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Annual Convention of Choirs.—Bishop Simpson will preside at the opening of the Second Annual Convention of the Associated Choirs of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Union Methodist Episcopal Church, Fourth street, below Arch, on Monday evening. The Convention will continue, afternoon and evening, during the week. The main object will be the promotion of congregational singing in our churches, in accordance with the plan adopted by the General Conference concerning church music.

New Organ.—The new organ of the Spring Garden M. E. Church, Twentieth and Spring Garden streets, was opened with appropriate exercises on Thursday evening. In tone it is clear, sweet and powerful, and it is unsurpassed for completeness and finish. It contains two banks of keys (for the manuals), compass C C to G in alto, or fifty-six notes. Pedal board C C C to G, twenty notes. Thirty registers, including couplers, &c. The great organ contains eleven stops, as follows:—Open diapason, stopped diapason, bass; melodia, treble; dulciana, principal, twelfth, fifteenth, flageolet flute, sharp mixture, trumpet, clarinet. The small organ contains the following stops:—Bourdon bass, bourdon treble, open diapason, violin gamba, stopped diapason, ~~bass~~ stopped diapason, treble; principal, twelfth, fifteenth, trumpet, oboe. The pedal organ contains the open diapason and dulciana. In all there are 1168 pipes.

The programme for the occasion was fine, embracing a number of vocal and instrumental gems.