Rededication Services Held at Pelham, N. H. Church

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Pelham, N. H., Jan. 18.

The interior redecoration of Pelham Congregational church which was completed last week, was made possible just at this time, by the generous bequest of the late Mrs. Ira F. Harris of Nashua. Her thoughtfulness in behalf of this congregation as well as others is deeply appreciated.

A redecoration fund was started some years ago by George E. Guy of Providence, R. I., at an Old Home day celebration here which served to initiate a movement to attain this purpose. The work was planned by a committee of Congregational society members consisting of Mrs. E. Frances Carter, Miss Mary E. Hobbs, Mrs. May H. Sherburne, Miss Clara Jones, Ellis A. Robinson, Charles C. Richardson and the three assessors of the society, Frederick W. Garland, Ernest G. Sherburne and Mrs. Charles L. Scovil. Owing to the time required for work of such major proportion it was deemed necessary to omit services at the church for two Sundays which was done. Sunday afternoon at 2:30 rededication services were held, attended by nearly 250 people. Both the senior and junior choirs consisting of 50 singers directed by Rev. Herbert M. Gale, pastor, were in attendance and an excellent program specially arranged by Rev. Mr. Gale was presented. Rev. Earl F. Naus of the First Congregational church of Nashua, of which church Mrs. Harris was an active member, preached a rededication sermon.

Rev. Mr. Naus has recently been elected president of the New Hampshire Conference of Congregational Churches and this was his first official appearance in his new capacity. Friends from Nashua, Salem, Windham, Lawrence, Lowell, Dracut and Providence were present.

The order of worship was as follows: