

TAKEN BY SIEGE.

The Story of a Young Journalist's Experiences in New York.

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Now you are joking again, but I believe you will miss me. We have had some pleasant times together, Mr. Hartstone, and although I have only known you a few short months you are like an old friend, perhaps I should say an old young friend. You seem to like me for myself and not for my profession. With most people I feel that it is Helen Knowlton, the prima donna, rather than Helen Knowlton, the woman, whom they care for. Am I not right? If I had nothing to do with the stage I really think that you would like me better.

"That would be impossible," Miss Knowlton, replied. "I am not a prima donna, but I am a woman, and I have my own part to play in the world. I am not a prima donna, but I am a woman, and I have my own part to play in the world. I am not a prima donna, but I am a woman, and I have my own part to play in the world."

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THE RELIGIOUS WORLD.

CHURCH NOTES AND NEWS GATHERED FROM ALL QUARTERS.

Missions in Japan—The First Was Begun Thirty Years Ago—Work of the American Board and Church Mission Society of England.

Japan is in an especial sense an American mission field. Of the twenty-six Protestant missionary societies which are laboring in that field twenty are American, including two Canada societies. The first missions in Japan were begun just thirty years ago. Missionaries of three American churches—the Presbyterian, the Reformed (Dutch), and the Protestant Episcopal—arrived in that country in 1859, and those of the American Board and Church Mission Society followed in the following year. These four churches, says The New York Times, carried on their missionary work there—and it seemed to be not very encouraging—without help until 1869, when the American Board and the Church Mission Society of England sent representatives to join them. Since that time other societies have entered the field one after another, nine having joined the American Board and the Church Mission Society in 1877, just two years after the Society of Friends (Quakers) had sent their missionaries. European societies have been slow to appreciate the mission of Japan as a whole, but they have missions in China and India, and the Society of Friends (Quakers) has sent its missionaries to Japan, begun so recently in 1888.

The Scotch Presbyterians, the English Baptists, and the Wesleyan Methodists have missionaries in Japan; but of the 483 missionaries laboring in Japan at the close of 1888, not fewer than 350 were from the United States and Canada. The number of converts for the most part in 1888 increased an increase of 90 for the year, which are wholly and 17 partially self-supporting—an increase of 38,504 members—a gain of 878, 068 scholars in day and boarding schools—a gain of 2,626, 289 for the most part, and 142 native ministers.

The increase of theological students was 71 and of native ministers 60. The growth of hospital practice may be inferred from the fact that the number of patients increased from 3,824 in 1887 to 17,779 in 1888. The contributions of native Christians for all purposes were \$2,888,700, an increase for the year of \$2,888,700. The number of native Christians of Japanese Christianity, the native Christians show a disposition to help themselves, their numbers increasing and to have a church of their own.

PRESBYTERIAN NOTES. Rev. Frederick J. Stanley, who has been pastor of the Presbyterian church at Blauvelt, Rockland county, N. Y., for nearly two years, has resigned to accept an appointment as military chaplain. He and his wife will sail from San Francisco for Japan.

The board of foreign missions of the Presbyterian church of the United States is facing a deficiency of \$201,000 on July 1st. The board of foreign missions of the Presbyterian church of the United States is facing a deficiency of \$201,000 on July 1st.

Children's day, as a missionary festival, by recommendation of the general assembly, will be observed throughout the Presbyterian church on the first Sabbath in June.

Twenty-one Presbyterian churches were erected in the synod of Iowa during the year 1888.

A Presbyterian church in South Australia, that of Millerton, has distinguished itself by adopting a new method of saying its debt. Having got the loan from a friend of six hundred dollars, the minister, Rev. T. Cunningham, and some twenty of his flock, plowed and sowed the ground, and the whole was purchased as a stock, raised 877, sufficient to pay the debt.

Anglican Street Presbyterian church, Baltimore, Rev. J. Addison Smith, pastor, has abolished the system of pew rents, and the church is now open to all.

The congregations are growing from Sabbath to Sabbath.

Two Hundred and Fifty Years Old. The First Church of Christ in Milford, Conn., will celebrate its 250th anniversary next August. It was organized in New Haven, Aug. 22, 1638. There were two famous churches gathered at New Haven in two days, one following upon the other, says The New Haven Palladium.

First, the First Church of Christ in New Haven, and the First Church of Christ in Milford, and with this singular circumstance, that a nighty band was the place wherein the duties of that solemnity were performed. The Rev. Peter Prudden was the first pastor of the Milford church.

Slight derangements of the stomach and bowels may often be corrected by taking only one of Ayer's Pills, without having Pills at hand, your disorder increases. For the want of a pill, the shoe was lost.

Angus McMillan, of Douglasport, accidentally shot himself last Tuesday. His recovery is considered impossible. He is the last of a family of seven who lived on the Bathurst road a few years since.

Savages expect to imitate bravery by taking the blood of their bravest warriors. It is by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla that the blood is purified and the strength and fortitude to endure the trial of life.

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Good News. Dear Sirs—I can recommend Hazard Yellow Oil as a sure cure for rheumatism. It is a sure cure for rheumatism. It is a sure cure for rheumatism.

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"Now it seems," said Mrs. Gray, "that there is a party by the name of John."

ADVICE TO ROTTER.

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Travelling Public. HAVING PURCHASED THE BARKER HOUSE, I desire to say a few words to the travelling public.

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RAILROADS.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY. 1888 WINTER ARRANGEMENT, 1889.

Trains will leave St. John. On MONDAY, November 24th, the train of the Railway will run daily (Sundays excepted) as follows:

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