

it was as full of expression and surprises as any of Wagner's music. As I fell asleep I was more than half wishing that I could snore as well.

"When I arose in the morning I was struck with the thought that my dreams had been pleasant, a very unusual thing with me, and I was fairly well satisfied with my start in looking for good. I was encouraged to try to make a good start on my second day, but when I looked into the washpiche I had a very close call, for it was nearly empty. I whistled and looked out of the window, and the prospect from there was very fine. It was

crape on the door, and I know I felt worse than I looked, but now it is almost as different as being in a new world. Take my advice, friend, and go to looking for good everywhere, and you will be astonished at how easy it is to find it. Good-by."

And the man picked up his own big grip and the heavy telescope belonging to the patient woman with the cross baby, and made his way out of the car, for the train had stopped at his station.

The last I saw of him he was talking like an old friend to a man with a balky mule.—*Northwestern Advocate*.

Sturm, Gerok, Buerger, Bois, Hoeltz, Geibel, etc. Other distinguished names are Hippel, Lichtenberg, Jean Paul, the Schlegel brothers, etc. These superstitions about ministers' sons, the unlikelihood of Friday, the hoodlums and masots, and a host of others, will probably never be "relegated to innocuous desuetude," even if nobody really believes in them.—*Nashville Advocate*.

UNDERSTOOD THE ILLUSTRATION.

A CHRISTIAN worker, at a railroad Y.M.C.A. meeting, was trying to explain to a simple-minded baggageman the fact that Jesus had to be a man, and pass through human experiences, thus preparing Him to understand and help the tempted and the tried. He illustrated it thus:

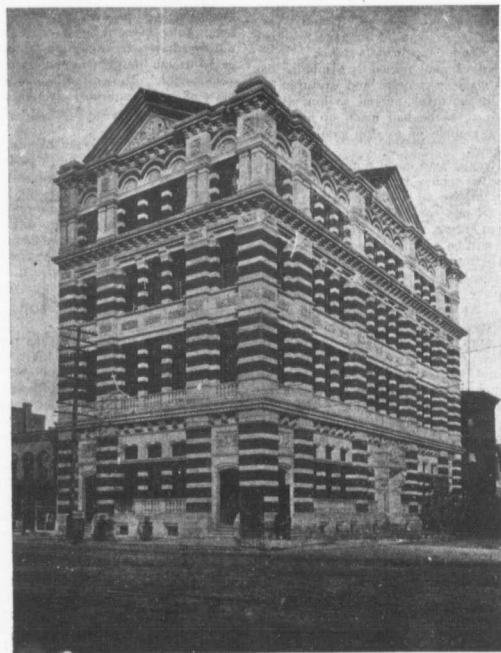
"Why, you see, I etc, it's this way. If some official of the railroad who had got his place by a pull and didn't know anything about how things were actually done out on the road, should begin to issue orders, he would probably get all mixed up, but when some fellow who has worked his way up from the ranks gets a high place he knows what can be done and how to do it. It's just that way with Jesus. He was tempted just as we are, and suffered just as we do, and so now when He is exalted to the chief place in heaven he knows how to help us and He never gives any orders that we can't carry out.

There was silence for a moment, and the old baggageman was thinking deeply. It was a new way to talk religion. It was the Bible put in the terms of his ordinary life. The truth was within his reach.

"Oh, yes, I see it now. HE COME-
MENTED TO WORK ON THE SECTION, DIDN'T HE!"

CHRISTIANITY AIDS SUCCESS.

"CAN a Man Succeed in Business if He Conducts His Business on Christian Principles?" Yes—he can succeed in no other way. The Bible agrees with common experience in teaching that the chances of success in business are not decreased, but largely increased, if a man carries his religion into his business—and his accumulations are apt to stay in the family longer. Integrity has a commercial value. A man who has a reputation of being an honest man and a true Christian has a better chance of getting on his feet again when he falls down. The man who lives according to Bible rules will be temperate, frugal, prompt, energetic, "diligent in business." He will not speculate with other people's money, nor use his own in gambling and dissipation. He will be free from the "moral cracks" through which so many fortunes leak away. He will be courteous and considerate of those whom he employs, or will attend to his employer's interests as if they were his own. The fact is, as somebody has said, "God Almighty has fixed things in this world so that it pays to do right." Righteousness has the promise of the life that now is as well as of that which is to come.—*Rev. C. M. Cohen, D.D.*



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A SILLY CRITICISM.

charming, indeed. I couldn't remember that I had ever seen a finer view from a hotel window anywhere. When I paid my bill it struck me as being large, but the hands of the clerk who took my money were very small and shapely withal.

"And so I went on, day after day," continued my optimist, "making a constant and earnest effort to see only the good, and, although my daily routine was much the same as it had been, I was generally able to find a bright spot somewhere. Of course it wasn't all sliding down hill, but it's becoming more and more that way the longer I try it. The more I look for good the easier it is to find it and the less temptation I have to look for bad. In fact, it is getting to be almost second nature for me to look for good, and I wouldn't go back to the old way now for anything. I used to have a face as long as a sermon and as sober as

THE silly criticism about ministers' sons so often going astray, heard *ad nauseam*, and repeated as often as heard, finds contradiction at the hands of foreign authors, as well as English and American. De Candolle, the eminent Swiss physicist, says that the superiority of Protestant nations is explained by the fact that clergymen's sons are brought up under influences favorable to a high moral and scientific culture. A German pastor says that in Germany the Protestant paragonage has become a national blessing. There the number of eminent men whose fathers were ministers is remarkably great—the philosopher, Schelling; the botanist, Linné; the historians, Jon von Muller, Spittler, Heeren, Mommsen, etc., the poets, Gottsched, Bodmer, Gellert, Wieland, Lessing,