IN THE RELIGIOUS WORLD

IS THE PULPIT LOSING ITS POWER? | ministry owns no man master but Jesus only. Many church officers and people and societies misconceive the in chains. He can say to the authorities.

By Murray Montgomery, M. A.

amongst many people today that the he may be preaching! As a proof of pulpit is not the power that it once this, think what a furore that sermon was in our land. Some folks always of the Rev. R. J. Campbell created, speak of the Christian ministry as which he preached some time ago in though it were in our generation very the City Temple. Only a thousand peodecadent from what it was in past times. They try to make out that nowadays we have no preachers, 20 equal to what our ancestors had in power of the pulpit is decreasing after

that with due consideration and knowledge of how I may be challenged and The spread of education during the contradicted by those who hold the past thirty years has made men and contradicted by those who hold the contrary view. I shall be pointed to Westley and Whitefield, to Ridley and Latimer, to William Clowes and others, and asked if we have any preachers who can draw and keep the enormer events. Today people learn, judge, ers who can draw and keep the enormous crowds that they did to listen for an hour and a half to one sermon? I shall be asked where are our Dr. Paleys, our Dr. Hookers, our John tions will probably be flung at me in selves without waiting for the opinion Bunyans of today? Many such quesview of my attempt to controvert the

Yet I reaffirm deliberately that I am certain that the pulpit has a greater severe, the necessity for greater ability power today than ever it had before; in the pulpit so much more evident,

First, as to the men who are our notable preachers in this twentieth cention has ever had more absolutely celebrated men in the pulpit at the mentioning in such a number. Yet I influence will be seriously threatened may be allowed, perhaps, to suggest a by exterior forces unless it raises itself even higher, unless the authorities who even higher, unless the authorities of ops of London, Ripon, Stepney, and the best and most godly men shall be Chichester; Canons Scott-Holland, ordained follows. If the pulpit Knox-Little, Fleming and Wilberforce: is to retain its power the minister must the Revs. Wilson Carlile, H. Webb- always be a little above those whom he Amongst Noncomformist bodies there mess, abilty, and true Christian enthuare the Revs. Mark Guy Pearse, W. slam are concerned. Only by such tist), General Booth (Salvation Army), and minds that it has so long posessand Father Bernard Vaughan (Ro- ed. man Catholic). Then there are famous Scottish ministers, such as the Rev. Alexander Whyte, Principal Marshall we have the eloquent Archbishojp of Armagh. (Dr. Alexander), and the Bishop of Dublin (Dr. Plunkett)

One cannot, of course, say that no. In view of the fact that in the face other generation in recent times has of the large increase in the population had such a company of scholarly and there were 400 fewer men studying for recalls the names of Charles H. Spurgon, Dr. Joseph Parker, Canon Liddon, Hugh Price Hughes, and similar

As regards the men themselves are any less in the aggregate com-Thre was just the same complaint in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, just the the same in the days of King George III. as we now have about "men not

Time after time throughout the long course of English history do you find tendance of people at church, people were never very successful. Attendance it to be, even nowadays, it is a clear decadent, after all.

When the pulpit fails the congregation will son fail, be it at this place of worship or that. That is as certain as the coming of day after night. A but every audience demands that he shall be a man of some special ability, of Christian life and conduct, of true earnestness. If all our ministers fulfilled those conditions, there would be no fear of the pulpit losing its power

Nor can it be said that the pulpit is deficient today if one is to judge by the best of all tests-practical results. Look at the vast amount of Christian work individual and humble believers in the churches, by rich and poor without dis-

Look at the immense sums contributed for the benefit of all religious and social works that bear any proofs of truly Christian in their origin and spirit. Look at the missionary effort of today; at the hospital work; at the social labor of the churche Was there ever in the world's history a time when all these were as great and as successful? And is not the tree to be judged by its fruits? If we are to take our Lord's own standard, theresay that the pulpit is far from losing its power.

