#### An Objector Answered.

"I don't like so much talk about religion," said a rude stranger in a city bearding hense, to a lady opposite, who had been answering some questions with regard to a sermon to which she had been listening. "I don't like it. It's something that nobody likes. It's opposed to everything in the world. It ties a man up, hand and foot. It takes away his librity, and it isn't natural."

"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

not the things of the Spirit of God, neither can be know them, for they are spiritually discerned. True religion is rowing up stream; it is sailing against the wind and

A pause for a few moments followed;

then the stranger began again.
"People who speak and think so much about religion are queer, any how. 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

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 is 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

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 the service of two masters. 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 man. Coad dead, kind words, faith, hone. 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 an-

noyed, and at last arose and left the room, apparently a more thoughtful, if not a better man.—American Messenger,

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#### THE PRODUCE MARKETS,

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Tuesday, Nov. 7th, at 1 p m.

Victoria — At Cannington, on the last Monday
of November, at 11 a m.

STRATFORD.—In St. Androw's Church, Stratford on Tuesday, 19th December, at 10 o'clock, a.m Owen Sound, —In Knox Church, Owen Sound, on third Tuesday of December next

Tononto -In the Lecture Room of Knox Church, Toronto, on the 7th of November, at 11 a.m. Barner -Ist Tuesday of December, at 11 a.m., at Barrio

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