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"JE SUIS JUSTE — ET VOUS ?"—The inscription on a sun-dial in the south of France, placed somewhere conspicuously by the wayside, is an apt illustration of the speaking value of a good life, or even of a passing good deed. "I am doing right —are you?" Let us be able to say that by *doing*.

COMPULSORY NATIONAL INSURANCE is being strongly advocated by the Bishop of Durham and other influential persons. The idea seems to be to force all and sundry to make provision for the rainy days of futurity for the benefit of their aged, disabled, widowed or fatherless ones. The details are not quite clear.

THE SWISS REPUBLIC seems bound to prove the rule of the short life of republics generally by the brilliant exception of its own wonderful continuity. In August this year they celebrate their 600th anniversary, the three original cantons having founded their "everlasting league" in 1291. The whole republic now extends to 22 cantons, and is as lively as ever.

THE YEAR 1890 is ennobled by the memory of many great men, as they have since been proved, who then first saw the light. Among these have been enumerated Darwin, Gladstone, Erastus Wilson, John Hill, Burton, Manteuffel, Coant Beust, Lord Houghton, Alfred Tennyson and Oliver Wendell Holmes. A very fair array f intellect for one year's efforts.

"TWOPENNY HALFPENNY PAMPHLETS, Monoishop Benson lately said, are responsible for a good deal of public misapprehension of the Church. These brochures are got up by cranks or by enemies of the Church, are hardly known or heard of at all among Church people, but are greedily bought up and supported by ignorant dissenters, who swallow them as *bona tide* Church documents !

PUNCH'S JUBILEE.—Not the least among the public celebrations of 1891 is that of the great public jester, the laureate of fun and wit, whose first number was issued on 17th July, 1841, and whose pages have scintillated with the brilliant thoughts of Douglas Jerrold, Thackeray, and Leech. The present editor (Burnand) is a Romanist, and its pages are tinged that way.

PHILLIPS BROOKS VICTORIOUS.—The colossal reputation of the great Boston preacher has triumphed over all arguments and reasoning urged against his orthodoxy and fidelity as a Churchman; the bishops have consented to consecrate him as one of their number. Massachusetts now has an opportunity of showing what broad theology can do for the Church.

BISHOP MACRORIE'S RESIGNATION.—The particulars now known on this subject do much credit to the noble-hearted bishop of Maritzburg. He has persuaded himself, after 22 years faithful work among his people, that a change in the personality of the Episcopate there would tend to heal the Colenso schism. It is hoped that the five recalcitrant congregations will join with the others in choosing a new bishop.

"A LITTLE PHILOSOPHY inclineth man's mind to Atheism, but depth in philosophy bringeth man's mind about to religion," is an old saying of Bacon's—no mean authority—often quoted by Pope Leo XIII. as the testimony of thorough scientific knowledge to the truth of revelation. It is as true now as always,—the blatant, loudmouthed sceptics are the shallow dabblers in science, not its masters.

MUSCULAR EPISCOPACY.—It is reported that the Bishop of Newcastle, Wilberforce, lately took occasion, on the spur of the moment, to illustrate his sense of the humanity of bishops by rushing a tipsy man boldly across the tracks at Bilton to save him from a fast freight just coming in. There was not a moment to spare in saving the man's life, and the bishop's coat tails whisked the engine as he passed.

KOP'S ALE is the name of a beverage which Mr Henry Lowenthall, after 'years of experiment and the expenditure of £50,000, introduces to the British public as a satisfying substitute for the ordinary article; and yet it contains *less alcohol than lemonade*. It is brewed from Kentish hops in much the same way as home brewed ale. It is supposed to be destined to supersede tea, coffee, coccoa and reservoir water !

THE LEEDS JUBILEE has been made the occasion for commemorating the splendid monumental life work of Dr. Hook in that town 50 years ago. It is a standing proof of the power of Church principles fiankly stated, boldly pushed and kindly carried out: "Suaviter in modo, fortiter in re." If other vicars and rectors of important parishes had been equally wise, what a magnificent result would there have been !

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HYPNOTIZED TO MADNESS.—The news from Berlin of the conviction and fine of a man for driving his victim of hypnotism to insanity by repeated daily experiments, points by an extreme case to the existence of this great danger to persons of weak, sensitive, impressionable minds. They should be protected.

SALVATION ARMY RESCUE WORK commends itself to the public approval in a practical way which goes far to counterbalance their noisy eccentricities and notions about religion. If they would only confine themselves to rescue work pure and simple, there would be little to be said to their discredit, and they would effect an immense amount of good.

MAGEE VERY UNCONVENTIONAL.—" He would dash into a subject with a force and a brilliance that astonished his hearers, and when he made commonplace hearers or heavy-headed respectabilities look up astonished and aghast at some daring sentences or phrases of controversy, he seemed delighted. He was impatient of the commonplace." THE RIGHT KIND OF BOAT.—The action of the manager of the Bank of Hamilton in importing a Scotch sail boat for the use of his subordinates, deserves wide imitation. The yachts and sail boats used on our lakes should be inspected and registered. Some of them are mere death-traps, warranted to keel over on the slightest provocation. They should be labelled "Sudden Death."

A GOOD CORNISHMAN. — There have been many of these, but just now the name of one is very prominent—J. Passmore Edwards—a famous journalist, who expends the margin of a handsome fortune in various benevolent works. These include a convalescent home, a free library, an occasional gratuity of a £1,000 for his employees. He is proprietor of The Echo, Building News, and English Mechanic.

SPURGEON AND STANTON.—The illness of the great Saxon preacher has called forth evidence of his popularity in unexpected quarters. Archbishop Benson and Mr. Gladstone have expressed their sympathy. The popular assistant at St. Alban's, Holborn, has done the same in a sermon, saying, "No man in London stands with such clean hands—he has preached for Christ alone, and has made no money . . . a good man, one of whom Englishmen are proud." FANCY RELIGIONS.—There was a good deal of sentiment true to nature in that British sergeant's rough and ready classification of his raw recruits, of which the Scottish American has lately told us : "Fall in! Church of England men on the right, Roman Catholics on the left, all fancy religions in the rear." It would puzzle common-sense people to discover what object higher than fancy is the raison d'etre of many of the sects.

OUT OF EVIL, GOOD.—The terrible magnitude of the scandal of Parnell's adulterous marriage to Mrs. O'Shea has had the effect, apparently, of giving additional force, emphasis and decisiveness to the action of English Convocation in condemning the practice of permitting guilty divorced persons to marry or pretend to marry again. Prussia and Rome together are responsible for the present declension of matrimonial morality.

"THE APOSTLE OF THE AGE" is the name given to Rev. Charles Gore, of Pusey House, by one who heard his recent magnificent sermon on "Labour and Rest," delivered in Westminster Abbey on the

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