

lords did something to relieve the distress, largely occasioned by their own tyrannical measures.

No leader writer would be tolerated on a public journal who was confessedly incapable of writing his own articles. Better an empty pulpit than an empty skull in the pulpit giving forth the mercenary product of the homiletic hack. Let a minister read for himself and think for himself, and then let him testify the things which he knows, and declare that which he hath himself experienced.—*Rev. J. Halsey.*

EVERY church debt which existed in Victoria at the beginning of the Jubilee period has been paid, and all the money required for new enterprises begun within the period has been raised, with the exception of a small balance of £7,000 which represents the total indebtedness of the Congregational churches of Victoria. Well done Victoria!—*Australian Independent.*

WE direct attention to the card of a rising and accomplished young architect, Mr. Frank Wickson. The name is a good one in Congregational circles, and Mr. Wickson studied not only in Canada, but extended his researches and observations to the United States and Great Britain; and has had several years' experience in the practical art. Our folks, when building churches, will not forget him.

THEOLOGY was a progressive science, which availed itself freely of the side-lights from history, philosophy, and natural science; its progress could only be arrested with disastrous results, which could be imagined by supposing the sacerdotal heresy to have prevented Luther from searching the Scriptures, on the plea that Christ and theology were the same for ever. Christian conduct was not a thing of precepts, but a life breathed into us and incarnated in our churches.—*Rev. Dr. Hannay.*

THE CHRISTIAN OUTLOOK, is a little monthly paper, eight pages, and three columns to the page, edited by Rev. Hugh Pedley, and published in Winnipeg, at 50 cents a year. While as we hope, it is paying expenses, it furnishes an admirable vehicle for church and denom-

inational news, for an occasional sermon of the pastor, and for the contributions of friends on the spot, who want to say something about the religious and other aspects of the Northwest. We wish it every prosperity.

The circulation of the Milan newspaper, *Il Secolo*, which issuing each day a portion of a new translation of the Bible, has already reached 50,000. This strange and yet Christian bit of journalistic enterprise has been so remarkably successful that Ramon Molina of Barcelona has arranged for an edition in Spanish to be published in a similar manner. The Protestant missionaries in Italy and Spain may well congratulate themselves upon finding such unexpected allies.

The three central dangerous errors of Romanism and Ritualism are these: (1) The perpetuity of the apostolate; (2) the priestly character and offices of Christian ministers; (3) the sacramental principle, or the depending upon the sacraments as the essential, initial, and ordinary channels of grace. These are three radical heresies which exclude the truth, derogate from the honor of Christ, and betray souls by inducing them to build upon false foundations.—*Dr. Hodge.*

THE POPE'S JUBILEE.—To all and each of the Christians of either sex who shall make a pilgrimage to Rome on the occasion of our priestly jubilee, to render the honor and obedience due to the supreme authority conceded to us by God; and also to all the Christians of both sexes who accompany with their mind and heart, the aforesaid pilgrimages to Rome . . . being truly penitent and confessed, and having partaken of the holy Communion, for the extirpation of heresy, for the conversion of sinners, and for the exaltation of holy mother church, we concede in the Lord full indulgence and remission of all their sins.—*From Leo XIII's Indulgence.*

"I LIKE the INDEPENDENT, at the end, where the children's stories are," said a certain little Maud. "I like the first beginning," said Tommy, "where the church and the school-house are—and the editor a-fishin'." Glad you are both pleased. But don't you know, Tommy, at the head of the lake, that way, where the water comes in, is always the very best part