than the guarantee of honorable indedays, only half a century ago, addressed himself only to the congregation immediately before him, our preachers today are addressing thousands of folks every time they preach, people their church. The newspaper and the telegraph have so widened the area his voice is oracular, his ministry rings observed by her accredited teachers dominated by each pulpit that an elo- with the note of authority. The pulpit But if a man formally and deliberately quent pastor no longer preaches only that is true to Christ's ideal is a free accepts these standards, then he should to those in his own church when he de- pulpit, untrammeled by any methods act according to them. And when his livers his sermon. He never really and uncontrolled by any men. The judgment and his conscience both pro-

There is a general opinion existing knows to how many millions of folks ple heard it there, but it had an audience of millions in all parts of the world within twenty-four hours. Surely we are not to be told that the

such an example! But are they right? For my own But there is one particular way in part, I unhesitatingly say "No," and which the power of the pulpit is not ever they have done. Rightly or wrongly-and we will admit that the system day usually read and decide for them-

The general standard of education is so much higher, the needs and demands of the congregations so much more and this is owing to a variety of that, unless there is the corresponding vement on the part of our ministers to meet these new conditions, it may well be that in the near future the pulpit will really seriously fail to maintain the positoin it has held for

many centuries in our history. The pulpit in our own days so far is most of them, for one is bound to not losing its power, but one does not overlook some who richly deserve need a prophetic spirit to see that its tors of our times. In the ranks of the ordain men to the sacred functions of shed Church there are the Bish- Christ's ministry shall insist that only Peplot, A. W. Gough, and others. instructs, so far as education, earnest-Watkinson, and C. H. Kelly, means can the pulpit compete with the (Wesleyan), the Revs. R. J. Campbell, press, with the schools, and with a and J. H. Jowett (Congregational), Dr. score of other new and energetic rivals Clifford and Thomas Spurgeon (Bap- tcday for the hold over men's hearts

THE SCARCITY OF MINISTERS.

(Rev. Dr. Carson in American Presbyterian General Assembly.)

the ministry in the United States than there were ten years ago, Dr. Carson said: "There is a call for earnes Canon Kingsley, Dr. Morley Punshon, thought, vigorous action and continuous prayer. The Christian pulpit is a preachers who were all living nearly living burning perpetual need. The voat the same time. Yet our day cannot be far behind the best of the Victorian cation of the preacher is an organic age in this respect, and certainly that history. The preacher is to blaze the was the finest there has been so far the way to the goal which is the new heaven and the new earth and he is to marshal the growing and victorious therefore, we may fairly say that battalions along the ever widening there are no evidences of decadence today in our pulpits. Nor is there any such sign in the results of their massage, and in the way it is delivered age—a masterful courage, that has its and received. Despits all assertions to the contrary, I do not believe that congregations at our places of worship convictions. Such men are demanded by the pulpit, and the only men who paratively than they ever have been, should respond to this demand are the men who are conscious of God's call to the ministry. The call is essensame in the times of Queen Anne, just tial. No man can will himself to the ministry. No school can give the minister. No church can call men into the ministry by issuing broadcast invitations to young men, by raising the standards of education or by offering special laws made to enforce the at- larger salaries-God save the mark-to tempt men of ability. Any young man who refused to go. But such laws who should be deterred from entering the ministry because the ministers are at church and chapel is not a thing to underpaid, or might be influenced to be enforced by Parliament. It is due enter the ministry because of the salary to the power of the pulpit; and if that paid, is unfit for the ministry. The attendance is as satisfactory as I take minister is a creation of God. If any it to be even nowadays, it is a clear man be not called into the ministry, proof that the pulpit is not so very his presence there would be an impertinent usurpation. "How can they preach except they be sent?" "This is God's part, but God's people

