



THE RELIGION OF TAFT.

Much was said and written during the campaign about the religious views of Taft, with a view of prejudicing voters against him, and since he was elected the following, which was handed to the editor by a Graphic reader, will no doubt be read with interest.

Dr. John W. Hill, pastor of the Metropolitan Temple, New York, an M. E. church says:

"I regard him as the most consistent conscientious Christian gentleman I have ever known in public life. The question of a man's religion should not enter into a political campaign. The American people have never proposed a religious test either for citizenship or election to office. In fact few of our Presidents have been members of the church. George Washington attended the Episcopal church, but he was not a member. Abraham Lincoln believed in all the churches, but was connected with none. When he first appeared as a presidential candidate Free Thinkers claimed him as their representative and many objected to him upon the ground that he was an unbeliever. Their objections however, were soon removed, for it was not long after the Civil war broke out that Mr. Lincoln became known as a man of prayer, and not only so, but as a Christian in all that is essentially involved in the name.

"Mr. Taft is a member of the Unitarian church. As a Unitarian he is a conservative, which school is known in New England as the Congregational Unitarians. He believes in God, in the Scriptures, in the influence and agency in the Divine Spirit, and in the character, work and mission of Christ. He belongs to the school of Edward Everett Hale who is at this time chaplain of the United States Senate, whose prayers are all offered in the name of Christ.

"Then, taken aside from this mere outward profession, Mr. Taft actually embodies the great Christian qualities in his character. I have never known a more patient, kind, gentle, forgiving, pure-minded, conscientious, stainless man. No word of criticism has ever been spoken against his integrity. He stands for the best in society and in the state. He is identified with the Christian in the great cause of foreign missions. He is everywhere in demand upon great missionary occasions and in Carnegie hall electrified Greater New York by a missionary address.

HELP THE CHILDREN THIS THANKSGIVING.

The Boys' & Girls' Aid Society Appeal for Donations.

The management of the Boys' & Girls' Aid Society feel that it is only necessary to remind their many friends that Thanksgiving day will soon be here again, and with it comes the annual expectancy that always accompanies this time of year. A hard year's work has been done by the Society in the effort to care for the dependent children of the state, to investigate cases of reported abuse and to aid those who were unable to help themselves.

Nearly every county in the state contributes dependent children to this institution. The number received from all sources the last fiscal year is 373, out of which number 207 were entirely new cases and received from the following counties: Baker 5, Benton 5, Clackamas 3, Clatsop 1, Columbia 1, Coos 1, Crook 2, Douglas 6, Jackson 1, Josephine 2, Klamath 2, Lane 12, Linn 5,

Malheur 2, Marion 6, Multnomah 117, Sherman 3, Tillamook 5, Union 2, Umatilla 5, Wallowa 2, Wasco 5, Washington 9, Yamhill 6. Of these new cases 131 are boys and 76 girls. The average age of the girls is 10.7 and the average age of the boys is 9.3.

It may be interesting to know that besides the 60 children on hand at the Receiving Home at Portland the Society has under its care throughout the state of Oregon nearly 600 children. These children are placed out in family homes under the supervision of the Society's agents. A report is made to the office on every case visited, telling them how the child is getting along and whether they would recommend it to remain in its place or not.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP SOCIETY.

Donate whatever money you may be able to spare or send a sack of potatoes, a bag of onions, a sack of flour, or send to school through your children a package of coffee, a few potatoes, a pound of rice, a chicken, a package of sugar, or in fact anything that is useful in a household, and the principal of the school will have it packed in boxes with other donations from the children and forward it to the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society at Portland, Oregon. The railroad companies and steamboat lines have kindly promised to deadhead all such supplies when marked plainly "Boys' & Girls' Aid Society, Portland, Oregon." All communications should be addressed to W. T. Gardner, Supt. Those wishing children apply as above; children of all ages always on hand.

The County Advisory Board for this county are as follows: B. F. Rhodes, pres.; Mrs. Wm. Galloway, sec. and treas.; R. L. Conner, Dr. Leroy Lewis and Mrs. E. E. Goucher.

A Pleasant Surprise.

Monday November 16th being the 46th birthday of Mrs. C. R. Williams, a few of her intimate friends planned a surprise for her at her pleasant home at 7th and Willamette streets. Early in the afternoon the guests began to gather, with well filled baskets, and Mrs. Williams was so completely surprised that it was some time before she could become reconciled to the situation. However, she recovered from her surprise and the afternoon was very pleasantly enjoyed by both herself and guests.

