Sor iše Pausavyanian Kuviuw.

"YOUR LABOUR IS NOT IN VAIN." BY REV. W. D. ARMSTRONG, OTTAWA.

I PLOUGHFD my field with patient toil, Then sowed the good seed in the soil, And prayed that it might grow. O'er it earth baked with Iron frost : I thought my toll and seed were lost ; My heart and hope sank low.

But April a me with genial power,
And May sent down her fostering shower,
Life quickening my seed,
And now the green blade holds the dew;
A golden harvest is in view;
The mailtan faith was a col-Tis waiting faith we need.

O ye who drop a seed of truth
In the warm solt of clowing youth
And ask will it take root?
Int years of sin and worldly strife,
Like winter frosts, check back the life;
You look in vain for fruit.

Ye sowers of the spiritual seed. Take heart, stint not in word or deed ; Away with faithless fears, Another reaps where you have sown a Beyond this vale of tears.

. No change will be made in the orthography of foreign names in countries which use Roman letters: thus Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch, etc., names will be spelled as by their respective nations.

3. The true sound of the word, as locally pronounced, will be taken as the basis of the spelling.

4. An approximation, however, to the sound is alone aimed at. A system which would attempt to represent the more delicate inflections of sound and accent would be so complicated as only to defeat itself.

The broad features of the system are that vowels are pronounced as in Italian and consonants as in English.

the syllable on which tress is laid.

come together each one is sounded, though the re--uit, when spoken quickly, is sometimes scarcely to be distinguished from a single sound, as ic. at,

The letters b, d, f, l, m, n, p, r, s, l, v, w, k and s have the same sounds as in English. V is always a consensat, as in yard, and should never be used as a terminal.

The amplification of a few of the rules is given

telow:

A-ah, a as in father: Java, Barána.

B-eh, e as in benefit: Tel-el-Kebir, Olcleh, Yezo, Medina, Levúko, Peru.

I-English e; f as in ravine; the sound of se in bect. Thus, not Feefce, but Piji, Hindi.

O-o as in mote: Tokio.

U-long w as in fule; the sound of so in boot.

Thus, not Zooloo, but Zulu, Sumatra.

All vowels are shortened in sound by doubling the following consonant: Yarra, Tanna, Mecca, Iidda, following consonant: Yarra, Tanna, Mecca, Jidda,

Doubling of a vowel is only necessary where there is a distinct repetition of the single sound: Nuulua, Oceima.

AI—English f as in ice: Shanghai. AU—ow as in Aow. Thus, not Foochow, but Fuchau.

AO—is alightly different from the above: Macao. EI—is the sound of the two Italian vowels, but

C—is always soft, but is so nearly the sound of s that it should be seldom used: Celebes. (If Celebes was not already recognized it would be written

CH—is always soft as in Church: Ching-chin.
F—English /, ph should not be used for the sound of /. Thus not Halphong, but Haifong, Nafa.
G—is always hard: Galápagos. (Soft g is given

by f.)
H—is always pronounced when inserted.

J—English j. Dj should never be put for this sound: Japan, inchuen.

K—English k. It should always be put for the hard c. Thus, not Corea, but Korea.

KH-the Oriental guttural: Khan. GH-is another guttural, as in the Turkish: Dugh, Ghazi.

YOU CAN TRUST HIM - Nicholas Biddle, of Philadelphia, when president of the old United States Hank, once dismissed a clerk because he refused to write-for him on the Sabbath. The young man was thus thrown out of employment by what some would call an over-nice acrupts of con-science, but-what really was true fidelity to prin-ciple. Not long after, however, Mr. Biddle, being asked to nominate a cashler for another bank, recommended this very man, mentioning what had occurred as proof of his integrity and trustworthiness, and adding, "You can trust him, for he would not work for me on Sunday."

THE SALOON KEEPING THE SABBATH .- The THE SALOON KEEPING THE SABBATH.—The time character of the saloon appears in the evident intendruly when a saloon-keeper poses as a Christian man, as in the following cotice addressed by one of that trade in Kancas "To the public in general":—"I, Mors. Ed. Faber, wish that all frequenters of my line of business (particular friends as well) will distinctly and emphatically understand that the sall de MO harings on Sanday and the that I will do NO business on Sanday, and this shall be the last in regard to it. The Sablath is my day as well as the most sincere Christian's on earth, for I know whereof I speak, and no matter to what creed you belong."—N. Y. Independent.

woman's work.

Por 140 l'artayteriam Review "I WAS SICK, AND YE VISITED ME NOT." BY P. O. MACDONALD, GANANOQUE, ONT.

