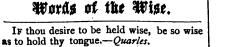
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I PREFER the wisdom of the unlearned to the folly of the loquacious. - Cicero,

Not every one who has the gift of speech understands the value of silence.—Lavater. LEARN to hold thy tongue. Five words cost Zacharias forty weeks' silence. - Fuller. THERE are many who talk on from ignorance rather than from knowledge.-Hazlitt.

WE are upheld by the truth that God once walked on the earth, and that a man sits on the throne. -H. G. Weston.

THOSE who have few affairs to attend to are great speakers. The less men think, the more they talk.—*Montesquieu*.

FILL the heart with the treasures of the Word; and the attractions and pleasures of sin will have small chance to enter.

A PERSON that would secure himself great deference, will, perhaps, gain his point by si-lence as effectually as anything he can say. -Shenston.

Brisk talkers are usually slow thinkers. There is, indeed, no wild beast more to be dreaded than a communicative man having nothing to communicate.—Swift.

devil tempts men through their ambi-THE tion, their cupidity, or their appetite, until he comes to the profane swearer, whom he catches without any reward.—*Horace Mann.* 

SUPPOSING all the great points of Atheism were formed into a kind of creed, I would fain ask whether it would not require an in-finitely greater measure of faith than any set of articles which they so violently oppose. Addison.

WHERE science speaks of improvement, Christianity speaks of renovation; where science speaks of development, Christianity speaks of sanctification; where science speaks of progress, Christianity speaks of perfection.  $-\mathcal{F}$ . O. Thompson.

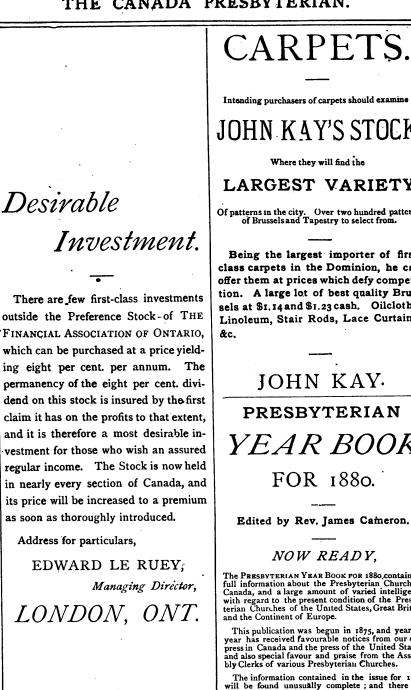
"THE Church in the world," says a recent writer, "is like a ship on the ocean. The ship is safe enough in the ocean, so long as the ocean is not in the ship. The Church is safe enough in the world, so long as the world is not in the Church."

No Christian, though the poorest and humblest, ever need despair of doing a noble work for God. He need never wait until he work for God. He need never wait until he can obtain the co-operation of the multitude or of the wealthy. Let him undertake what he believes to be his duty, on ever so small a scale, and look directly to God for aid and di-rection. If it be a seed which God has planted, it will take root, grow and bear fruit, "having seed within itself."—Francis Way-land land.

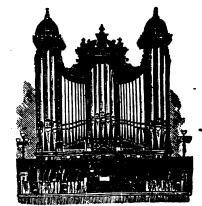
land. MALICIOUS words are cousins in sin to idle and profane ones. Paul says, "Let all bit-terness and evil speaking be put away from you with all malice." Kind words are the oil that lubricates every-day intercourse. They cost little. A phrase of common com-fort, "that by daily use haft almost lost its sense, will fall upon the saddened heart like choicest music." We love to meet certain people. They always have a kind, cheerful, inspiriting word for us. They make us hope-ful, and heal our heart-aches.

ful, and heal our heart-aches. THE excellent Mr. Finley, of Edinburgh, spoke habitually of death as only a step which would take him into his Father's house. His conversation was truly in heaven. In one of his many errands of mercy, he called on a young girl sinking in a decline. Looking on her wan face, he took her hand, and said with a smile: "Weel, my dear, you're afore me. You're only nineteen, an' you're afore me. You're only nineteen, an' you're afore me. You're only nineteen, an' you're seventy, an' maybe I'll have some hard steps afore I'll hear its ripple. O, las-sie, this is a sweet day for you. Ye'll get home first." ONE morning last summer I was standing

ONE morning last summer I was standing in the shadow of a great rock by the sea-shore. It rose hundreds of feet towards the sky, its gray sides so steep and awful that it made me giddy to look up. Presently I saw, far above my head, little patches of some-thing white and golden, and I soon found they were clusters of "moon" daisies, which had taken root in tiny holes in the rock and flowered there, and their brave little heads up at that great height nodded as happily to the sunshine and the breeze as though they had been growing down in some low-lying, level field. The dark waves might break and toss on the rocky shore below, and the rough ONE morning last summer I was standing field. The dark waves might break and toss on the rocky shore below, and the rough breeze come close up to them and shake them as if determined to carry them away, but the daisies had no fear. They were per-fectly safe, for they were clinging to the rock, and that rock was stronger than the wind or the waves of the sea. So are all little chil-dren in the arms of Jesus.—Mary Rawles.

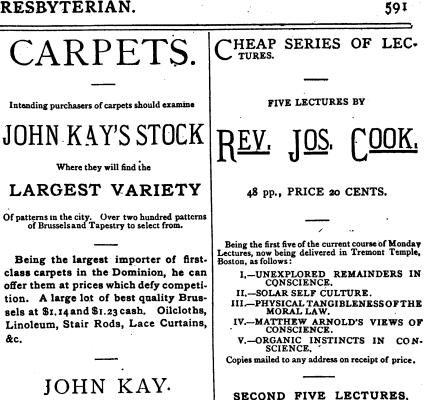


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