At 6 o'clock the table was spread, and we might say right here was loaded down with all the good eatables that this great state of Oregon is capable of producing. And it would be needless to say that each guest did ample justice to the occasion. The remainder of the evening was spent in social conversation, interspersed with some fine selections on the violin furnished by Mr. Williams and son. During the stay of the visitors Mrs. Williams was the recipient of some very beautiful and useful presents which she so much appreciated and enjoyed that it seemed "more blessed to give than to receive." It was an afternoon and evening well spent by the parties present which consisted of Grandma Rorobaugh, Mr. and Mrs. James Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Comack and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Saunders and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Williams and son, Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Ames and daughter and Miss Grace Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams are fine entertainers and as the guests departed late in the evening each one wished them much happiness and comfort in the future.

A FRIEND.

Lyceum Course—First Number.

On Saturday evening, November 28, at Duncans hall, the first number of the Star Lyceum course will be given—"The Artist Trio"—Doyle-McGill-Deering Company, of Chicago, with Mary Agnes Doyle, reader, Flora McGill, contralto, and Blanch Deering, violinist.

The press notices of the work done by this trio of young ladies are all that could be asked and Newberg can be assured that a high class entertainment is offered.

The dates of the other numbers in the course will be announced later. The price of season tickets for the course is \$1.50, which includes reserved seats, and the figure is very low for the talent offered.

Those holding season tickets will be given two days preference in the selection of seats, over those who only buy for one night, and on Monday and Tuesday of next week persons holding season tickets may call at either drugstore and make their selection. Those who desire to buy for one night only will be served after Tuesday.

PRESS NOTICES.

Miss Doyle is an interpreter of literature, not a reciter of verses nor a dellsarte model. Her reading throbs with pulsating life, whether it be the emotions of sorrow, joy, patriotism, or laughter. I have never heard her equal in presenting the best Irish stories. There is no suggestion of the melodramatic Irishman that we see on the stage; her characters are simply sincere, genuine, and presented with consummate art. Beside her dramatic sense, skill and artistic finish, Miss Doyle has a charming personality, a strength, ease and winsomeness that is as indescribable as it is delightful. There is no young reader of my acquaintance whom I can recommend more unreservedly.—Editor "Talent."

Miss Blanch Deering scored a tremendous success last evening, her numbers on piano and violin winning most enthusiastic applause and repeated recalls.—Rochester Herald.

The vocal solos of Miss Flora McGill, of Chicago, were features of the concerts, and her rich, sweet far-carrying voice was at its best. Her numbers were artistic treats.—Iowa City Press.

Chehalem Center

Rev. Mills attended the Friends Quarterly Meeting at Portland. In his absence Enos Ellis preached at the Sunday morning services. The subject of his theme was "Is the Bulk of Humanity on the Right Road to Heaven," warning the people not to try to get to heaven on their good works. Miss Mabel Paulsen also attended the Friends Quarterly Meeting in Portland.

George and John Perry have a number of their relatives visiting them.

Mrs. Cyrene Palmer is visiting friends at Dundee of late.

The many friends of Don Chase were glad to welcome him home after his absence of six months in the state of Washington.

Mr. Gottenburg, nephew of C. Jacobson, is visiting them from Mt. Angel. While here he is giving their residence a new coat of paint.

There are a number of new residences being built throughout Chehalem Center which goes to show the country is improving. Mr. Wells on the Gord Warden place has completed a nice, commodious dwelling. Mr. Loveland, who bought Billy Brunson's place, has lumber hauled to build. Mr. Bean is building on their tract just south of Springhill farm. M. F. Wilkins who adjoins J. P. Barnhart's farm on the west, have an eight-room house, with all modern improvements, under construction. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Carter are building on their twenty acre tract, which they lately purchased of Howard Walton, that joins their ninety acre place up the valley. Ray Carter and family will live there as he rents the farms.

Rev. Jno. Shires has a neat new wire fence on the front of his property.

Mrs. Josie Ellis, who is now staying at the home of W. F. Wilkins, led the Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday evening.

The W. C. T. U. of Chehalem Center have been holding some splendid meetings during the summer and fall, the last one being held last Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Everest, Pres. Mrs. S. W. Newhouse in the chair and a number of the members present, with one visitor, Mrs. Armstrong of the fruit farm.



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