#### **興he Critic's Gorner.**

Arrangements have been made for the under-Arrangements have been made for the undersigned to occupy a small space in each issue of
the Canadian Evangement, in criticisms upon
important and difficult passages of the Word of
Gol, and he will be pleased to receive any suggestions or queries in regard to such from any
of its readers; with the understanding, however, that only such questions as relate to what
is practical and useful will receive attention
and that subjects of mere speculation or diseuriouty will be discarded. E. Sheppard,
Walkerton P. O., Bruce Co.

DEAR BRO. SHEPPARD, -I was much pleased with your explanations of my to do n questions. Thanks. I suppose I may Christ. now ask for more information.

1. In confessing that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, does the penitent confess that He is his Lord, and also that Ho is his Sariour?

Certainly. Those are the words used by Poter at Cosarea Phillipi, and is the fundamental Confession of Faith embracing all the relations in which Jesus was manifested to save man :-and, hence, the rock on which He built the church. It is a declaration, not of human opinions, but of that which the Father had revealed to Peter. "It is Christological, that is a confession of Jesus Christ as the centre and heart of the whole Christian system."

2. Is it possible to prove from the New Tostament that it is necessary for believers to confess by word of mouth that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, before being baptized, or may the confession be made after baptism?

" With the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation," and as faith precedes baptism, so we judge the confession of Christ as the Son of God should precede it also; the case of the Eunuch would seem to make this plain, for, admitting that the latter part of the 37th verse of Acts viii. is not authentic, still an answer to Philip's words: "If thou believest with all thine heart thou mayest" (be baptized) must have been given in the affirmative before he was baptizedwhich would be a confession of Christ.

But, in regard to a difficulty stated in a letter accompanying the above queries, "how to take into fellowship one who is a believer, who has been baptized by one not in our brotherhood, and who has never yot confessed by word of mouth the good confession,' we have no hesitation in saying that if that "believer" honestly, with a true heart obeyed the Saviour, though he may not formally have confessed with the mouth, yet, certainly in asking for baptism he must have made known his belief in Jesus as his Saviour, and ought to be received into full fellowship with the brotherhood.

#### 'My oman's 'My ork.

Conducted by Mrs S. M. Brown and Miss Jessie R Agnew. Everything intended for this column should be sent to Mrs. B. M. Brown, Ridgetown, Ont.

DEAR SISTERS OF THE PROVINCE,-You will have noted that preparations are being made for our Annual Meeting, or fifth anniversary. Do wo realize it is so near us, and think we have so much to prepare for it? Torouto is an important centre, and we should come fully prepared so the representation of our work would be clear and pointed so as to consumo as little time holy faith; you will go home better "Holp me! Have mercy on me!" mosting on the 5th, or as early in the horrors.—The Voice.

month as convenient, so as to give the secretaries ample time to report before the middle of the month. You know it is not easy to patch up the Sccretary's report during the meeting, therefore, I will beg you to see to this promptly. We hope to see the Minnedosa building fund paid up, as they have their hands full up there: however. we expect to hear a good report from them. Let us come earnestly seeking will give me time to prepare mine and to do more for the Master. Yours, in MRS. E. McCLURO,

Cor. Sec. Ivan, April 18, 1891.

ing robes, white in the fountain of His be glad to hear it. blood," and open wide our hearts that the warming, quickening rays of the renew our vows before Him, and trust ing so faithfully. ing in His all-perfect strength, and ever present help, consecrate ourselves and all we have cheerfully, lovingly to His service more fully than we have ever done before.

The program for our Convention will be given in next issue. We trust me off," said a bright youth. that our sisters are eagerly looking forward to the time of meeting ar greeting. Some writer has said that 'the greatest pleasure in life is in anticipation." There are exceptious to this, as we have often proved in the past, when we have come together in our Annual Meetings, and realized, not the sorrow that flows from eye to eye, but the " joy from heart to heart"

All will regret that our beloved Treasurer, Sister Jennie Floming, is not at all well. The months of anxious watching and nursing by the sick bed of the dear sister, who has at last said :passed over into rest, have sorely tried her strength. But we hope and pray that she may be able to be with us in June. We need her wise, thoughtful all of you." counsel in our deliberations.

S. M. Brown.

#### Elemperance.

The Sights that Make Fanatics

The most of us confess that the inordinate use of strong drink is a great evil, but we are too busy to as possible, that we may give the more think of it, and we pass on. But let carnest heed to the Word. No doubt a man or a woman once become known our sister, Jessie H. Brown, will have as interested, and such a swarm of some good things to say to us if we skeleton arms reach up their fingers, give her the time. We hope to see clutching for help! Such a wail, such one or more delegates from each Aux- a chorus, such a diapason of greaus iliary, knowing it will increase your salute the reformer; all because he is zoal and build you up in your most a reformer, and new to the business. qualified to do valiant work for the Gentle reader, these are the voices and King. It is gratifying to know that sights that make men fanatics. You last year all the Auxiliaries reported know nothing of them. . . . But he the work done; some came in a little who has once turned an inquiring late of course, but this year we will and friendly face toward the victims ask the President to call their May of drink is besieged with crowding

#### Cahildren's Mork.

Mrs. Jas. Ledlard, Supt., Owen Sourd, Ont., to whom communications for this department should be addressed.

DEAR CHILDREN, -- I have only time to remind you that it is nearly time to be thinking about your annual reports. Will you try and let me have them not later than the 20th of May, which will take in the second meeting in May for the bands who have two during the mouth? Your report should state your present membership; how many gained or lost during the year; how At this glad resurrection time of the much money you have raised for all year, when all nature is responding to purposes, how raised, and to what it the quickening touch of the lifegiving has been applied. Be careful to state band, it is most fitting that the children what you would like done with the of the King should put on new gar- money in the hands of the Treasurer monts of praise and thanksgiving for for next year's work. Will you state the infinite mercies of the past, as whether any of the members of the well as for the blessed assurance that bands have upited with the church for us, too, there awaits the glorious during the last year, and how many? brightness of a resurrection morn. What studies have you taken, and Wherefore, beloved, seeing we have what have you found most interesting this hope, this living hope, let us anew. in your meetings? If anything of "Wash the dark stains on our travel- special interest has occurred I should J. E. L.

DEAR MRS. LEDIARD,-Tho "Wil-Sun of rightcousness may fill us with ling Workers," of Cecil Street church. new life, and vigor, and activity in Toronto, have worked very faithfully the work He has committed to our for some months past. We meet from hands. We have been as those that house to house, twice in the month for slopt, and did but dream of working, sowing; and have made during that and giving, and hving for our Lord. time, nine quilts. The proceeds from He has been very patient with us, the sale of these quilts, including the bearing with our selfishness and luke birthday box collections, amounted to warmness, and oven giving us liberal \$25.00, which we paid into the Church and great rewards for the little service Formshing Fund. Our regular Miswe have given Him. But, leaving the sion fees amount to \$2.75. We are things that are behind, let us now glad to see the other bands are work-

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"I get two dollars a week and father gets five dollars a day."

"How much does your mether get t" With a bewildered look the boy

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"I thought you said she worked for

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