have a part to play. They should create such conditions in the local churches as will induce young men of faith and piety to listen for a call from God. The financial element is of right an important element in this desired condition. The ministry as a whole is shamefully underpaid. It is a wrong to the cause of Christ that a minister should be compelled to live on the edge of need. Such competence should be provided for every pastor as will make it possible for him to maintain an independent position in society. His salary is not a charity. It is a right. The laborer is worthy of his hire,' and the hire should be commensurate with the labor; otherwise, it is unjust, unfair and dishonest. The minister's salary should not be regulated by the minimum income of the few, but should strike the average, and so the minister will be free from the autocratic dominance of the rich and the equally autocratic control of the poor. This will guarantee ministerial self respect and manly independence, and the possibility of such self-respect and independence will instantly challenge the THE PRESBYTERIANS. consideration of young men of man-hood and ability. There is nothing that will more readily attract to the minis-try young men of character and culture

have the attention of all our churches and what may not be taught within he

ate or dictate to the pulpit is at once man to maintain honestly harmful to the vitality and efficiency of its minister and faithless to the kingdom and mastership of Jesus Christ. Jesus holds the seven stars in His right hand, and no others do. Any church, any session or any individual dominance is a usurpation of the plan of Christ Himself. The need of the hour is a recognition of the minister's rightful position, and when that posi-

tion is clearly understood and confi-

dently maintained, young men of spirituality and strength will covet to en-

In this department facts are given the authorities are cited.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

THE CATHOLIC REGISTER. His Holy Church, the Catholic faith growing Baptist church in Russia

London Catholic Times says the Sac- English and German. red Congregation has issued a document which permits the clergy to

ber next. The Bishop or a missionary state pursue its own business

THE ANGLICAN.

HIS LORDSHIP the Bishop of Kensington, to show his disapproval of want of punctuality on attendance at church, imposed a fire of five pounds late at an induction service.

LORD CHARLES BERESFORD determined to make Sunday as much as possible a day of rest in the Channel Fleet, and to this end the Commander-in-Chief has issued a number se , preparing for coaling, hoisting in other churches but their own. ed during the times of the religious services on board.

cently delivered by Rev. Mr. Manning, ples have no saving virtue. of Leytonstone, England, in which he saw more of the senior partner than a church parliament, as offers have to clergyman of his bishop. Some person-be refused. al relationship between bishop and clergy would do more to increase church life and invigorate church work than any number of garden parties and meetings in duchesses' drawing-

A VERY DIFFERENT kind of bishop is Dr. Ingram, of London, of whom a recent writer speaks thus: It is no eight hours' day that the Bishop of London works. He rises customarily at 7.15 a. m., and after prayers and breakfast he spends an hour or more with his chaplain over the morning's ondence. His lordship's post, is invariably large, and although a considerable portion can be dealt with by the chaplains themselves, there remain many letters for the bishop to dictate, and many more which his generosity and friendship urge him to write personally. His letters to his friends and clergy are always good reading, full of piquant advice and good-humored pleasantry.

DISCUSSING the propriety of em-

ploying a professor in a church college,

question a writer in the Presbyterian of last week has the following: "No church can exist as an organize "This points out another element in loom without some kind of standard, local church condition which should and some agreement as to what may and churchmen. The minister called of pale and under her sanction. And God is the ambassador of Jesus Christ. As such, his message is a summons, these conditions and standards being

people and societies himself the solution of his church. These doctrinal man' of any man, nor is he the ser- standards are too narrow. I have vant or agent of any organization. Any changed my views about them, and as pew or any set of pews, any church I cannot teach them I tender my reorganization, or any ecclesiastical con-dition that seeks to control or domin-all restriction, and he goes out a free and he has the respect of all."

GOVERNOR HUGHES, York, is a strong man who is brave church in New York City is a odern hotel. On the statute books of he state is a provision that no salo bar shall be located within 200 feet of a church—which, of course, was very tion was begun at Albany for relief and after a long campaign, the legislature passed bill giving the hotel right to violate the law. But when the new measure came before the governor for his signature he quietly put his veto on

THE BAPTISTS.

