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TO OUR READERS.—We want a reliable person in every parish in the Dominion, to get subscribers for the Canadian Churchman. Write at once for particulars, giving references.

The Farrar C. B. S. Embroglio is the occasion of some wholesome comments from Canon Fleming's Religious Review of Reviews. He hopes the last word of the unsavoury controversy has been written. "Of what use is it for us to boast of the stability of our foundations, and the comprehensiveness of our Church organization, if we cannot be content to recognize and acknowledge the good on both sides without accentuating our unfortunate differences." Such men as Canon Fleming can do much in the way of "throwing oil on troubled waters," and the Church journalist can find much of that to do.

LIBERALITY IN SCIENCE.—Commenting on the dicta of the President of the Geological section of the British Association on the subject of the world's age, the Rock remarks—"The theories of geologists about the age of the earth are as diversified as ever. On the one hand, there are reckonings by countless 'æons': on [the other, by 'medest millions' of years. There are scientists who compute it (only) by thousands: but they are in the background. The 'open mind' is, however, a pre-eminent characteristic of the scientists who belong to the modern school. There are (as the president says) still no data for getting near any safe hypothesis on the subject." A wise confession!

"Commercial Honesty" Meter.—" Steal a chicken, and you are a 'thief'; steal \$1,000 from your employer, and you are an 'embezzler'; steal \$5,000 from the Government, and you are a 'defaulter'; rob your competitor on the stock exchange of \$10,000, and you are a 'financier'; rob him of \$100,000 to \$500,000, and you are a 'Napoleon of finance'; wreck a whole railroad, and gather it in, and you are a 'magnate'; wreck a whole

system of railroads, and you are a 'railroad king'!" The above quotation from an American editor's remarks are not complimentary to America.

"A GOOD PROTESTANT NAME!"—This familiar phrase, which seems to have so much significance in the mouth of a Belfast man, hardly holds good of certain families—great historic native families—whose religious predilections vary widely as the poles: O'Neill, O'Brien, McCarthy! These names are hard nuts to crack for those political agitators who would make their hearers believe that the "Church of Ireland" is only the Church of the "English garrison" in Ireland.

The Archbishop of Zante seems to have been recognized as a kind of "missing link" in the Chicago "Parliament of Religions." While fraternizing closely with the Protestant Episcopal Church and the Church of England, he maintained an attitude of dignified superiority towards the clergy of the Church of Rome, as being a kind of secondary fountain of Catholicity, and remarkably modern and unimportant as compared with the great oriental and orthodox communion. He officiated and preached in several "Episcopal" churches in Chicago.

"That Cursed Tea: do give it up, and take a little cocoa instead, or even a little beer." Such is the prophesied expostulation of the Hospital in its comments on the terrible scourge of tea-drinking which is settling down on England—"less obvious perhaps than alcoholic intoxication, but no less serious." So it seems we flop "from Scylla to Charybdis" in our well-meant efforts to stem the vice of intemperance. The habit of "Gospel temperance"—"temperance in all things,"—is the only effective cure.

THE BEST THING AT THE WORLD'S FAIR would seem a hard thing to fix on: but the N. Y. Churchman's correspondent has found it, and announces his find, fearless of any competition or contradiction—a pair of old shoes! The strain on the pedal extremities of millions of pedestrians has demonstrated beyond cavil that the human anatomy knows best what suits itself, and insists on "moulding" artificial and unnatural foot-gear into the suitable and reasonable shape and size, in which shoemakers should make them. The Fair was a "festival of old shoes!"

"One Horner can break up a camp-meeting."—
It is wonderful how frequently this saying of Josh Billings is illustrated by persistent meddlers and muddlers in churches and conventions. Whether the "hornet" objects to alms-basins, "awmens" or attitudes—he needs a very little peg to hang his grievance on, and sticks as close to his "nest" as it sticks to the ceiling. They very often appear in puritan garb—but, sometimes, the opposite!

THE MOZARABIC RULE, once practised in Spain, now about extinct, has been—so Archbishop Plunkett of Dublin seems to intimate as his opinion—revived in the form of the modern liturgy of the Protestant Churches of Spain and Portugal, which he has taken under his wing. Some people think that if it is "after the Mozarabic type" at all—it is a long way off! Well, better so than not at all. Respect for antiquity is a wholesome principle even in economical or homeopathic quantity.

Antagonism between Religion and Science, at one time rather intense, at last is recognized as "apparent" rather than real. Says the Church Times: "The pursuit of science is conducted in a more modest spirit, when it is found that investigation into natural phenomena is arrested at the point where the mystery of life is encountered. The acceptance of proved discoveries has strengthened rather than weakened our grasp of spiritual truths. So religious people have learned, and they are no longer susceptible to their former nervousness on the announcement of each discovery."

PREACHER OR PRIEST?—The N. Y. Churchman has a short editorial on the advisability of having "orders of preachers"—such as the "Cowley Fathers," etc. "The Brotherhood of St. Andrew has revealed the fact that there are some not in Holy Orders who have the gift of preaching. One of the causes of the Methodist schism was the practical refusal of the Church of England to recognize and ordain men who had shown their zeal and power in the pulpit, but who could not feel that they were called to the other work of the ministry." This line of thought is well worthy of being pursued into practice.

"Our Withers are Unwrung," says the Church Times, even though Cardinal Vaughan does not acknowledge the (Roman) validity of Anglican Holy Orders. Some of our Canadian newspapers have fallen into the Cardinal's trap and descanted on the "Cardinal's snub," as if it were of some consequence to English Churchmen what view a follower of the "Italian mission" holds on this subject. "Policy not law" prevails in Curia Romana quite as much as in the Privy Council.

THE Church Times reviewing a book called The Arsenal of Devotion, by Paul Parfait, translated by an Oxford graduate says: This is painful reading, for we can hardly bring ourselves to believe that men having the love of God and of truth in their hearts, could devise all the rubbish recounted in a hostile, and not always reverent, spirit by the author. The end of the book, however, has a long list of publications, chiefly French, from which the writer has made his quotations. and in which they can be verified. English Churchmen who know Romanism only in its English dress have no idea of the utterly repulsive and degrading devotions recommended to Romanists on the continent. Here are the materials for forming a judgment; let them be examined, and if possible refuted. We have before us one of Archbishop Taschereau's "Tickets for Heaven, 25 cts.," issued in Quebec, Sept., 1885. On the reverse of this precious document we find the following :- "Spiritual Treasure. All those who contribute the small sum of \$1 to the building of the new Cathedral of Montreal are entitled to a share in the great spiritual advantages herein mentioned: -10,048 Masses per annum during four years. 145,133 Communions per annum during four years. 323,807 Ways of the Cross per annum during four years. 16,372 Masses heard per annum during four years." Also a share in the benefits of so many Offices and Salve Reginas, together with the weekly profit " of seven million Aves recited by the Ave Maria Sodality," etc., etc. "Seen and approved by Edward, Bishop of