Amono those who are shut in, either from sickness, inmeness, or any other physical infirmity, and also among the poor, the sad, and the desolate, the great complaint of the day seems to be, ioneliness, or that they are left too much to themselves. In the work of tract-distribution, and in visiting from house to house, the writer has often been the reciplent of these complaints, and in sympathy for
them, ventures to suggest a remedy. We live in an
age when every one seems to be in a hurry. In a
city especially, there is a constant rust of either
business or pleasure, and men are so driven by
pressing duties and engagements that they seldom
have leisure for paying friendly or sympathetic visits
to those who are shut in, or have perhans fallers to those who are shut in, or have perhaps fallen behind in the race of life. What a grand thing it would be if all our merchants, and business men in the various callings, were each to seek out some case (we sil know of them) where they would pay a will of half an hour each to seek out some case (we sil know of them). a visit of half an hour every week, speak a word of sympathy and encouragement, perhaps read some short, interesting article, and above all, point out the Comforter of the lonely, the Great Physician Is the first question one asks about the name of a foreign place or person, and is a question sometimes not very easy to answer. Here are a few rules adopted by the Royal Geographical Society which will help any of our readers who master them, and the accompanying illustrations, to pronounce almost any name he meets, at a glance. You had better cut them out and paste in your dictionary for reference.

1. No change will be maked about the name of the first question one asks about the name of the lonely, the Great Physician was stands ready and waiting to relieve and make them whole, without money, and without price, if only they will accept His services. Many a poor fellow, during a two or three months' illness, either from accident, or otherwise, has thanked God for words like these spoken at such a time; they have given an impetus to all his after life, and prihaps won a soul to praise Him throughout end-less ages.

All men must admit that this is a work which angels might envy them, and yet, comparatively speaking, how few of them engage in it! Strangely letters: thus Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch, etc., names will be spelled as by their respective nations.

2. Neither will any change be made in the spelling of such names in languages which are not written in Roman character as have become by long usage familiar to English readers: thus Calcutta, Cutch, Celebes, Mecca, etc., will be retained in their present form.

2. The true sound of the word as locally needs. aside, nothing so cheers and satisfies him as a visit from one of his own sex. They welcome the kindly women who visit, and speak with, and read to them; but these other visits are far more highly valued. They like to hear what is going on in the business world from which they are excluded, and also a man's view of things in general. And the writer has known one of these invalids cheered for a week after such a wisit and has also a hear s. The broad features of the system are that workers are pronounced as in Italian and consonants is in English.

6. One accent only is used—the acute—to denote the syllable on which tress is laid.

7. Every letter is pronounced. When two vowels brighten the lot of one of these invalids cheered for a week after such a visit, and has also heard retailed many of the pieces of news their community cated. How little it is to give, and yet what important results may follow I results which only eternity shall disclose. In trying to cheer and brighten the lot of one of those who is shut in, brighten the lot of one of those who is shut in, many a man has found a valuable friend. Being laid aside, they are often able to see more clearly through business deceptions and evasions than one who is in the midst of them; and much valuable advice and many a timely warning has been received from sources such as these.

In regard to the Christian weenen of this aga, all of them have their time occupied in work for their Master. In a city a great deal of this time is taken up in attending meetings of various kinds, all of them most useful and profitable; but where two or more members of one family belong to the same

more members of one family belong to the same society, would it not be well if one of these was always present, to represent the family, and to report any items of interest and importance, while the others might use this time, if they have no other, in paying bright, cheery visits to the cick and lonely, and for those talks face to face which win so many souls for Christ. Of course, one's personal circumstances must govern these things this is merely thrown out as a suggestion for those whose love for the work is greater than their time

And what about our young ladies, whom we regard with sc much love and pride the wives and mothers of the next generation? To their credit, be it said, many of them take up this, and similar work; and their sweet, bright faces and winsome ways carry their welcomes with them, and are like is frequently slurred over, when it is scarcely to be gleams of sunlight gilding the dingy rooms and distinguished from ey in the English they: Beirdt, Beildt.

C—is always soft, but is so pearly the sound of soft percentage, probably not more than one hundred girls out of four hundred engage in this labour of love. What are the others doing with their time and talents? Will not a great number of them resolve, with God's help, to enrol themselves under His banner, and consecrate their lives to His service, at the commencement of the new year?

"It is only a step to Jesus, Come now, He waits for thee."

And let all of those who decide for Christ commence at once to work for Him.

mence at once to work for Him.

When Moody was in Toronto, one of the questions in the question chamber was, "What shall we do with our young converte?" To which he replied, "Ah! that is a very important question, but one easily answered. Set them right to work for Jesus;" and he added, in his quaint way, "Nothing keeps Satan at such a distance; he cannot find a foot-hold." Until she has tried it, no young girl can understand the happiness of work for Christ. It makes her life so much richer and fuller, and is so infinitely satisfying, that girls might try it, as a recipe for happiness, if from no higher motive. And one step in this pleasant path opens out into another, and still another, and she is led on, and upwards, until she feels that work for her Master is the very happiest in which she can en-Master is the very happiest in which she can engage. And she will find herself hurrying through pursuits which once she found most absorbing, and from engagements which, not long since, she and from engagements which, not long since, she considered most important, that she may secure more time for His work, which has become the dearest of all. And when her last earthly day is drawing to a close—it may be suddenly—she will be ready; and when called to render her final account, it will be with joy, and not with grief. Then face to face with the Master whom she has loved and served, she will hear His voice saying unto her: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." vant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Bend to some high and holy work of love And thou an angel's happiness shalt know,
Shalt bless the earth, while in the world above.
The good began by thee while here below.
Shall like a river run, and ever broader flow."

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