THE BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE taking up the congress to be held in Europe next year with the utmos vigor, and there is every likelihood that. a really notable advance on the part of the denomination will be achieved. The European Conference will meet in Berlin on Saturday, August 29, 1908, and of will hold a series of meetings and de-Toronto, contains an advertisement re- monstrations lasting until Semptember uesting aid for a struggling Roman 3rd. If is expected that a large body of Catholic mission in Norfolk, England, ministers, church officers and laymen which says:-"In these days, when the will journey to Berlin to take part and faith of many is becoming weak, when encourage the many struggling groups the great apostacy of the sixteenth of Baptists scattered throughout the century in preaching the full extent of continent. Some of the leading Engits development, and is about to treat lish Baptists will take part in the conour Divine Lord Himself as it treated gress. Representatives of the rapidlyis renewing its youth in England and also attend. Sweden, too, will have a bidding fair to obtain possession of large share in the programm, for the body, having eight or nine representatives in parliament. The proceedings THE ROME correspondent of the will be conducted in two languages-

REV. DR. CLIFFORD, speaking of what he saw during his recent visit to France said: "Let us not forget that France was fighting our battle-fight THE FIRST CATHOLIC CHAPEL ing for the Anglo-Saxon as well as for CAR in the world has recently been the Latin race. They were not contestdedicated in Chicago by Archbishop ing Catholicism as a theological system. Quigley. The car goes first to Wichit- but fighting for the preservation of the ta, Kan., where it will be at the ser- Republic. That was only to be secured vice of Bishop Hennessey until Decem- by a policy of separation. Let the priest will tour the branch lines of hindered by the church. In this conthe railroads running through Kan- test many Roman Catholies were ensas, stopping at towns where there thusiastic on the side of the state, for are no Catholic churches to minister they saw as the result of this contest to the isolated members of that be-lief.

THE METHODISTS

METHODISM IN JAPAN is now united, and a native Japanese has been appointed general superinten-In China, where five Methodist bodies have missions, a similar union is likely to be effected. A commission dealing with the question.

SAYS THE CHRISTIAN GUARD-IAN:—"You will never save by men scolding the churches." We have scolding the churches." heard of evangelists whose chief theme of orders for the work of preparing for seemed to be the corruption of all boats, etc., being done, whenever pos- have listened to sermons or addresses sible, on Monday mornings. The times whose main object seemed to be to of coaling and sailing will also, when discredit sister churches. It has althe service allows, be put off until ways seemed to us that this is a blun-Mondays. No work, unless absolutely der. Not so did Paul teach; not so did necessary to the service, will be allow- early Methodism gather men into the fold; not so today do living evangelists win men for Christ, For sinful men there is no remedy but a living. A SERMON ON "BISHOPS" was re- loving Christ; the faults of his disci-

THE VISIT of the Bishop of Stepsaid: "In our day bishops have fallen ney to the Wesleyan Conference upon evil times. They are not in favor meeting in City Roal Chapel, accomwith the mass of the people and though panied by a number of dignitaries of often loved as men, are not in favor the Anglican Church, and bearing as bishops. The rough sense of letter from the Bishop of London, was justice of the English people heard a notable event. The letter in tone with indignation of 1,139 livings with and language was admirable, and the an average stipend of £67, and of address of the bearer was every way bishops with stipends never lower than suited to the occasion. The reply was £3,000. These things required readjust- given by the Rev. J. S. Lidgett, one of ment, and a committee of clear-headed, the ablest members of the conference. just business men would put the mat- The next conference will be held in the ter right in six weeks. A bishop should City of York. English Methodism be to his clergy what Arnold was to does not seem to have any trouble in his assistant-masters. The junior clerk finding towns in which to hold the

> It is worthy of mention that in the election for lay representatives in the next conference, the man whose name stood at the head of the poll was Gipsy Smith, the revivalist.

