

Bettag-Service at st. Peter's Church

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The Ladies' Section of the Unione Ticinese has pleasure in announcing that it is arranging to hold a CHRISTMAS BAZAAR early in December, the proceeds of which will go towards the Section's Sick Fund.

Readers are requested to make a special note of this forthcoming event, certainly not to be missed, and to watch the next months' issues for further details.

R. M. A.

BETTAG-SERVICE AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

The Swiss Catholics gathered in goodly number for the "Bettag" Service on September 17th when, in the presence of the Swiss Minister and Madame Ruegger, the Chaplain, the Rev. Fr. Lanfranchi, sang High Mass, supported by the mixed Catholic Choir. Father Würms (of the Institute Bethlehem Immensee) preached the sermon, mentioning the wonderful graces of peace bestowed upon our country in 1914/1918 and again in the present world crisis; dwelling on the proof of the presence of the Creator in the magnificent sceneries of our land and mountains, not only as accepted by us Swiss, but recorded by three great British writers and personalities in the late Cardinal Newman, Hilaire Belloc, and lately by the great friend of Switzerland, Mr. Arthur Lunn.

Father Lanfranchi also announced that the Annual General Meeting usually held on the Bettag, had been postponed to a later date in the year. J. B.

SWISS NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

The services at the Eglise Suisse, at Endell Street, and at the Oak Room, at Kingsway Hall, were well attended on the 17th September by Swiss citizens of the Colony, who came to worship and take Communion on the occasion of the "Jeune Fédéral" or Eidg. Dank-Buss- und Bettag". They came to offer thanks to the Almighty for having preserved their country, to search their hearts and to pray for God's guidance concerning the future of our native land and its citizens abroad.

Rev. M. Pradervand as well as Rev. P. Rad had referred to the need of committing our lives anew into the hand of God, Who, through His Son, Jesus Christ, has been speaking to us. Those who have found a way of access to Him, through prayer, have discovered the immense privilege of inward peace and assurance, as compared with those who remain indifferent. Rev. Rad emphasised the urgency and need of a return to daily scripture reading in the family circle. Through the family the future nation is built, and by the regular reading of the Word both the individual and the nation will partake of God's blessing, and get to know Him and His Son, Jesus Christ, in Whom we have the promise of eternal life. W. F.

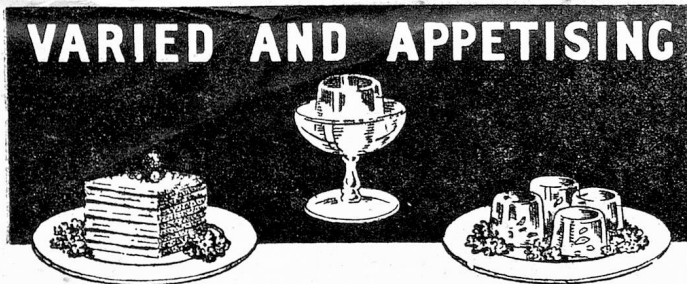
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