

**J.B. DIDINGER & CO. (1900);** presumably first heard at the reopening of the renovated church, Sunday morning, October 4, 1900

Cookman Methodist Episcopal Church  
Twelfth Street and Lehigh Avenue  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

[Excerpt from:] "The Latest News in Real Estate / Improvements are No Being made to the Cookman Methodist Episcopal Church," *The Philadelphia (Pa.) Inquirer* 143, no. 26 (Thursday, July 26, 1900): 12.

The congregation of the Cookman Methodist Episcopal Church, at Twelfth street and Lehigh avenue, will have improvements made to the edifice to cost about \$6200. Contractor A. V. Heysore secured a permit yesterday to build a one-story extension, 17x32.8 feet, on iron frame, to be covered with metal, and also to cut an arch through the wall for a new pipe organ. The church will be generally overhauled, including refrescoing, painting, leveling the gallery, and putting in electric lights. The organ will be purchased and placed in the alcove in about six months.

"Cookman Methodist Church Reopened," *The (Philadelphia, Pa.) Times* No. 9,143 (Monday, October 5, 1900): 9.

## COOKMAN METHODIST CHURCH REOPENED

Cookman Methodist Church, at Twelfth street and Lehigh avenue, was reopened yesterday morning, having been closed during renovation. The services during the summer were conducted on the church lawn, but the recent cool weather has made it rather unpleasant there, and the congregation were pleased to welcome the return to their old place of worship, now made attractive with new carpets, electric lights, frescoling, painting and the addition of a great alcove for a new \$4,000 pipe organ.

The opening sermon was preached by the Rev. Samuel McBurney, D. D., who took for his subject the "Transfiguration of Christ." Among other speakers at the afternoon service were Rev. George W. Henson and the Presiding Elder of that district, the Rev. W. L. McDowell. After the sermon an appeal was made to the congregation by their pastor, the Rev. Amos Johnson, for financial assistance to help defray the expenses of the recent renovation. The amount raised by the collection was \$5,000, and a vote of thanks will be tendered to the young workers in the church. The evening services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. McDowell.

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MS, Records of the Kinetic Engineering Co., 1916 [Library and Archives of the OHS, Villanova, Pennsylvania].

TOWN Philadelphia		STATE Pa.	BLOWER No. E-321	DATE 7-18-16.
CUSTOMER Hook-Hastings Co.	ADDRESS Kendal Green, Mass.			
BLOWER FOR Cookman M. E. Ch.	ADDRESS 12th & Lehigh Ave., Philadelphia.			
ORGAN Dididinger	ACTION Tubr.	CHEST Memb.	CONDITION	
WIND 1900 AT 3 1/2"	AT	AT	BELT	PULLEY
STOPS 18	SUBS 0	SUPERS 1	PROMISED	RUSH.
BLOWER SIZE 2 J.Y.M.	COM. TO		\$	
MOTOR D. C. R. P. M.	H. P.	Wagner Peerless A.S. STARTER		
MOTOR A. C. R. P. M. 1165	H. P. 2	V. 220	PHASE 1	CYCLES 60
VALVE, <del>CORRUM</del> YES.	TRUNK	FT.	ELBOWS	
DAMPER, WITH B. & F.				
PRICE BLOWER \$ 199.50	F. O. B.	PRICE ERECTED \$	WITH WIRING NO WIRING	
SHIP VIA truck to Ch.	CARE			
LETTER REC'D 7-18-16	LETTER SENT 7-18-16.			
DATE SHIPPED JUL 26 1916	TERMS Cash.			