The following message, including greeting and benediction to Canadian Catholics from the Holy Father, was received last week by His Lordship Bishop Casey: APOSTOLIC DELEGATION. Ottawa, Aug. 6, 1907.

Rt. Rev. T. Casey, D. D., Bishop of My Lord:-On the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the election of the Holy Father, His Excellency sent him a cablegram expressing the hom

age and filial devotion of Canadian imploring for them the Apostolic Benediction. His Excellency received from His Eminence the Cardinal Secretary of State, ROME, August 5th, 1907. His Excellency, the Apostolic Deleate, Ottawa, Canada

rants his blessing to you and to the Canadian Catholics. (Signed) Card. Merry del Val. I am, My Lord, Yours very sincerely in Christ.

The Holy Father is grateful for your

ALFRED A. SINNOTT,

"WITHOUT ARE DOGS."

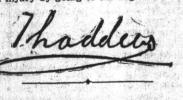
The other day I saw a little boy who was weeping bitterly because his dog was dead; he had just been killed by his loss; and I must confess to the weakness of feeling that my own eves vere getting wet and that I must move on after I had expressed my sympathy for the boy whose world was dead. I heard the story of the boy and his dog a few days later, and I don't know when I have been more indignant than when I heard that the little boy had gone to his minister for comfort and with the question, "Has Bonnie gon to heaven?" and was told by that tactless and heartless man, who was never called to the ministry I am sure. "that it was very wrong to cry because a heaven. What nonsense!" And then he quoted the detacaed text at the head and proved by his misquotation that his stuly of theology had not been exhis study of theology had not head dog haustive. I found out that the dead dog had been a very intelligent Sc collie, that he had been brought up with his little master, had watche over him when he was a baby in the cradle, and was his constant companion and playmate, and had by his marhis master's life.

When the minister told the little bo that his dog had not gone, and could not go to heaven, "Then I don't want to go to heaven. I want to go where Bonnie is, wherever it is," said the poor little fellow, who was having his first taste of the hitterness of unhelief Why did not that foolish minister tell to heaven, and let the years teach him that the faithfulness, the courage, the and is of heaven, and therefore can not die.

The longer I live and the better quainted I get with men and dogs more respect and love I have for dogs. How faithful they are! "Old dog Tray is ever faithful, blows cannot drive him away." How loving he is; he will follow his master when his master is in rags, and the millionaire cannot whistle him away. How forgiving he is: beat him, abuse him, and only rarely does he resent it, but forgives and kisses the hand that beats him. What courage he has. Near me as I write is a little skye terrier. He s a thoroughbred; from the tips of his silky cears to the tip of his bushy tail, which he carries so proudly. there is not a drop of plebian blood; his ancestors for many generations were of the land of the heather and blue bells. This little aristocrat would scarcely tip the scales at ten pounds, and yet what a fighter he is, though never quarrelsome, fighting in defence of his master or mistress to the death. How honest he is, too. He would starve rather than steal. What keen intuitions he has (yes intuitions my critic, if he is a dog) for he finds out the man who is not to be trusted more unerringly than any detective can. How proud a Scotchman would be

representing the several bodies, is of this brave looking little dog from Lindsay, where he will supply for the far Northern Skye. "He has gone to the dogs, of the fast going there," is about the worst thing one can say of a man. And yet there are men (plenty of them) who

would get in better company if they were literally to go to the dogs. was a guest at the Methodist parson-Many a snob who cuts his poor relations would learn a lesson from the Mrs. Adelaide Harper is spending the dogs. Many, or at least some, summer with her cousin, Mrs. John A BEAUTIFUL Christians could learn how to forgive Harper. an injury by going to the dogs.



FREDERICTON, N. B., Aug. 10. Silas Stanles a well known shoemaker employed by the Pohn Palmer pany, dropped dead on King street at noon today. He had been in failing. health for some time and was obliged to give up work two weeks ago. He was fifty years of age and leaves a widow and a family of two daughters. His death is the first break in family of fourteen.

