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The Thirtieth Anniversary
OF
HIS ORDINATION.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1854,
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1884.

Thirty Years.

1854. — 30 — 1884.

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1885.

C. D. BRADLEE
WAS LICENSED TO PREACH BY THE
"BOSTON ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS,"
JUNE 12, 1854,
IN CHARLESTOWN, MASS.,
AT THE HOUSE OF REV. DR. GEORGE E. ELLIS.

1854.

1884.

C. D. BRADLEE HAS BEEN PASTOR OF THE
FOLLOWING CHURCHES, VIZ.:

- (1) Allen Street Church, North Cambridge, Mass.
- (2) Acting Pastor of the "Church of Our Father," East Boston, Mass.
- (3) Pastor of the "Church of the Redeemer," Boston.
- (4) Christian Unity, Boston. At one time called "Church of the Good Samaritan."
- (5) Church at Harrison Sq., Dorchester, Boston, Mass., having charge of this last church from the first Sunday in March, 1876.

HISTORY OF ORDINATION, 1854.

IN 1854 the following "Letter Missive" was sent to the several churches or individuals mentioned below, viz.:—

The Allen Street Society and Church in North Cambridge, Mass., to the Church under the care of Rev. ———.

GREETING:

Christian Brethren:—

Having with entire unanimity invited CALEB DAVIS BRADLEE to become our Pastor, and he having accepted the invitation, we respectfully request your attendance by your Pastor and Delegate, at his Ordination on Monday, December 11th, 1854.

We are Yours, in the Faith of the Gospel,

THOMAS J. PIERCE,

Chairman Com. Society.

JAMES W. BALDWIN, }
EDWARD G. LYNES, } *Deacons of the Church.*

N. B. The Council will meet at Porter's Hotel, at 9½;
Services commence at 10 o'clock.

Cars will leave Fitchburg Depot at 9 o'clock.

The following Churches have been invited :

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| (1) Brighton, | Rev. F. A. WHITNEY. |
| (2) Charlestown, | Rev. GEORGE E. ELLIS. |
| (3) Somerville, | Rev. A. R. POPE. |
| (4) Cambridgeport, | Rev. J. F. W. WARE. |
| (5) East Cambridge, | Rev. F. W. HOLLAND. |
| (6) Lee Street. | |
| (7) Cambridge, | Rev. Dr. NEWELL. |
| (8) Woburn, | Rev. J. M. MARSTERS. |
| (9) West Cambridge, | Rev. S. A. SMITH. |
| (10) Watertown. | |
| (11) Dorchester, | Rev. RICHARD PIKE. |
| (12) Charlestown, N. H., | Rev. Dr. CROSBY. |
| (13) Hingham, | Rev. C. LINCOLN. |
| (14) Medfield, | Rev. R. D. BURR. |
| (15) Bath, | Rev. RICHARD METCALF. |
| (16) Boston South Cong'l, | Rev. F. D. HUNTINGTON. |
| (17) Hollis Street, | Rev. T. S. KING. |
| (18) First Church, | Rev. RUFUS ELLIS. |
| (19) North Church, | Rev. A. B. FULLER. |
| (20) Boston Second Ch., | Rev. C. ROBBINS. |
| (21) Pitts St. Chapel, | Rev. S. H. WINKLEY. |
| (22) Chambers St. Church, | Rev. Dr. BARRETT. |
| (23) Bulfinch St. Church, | Rev. F. T. GRAY. |
| (24) Christian Church, | Rev. E. EDMUNDS. |
| (25) Secretary A. U. A., | Rev. CHARLES BRIGGS. |
| (26) Mt. Pleasant Church, | Rev. WM. R. ALGER. |
| (27) Cambridge, H. C., | Rev. Dr. WALKER. |
| (28) Cambridge, H. C., | Rev. Dr. NOYES. |
| (29) Sandwich, | Rev. J. G. FORMAN. |
| (30) | Rev. ADAMS AYER. |

(31)		Rev. WM. O. MOSELEY.
(32)	Augusta,	Rev. L. G. WARE.
(33)		Rev. J. I. T. COOLIDGE.
(34)	Jamacia Plain,	Rev. G. REYNOLDS.
(35)	West Dedham,	Rev. Mr. LOCKE.
(36)	North Chelsea,	Rev. Mr. POND.
(37)	Cambridge,	Rev. Dr. C. FRANCIS.
(38)	Boston,	Rev. Dr. FROTHINGHAM.

The Council met at Porter's Hotel at 9½ o'clock. Rev. Dr. JAMES WALKER was chosen Moderator, and Rev. FREDERIC A. WHITNEY was elected Scribe. The usual credentials were demanded of the Candidate.

One question alone was asked, viz. :—

“What do you think of Christ?” To which this reply was given, viz. :—

When Christ speaks, God speaks.

Rev. F. D. HUNTINGTON then said, “I move we proceed to the Ordination.” This motion was carried, after which the Rev. FREDERIC A. WHITNEY, of Brighton, Mass., was chosen to deliver the “Right Hand of Fellowship,” in the name of the Council.

Services at the Church at 10 o'clock, as follows, viz. :—

Order of Services at the Ordination of CALEB DAVIS BRADLEE, as Pastor of the Allen Street Church, in Cambridge, on Monday, December 11, 1854.

(1) Voluntary.

(2) Hymn. *Montgomery.*

" We bid thee welcome in the name
Of Jesus, our exalted head:
Come as a servant, so he came;
And we receive thee in his stead.

" Come as a teacher sent from God,
Charged His whole counsel to declare,
Lift o'er our ranks the prophet's rod,
While we uphold thy hands with prayer.

" Come as a messenger of peace
Filled with the Spirit, fired with love;
Live to behold our large increase
And die to meet us all above."

(3) Introductory Prayer. REV. DR. NOYES.

(4) Selections from Bible. REV. DR. NOYES.

(5) Hymn. REV. F. D. HUNTINGTON.

" O thou, in whose eternal name
Went forth the Apostle's ardent host,
Baptize as with the hallowed flame
That fell from Heaven at Pentecost.

" The fearless faith that cries " Repent,"
Thy servant's earnest message fill;
By Thee the living word was sent,
Thy presence make it living still.

" And while thy people bend and pray
Towards thy benignant throne of light,
Give answer in the dawning day
Of Freedom, Mercy, Truth and Right.

"Father, whose heavenly kingdom lies
In every meek, believing breast,
Reveal before thy children's eyes
That kingdom's coming, and its rest.

"Give thy son's herald from above,
The anointing of thy spirit's breath,
The faith that worked in Christ by love,
The truth that triumphed in his death."

- (6) Sermon. Rev. T. S. KING.
(7) Prayer of Ordination. Rev. F. D. HUNTINGTON.
(8) Hymn. LONGFELLOW.

"O God, thy children gathered here,
Thy blessing now we wait;
Thy servant girded for his work,
Stands at the temple's gate.

"A holy purpose in his heart
Has deepened calm and still;
Now from his childhood's Nazareth,
He comes to do thy will.

"O Father, keep his soul alive
To every hope of good;
And may his life of love proclaim
Man's truest brotherhood!

"O Father, keep his spirit quick,
To every form of wrong;
And in the ear of sin and self
May his rebuke be strong!

"And as he does Christ's footsteps press,
If e'er his faith grow dim,
Then in the dreary wilderness
Thine angels strengthen him."