sacramental service. The hymn was set to no tune in the book. It had stirred me greatly as I came upon it in my preparation for the Sunday. I handed it to the organist; I watched his face as he read it over. Its tremendous dramatic power seized him and held him from the beginning to the close. He had never before met with it. Not many of your readers have ever seen it. It runs thus:

"Darkly rose the guilty morning,
When, the King of Glory scorning,
Raged the fierce Jerusalem;
See the Christ, his cross uplifting,
See him stricken, spit on, wearing
The thorn-plaited diadem.

Not the crowd whose cry assailed him,
Nor the hands that rudely nailed him
Slew him on the cursed tree;
Ours the sin from heaven that called him,
Ours the sin whose burden galled him
In the sad Gethsemane.

"For our sins, of glory emptied,
He was fasting, lone, and tempted,
He was slain on Calvary;
Yet he for his murderers pleaded;
Lord, by us that prayer is needed;
We have pierced, yet trust in thee.

"In our wealth and tribulation,
By thy precious cross and passion,
By the blood and agony,
By thy glorious resurrection,
By thy Holy Ghost's protection,
Make us thine eternally.

"As Buck read on, his face gathered into a very agony. The tears rained down upon the book. Neither of us spoke for a time: 'There is no tune,' I said, 'for such a hymn.' 'No,' he replied, 'but I will have one.' 'And the choir?' I asked. 'They will be all ready,' he answered.

"The Sunday morning came. The holy sacrament was observed. Then I read the hymn slowly to the congregation. The first breath of the great organ under its master's touch was like the prelude of an awful tragedy, and, as the choir caught the hymn inspired by the full meaning of every word, the whole scene of the fierce Jerusalem, and the sad Gethsemane, and the cruel Calvary burst upon the great congregation, filling them with very terror. The organ itself seemed affrighted. And then with the closing stanza, organ and choir surged into one wailing cry of penitence and beseeching, at the sobbing, pleading voice of the soprano soared upward and still upward, breaking at last as against the very throne of God. If ever pastor and people worshiped, if ever human souls confessed and prayed and won forgiveness, it was then and there. We were transported and transfigured under the power of music which is sovereign when out of its soul it pours itself into the souls of the hearers.

"Then it is that music is neither science nor art, but a spirit which is the breath of the Almighty. Then it is that heaven moves down into the souls of men and eternity begins.

"I asked Buck, as others did, for the composition of that music. He promised it and tried hard to reproduce it, but he never could do it. It was born of God. It was the Spirit of God, and like the wind, 'We hear the voice thereof, but know not whence it cometh or whither it goeth.'"

CHRISTMAS PASTORAL OF BISHOP SCADDING.

Peace and good will at the heart of God's universe; its certain end and destiny! To see and feel this against all contrary appearances, to recognize it in the workings of things as they are—that is the joy of Christmas, for Christ is its gift and final peace its promise. In all the year, over all the world, this is the Day of Good Will. On this day and from this day forth—the life of God and the life of man run in one blessed channel. God in Man and Man in God; the strife that is beneath all strife ceases; the peace that is within all peace reigns. Peace and Good Will assert themselves the one sole law of God's universe. Believe it, my friend, even if at this hour you feel yourself in the depths of turmoil and ill will, believe it, that deep and still, beneath all noisy surfaces flows the true current of Christmas Peace and Good Will.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year is my earnest prayer for all our clergy and laity, for friends without the diocese, for our patient workers, in distant and sometimes discouraged missions, and to those in the diocese to whom the material side of Christmas may bring but little. God grant you may one and all be abundantly blessed and prospered in the New Year; and that each month, as it passes, may find us growing in grace, more firmly knit together in the loving bonds of one family in Christ, more considerate of each other, and more zealous for the extension of Christ's kingdom. To those whose hearts are faint, I would say, off with your blue spectacles, and put on those rose colored and enter the new year as optimists full of faith in God, yourself, your parish, your diocese, your fellow man. The life which Our Lord Jesus Christ touched became henceforth a sacred thing. The Incarnation santifies common life, our common duties, and every department of human activity and because it does so it gives us courage and assurance of ultimate success. You are God's dear child, His Christmas gift to you is Himself. Take Him to your heart, and you will find Him your Life, your Light, your Guardian and your Friend, and so will you have a really "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

Affectionately, Your Bishop and fellow-servants in the Lord,
CHARLES SCADDING,
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LINCOLN SCHOOL NOTES

(By Pupil.)

The school has fitted up a room for a library and has been provided with ninety-eight new volumes which are now in circulation. The board also gives us some new screens on which will be arranged exhibits of drawing from various rooms. These will be arranged in the hall so that visitors may see a sample of what the different rooms are doing.

Now that basketball season is here, the girls of Lincoln have organized two basketball teams, first and second. Miss Kress is manager. The basement has been fitted up by the girls for practice after two hours. Emma Stephenson is captain of the first team and Margaret Hitich of the second team. First team, Helene DeLano, center; Bessie Baker, forward; Grace Bingham, forward; Emma Stephenson, guard; Dorothy Wheeler, guard. Second team, Irene Maxwell, center; Margaret Hetich, forward; Genevieve Dickey, forward; Hattie Purkerson, guard; Ruth Jamieson, guard; Martha Tinker, substitute.

The boys of the four upper grades have organized an athletic club. The object of this club is to develop and exercise the physical nature of the boys. They are going to begin work at once. The boys have decided to use the northwest part of the school grounds for their field work. They expect to meet the boys of other schools in the latter part of the year, in athletic contests.

The material for the sash curtains was received last week and was promptly distributed among the grade rooms. This kept the teachers and some of the girls busy the last few days plying the needle preparing the curtains for the windows. They are about all up now and give the rooms a cozy appearance from the inside.

The school has been supplied with a series of wall maps completely fitted, in roller frames. These have been arranged upon the wall and are brought into service.

A globe and some blocks for mathematical illustration work were also added to our equipment.

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