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Miss Florence Padelford, who has received a \$15,000 annuity from her mother, Mrs. Ernest Cunard, as a wedding present.

JACKSONVILLE.

JACKSONVILLE, Aug. 8 .- The woman's auxiliary of the Methodist likely they will also enjoy some wild church church meets today. the regular business plans for the yearly mite box opening will be com-

Mrs. Kirkpatrick of Debec is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Turner, at the Methodist parsonage. Fred Everett has purchased from Miss Mary Johnson the farm upon which she and her brother the late Thos. Johnson, lived for some years. The house will be fitted up for rental,

as such residences are in great demand n the village. Mrs. J. F. Harper entertained a large number of young people this week for her daughters, Misses Helen and Ruth. Miss McKenzie of Fredericton week-end guest of Miss Muriel At-

terton at Lake View cottage. number of old friends en route for George Tilley, B. A., who is under James Watson will occupy the re- disposed of at auction last night. The sidence of the late Mrs. Sherwood, hav- society made a few dollars profit. ing purchased it this week. Miss Nina Clements of Fredericton

CHATHAM.

CHATHAM, Aug. 8.-Wm. J. Brown, nanager of the Canada Woodworking Miss Mary Beckwith of Halifax is spending a vacation in Chatham and What beauty is more desirable than

Brennan. Harry Mowatt is visiting in Camp-

from a two months' visit to

HOPEWELL HILL. HOPEWELL HILL, N. B., Aug. 8 .-

The schooner Virginian is loading and satisfaction. plaster at the public wharf here for Red Beach, Me., for C. D. Shaw of Chemical Roal.

in Massachusetts for several years, is visiting his old home in Curryville, A.

Albert county is now pretty well filled with summer visitors. On account of the backwardness of the season the influx was later than last year, but the last few weeks have seen large numbers arrive in the different vilnumbers arrive in the threezes that ly guaranteed, very dainty, shaped blow in from the Bay. Hillsboro has like a Belcher with Tiffsay setting a particularly large share of strangers, of 12Kt. gold shell, at your and nearly every locality has its quota. Mrs. John L. Barkhouse, who underwent an operation at Riverside a few weeks ago for cancer in the face, was able to return to her home here this week, and is reported to be much improved.

We mail you this beautiful competence of the when your order is week, and is reported to be much improved. proved.

GIBSON, N. B., Aug. 8 .- Gladis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers, who was ill with typhoid fever, is much improved in health.

Miss Louise Frodsham spent part of this week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Logan, Fredericton. After evening service in the Methodist Church, Fredericton, Rev. J. C. Berrie administered the Sacrament of

Dunn, daughter of the late Andrew Dunn of Kent county. She is sur-

vived by her husband and one son. The funeral will take place tomorrow morning at 9.30 o'clock, and interment will churchyard.

Harry Allen, the well known Pennia guide, left last evening for Newfoundland with Howard Henshaw Lucerna of New York, for a caribou hunt. It is goose shooting and salmon fishing. Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Morrison and family left yesterday for St. Andrews, Charlotte County.

Sandford Pond of this place lost the little finger of his right hand at the York and Sunbury mill, Gibson, this morning. In addition to losing his finger, Mr. Pond had his hand quite badly cut. Dr. Harry H. McNally rendered the necessary surgical aid.

The many friends here of Reverend and Mrs. A. D. Archibald deeply sympathize with them in the death of their took place on Saturday.

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Aug. 11 .- The Fredericton by the local society were

COMPLEXION

Loggieville.

Miss Jessie Mowatt is visiting friends in Campbellton.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson and child, Attleboro, Mass., are visiting Mrs. D. Brennan.

Harry Mowatt is visiting in Campbellton.

