

An Objector Answered.

"I don't like so much talk about religion," said a rude stranger in a city boarding-house, to a lady opposite, who had been answering some questions with regard to a sermon to which she had been listening.

"O no?" answered the lady, "it isn't natural. We have the best authority for saying so. The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God, neither can he know them, for they are spiritually discerned."

"People who speak and think so much about religion are queer, anyhow. I wish they could only know how people speak and think about them; nobody likes them, for they are like nobody, they are so very peculiar."

"Allow me to interrupt you again, sir," said the lady; "but I am so impressed with the manner in which your language accords with the Bible language, that I shall have to introduce another quotation from that blessed book. 'Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood a peculiar people.'"

"Does the Bible say they are peculiar then? That's odd. That book, somehow, has got a dose for everybody. Yet, ma'am, you must allow that the commands that book lays on us poor sinners are hard. It's thou shalt not, and thou shalt not, all the time. Why, it's precepts and views of things are not only systematic tyranny, but they are narrow, very narrow."

"Yes," replied the lady, "they are narrow, for the Bible says they are. 'Straight in the gate, and narrow is the way that leads to life.' We have to struggle hard to keep in this narrow way, if we once get in it. It is too narrow for pride, worldliness, selfishness, and sloth. It is too narrow for covetousness, envy, and all other evil passions. Hatred can find no place, for so much as the sole of its foot in the narrow way. Good deeds, kind words, faith, hope, and charity, occupy all the ground, and will continue to hold it to the end."

The stranger listened, surprised and annoyed, and at last arose and left the room, apparently a more thoughtful if not a better man.—American Messenger.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTH. On the 14th inst., at his residence, Penetanguishene, the wife of H. McMillan, Railway Contractor, of a daughter.

MARRIED. On the 5th inst., at the house of Rev. R. Wallace, Mrs. F. J. DELANEY, P. D., from Paris, France, to Miss ANNIE AUGUSTA, daughter of T. M. O'LENNANE, Esq., Merchant, late of Owen Sound.

THE PRODUCE MARKETS.

Table with columns for commodity (Wheat, Barley, Oats, etc.), price per bushel, and price per 100 lbs. Includes sub-sections for TORONTO and LONDON.

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Official Announcements.

MEETINGS OF PRESBYTERIES. MANITOBA.—At Winnipeg, on the 2nd Wednesday of October. GUELPH.—In Chalmers' Church, Guelph, on the 2nd Tuesday of Nov., at 1 o'clock p.m.

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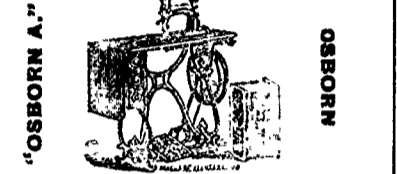
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