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THE NEW ORGAN.

The new pipe-organ, at present in course of construction for the church is being built by the Hope Jones Organ Co., of Elmira, N. Y. Mr. Robert Hope Jones, the superintendent and mechanical head of this firm, is an English builder of world-wide reputation, having built some of the finest and largest organs in the world. He has invented many special stops, quite a few of which will be incorporated in our new instrument. Notably the "Viol d'Orchestre"—the finest string tone ever produced by pipes; a special form of "Gedact" and "Lieblich Flute;" a "Clarinet" which is a perfect imitation of its orchestral prototype, yet which will combine in chords, contrary to the ordinary organ "Clarinet;" and last the massive "Tuba," which plays on all departments of the organ and is its crowning glory. This stop, as made by Mr. Hope Jones, is found in barely a half dozen organs in all America. It is of smooth, massive foundation tone, and enriches the entire instrument.

In building this organ, which will be the largest ever erected in Lancaster, the pipes and chests of an excellent old Hook & Hastings organ, recently displaced by a \$10,000 memorial instrument, will be used as a nucleus for the work. These are most excellent, as this organ was built by H. & H. in the best days of their existence, when Jesse Woodbury, now one of our most prominent American builders, was their head voicer. By doing this, we are enabled to secure a far finer instrument than otherwise; this same idea was carried out in Trinity organ in 1887; and it is considered one of the best organs in the city today.

Not all of the instrument is of this material, for the entire choir organ is brand new, both chests and pipes; and the entire action, console, and

everything is the same. The action is of the latest tested form of electro-pneumatic; stop tablets working about $\frac{3}{8}$ of an inch to operate instead of the old stop handles are being used. It has forty-three speaking stops, three manuals and pedal, and has upwards of 2,000 pipes in its make-up. With the mechanical adjuncts the number of stop tablets will be nearly eighty. They are of different colors according to the stops they operate. Its full description would require too much space for these columns; to any one interested technically, a printed scheme can be obtained by applying to Wm. Z. Roy, the organist.

The organ, in connection with the Sunday School organ (the one from the old church), will be blown by a large, $7\frac{1}{2}$ H. P. Electric Kinetic blower, situated in a pit under the basement. Beside being powerful enough to completely fill the building, it will contain a great many beautiful soft stops of solo and accompanying variety.

The case will be of simple, yet effective design, of oak to match the finish of the building, and pipes of plain gilt. It will have an exposure front; also in the apse. It will follow very closely the design of the organ in Rev. Schmauk's church in Lebanon.

Our people are very fortunate in being able to secure so magnificent an instrument to grace the new building. Owing to our using the material of the old organ, and to Mr. Andrew Carnegie's donation, (the latter made possible to us by the kindly interest taken by Mr. James Shand, of this city, and Mr. Jas. D. Law, a former resident), the cost of the organ to the congregation, even including the blowing apparatus, will hardly reach the price which was allotted for the organ when the new building was first considered.

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WHY BE A LUTHERAN?

Because this body of Christians is exact and practical.

Because their instruction tells of Christ and His atonement as the only remedy for sin.

Because their only guide is the Holy Bible, entire and alone.

Because the heavenly must save the earthly, or it cannot be saved.

Because the two sacraments of Baptism and the Holy Supper are the only means appointed by the word of God for applying pardon to us.

Because no one form of human government, ritual, feeling or human philosophy has been made an essential by the Lord.

Because she has always taught the same Truth.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

"The Sunday School is the noblest development of the nineteenth century." The Sunday School idea is

centuries old; but what we call the modern Sunday School is comparatively new. Strange as it may seem, however, the Sunday School is not understood as it should be. There are many who still look upon it as the "Children's church," or as an "institution." While the Sunday School is in a sense the nursery of the church, the idea of childhood implied in that expression has done more to retard the progress and growth of the Sunday School than any other one thing. The Sunday School is no more for children than it is for gray-haired men and women.

The Sunday School is the Bible-studying-and-teaching service of the church. Since it is a service of the church, why should not all the church be here?

It is as incumbent upon church members to attend the service of their church when it meets to study the Bible in the Sunday School, as it is to attend when it meets to hear the pastor preach. Nothing, aside from a miraculous blessing from heaven, would do the Sunday Schools of our country so much good, as for all church members, who are able to do so, to identify themselves with the Sunday Schools of their own churches.

The Sunday School is a mighty force in the world; but from the standpoint of the church, it is a field, a ripe field, white to the harvest. From the best statistics we are able to gather, we find that from three-fourths to five-sixths of all conversions to the church come from the Sunday School. The church which pays easy-going attention to its Sunday School, failing to support it, nourish it, and care for it, is neglecting its most promising opportunity.

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"Right triumphant has no need to be violent."

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