Miss Margaret Russell has returned from a two months' visit to New work and at great expense. It is the work and at great expense.

method used by the laivest beautiful women of Europe. Hundreds of American now use it have expressed their delight

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Berrie administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The sad news of the death of Mrs.

C. W. Barker was received here with deep regret. The deceased was aged 53 years, and was formerly Miss Murilla

Dunn daughter of the late Andrew

22 F 23rd New York City. 32 E. 23rd Street New York City.

WAS 100 YEARS OLD SUNDAY

Henry Culligan, of York Co., is Still Active.

Youngest Son is Eleven Years of Age—An Enviable Record

GIBSON, Aug. 11.-Henry Culligan, living a few miles from here, today celebrated his one hundredth birthday. The old gent'eman, who is well and sixty-eight years. He has been married four times. Mrs. Culligan's two youngest children are a girl fourteen years and a boy of eleven.

Henry Culligan was born in Enniskillen, County Armagh, Ireland, Aug. Little and came to this country when twenty-six years of age. His first famwhom are dead: Henry C. is living at Pennias, who has a family of three living children and a daughter in the United States.

The second Mrs. Culligan was Elizabeth Criscaden, of whom was born seven children, all now deceased. He subsequently married a widow named Mrs. Blaney, who afterwards died childless. More than fifteen years since he was married to his fourth wife, Mrs. Briggs, nee Sarah Allen, by whon he has two children, Charles Albert, fourteen years of age, and Elizabeth, nearly thirteen.

Mr. Culligan settled in the green woods in 1852. He cames from a long lived family. His father's mother Catherine Palmer, lived to be one hun dred and five years of age. His father and mother, Sarah Walker, were over nincty years of age when they died He has many reminiscences of the stirring times of Daniel O'Connell. memory is very accurate concerning the events of long ago, but not so clear of more recent ones. Considering hi years his faculties are exceeding! good. He has lost the sight of one ey and is a little deaf. He seldom leave home, but moves about the house wit great ease. He made a profession of religion and united with the Methodis church during the pastorate of Rev

Rev. Dr. Wilson on learning from The Sun that Mr. Culligan was on hundred years old yesterday said: During my residence at Marysvill 1872-6, I became acquainte with Mr. Culligan, and during a seriof revival services which affected bo Marysville and Penniac he was one many who professed faith in the Lo recalls that important event in his l tory, and trust his long day will ha a calm and peaceful ending, and in th house of many mansions find everlas

FRUIT SECTIONS OF CANADA HAVE NOT

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 11.-Exceeding dry weather has prevailed in nearly a the fruit growing sections during t past week, except the extreme east a west. The announcement made by fruit branch of the department of a riculture. It says further that there a grave possibility of the shorten of all fruit crops for lack of rain. T prospect for apples has declined of siderably since last month. The has been heavy everywhere, owing the late spring frosts and dry weath There will be a fair crop of peaches spondents report that peaches dropping, evidently through being sufficiently fertilized. The peach of in counties on Lake Erie will be a coplete failure. During the month the was an almost universal decline in prospect for the the pear crop. general outlook is for a medium erop of grapes. The crop of commerce plum rot and the curculio are repor to be bad this year. The cherry of is light in the Niagara district. Ch ries are almost a failure in P. E. but there will be a medium full cro British Columbia. The present properts are of medium crop of tomat

FREDERICTON MAN

FREDERICTON, N. B., Aug. William Mitchell, an inmate of F erictor alms house, was choked death at noon today while trying swallow a piece of meat. Dr. Ir was summoned by telephone, but fore he reached the scene the unfo nate man had passed away. He about sixty years of age and had at the alms house eighteen me Previous to taking up his abode t worked as a laborer about the

ALL IN A MONTH.

"Before marriage I used to dream life in a fine house with 16 servant "Breams never come true." "They do partially. We live in instead of a house, but we've had 16 servants."

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 9. building containing the laundry ighting plant of the Pennsylv Hospital (insane) West Philadeli one of the largest private institut n the country, was destroyed by